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**To:** Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

From: William Dickinson, Chairman, Transportation Committee

**Date:** January 5, 2022

**Subject:** Wednesday, January 12, 2022 Meeting of the Transportation Committee and

Transportation Technical Committee to be held @ 12:00 Noon in the offices of SCRCOG

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#### Action Items:

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 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twelve
 Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- James Rode

 UPWP FY2022 and FY 2023- Update (Attached)
 Stephen Dudley

## Informational Items:

- 4. <u>LOTCIP Program Municipal Update</u> *Stephen Dudley and Municipal Representatives*
- 5. Other Business

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## Transportation Committee Minutes – November 10, 2021

#### **Transportation Committee Members**

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West Haven, Abdul Quadir

## **SCRCOG**

Stephen Dudley, James Rode, Rebecca Andreucci, Andy Cirioli,

Mayor William Dickinson called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM

#### Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2021

FS Hoey made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 13, 2021 meeting; H Weissberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### Action Item #2: 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Eleven

J. Rode introduced Amendment 11, which included 1 project change. FS Hoey made a motion to recommend approval. H Weissberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **Information Item #3: LOTCIP Program Municipal Update**

- S. Dudley provided a brief update of the LOTCIP program. Each member of the Technical Committee provided an update of their LOTCIP applications
- J. Plaziak made and a motion to adjourn. J. Hoefferle seconded and the meeting adjourned at 12:40PM.

# **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

# 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 12

Project	0043-0132	2022_A12_6	REHAB BR 02166 o/ MORRIS CREEK	Page 7						
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project							
Reason	Project for w	ork on bridge #0	02166 which carries Route 337 over Morris Creek in East	Haven						
Project	0061-0154	2022_A12_8	FARMINGTON CANAL TRAIL CROSSING IMPRVMN	TS Page 7						
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project							
Reason	will construc	•	age Trail (FCHT) - At Grade Crossing Improvement Phases at eight existing locations where the trail crosses local							
Project	0075-0135	2022_A12_1	REPLACE BR 04852 o/ HAMMONASSET RIVER	Page 8						
Changes	Amendment	mendment 12 adds a new project								
Reason		Project for the replacement of bridge #4852 which carries County Rd over the Hammonasset River in Madison								
Project	0075-0136	2022_A12_2	REPLACE BR 04857 o/ CAMP LAURELWOOD BROO	OK Page 8						
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project							
Reason		ne replacement o Brook in Madisc	of bridge #4857 which carries Heatherwood Rd over the on	Camp						
Project	0079-0248	2022_A12_7	3D Model for Digital As-Builts	Page 9						
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project							
Reason	•	•	to use 3D Model for various innovative Engineering, Conscesses (Digital As-Builts).	struction,						
Project	0083-0268	2022_A12_5	REHAB BR 06798 (CULVERT) o/ STUBBY PLAIN	Page 9						
Reason		Project for the rehab/relining of the culvert #06798 which carries I-95 over the Stubby Plain Brook in Milford								
Reason			of the culvert #06798 which carries I-95 over the Stubby	Plain						
Project			of the culvert #06798 which carries I-95 over the Stubby  CT 15 Exit 62 NB Ramps Reconfiguration	Plain Page 10						
	Brook in Milf 0100-0182	ord 2021-A3-2								

# **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

## 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 12

Project	0106-0108	1999-044	US 1: Milford City Line to Rt 114 Widening	Page 11
Changes	Amendmen	t 12 changes fu	inding source to STPNH	
Reason	NHPP fundin	ıg is replaced w	ith STPNH based on available Federal fund balances	
Project	0148-0212	2022_A12_4	REHAB BR 03225 o/ BROOK	Page 12
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project	
Reason	Project for th Wallingford	e work on bridg	e #03225 which carries Route 150 over an unnamed bro	ook in
Project	0148-0213	2022_A12_3	NHS - REHAB BR 00793A o/ QUINNIPIAC RIVER	Page 12
Changes	Amendment	12 adds a new	project	
Reason	Project for th Wallingford	e work on bridg	e #00763A which carries Route 15 over the Quinnipiac I	River in

**State Project #0043-0132** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_6

Proposed

Municipality East Haven

AQ Code X6

Project Name REHAB BR 02166 o/ MORRIS CREEK

**Description** Project for work on bridge #02166 which carries Route 337 over Morris Creek in East

Haven

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI				
STPNH	CON	Federal			1,200							
		State			300							
TIP Funds	\$1,500		0	0	1,500	0	0	0				

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY21 TIP Amend 12 adds a new project

State Project #0061-0154

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_8

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Municipality Hamden

Project Name FARMINGTON CANAL TRAIL CROSSING IMPRVMNTS

**Description** The Farmington Canal Heritage Trail (FCHT) - At Grade Crossing Improvement

Phase 1 project will construct safety upgrades at eight existing locations where the

trail crosses local streets in Hamden and New Haven

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI				
TAPNH	CON	Federal					1,040					
		Local					260					
TIP Funds	\$1,300		0	0	0	0	1,300	0				

