

ATTAIN -MaineDOT Connected Vehicles

FHWA Review Technical Merit Item 2:

Readiness of the proposed technology(ies) to be deployed and the likelihood of success of the Applicant to deploy and sustain the proposed technology(ies). This includes whether the Applicant has clearly articulated achievable timeframes for completion of its project development, including regulatory requirements, such as compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and other required permitting as applicable and achievable timeframes for project implementation post award.

Response from MaineDOT Environmental Office:

MaineDOT anticipates the deployment and enhancement of connected vehicle technology associated with the Project to be eligible for a NEPA Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR 771.117 (21):

(21) Deployment of electronics, photonics, communications, or information processing used singly or in combination, or as components of a fully integrated system, to improve the efficiency or safety of a surface transportation system or to enhance security or passenger convenience. Examples include, but are not limited to, traffic control and detector devices, lane management systems, electronic payment equipment, automatic vehicle locaters, automated passenger counters, computer-aided dispatching systems, radio communications systems, dynamic message signs, and security equipment including surveillance and detection cameras on roadways and in transit facilities and on buses.

*The Categorical Exclusion will be processed in accordance with the **Programmatic Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration, Maine Division and the Maine Department of Transportation Regarding the Processing of Actions Classified as Categorical Exclusions for Federal-Aid Highway Projects.***