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Davey and other officials to talk future of transit in Medford Wednesday

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Massachusetts Secretary of Transportation Richard Davey will give a presentation in Medford Wednesday on the future of transportation in Massachusetts, followed by a panel discussion with planners and transportation advocates.

The forum, co-hosted by State Senator Pat Jehlen and the Medford Chamber of Commerce, aims to inform residents on proposed plans for the state's transit system, according to an announcement.

"It is essential that we fix the overdue problem in bringing the state's transportation system into a state of good repair," Jehlen said in a statement. "It is time that we invest in a solution to secure our state's competitive economy and forge ahead into the future of transportation in Massachusetts."

The panel discussion will include Eric Bourassa, director of the transportation division of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Alan MacDonald, executive director of the Massachusetts Business Roundtable, Hayes Morrison, director of Transportation and Infrastructure for the city of Somerville, and Elizabeth Weyant, advocacy director of Transportation for Massachusetts.

The forum will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Century Bank at 400 Mystic Ave. in Medford.