



EBC 2nd Annual Infrastructure Leadership Webinar Regional DOT Leadership on Transportation Goals for New England

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Virtual Program – Webinar

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AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction:** Sam Moffett, Program Co-Chair
Member, EBC Infrastructure Committee
Senior Principal Planner, Weston & Sampson
- 9:20 a.m. **Massachusetts**
- Carrie Lavalley, Deputy Administrator and Chief Engineer
Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT)
- 9:40 a.m. **Connecticut**
- Kimberly Lesay, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Policy and Planning
Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT)
- 10:00 a.m. **Networking Break**
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:20 a.m. **New Hampshire**
- David Rodrigue, Assistant Commissioner
New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT)

10:40 a.m. Rhode Island

- Loren Doyle, Chief Operating Officer
Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT)

11:00 a.m. Moderated Discussion

Moderator: Michael Scipione, Program Co-Chair
Member, EBC Infrastructure Committee
Chief Development Officer, Weston & Sampson

Panel Members:

- Loren Doyle, RIDOT
- Kimberly Lesay, CTDOT
- Carrie Lavallee, MassDOT
- David Rodrigue, NHDOT

11:30 a.m. Adjourn

PROGRAM CHAIRS

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Sam Moffett, Senior Principal Planner with Weston & Sampson has 25 years of planning and permitting experience in the Boston area. He focuses his professional practice on the planning, permitting and licensing of transportation and electrical infrastructure projects. He has been with Weston & Sampson since mid-2022.

In addition to his participation as a member of the EBC Infrastructure Committee, Sam is also a member of the ACEC-TALC MassDOT Highway Partnering Committee, and the Consulting Planners of Massachusetts.

Sam holds an A.L.B. from the Harvard University Extension School with a concentration in Government, and an M.A. in Urban and Environmental Policy from Tufts University.

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Michael J. Scipione, P.E., Executive Advisor of Weston & Sampson, has nearly 40 years of engineering experience. Since joining Weston & Sampson in 1985 as a project engineer, Mike has risen through the corporation and been instrumental in the success and growth of the firm. In 2005, Mike was elected and promoted to the position of President and Chief Executive Officer. Under his leadership, Weston & Sampson has experienced significant growth to more than 725 employees in regional offices throughout the Northeast, Southeast, and Mid-Atlantic regions.

As the firm's CEO, Mike provided clients and business associates with an accessible and hands-on approach to projects while fostering Weston & Sampson's tradition of prompt client service and response. A professional engineer in all New England states, Mike has been active in and/or held offices in national and regional professional organizations throughout his career, including the Environmental Business Council, the American Council of Engineering Companies, the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, American Water Works Association, and the Solid Waste Association of North America.

Mike holds a Master of Science in Environmental Engineering from Northeastern University and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He is also a graduate of ACEC's Senior Executive Institute and Harvard Business School's Program for Leadership Development.

SPEAKERS

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Loren has more than 15 years of experience in accountancy. She began her career at F & F Associates, a private accounting firm in Cranston RI. After 9 years in private industry, she made a career move to Government when she was chosen to assist on the transition team for Mayor Napolitano when he was elected Mayor for the City of Cranston. Following that, she was hired by the Mayor's Administration to assist the Finance Director in the day-to-day Finance tasks. In 2007 she was offered a position at the State of Rhode Island Department of Transportation as a Senior Accountant in the Grants section of Financial Management.

In January of 2009 she was promoted to Supervising Accountant for the Accounts Payable section of Financial Management. In this role she was responsible for managing the Accounts Payable staff and ensured that all Department of Transportation invoices were paid in a timely manner. In November of 2010 she was promoted to Administrator, Financial Management where she was responsible for the Accounts Payable and Accounting sections of Financial Management with a primary focus on all aspects of the State Fiscal Close process. She was promoted to the position of Assistant Director of Financial and Contract Management in September of 2014 during which time she was also tasked with the additional responsibility of overseeing the Purchasing and Accounts Receivable sections of Financial Management. In 2015, she took on the role of Chief Financial Officer, where she was responsible for not only all Finance tasks including the Capital and Operating budgets, but to also oversee the Contracts and Specifications section as well as the Training, IT and Human Resources section.

Loren was born and raised in Rhode Island and currently resides in Johnston with her husband. She enjoys all this State has to offer and gives back to the community any chance she gets.

Carrie Lavalley, Deputy Administrator and Chief Engineer
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Carrie was responsible for MassDOT's expanded \$1.8B a year capital program last year that included new Federal infrastructure funding and one of the largest investments in bridges in the Commonwealth's history.

Over the last two decades, Carrie has served in multiple roles at MassDOT starting as a Project Designer and working her way up through Project Management. Previously, she served as the District 6 Project Development Engineer helping to develop solutions to some of the most complex transportation problems facing the Greater Boston area before becoming the Chief Engineer. Additionally, Carrie has been a longtime member of MassDOT's Underwater Bridge Inspection Team performing inspections throughout Massachusetts. Carrie is a licensed professional engineer, a certified bridge inspector, an active member of WTS International, AASHTO committees and TRB committees, and holds a BS in Civil Engineering from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

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Kimberly Lesay is the Bureau Chief of Policy & Planning at the Connecticut Department of Transportation. Kimberly has a degree in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology from UCONN and began her career in Environmental Planning as an entry level trainee. With over 28 years in the Transportation industry, much of her career has been dedicated to public sector service. Kimberly is striving to break down both internal and external silos and improve processes within the Bureau in their mission to provide for increased safety, sustainability, accessibility and mobility of people and goods, protection and enhancement of the cultural and natural resources, and enhanced modal integration of the transportation system.

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Dave was confirmed as Assistant Commissioner on December 20, 2022. He started with NHDOT in 1991 and has worked in the Bureaus of Highway Design, Construction, Traffic and Highway Maintenance. In 2005 Dave was the Department's first Transportation Management Center and Intelligent Transportation Management System Program Manager where he worked to construct, outfit and open the 24 hour a day X 7 days a week Transportation Management Center. Over the next 5 years Dave was the Assistant District 3 Engineer in 3 Gilford, the Interim District 1 Engineer in Lancaster and The District Engineer in District 5 Bedford before becoming the Assistant Director of Operations in 2012. Most recently Dave has been the Director of Operations since 2016. Dave believes providing a safe, accessible, well planned, constructed, preserved and maintained transportation system is a critical responsibility to enable prosperity and quality of life for all.

Dave graduated from UNH with a Bachelor of Science degree, he is married to his wife Jodie, and he lives in Webster, NH.