#### **Amendment Notes**

**State Project #0075-0135** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_1

**Municipality** Madison

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Project Name REPLACE BR 04852 o/ HAMMONASSET RIVER

**Description** Project for the replacement of bridge #4852 which carries County Rd over the

Hammonasset River in Madison

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

<b>Proposed T</b>	Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI						
STPNH	CON AC-Enti	ry		0									
	Feder	al		2,000									
	Loc	al		500									
TIP Funds	\$2,500	0	0	2,500	0	0	0						

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY21 TIP Amend 12 adds a new project

**State Project #0075-0136** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_2

AQ Code X6

Proposed

**Municipality** Madison

Project Name REPLACE BR 04857 o/ CAMP LAURELWOOD BROOK

**Description** Project for the replacement of bridge #4857 which carries Heatherwood Rd over the

Camp Laurelwood Brook in Madison

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

<b>Proposed T</b>	Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI						
STPNH	CON AC-E	intry		0									
	Fed	leral		1,500									
	L	ocal		375									
TIP Funds	\$1,875	0	0	1,875	0	0	0						

#### **Amendment Notes**

**State Project #0079-0248** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_7

Proposed

Municipality Meriden

AQ Code X6

Project Name 3D Model for Digital As-Builts

**Description** This project provides funds to use 3D Model for various innovative Engineering,

Construction, and Asset Management processes (Digital As-Builts).

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)											
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI			
RTAP	ОТН	Federal			85						
		State			21						
TIP Funds	\$106		0	0	106	0	0	0			

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY21 TIP Amend 12 adds a new project

**State Project #0083-0268** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_5

AQ Code X6

X6

**Municipality** Milford

Proposed

Project Name REHAB BR 06798 (CULVERT) o/ STUBBY PLAIN BROOK

**Description** Project for the rehab/relining of the culvert #06798 which carries I-95 over the Stubby

Plain Brook in Milford

## **Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)**

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)											
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI			
STPNH	CON	Federal				1,260					
		State				140					
TIP Funds	\$1,400		0	0	0	1,400	0	0			

#### **Amendment Notes**

**State Project #0100-0182** Municipality North Haven SCRCOG # 2021-A3-2 **AQ Code** 

Proposed

Project Name CT 15 Exit 62 NB Ramps Reconfiguration

**Description** Improvements to the acceleration and deceleration lanes on CT 15 Exit 62 Northbound, as well as improvements to the ramp termini intersection with SR 717

(Dixwell Ave), to improve traffic operations in North Haven.

Current TIP	Funding	(In Thous	ands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
NHPP	PD	Federal		2,400				
		State		600				
	FD	Federal					1,540	
		State					385	
	ROW	Federal					40	
		State					10	
Total Cost	\$4,975		0	3,000	0	0	1,975	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)											
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI			
NHPP	PD	Federal		2,400							
		State		600							
STPNH	FD	Federal					1,540				
		State					385				
	ROW	Federal					40				
		State					10				
TIP Funds	\$4,975		0	3,000	0	0	1,975	0			

## **Amendment Notes**

FY 21 TIP Amend 3 Adds a new project. FY21 TIP Amend 12 changes funding to **STPNH** 

State Project #0106-0108

SCRCOG # 1999-044 AQ Code CC

**Municipality** Orange

Proposed

Project Name US 1: Milford City Line to Rt 114 Widening

**Description** intersection improvements in Orange from Milford Town line to Rte 114. 8,200 ft. project includes exclusive turn lanes at major intersections

Current TIP	Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI				
NHPP	CON AC-Entry				0						
	Federal				8,000	8,000					
	State				2,000	2,000					
Total Cost	\$20,000	0	0	0	10,000	10,000	0				

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI					
NHPP	CON AC-Entry				0							
STPNH	Federal				12,000	4,000						
	State				3,000	1,000						
TIP Funds	\$20,000	0	0	0	15,000	5,000	0					

#### **Amendment Notes**

CON moved from FY04 to post-FY05 by FY03 TIP Amend 2 due to financial constraint. FY07 TIP Amend 2 increases funds due to low bid. FY07 TIP Amend 7 delays project to coordinate schedule w/sister project and increases cost due to utility work. FY07 TIP Amend 17 moves entire schedule out 1 year and increases funding FY07 TIP Amend 24 Adds PE Phase to FFY09. FY07 TIP Amend 27 moves AC and FFY10 funds to FYI Project moved into FY10 TIP Con moved to FFY11. Project is included in the FY15 TIP for CON. FY15 TIP Amend 14 changes funding source and moves CON into FYI , Moved to FY21 TIP. FY21 TIP Amend changes fund source to STPNH

**State Project #0148-0212** 

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_4

**Municipality** Wallingford

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Project Name REHAB BR 03225 o/ BROOK

