

Strafford Rail Working Group

VISION

To ensure that the Piscataqua region becomes an integral hub in the intermodal transportation system and supports multi modal opportunities for the entire state to include access to reliable and affordable trade, health, housing, and recreation opportunities.

TASKS/GOALS

1. To identify, recruit, and educate individuals and stakeholders on the benefits of and opportunities for rail in the greater Piscataqua region
2. To bring together the different stakeholders in the greater Piscataqua region and beyond to create a rail foundation (with improved local connectivity) that acts as an economic engine and reconnects the region and the State to the global maritime routes and North American rail system.
3. To work with and support the NH Rail and Transit Authority.
4. To communicate with state and federal delegations.
5. To communicate with State Agencies including, but not limited to, the Department of Transportation, the Office of Energy and Planning , the Department of Resources and Economic Development and the Department on Environmental Services with regard to the need for transportation infrastructure necessary improvements.
6. To identify and, as appropriate, create teams to research funding opportunities from public and private sources.