

Acronym	Definition
3C	continuous, comprehensive, cooperative [planning process]
A&F	administration and finance
AACT	Access Advisory Committee to the MBTA
ABP	Accelerated Bridge Program
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
ADT	average daily traffic
AFC	automated fare collection
AMPO	Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations
APC	automatic passenger counter
APTA	American Public Transportation Association
ARAN	automatic road analyzer
ARRA	The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
ASL	American sign language
ATR	automatic traffic recorder
AVL	automatic vehicle location
AWDT	average weekday daily traffic
BCIL	Boston Center for Independent Living
BRA	Boston Redevelopment Authority
BRT	bus rapid transit
BTD	Boston Transportation Department
CA/T	Central Artery/Tunnel [project]
CAA	Clean Air Act of 1970
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990
CATA	Cape Ann Transportation Authority
CBD	central business district
CFR	Code of Federal Regulation
CHSTP	Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan
CIC	Community Innovation Challenge
CIP	Capital Investment Program
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality
CMP	Congestion Management Process
CNG	compressed natural gas
CO	carbon monoxide
CO2	carbon dioxide
CTPS	Central Transportation Planning Staff [to the Boston Region MPO]
CTTAP	Community Transportation Technical Assistance Program

Acronym	Definition
DBMS	Database Management System
DCAMM	Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance
DCR	Department of Conservation and Recreation
DEIR	draft environmental impact report [MA]
DEIS	draft environmental impact statement [federal]
DEP	Department of Environmental Protection [MA]
DMU	diesel multiple unit
DTA	dynamic traffic assignment
EERPAT	Energy and Emissions Reduction Policy Analysis Tool
EIR	environmental impact report [MA]
EIS	environmental impact statement [federal]
EJ	environmental justice
EOEEA	Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs [MA]
EOHED	Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development [MA]
EOHHS	Executive Office of Health and Human Services [MA]
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency [federal]
EPDO	equivalent property damage only [index]
ETC	electronic toll collection
FDR	functional design report
FEIR	final environmental impact report [MA]
FEIR	final environmental impact statement [federal]
FFGA	full funding grant agreement
FFY, FFYs	federal fiscal year, federal fiscal years
FHEA	Fair Housing Equity Assessment
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FONSI	finding of no significant impact
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
GANS	grant anticipation notes [municipal bond financing]
GHG	greenhouse gas [as in greenhouse gas emissions]
GIS	geographic information system
GLX	Green Line Extension [Green Line Extension project]
GPS	global positioning system
GWI	global warming index
GWSA	Global Warming Solutions Act of 2008 [MA]
HOV	high-occupancy vehicle
HPP	high-priority projects
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Program
HTC	Healthy Transportation Compact
ICC	Inner Core Committee [MAPC subregion]

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IMS	intermodal management system	
INVEST	Infrastructure Voluntary Evaluation Sustainability Tool [FHWA]	
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act [federal]	
IT&S	Information Technology and Systems [CTPS group]	
ITDP	Institute for Transportation and Development Policy	
ITE	Institute of Transportation Engineers	
ITS	intelligent transportation systems	
JARC	Job Access and Reverse Commute [program]	
LAP	language access plan	
LCW	Livable Community Workshop	
LEP	limited English proficiency	
LNG	liquefied natural gas	
LOS	level of service	
LRTA	Lowell Regional Transit Authority	
LRTP	Long-Range Transportation Plan	
MAGIC	Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination	
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act [federal]	
MAPC	Metropolitan Area Planning Council	
MARPA	Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Agencies	
MassDOT	Massachusetts Department of Transportation	
MassGIS	Massachusetts Office of Geographic Information	
Massport	Massachusetts Port Authority	
MassRIDES	MassDOT's statewide travel options program	
MBCR	Massachusetts Bay Commuter Railroad	
MBTA	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	
MCAD	Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination	
MEMA	Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency	
MEPA	Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act	
MGL	Massachusetts general laws	
MHS	metropolitan highway system	
MAGIC	Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination [MAPC subregion]	
MOU	memorandum of understanding	
MOVES	Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator [EPA]	
MPO	metropolitan planning organization [Boston Region MPO]	
MPOinfo	Boston Region MPO's email contact list	
MWGMC	MetroWest Growth Management Committee	
MWRC	MetroWest Regional Collaborative [MAPC subregion]	
MWRTA	MetroWest Regional Transit Authority	

