

**MINUTEMAN ADVISORY GROUP  
ON INTERLOCAL COOPERATION /  
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING  
COUNCIL**

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The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) is a regional planning agency serving the people who live and work in the 101 cities and towns of Metropolitan Boston.

The Town of Concord's regional participation with MAPC includes a focus on municipal management, sustainable land use, protection of natural resources, efficient and affordable transportation, a diverse housing stock, public safety, economic development and wastewater solutions.

Concord also benefits from the planning and sharing of resources in our participation in the Minuteman (MAGIC) sub-region of MAPC. Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination (MAGIC) is a group of thirteen communities northwest of Boston working collaboratively on issues of regional concern. Established as a growth management committee in 1984, it has become a respected voice in regional decision-making.

The group focuses on transportation, the environment, energy, open space, affordable housing, economic and community development, and legislative issues, provid-

ing leadership on planning issues vital to the region's future.

One specific local project that directly impacts Concord and the preservation of our community is the Battle Road Scenic Byway. The byway runs roughly parallel to Route 2 along approximately fifteen miles of roads in the communities of Arlington, Lexington, Lincoln, and Concord, including part of the Minute Man National Historical Park. Not only is this route famous for its role in the American Revolution. The Battle Road Scenic Byway is a Road to Revolutions because of literary, environmental, and technological revolutions that have occurred along the Byway throughout its history through today.

The communities of Arlington, Lexington, Lincoln, and Concord, the Minute Man National Historical Park, MAPC, and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation are collaborating to help conserve this historic route and to highlight its archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational, and scenic qualities. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts officially designated The Battle Road Scenic Byway on November 6, 2006. With funding from the Federal Highway Administration's Scenic Byways program and a match from the Massachusetts Highway Department, MAPC is developing a Corridor Management Plan for the byway in conjunction with the project partners, to be completed in the spring of 2011.