**Description** Project for the work on bridge #03225 which carries Route 150 over an unnamed

brook in Wallingford

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)							
Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
STPNH	CON AC-Enti	ry		0			
	Feder	al		2,700			
	Stat	te		675			
TIP Funds	\$3,375	0	0	3,375	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY21 TIP Amend 12 adds a new project

State Project #0148-0213

Municipality Wallingford

SCRCOG # 2022\_A12\_3

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Project Name NHS - REHAB BR 00793A o/ QUINNIPIAC RIVER

**Description** Project for the work on bridge #00763A which carries Route 15 over the Quinnipiac

River in Wallingford

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)** 

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
STPNH	CON	AC-Entry				0		
		Federal				200	5,000	
		State				50	1,250	
TIP Funds	\$6,500		0	0	0	250	6,250	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

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Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

#### Resolution

## Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twelve

Whereas: U.S. Department of Transportation "Metropolitan Planning Regulations" (23 CFR 450) prescribe that each metropolitan planning organization maintain a financially constrained multi-modal transportation improvement program consistent with a State Implementation Plan for Air Quality (SIP) conforming to both U.S. Environmental Protection Administration-established air quality guidelines and SIP-established mobile source emissions budgets; and

Whereas: The Council, per 23 CFR 450.324 and in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) and public transit operators and relying upon financial constraints offered by ConnDOT, adopted a Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program on September 23, 2020, after finding the Program conforming per U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (U.S. EPA) final conformity rule (40 CFR 51 and 93) and relevant Connecticut Department of Transportation air quality conformity determinations: Air Quality Conformity Reports: Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region's Metropolitan Transportation Plans—2019 to 2045, (April, 2019); and

Whereas: The Council, on September 23, 2020, indicated that periodic Program adjustment or amendment was possible; and

Whereas: Projects referenced in the Program amendment (below) are consistent with the region's metropolitan transportation plan Metropolitan Transportation Plans—2019 to 2045, (April, 2019); and

Whereas: Council Public Participation Guidelines: Transportation Planning have been observed during the development of the proposed Program amendment (below); and

Whereas: By agreement between the Council and the Connecticut Department of Transportation, public involvement activities carried out by the South Central Regional Council of Governments in response to U.S. Department of Transportation metropolitan planning requirements are intended to satisfy the requirements associated with development of a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and/or its amendment; and

Whereas: Council of Governments' review of transportation goals, projects and opportunities may result in further adjustment or amendment of the *Program*.



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#### Resolution

Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twelve (Continued)

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By the Council of Governments:* 

The Program Amendment *Twelve* shall be transmitted to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, for inclusion in the *State Transportation Improvement Program* 

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments on **January 26**, **2022** 

Date January 26, 2022	<i>By:</i>
	<i>Secre</i> tary
	South Central Regional Council of Government

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Transportation Committee, Transportation Technical Committee

From: Stephen B. Dudley, P.E., Deputy Director, Transportation Director

Re: Amendment to FY22 and FY23 UPWP

Date: January 4, 2022

Changes in the consultant supported studies have required that the adopted UPWP be amended.

#### These are as follows:

- 1. At the request of the City of New Haven, the evaluation of structures and the Two Way Transit Study have been reprogrammed from one fiscal year to the other to meet their priorities.
- 2. The Fountain Street Study initiated in the previous UPWP was not completed due to Covid considerations and the City of New Haven is now wishes to complete the work so it must be added to this fiscal year.
- 3. This addition forces the congestion management study into the second fiscal year and reduces the amount programmed for the One-way Two-way study for the City of New Haven.
- 4. For FY 22, the other changes are a slight increase in the amount for the Milford Study and the addition of funds to the Pavement Management refresher training.

These changes will allow for the UPWP to meet the revised priorities of the City and conform to the adopted SCRCOG FY22 budget.



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#### Resolution

Amending the approved Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023 Unified Planning Work Program

Whereas: The Council approved the Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023 Unified Planning Work Program on May 26, 2021; and

Whereas: Changes in the consultant planning studies priorities have resulted in adjusted programming; and

Whereas: The Council's Transportation Committee reviewed the amended Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023 Unified Planning Work Program on January 12,2022 and recommended that the Council of Governments adopt the amended work program.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Council of Governments

That the amended Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023 Unified Planning Work Program is hereby adopted.

#### Certificate

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Council of Governments on January 26, 2022.