Acronym	Definition
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NBPD	National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NHPP	National Highway Performance Program
NMHC	non-methane hydrocarbons
NSTF	North Shore Task Force [MAPC subregion]
NSPC	North Suburban Planning Council [MAPC subregion]
NOx	nitrogen oxides
NTD	National Transit Database
NTP	notice to proceed
O&M	operations and management
ODCR	Office of Diversity and Civil Rights [MassDOT]
OE	operating expenses
OTA	Office for Transportation Access [MBTA]
OTP	Office of Transportation Planning [MassDOT]
P3 [1]	Public Participation Plan
P3 [2]	public private partnership
PBPP	performance-based planning and programming
PDM	Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program [federal]
PEV	pedestrian environmental variable
PL	public law [PL] funds, or metropolitan planning funds [FHWA]
PM2.5	particulate matter smaller than 2.5 micrometers in size
PM10	particulate matter up to 10 micrometers in size
PMT	Program for Mass Transportation [MBTA]
ppm	parts per million
PSA	Project Selection Advisory Council
RCCs	Regional Coordinating Councils
RIF	roadway inventory file
RMV	Registry of Motor Vehicles
ROC	Rider Oversight Committee [MBTA]
ROW	right-of-way
RPA	regional planning agency
RSA	Roadway Safety Audit [FHWA]
RSS	rich site summary [Web, feed]
RTA	regional transit authority
RTAC	Regional Transportation Advisory Council [Advisory Council]
RTC	Regional Transportation Center

Acronym	Definition
SAFE	service and fare equity [analysis]
SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act-A Legacy for Users
SCCCT	Statewide Coordinating Council on Community Transportation
SCI	sustainable communities initiative
SDO	supplier diversity office
SFY	state fiscal year
SGR	state-of-good repair
SHRP	Strategic Highway Research Program
SHSP	Strategic Highway Safety Plan
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SNAC	special needs advisory committee
SNLA	Small Necessities Leave Act
SORE	statement of revenue and expenses
SOV	single-occupancy vehicle
SPR	Statewide Planning and Research
SRTS	Safe Routes to School
STB	State Transportation Building [Boston]
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
STP	Surface Transportation Program
SWAP	South West Advisory Committee [MAPC subregion]
TAM	transit asset management
TAP	Transportation Alternatives Program
TAZ	transportation analysis zone
TCMs	transportation control measures
TCRP	Transit Cooperative Research Program
TDM	travel-demand management, or transportation-demand management
TE	transportation equity
TEAMS	Travel Efficiency Assessment Method
TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century [federal]
TIGER	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery [TIGER Discretionary Grant program, federal]
TIGGER	Transit Investments for Greenhouse Gas and Energy Reduction [FTA grant program]
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program [MPO]
Title VI	Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
TMA [1]	transportation management area [FTA, FHWA]
TMA [2]	Transportation Management Association

Acronym	Definition
TMC	turning movement counts
TOD	transit-oriented development
TRB	Transportation Research Board
TREDIS	Transportation Economic Development Impact System [software]
TRIC	Three Rivers Interlocal Council [MAPC subregion]
TSIMS	Transportation Safety Information Management System
TSM	transportation systems management [FHWA]
UFP	ultrafine particles
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
US	The United States of America
USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
USGS	US Geological Survey
UZA	urbanized area
V/C	volume-to-capacity ratio
VHT	vehicle-hours traveled
VMS	variable message signs
VMT	vehicle-miles traveled
VOCs	volatile organic compounds [pollutants]
VRH	vehicle revenue-hours
VRM	vehicle revenue-miles
WalkBoston	pedestrian advocacy group [Boston area]
WAT	walk-access transit
WMM	weMove Massachusetts [MassDOT long-range transportation plan]
WTS	Women in Transportation Seminar
YMM	youMove Massachusetts [MassDOT planning initiative]