



**RITS COORDINATION MEETING  
9:00 AM September 14, 2022**

**Location: NHCOC office or via Zoom:**

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**Meeting ID: 873 6466 8598**

**Passcode: 412279**

**Dial-In Option - 1-646-558-8656**

**MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order - 9:18 AM**
- 2. Discussion on reappropriation plan for \$20,000 previously allocated to EdAdvance for FY 2021 through 2023 and updated service territories**
  - a. Final funding allocation plan -**
    - i. \$20,000 to split between 3 providers - all in favor
      1. \$6666.66 will be allocated to Geer, NWCTD and Sullivan Senior Center
      2. Geer will use funds to increase RITS hours; Sullivan and NWCTD will explore increasing driver salaries
  - b. Reassign towns of Hartland, Burlington, Washington and Roxbury**
    - i. Hartland and Burlington will now be covered by NWCTD
    - ii. Roxbury and Washington - Town-owned Vans - Leo to reach out to understand their utilization - can Morris assist in the short-term?
      1. Still need to determine long-term assignment

**3. Discussion on DOT Operating funds that are owed to NHCOCG/ RITS providers -**

- a. DOT only has invoices up to March
  - i. NWCTD will bring invoices up to date and the COG will then submit all provider's invoices from March through August
- b. RITS Vehicle Funding - on hold for TAD authorization
- c. Committee requesting meeting with DOT ASAP to express the hardship the program is facing due to the slowed pipeline of funding
  - i. Lisa Rivers, Mikala Ansarra, Garret Eucalito

**4. Updates from Providers (if any) -**

- a. Kennedy Center awarded funding to expand transportation in the Northwest - deciding which 4 towns to pilot the program in
  - i. Vendors: M7, Geer (?),
- b. Sullivan - cannot keep up with demand for RITS rides, not enough drivers
- c. NWCTD - in need of 2nd RITS vehicles and drivers
- d. Geer - way over capacity, taking a toll on their vehicles
  - i. Routing system changed to TripSpark which is also used by NWCTD
- e. NHCOCG - slowed funding pipeline from the state is due to turnover in state staff
- f. Other Discussion:
  - i. Providers would like to increase communication to share resources, drivers, etc. - email chain check-in once/week or bi-weekly - to be initiated by Geer

**5. Adjourn - 10:05 AM**

**A recording of the meeting can be accessed here:**

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**Our next quarterly meeting will be Wednesday, December 14th, 9:00 to 10:00 AM**