Date January 26, 2022	<i>By:</i>	
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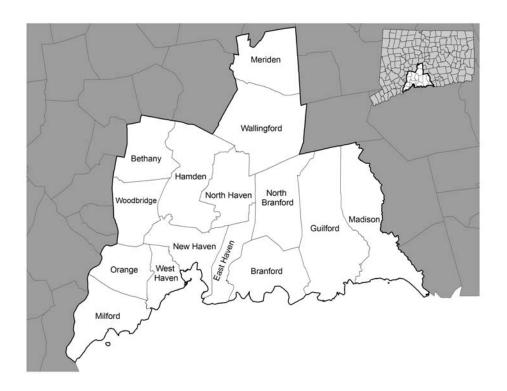
## Transportation Planning Work Program

Unified Planning Work Program

## Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023

July 2021 - June 2022 July 2022 - June 2023

Adopted 5-26-21 Proposed amendment to Transportation Committee 1-12-22



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## Introduction

The South Central Connecticut Region includes the entire corporate limits of the fifteen municipalities in the Greater New Haven area - Bethany, Branford, East Haven Guilford, Hamden, Madison, Meriden, Milford, New Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Wallingford, West Haven, and Woodbridge. The Region is a Council of Governments, as permitted by the Connecticut General Statutes, with each municipality represented by its chief elected official. The Council meets monthly to act on regional business and oversee the transportation activities of the Region. Recommendations concerning transportation actions are forwarded to the Council from the Transportation Committee, consisting of six members of the Council, and the Transportation Technical Committee, which includes an appointed staff person from each municipality. These two committees meet jointly each month to recommend actions for consideration by the Council on transportation matters.

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is adopted in accord with federal code (23CFR Part 450.308) and governs the transportation planning activities of the Region. These planning activities include planning partners at the federal level of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and, at the state level, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT).

This UPWP utilizes, builds upon, and continues the required transportation planning activities from previous UPWPs. Specific consultant-supported projects that are continued from previous UPWPs are noted hereafter.

It is noted that the FY 23 activities shown herein are subject to SCRCOG approval of the SCRCOG FY 23 budget and may be adjusted after funding levels are confirmed.

## Key Issues for the 2022 and 2023 Program Years

Responding to the Goals of FAST Act

The Federal transportation act, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST), identifies ten (10) planning factors that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), such as the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG), must consider in their Unified Planning Work Programs (UPWP). These general planning goals are:

- 1. **Economic Vitality** Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity and efficiency;
- 2. **Safety** Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
- 3. **Security** Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;

- 4. **Environment** Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and state and local planned growth and economic development patterns;
- 5. **System Integration** Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
- 6. **System Accessibility and Mobility** Increase the accessibility and mobility for people and freight;
- 7. **System Management** Promote efficient system management and operation;
- 8. **System Preservation** Emphasize preservation of the existing transportation system;
- 9. **System Resiliency and Reliability** Improve the resiliency and reliability while reducing or mitigating the stormwater impacts of surface transportation, and;
- 10. **Travel and Tourism** Promote and enhance travel and tourism.

Responding to State and Federal guidelines, SCRCOG completed, in May 2019, an update of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The MTP incorporates all responses to outreach and establishes regional goals. The update of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) was completed in the spring of 2018. The SCRCOG POCD suggests strategies for future actions in the Region.

Safety of our transportation network is an important concern and a key consideration in the selection and prioritization of future projects. The Connecticut Strategic Highway Safety Plan provides a framework for increasing highway safety.

Mobility of the region's population is another key goal of any transportation solution. The proposed work program elements respond to the planning goals noted above.

Travel and tourism as a planning goal allows SCRCOG to work with REX Development. REX currently provides travel and tourism promotion for the region. Working with REX, SCRCOG can meet this planning goal.

SCRCOG's FY 2022 and FY 2023 UPWP addresses major regional transportation issues and opportunities through a combination of regional staff effort, consultant support and coordination with CTDOT and the related staff work at our member cities and towns.

This UPWP summarizes ongoing staff work, such as inter-agency coordination, analysis and utilization of the latest available census and demographic data, data monitoring, modeling and outreach, as well as special projects to be conducted during the coming fiscal year. The FY 2022 and FY 2023 UPWP utilizes and builds upon previous year activities.

For each of these tasks, the following sections of the UPWP identify objectives, and major activities for the FY 2022 and FY 2023 work program. Products, such as technical memoranda, final reports or other documentation are also noted, and the anticipated schedule for major work tasks is identified. Maintaining a balanced, multi-modal transportation program is a critical element in meeting State and Federal planning guidelines.

The FY 2022 and FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program consists of five work tasks:

Task 1: Management of the Planning Process - Program Administration

Task 2: Data Collection/Analysis - Monitoring and Projections

**Task 3: Planning Activities** 

**Task 4: Other Technical Assistance** 

**Task 5: Public Participation** 

## Work Program Highlights - FY 2022

Program Element/Study	Description	Consultant Support
Region-wide Pavement Management System Refresher Training	Provide refresher training in utilization of pavement management programs previously provided to member municipalities needed due to numerous staff changes	****\$23,500
Town of Woodbridge Business Connectivity Study	Review current conditions and limitations and provide recommendations, concept plans and cost estimates for improved connectivity and circulation, with a particular focus on cyclists and pedestrians, in the Village area, including Selden Plaza and the Commercial Park.	***\$50,000
City of New Haven	Continuation and Conclusion of Fountain Street Study	***\$50,000
City of New Haven Conditional Evaluation of Existing Structures	Inventory, documentation and evaluation of Traffic structures including span poles overhead sign poles and other similar structures	\$87,000
City of West Haven Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan	Creation of a City-wide Bicycle Pedestrian Plan coordinated with other City Plans and with emphasis on intermodal connections and addressing all areas of the City.	\$50,000
GIS Viewer Maintenance and Hosting	Provide annual services to maintain GIS system	***\$25,000

