

Town of Exeter, Rhode Island

PLANNING BOARD

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Exeter, R.I. 02822

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October 26, 2011

Rhode Island Department of Administration
STATEWIDE PLANNING PROGRAM
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908
ATTN: Ms Karen Scott

RE: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Funding Application

Dear Ms. Scott:

The Exeter Town Council has directed me to make the following application for funding under the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Please note that the proposed project was the subject of a public hearing held by the Town of Exeter Planning Board on October 25, 2011, at which support for the project was voiced. This project proposes improvements to the intersection of two high volume state highways, an intersection that is consistently one of the highest accident locations in Exeter. It is also an intersection through which all Exeter traffic to and from the high school and middle school must pass. I have enclosed the following items with this application:

- One original and seven copies of the Application Form
- One original and seven copies of the Project Prioritization Cover Sheet
- Eight copies of a map showing the location of the intersection
- One original of a letter from the Exeter Council President authorizing the application (sent in advance via mail)
- Eight copies of a one page application narrative
- Eight copies of a support letter from Town Sergeant, Richard S. Brown

- Eight copies of the Legal Notice for the Public Hearing held by the Planning Board

As directed, I have sent this entire package electronically via email. If there is anything further I can do to facilitate this process, please contact me at 294-2612 or email me at planner@town.exeter.ri.us

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Schweid". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

David W. Schweid, AICP
Exeter Planner

CC: Exeter Town Council

Enclosures

Transportation Improvement Program

Application - New Projects Only

State Planning Council
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www.planning.ri.gov



CONTACT

Contact Information

Entity / Organization Town of Exeter
Contact Person David Schweid-Town Planner
Address 675 Ten Rod Rd
City Exeter Rhode Island Zip Code 02822
Phone 401-294-2612 Email planner@town.exeter.ri.us

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Information

Project Title Intersection Improvement
Location by Street Name Route 3 and Route 102 South
Project Limits - From Beginning of Intersection To End of Intersection
Location Maps - 8 1/2" x 11" Attach Map of Site Indicating Project Limits
Priority Proposal Number 1 of a Total of 1 Proposals
Regional Submission - Yes No Communities _____
Brief Description of Proposed Project
Remove "Y" shaped double light intersection and replace with single light "T" intersection or a modern roundabout.

Describe Need for Proposed Project
The current design is unsafe and is the highest accident location in Town.

Enterprise Zone - Yes No Details _____
Located Within State Land Use Plan 2025 Map's Designated Growth Center - Yes No
Located Within State Land Use Plan 2025 Map's Urban Services Boundary - Yes No
Consistent with Local Comprehensive Plan - Yes No
Consistent with State Guide Plan Transportation 2030 - Yes No

Transportation Improvement Program

Project Prioritization Cover Sheet

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Contact Person David Schweid-Town Planner

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City Exeter Rhode Island Zip Code 02822

Phone 401-294-2612 Email planner@town.exeter.ri.us

PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

Priority	Listed in TIP 2009 - 2012		Regional Project		Project Name
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
1		✓			Intersection Improvement- Route 3 and Route 102 South

Please use an additional sheet if necessary.

CERTIFICATION

Applicant Certification

The information provided on this application is in accordance with local regulations and ordinances.

David W. Schweid Applicant Title Town Planner

David W. Schweid Signature Date 10/26/11

Official Certification - For Statewide Planning Use Only

Submission Date _____ Accepted by _____

INFORMATION

Additional Information

Information addressing the following categories of review criteria as described in the Transportation Improvement Program, Guidance on Applying Criteria for Evaluation of Project Proposals should be provided separately. Submission must **not exceed 2 pages**, single spaced, 12-point font:

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. Mobility Benefits | 4. Environmental Impact |
| 2. Cost-Effectiveness | 5. Degree of Support to Local and State Goals and Plan |
| 3. Economic Development Impact | 6. Safety, Security, and Technology |

PROJECT ESTIMATES

Project Estimates

	ROW	Study	Design	Construction	Total
Estimated Project Costs					
Total Cost					
Amount Requested Through TIP Process					

Funding from other sources committed to this project - Yes No

Source	Amount
Total	

NOTIFICATION / CERTIFICATION

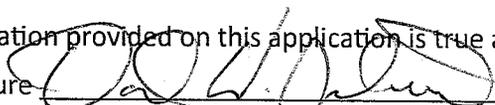
Notification / Certification

Date of Local Public Hearing 10/25/11
Municipal & Regional Planning Agency Projects Only

Preferred TAC Public Hearing

- | | |
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| <input type="radio"/> November 7 at 6:00 pm - South Kingstown Town Hall | <input type="radio"/> November 8 at 9:00 am - Department of Administration |
| <input type="radio"/> November 9 at 6:00 pm - Blackstone Valley Corridor | <input type="radio"/> November 10 at 6:00 pm - Middletown Town Hall |

