



INNER CORE COMMITTEE

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The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), the designated Regional Planning Agency for the 101 communities of Greater Boston, would like to invite you to participate in a unique public approach to regional planning.

MAPC is undertaking a Regional Vision and Growth Strategy (RVGS) **to create a new regional plan for the future of the 101 communities** of Greater Boston. We need broad and diverse participation to make this plan happen – public input will be the project's driving force.

To begin, we will be hosting Visioning Workshops around the region this fall. As you may know, due to our large size, MAPC is divided into eight subregions. I am the subregional coordinator for the 24 communities in the Inner Core Subregion (see list of communities below). In the Inner Core alone, we intend to have four evening workshops spread out around the subregion to make it easier for individuals from all 24 communities to attend one. MAPC will also be holding a daytime region-wide workshop in October.

The fall visioning workshops are designed to collect your input. What we hear from you will help us to determine what issues need to be addressed in the regional plan. If you do not participate, your concerns and visions for the future may not make it onto the table. This is a great opportunity for you to think beyond your community's borders. **I am inviting you to attend one of these workshops and to spread the word.**

Once the dates and locations are set, I will send out a flyer to announce the events. In the meantime, if you would like to learn more about the overall project, please contact me by email (hsamokar@mapc.org) or phone (617-451-2770 ext. 2050). Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Communication #1

A communication was received from Heidi Samokar, Regional Planner, Inner Core Committee, regarding a Regional Vision and Growth Strategy (RVGS) to create a new regional plan for the future of the 101 communities of Greater Boston.

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