Town of Wallingford Northrup Road Study	Prepare alternatives assessment for roadway improvements between Barnes Road and North Farms Road/Murdock Ave, including horizontal and vertical geometry, roadway widths Provide conceptual plans and a probable construction cost estimate for the preferred alternative	\$80,000
Town of Hamden Canal Trail Crossings Evaluations	Evaluation, concept design safety improvements and recommendations with cost estimates for 21 at grade crossings on the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail between Goodrich Street and Mt. Sanford Road.	\$70,000
*Travel and Tourism Enhancement	Utilize REX Development to further advance and promote travel and tourism in the region.	***\$50,000
City of Milford Feasibility Study	Feasibility Study for the connection of Plains Road to Oronoque Road including at-grade railroad crossing, identification of permits required and cost/benefit analysis	\$67,000
City of Meriden	CT Loop Trail Connection study from Broad Street to the Middletown line in the vicinity of Westfield Road	\$108,000
Total		\$660,500

## \*\*\*\*Work Program Highlights - FY 2023

Program Element/Study	Description	Consultant Support
Congestion Management Process	Additional data collection and implementation of CMP recommendations from previous study. Continued input to tie our CMP efforts with the Lower Connecticut River Valley COG as the two main areas of the New Haven TMA	\$65,000
City of New Haven One Way Two Way Conversion Study	Building upon 2014 Study, evaluate Elm Street between York Street and State Street and Grove Street/Tower Parkway between Broadway and State Street and evaluate other additional roadway sections.	\$107,000
Town of Hamden Complete Streets Route 10 Study	Existing conditions evaluation and recommendations for implementation of complete streets improvements on Route 10	\$55,000
Town of Hamden Dixwell Avenue and Whitney Avenue Intersection Roundabout Feasibility Study	Build upon previous discussions to determine feasibility of creation of a roundabout at this intersection to improve current level of service "F" with concept plans and preliminary cost estimates.	***\$50,000
**Travel and Tourism Enhancement	Utilize REX Development to further advance and promote travel and tourism in the region	***\$50,000

<sup>\*</sup> Expected to continue into FY23

\*\*\* Utilizes FY 19 Carryover federal funds

\*\*\*\* Utilizes \$12,500 FY19 Carryover federal funds

City of New Haven Two-way Transit Study	Completion of study started in FY 20 building on previous traffic two-way studies, study transit routing options made viable by changes to traffic flow directions on city streets	\$90,000
GIS Viewer Maintenance and Hosting	Provide annual services to maintain GIS system	\$25,000
Town of Branford Walkability/Sidewalk Study	Study to improve and expand the sidewalk transportation system within the Town to improve pedestrian safety and walkability, complete connections to key areas of Town and address ADA noncompliance areas including identifying or addressing the following within the Town: Missing connections between sidewalk sections, Areas of sidewalk deterioration requiring repairs or replacement, Enhance mobility within and connection to the Town Center Area and Train Station, Connections to Route 1, Connection to transit stops, Areas of ADA compliance deficiency as compared to PROWAG criteria.	***\$75,000
Town of Madison Bicycle-Pedestrian Safety Improvements Study	Prepare concept plan and preliminary cost estimate for sidewalks, shared use paths and other bicycle-pedestrian safety improvements along Route 1, West Wharf Road and Surf Club Road between downtown and Surf Club. Evaluate existing conditions and identify issues affecting the design related to traffic, utilities, topography, soils, wetlands, right-of-way and permitting.	\$40,000
New Haven Port Transportation and Freight Security Study	Study to review transportation and freight security and possible transition for the area south of I-95 into a secure port zone. Review options for possible abandonment of city streets, secure entry points and freight laydown areas for more efficient and secure goods and commodities movement. Include pedestrian/bike connection as part of regional pedestrian/bike network. This study will build upon the freight study in the FY 2018-FY2019 UPWP.	\$50,000
Total		\$607,000

<sup>\*\*</sup> Continued from FY 22

Task 1: Management of the Planning Process – Program Administration

## **Objectives**

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Utilizes FY 19 Carryover federal funds

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup> All FY 23 consultant-supported work subject to the confirmation of funding and the approval of the SCRCOG FY 23 budget.

- 1. Schedule planning activities and allocate staff resources appropriately to conduct all identified UPWP work tasks in a timely and efficient manner.
- 2. Prepare and adopt a planning work program for the next fiscal period.
- 3. Ensure that expenditures are well documented and cost-effective.

## Major 2022 and 2023 Activities

#### Mid-Year FY 2022 Work Program Review

Review and adjust the work program relative to emerging issues, opportunities and progress through the first six months.

