

DRAFT PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT
South Berwick Feasibility Study
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Purpose and Need Statements are benchmarks prepared to guide the development and evaluation of improvement alternatives for a study. Each alternative, including No Action, will be measured against this Purpose and Need Statement. In the end, the alternative that best meets this stated goal will be the Preferred Alternative.

1. The purpose of this Study is to identify actions that will enhance the quality of life and economic viability of downtown South Berwick, while at the same time ensuring mobility and accessibility functions of the transportation system are sustained in order to meet the current and long-term economic needs of the region. Quality of life includes improving issues around safety, health and social interaction.

2. The purpose of the Study is to reduce congestion in downtown South Berwick so as to enhance the quality of life and economic viability of the downtown while still ensuring mobility and accessibility functions of the transportation system are sustained in order to meet the current and long-term economic needs of the region. Quality of life includes improving issues around safety, health and social interaction.

3. The purpose of the study is to identify actions that will improve safety and reduce traffic congestion in downtown South Berwick. Any proposed action shall enhance the quality of life for residents, and sustain or improve the viability of downtown. Proposed actions shall also ensure adequate mobility, accessibility, and safety of the region's transportation system in order to meet current and long-term economic needs.