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## RAPV meets with State Auditor Bump and Director of the Division of Local Mandates Tafoya on New Infrastructure Study

**Springfield, Mass. December 1, 2021** – On Monday, November 29, 2021, the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley met with Massachusetts State Auditor Suzanne Bump and the director of her office's Division of Local Mandates, Dr. Ben Tafoya, to discuss their recent study regarding the infrastructure needs of rural western Massachusetts. The Association relayed the experience of local REALTORS® and the impact that insufficient infrastructure has on communities and the real estate market, and the tools available to elected officials from the Association to help with future legislative and community efforts. The conversation was very positive, and the Association looks forward to continuing this dialogue and a greater partnership with Auditor Bump and Director Tafoya.

The full study, [Public Infrastructure in Western Massachusetts: A Critical Need for Regional Investment and Revitalization](#), can be found at [Mass.gov](http://Mass.gov).

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### About the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley:

Organized in 1915, the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley is a professional trade organization with more than 1,800 members. The term REALTOR® is registered as the exclusive designation of members of the National Association of REALTORS® who subscribe to a strict code of ethics and enjoy continuing education programs.