## Review of FY 2023 Work Program

Review and amend FY 2022 program in response to final funding levels and emerging requests from member municipalities. (February-May 2022)

## Prepare FY24 and FY 25 UPWP

Preparation of FY24 and FY25 UPWP for adoption prior to start of FY 24. (February-May 2023)

#### Certification

Re-certification process was accomplished in FY 2021. Work with CTDOT, FHWA and FTA to document compliance with applicable federal standards and recertification requirements. For FY 2022 and FY 2023, annual self-certification will be approved by Council members (Mayors and First Selectmen) stating that the planning process is consistent with applicable federal regulations.

## Products/Reports

- *Financial Control*. Maintain financial records and develop reports in accordance with USDOT and CTDOT regulations and guidance.
- Quarterly Reports. Develop quarterly narrative and financial status reports for funding agencies.
- Annual Affirmative Action Plan. Review and revise Affirmative Action Plan (February 2022 and February 2023).
- Annual Audit. Comprehensive audit of Council FY 2021 and FY 2022 revenue, expenditures and internal management practices (November 2021 and November 2022).

This task requires continuing activity throughout the years. Reporting milestones are noted above.

## Task 2: Data Collection/Analysis – Monitoring and Projections

## **Objectives**

- 1. Provide a database for regional transportation planning in close coordination with Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) data developed for statewide needs.
- 2. Maintain, as appropriate, regional highway and transit databases as components of SCRCOG's regional travel demand model.
- 3. Coordinate data acquisition with CTDOT and member municipalities to ensure the utility and compatibility of data.

#### Major 2022 and 2023 Activities

## Demand Modeling Database

Maintain the region's travel demand model. Integrate new CTDOT traffic counts obtained through consultant supported work. Continue network maintenance for additions and changes to the roadway and transit systems.

## Traffic Data Collection Program

Continue major intersections counting program within the consultant supported project work to collect data at those intersections that are identified at the municipal level for evaluation of congestion and safety-related issues. As in the past, share the proposed counting program with municipalities and CTDOT's Office of Traffic Engineering and coordinate with other data collection programs at the state and local level.

#### Rail and Commuter Parking Lot Occupancy Survey

Monitor late-morning occupancy (maximum occupancy) at New Haven's Union Station, at the West Haven and Milford Railroad Stations and at the Branford, Guilford and Madison Shore Line East stations as well as lots adjacent to I-95 and I-91 on a quarterly basis and publish data on the SCRCOG website.

## Congestion Management and Monitoring

SCRCOG staff will work with municipal staff to identify target areas for operations and management strategies (O&M) including development and implementation of Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) strategies and technologies in the region, as well as Travel Demand Management (TDM). Consultant-supported work will include preparation of required reports. Staff will continue to cooperate with CTDOT on the six elements of the congestion management process (CMP): (1) Determining the CMP network in the Region, (2) defining congestion, identifying congested links, (3) developing strategies to address congested links, (4) implementing strategies: (5) short and (6) long term, and monitoring the network. Activities will focus on the recommendations from previous consultant supported studies and as per CTDOT guidance.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

SCRCOG staff will continue to maintain and utilize our robust GIS system. The system is shared with our member municipalities. Recent data additions (FY18) have provided greater depth to the system data library.

## Safety Monitoring

Review safety data, goals, objectives and strategies to promote safety and solicit projects for participation in the CTDOT Local Accident Reduction Program. Work with CTDOT to further implementation of the Connecticut Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

## Capital Expenditures Report

Assist CTDOT with the Local Highway Finance Report (form FHWA-536) on capital expenditures on local roads.

#### Products

- *Model Database Updates.*
- Traffic Data Collection within consultant-supported work.
- Commuter Parking Lot Occupancy Data.
- Congestion Management Process review with CTDOT and recommendations.

#### Schedule

## Traffic Data Collection

Any counting will occur with FY 2022 and FY 2023 consultant-supported projects.

## Rail and Commuter Parking Lot Occupancy Survey

Quarterly rail and commuter parking lot occupancy data collection. (September and December 2021; March and June 2022, September and December 2022; March and June 2023).

#### Congestion Monitoring

Activities will occur over the fiscal years as recommended by previous studies and as per CTDOT and FHWA guidance.

This task requires continuing activity throughout the years. Reporting milestones are noted above.

