

Addison County Regional Planning Commission  
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)  
**FY 2020 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING  
STUDY REQUEST FORM**

**Amount Requested:** \$30,000



The double yellow have worn from people swinging the corner, which results in an even poorer line of sight. The railing vision pocket can hold a compact car, when stopped at the stop line.



Briggs Hill descends at almost 10% grade and intersects Lincoln Road at an acute angle. Coming down or going up Briggs Hill is always a crap shoot. The Stop Sign is frequently run. This also makes the left hand turn on to Briggs Hill dangerous.





A Vehicle stopped at the Lincoln/116 intersection stop line is not clearly visible going north bound.

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CARS OVERFLOW THE limited pull-offs and line Lincoln Road in Bristol near Bartlett Falls this past Saturday. Bristol police are prepared to ticket cars that park illegally. Independent photo/Alexa Lapiner

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And then there is Bartletts.

<https://addisonindependent.com/news/bartlett-falls-draws-heavy-crowds>

### Problem Description:

The original design replacement Northern Twin Bridge was not designed to turn or land there is does now. The rock at the northern abutment location in the first design was deemed to soft to place. Hence the bend and current abutment location on the north side. Mitigations for the consequences of this decision on intersection were considered at the time and ruled out. Like many thing we did as a result of the 98 flood we didn't get it perfect, but we got it done. We all just wanted to get the bridges done. Taking the time to get this intersection did not seem important after waiting for two years for the bridges. It does seem important to many of us who use the intersection now. WE have an accidentally “designed” awkward intersection, with a poor line of sight. I know at least one person that has been Tee-Boned pulling out southbound on 116..

The X pattern of Briggs requiring a left turn across traffic, right in proximity to a frequently run Stop sign requires you to play Chicken with the Bristol bound person at the stop sign. The decent of Briggs is harrowing in the winter. The stop right at the base of the hill. If there is ice you are out into the traffic that quite possibly just ran the Stop sign

Lincoln Road is barley passable by two cars on warm summer days by Bartletts. Even with tires off the pavement. Open car doors make the narrow road narrower. Families are vacationing, oblivious to the fact that Lincoln Road is a heavily traveled route. There are little kids running around the cars.

## What will the Study do?

The Study will perform traffic analysis on the intersection of 116 Lincoln Road and Brigs Hill Road. Gaps between intersection and highway design best practices, and the extant configuration of the intersection will be described. Possible mitigations will be offered to address deficiencies. There will be a public outreach to inform the public and take feedback on mitigation concepts.

The Study will examine the recreational use of the Bartell falls area and its impact on traffic safety. Specifically, the study will look at ways to limit dangerous off road parking on Lincoln Road without diminishing, and perhaps even enhancing, the recreational experience of people enjoying the natural beauty of the New Haven River. The Study will perform several public outreach sessions to share ideas from the study team and ideas from the community.

## Expected Benefits

The study will result in preferred solutions to both the traffic challenges in the 116 Bartlett falls area. We will understand the possibilities of restructuring the transportation and parking piece of recreational use of Bartell Falls. We will have a preferred set of remediations for the intersection of 116 and Lincoln Road.

The Town of Bristol (Municipality of / Agency / Organization, etc.) is interested in applying for funding under the Addison County Regional Planning Commission TAC grant program.



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Signature of Agency, Organizational, or Municipal Official

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*09/11/2020*

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Contact Information (Telephone / E-Mail)

In the case that a municipality is applying for this grant, or the proposal lies entirely within one municipality, the applicant hereby represents that the Selectboard of the Town of Bristol supports this proposal.