



walkBoston

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David Mohler
Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization
Attn: Mark Callahan
State Transportation Building
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Boston, MA 02116

Dear Mr. Mohler and Members of the MPO:

WalkBoston urges you to include funding for the Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square projects in the Boston MPO Long Range Transportation Plan.

The existing design and operations of Rutherford Avenue and its ugly and fast underpass discourage transit, pedestrian and bicycle trips. It is a reflection of an outmoded approach to transportation and roadway planning which we have happily abandoned. Repairing this mistake, and providing greatly improved multi-modal transportation options to the residents and employees of nearby Boston, Somerville and Cambridge neighborhoods make the proposed Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square projects valuable transportation investments.

Thank you for considering our comments in your deliberations.

Best regards,

Wendy Landman
Executive Director