## Task 3: Transportation Planning Activities

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Maintain a four-year Transportation Improvement Program reflecting current regional priorities, long-range regional objectives, and FAST Act transportation planning requirements. Adopt new TIP in accord with CTDOT timeframe. Accompany TIP actions with an air quality conformity statement, as appropriate, establishing relationships to the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality.
- 2. Facilitate public awareness of the adoption process for the TIP and STIP, and provide the opportunity for public comment on TIP-related actions at the SCRCOG level.
- 3. Develop transportation planning proposals and studies that are consistent with the goals identified in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and FY2021-FY2024 TIPs and the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development (prepared during FY 18), Connecticut's Conservation and Development Policies Plan, 2013-2018 and any updates, state and local municipal economic development objectives and the region's economic development program. Adopt any new TIP as per CTDOT guidance
- 4. Develop recommended capital and operational improvements to enhance the existing transportation system, including consideration for the development and implementation of Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) improvements, advancing the use of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) strategies and technologies in the region, as well as Travel Demand Management measures.
- 5. Coordinate the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development with member municipalities.
- 6. Identify general direction for future SCRCOG work and offer member municipalities a range of options and experience gained from basic planning research.
- 7. Continue to work with the State of Connecticut Governor's Transit Oriented Development initiatives, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) and other state agencies to plan transit improvements and provide support for transit oriented development (TOD) and affordable housing in the vicinity of existing and proposed transit corridors.
- 8. Continue coordinated planning to promote safety, livable communities and environmental sustainability.
- 9. Continue to advance programs for the preservation of the existing transportation system, including actions which maintain the transportation system in a "state of good repair".

- 10. Continue to meet FAST Act requirements, with the inclusion of performance measures as they are finalized.
- 11. Participate in any Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) that the Department is conducting.
- 12. Assist our member municipalities in developing projects and utilizing funds available under LOTCIP, TAP, CMAQ and other grant programs as available.
- 13. Work with CTDOT regarding electric vehicle charging infrastructure projects and programs.
- 14. Promote transportation system connectivity to include access to town/city/neighborhood centers and first/last mile connections.

## Major 2022 and 2023 Activities

## Review of Land Use and Transportation Models

SCRCOG staff will work with municipal staff to assess impacts of projected land uses on transportation in the Region. Land use decisions will be analyzed to assess and promote consistency with Long Range Transportation Plan and the State, Regional, and local Plans of Conservation and Development. Identification of major growth corridors and review of major transportation improvements will help frame preferred growth patterns including transit-oriented development (TOD) and smart growth initiatives. Help advance initiatives that reduce dependence on single occupancy vehicles and improve the region's air quality. Technical assistance will be provided to the Region's municipalities as requested. Staff will work to support State efforts to fund transit improvements and TOD through CTDOT projects. These include the West Haven train station related TOD, Union Station proposed TOD, pilot program TOD in Meriden as authorized by statute and other potential TOD proposals throughout the Region. These efforts, in coordination with other tasks outlined herein, will move the region towards the goal of safe, livable communities, and work towards environmental sustainability.

## Maintain FY2021-FY2024 TIP adopt TIP FY2024-FY2027

Update as required the adopted four-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is consistent with the region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2019-2045 and state-defined financial constraints. Adopt and maintain FY2024-FY2027 TIP in accord with CTDOT timeline. Adopt TIP amendments as appropriate.

## Review and update Metropolitan Transportation Plan as necessary

Review as necessary the Region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan to insure consistency with regional and state goals. Update as necessary through coordination with CTDOT and various other entities in accord with guidance and federal requirements.

#### Environmental Justice and Title VI

Utilize 2020 Census data and latest available American Community Survey data to identify changes to EJ areas and evaluate impacts of plans and programs on these areas. Continue

outreach and activities to meet the requirements of Title VI. Work with the Department to ensure Transportation Equity is observed throughout all phases of project development.

## Surface Transportation Program

Establish regional priorities with CTDOT to facilitate the annual statewide program development process. Maintain a multi-year program that balances priorities, costs, available funds and the progress of individual projects. Sustain a continuous interchange with municipalities advancing Surface Transportation Program and Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP) projects on municipal roads per CTDOT guidelines. Continue Council monitoring of programmed work through monthly review. Continue programming consultation with regional planning organizations comprising the Bridgeport-Stamford and New Haven-Meriden urbanized areas.

## Air Quality/ Environmental Planning

Work with CTDOT to give consideration to the impacts of climate change and air quality on the transportation decision making process. Work with CTDOT to make the necessary air conformity determinations based upon CTDOT modeling.

FTA Section 5310 Outreach to Private Non-Profit Organizations and Local Public Bodies Share notice of an annual Section 5310 grant funding and help potential applicants advance proposals consistent with FTA and CTDOT guidelines (January 2022 and January 2023).

#### Local Transit Districts

Continue cooperation with Greater New Haven Transit District and, periodically, the Meriden Transit District and the Milford Transit District. Cooperation provides feedback for the areawide planning and programming process.

## Local Accident Reduction Program as applicable

Prepare municipal local accident reduction program applications per annual state/regional outreach, emphasizing a state/federal pedestrian safety focus. Develop proposals with municipal staff, frame material for municipal review and advance proposals for Council review per longstanding practice (April 2022 and April 2023).

#### Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality

As per CTDOT guidance, solicit proposals from the Region for ranking and forwarding to CTDOT for new congestion mitigation/air quality funding under the FAST Act.