Attest: The information provided on this application is true and accurate

Applicant's Signature  Date 10/25/11

Chief Executive Official's Signature _____ Date _____

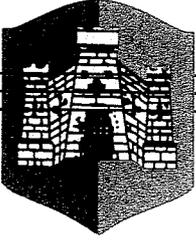
ADMINISTRATIVE

Application Checklist - Submitted by October 28, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

- 8 Collated Copies of Completed Application
 - Forms - Project Prioritization & Application
 - Attached 2-page narrative
 - Location Maps as PDF files
- Email a copy of completed application to linsey.cameron@doa.ri.gov or provide on a CD
- Mail to:

Rhode Island Statewide Planning Program	Statewide Planning Official Use Only
ATTN: Linsey Cameron, Supervising Planner	Submission Date _____
One Capitol Hill	Accepted by _____
Providence, RI 02908	





Town of Exeter, Rhode Island

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TOWN COUNCIL

Arlene B. Hicks, *President*
William P. Monahan, *Vice President*
Raymond A. Morrissey, Jr.
Daniel W. Patterson
Calvin A. Ellis

October 26, 2011

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One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908

ATTN: Ms Karen Scott

Dear Ms. Scott:

Please be advised that the Exeter Town Council fully supports the application for TIP funding to improve the intersection of Rhode Island State Highway Route 3 and Route 102 South. This is a dangerous intersection that has been the site of numerous accidents.

The current design is a very unusual design and not a good design. This is the only project Exeter is proposing for the upcoming (2013 – 2016) TIP and it is very important for our Town.

In addition to being a major connecting route to both I -95 and the neighboring communities of West Greenwich and Hope Valley, virtually all Exeter traffic to and from the Exeter West Greenwich High School, Junior High School, and Metcalf Elementary School must past through this intersection, as well as West Greenwich traffic going to and from the Wawaloam School.

I hope you approve our application for the TIP. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Arlene B. Hicks
Exeter Council President

TIP APPLICATION NARRATIVE

Proposed Project:

The proposed project is the re-design and re-construction of the intersection of Route 3 and Route 102 South in Exeter.

Mobility Benefits:

This is the southern intersection of two state highways, the four lane Route 3 and two lane Route 102. Currently Route 3 has in excess of 8,000 ADT and Route 102 has in excess of 9,000 ADT

The existing design (often described as a chicken foot) for this intersection is seriously flawed. Its movements are cumbersome and unsafe. It is consistently the highest accident location in Exeter. For traffic moving south on Route 3 making a left turn onto Route 102, drivers must queue up at a yield sign with very little queue space, thus stopping one or more times after turning left at the light. For traffic making a left from Route 102 onto Route 3 south, they must queue in a very short space and are often faced with a choice of blocking traffic on Route 102 trying to go north on Route 3, or blocking the traffic off Route 3 trying to go east on Route 102.

Cost Effectiveness:

The current design requires maintenance of six signal units. A simple signalized T intersection would reduce this number by half, a rotary would eliminate them altogether.

Environmental Impact:

The current design restricts flow. A re-designed intersection would result in improved flow and reduced emissions.

Local and State Support:

The proposed intersection improvement enjoys strong local support and in fact this is the only project the Town of Exeter is proposing for the 2013 – 2016 TIP.

This project has been on previous TIP's.

This project will facilitate traffic to the regional Exeter West Greenwich school system

Safety

This project will correct an existing significant safety problem

This project will greatly enhance safety to and from the Exeter West Greenwich regional school facility



Town of Exeter, Rhode Island

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October 27, 2011

Rhode Island Department of Administration
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Providence, RI 02908
ATTN: Ms. Karen Scott

Dear Ms. Scott,

For the past 10 years, I have been pursuing the State to improve the intersection of Route 3 and Route 102 in Exeter.

We have met with Department of Transportation regarding this problem. Due to the number of accidents at this intersection, it needs to be redesigned. One alternative would be to install a roundabout at this location. Roundabouts slow traffic and help to reduce the number of accidents.

I hope this project can be placed on the TIP so that alternative designs can be reviewed.

Anything that can be done would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Brown
Town Sergeant
Town of Exeter



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TOWN OF EXETER PLANNING BOARD

Legal Notice

The Exeter Planning Board will hold
a Public Hearing

To hear and discuss Exeter's recommendations for the upcoming
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
for Fiscal years 2013 – 2016.

To be held on
Tuesday, October 25, 2011 6:30 p.m.

in the Council Chambers, Exeter Town Hall,
675 Ten Rod Road, Exeter, Rhode Island

All interested parties are invited to attend.
The Planning Board will listen to public comments.

A seventy-two (72) hour notice is required for persons with sensory impairment requiring auxiliary aids by calling 295-7500. The Exeter Town Hall is handicapped accessible.

Per Order of the Exeter Planning Board

Lorraine Field
Planning Board Clerk