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## **Representative Smola Announces Grant for** the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission

BOSTON – Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren, Ranking Member, Committee on Ways & Means) is pleased to announce that the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) has been awarded \$95,000 as part of the Community Compact Cabinet Efficiency and Regionalization Grant Program. This money is intended for regional economic development focusing on rural communities including Brimfield, Holland and Wales.

"I'm thrilled that the PVPC was able to secure this competitive funding," said Representative Smola. "It's important for rural towns like ours, to work together to serve local residents and address shared needs."

The Efficiency and Regionalization Grant Program was started in Fiscal Year 2017 and provides funds that may be used toward the planning and implementation of regionalization initiatives including shared services, intergovernmental agreements, consolidations and other collaborative efforts - and for efficiency efforts to improve the delivery of local services. Funding assists municipalities in providing services to their constituents in a more efficient and cost-effective additional way. For information please contact Representative Smola at Todd.Smola@mahouse.gov or (617)722-2100.

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