#### Traffic Diversion Routes

Continue review of previous individual municipal plans completed by CTDOT and implemented by the Region as they are impacted by new construction and roadway modifications.

## Performance-based Planning

Continue to transition to performance-based planning as required under the FAST Act. Review and adopt CTDOT goals and utilize these goals to guide planning and funding decisions.

## **FY 2022 Consultant Supported Activity**

Twelve studies and activities will be conducted by consultants engaged by the Region. All consultant work will be undertaken in a manner consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Any studies undertaken by the Region that impact state transportation systems or highways will identify the role and/or assistance expected from CTDOT, including resources and outcome. It is the goal of the Region to accomplish these studies within FY22 unless noted otherwise.

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\*\* This project continued from FY22.

## Other Planning Activities

Locally Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan (LOCHSTP)

This requirement is the planning element under which SCRCOG will continue to coordinate transit services to provide for the basic mobility needs of the Region's elderly and disabled under the Section 5310 program, Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities. In 2014, the Region established a Mobility Management Program and engaged a Mobility Ombudsman to facilitate outreach to potential users, service providers and municipalities to identify service gaps and needs. CTDOT has assumed responsibility for the Mobility Manager. During FY 2022 and FY 2023, staff will continue outreach to service providers and CTDOT and work with them to implement service priorities.

#### Municipal Assistance

SCRCOG will assist its member municipalities in ongoing programs such as STP-Urban, CMAQ, TAP, LOTCIP, and other appropriate programs. The assistance shall include information dissemination, assistance in application preparation, screening and prioritization as necessary.

#### Transit Planning

Most day-to-day operational planning for the transit systems in the South Central region is done at the individual agency level (i.e. by Greater New Haven Transit District, CTTransit, Milford Transit District and Meriden Transit District). SCRCOG staff play a role in coordinating programs among these operators, assessing demographic and land use policies that will impact the viability of transit services, and identifying new opportunities for transit service outside the existing route network and service areas. Staff cooperates with transit providers in the region. Initiatives that increase transit usage and reduce the usage of single occupancy vehicles and contribute to improving air quality in the region will be prioritized. It is anticipated that the recommendations of the completed *Move New Haven Study* will be utilized to form additional future initiatives.

#### Environmental Planning

As necessary, SCRCOG's studies and planning efforts will coordinate and participate in any requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act.

#### Freight Planning

Planning for more efficient truck freight movement and reducing the impacts of existing truck trips on adjacent residential areas has been a key element of previous UPWP studies. SCRCOG staff will continue to monitor freight movement trends in the region and identify opportunities for improved movements and efficiencies which will also reduce the impacts of all modes of goods movement on the air quality in the region.

Staff will work with CTDOT on the state freight plan and assist the Department identifying bottlenecks, needed improvements and estimated costs to improve freight movement into and through the region, the state, and surrounding states.

Staff will work with CTDOT to maintain the list of freight stakeholders and operators in the region, as well as GIS data on freight-related land uses and stakeholders and major generators. As known, staff will maintain a multi-modal list of freight movement constraints. Staff will also work with CTDOT on the difficult issue of providing sufficient truck parking opportunities. As appropriate, outreach to freight stakeholders will be made under the Public Participation Guidelines.

Other freight-related staff activities will focus on evaluation of intermodal issues relating to the Port of New Haven and potential expanded utilization, assisting, as appropriate, the City of New Haven and the Port Authority of New Haven with their evaluation of site and development alternatives for the proposed intermodal terminals at the Port. Staff will continue to work with municipalities and the State to maximize future intermodal opportunities as they develop throughout the Region.

Improvements to track connections in the vicinity of the Port of New Haven completed with the cooperation of the property owners allow direct connection between the port area and the mainline rail network. This connection substantially enhances the economics of intermodal freight shipment and will provide strong economic development benefits to the region.

The runway safety improvements at Tweed New Haven Airport allow for improved freight utilization at the Airport. SCRCOG staff will work with the Airport Authority, Town of East Haven and City of New Haven to evaluate potential increased freight operations to reduce congestion on the region's interstates and provide timely delivery of goods and food products to the region.

#### Staff, in accord with CTDOT, will:

- Maintain a list of freight stakeholders within the COG boundaries.
- Maintain a list of the major freight generators.
- Maintain a GIS file of the above.
- Provide GIS data, as requested, for freight supportive land uses.
- Maintain a list of system constraints for freight movement.

• Seek to identify opportunities for truck parking locations.

#### Operations and Management Strategies

SCRCOG staff will continue to review State ITS Architecture refinements, and will ensure coordination with regional and local plans. Many of the study efforts outlined above are focused on alleviating traffic congestion and thereby improving air quality through enhanced operation and utilization of existing transportation highway and transit system assets.

#### Safety Activities

SCRCOG staff will continue to work with CTDOT, member municipalities and other regional entities to advance safety programs and activities in the region. SCRCOG will participate in the implementation of CTDOT's Strategic Highway Safety Plan and incorporate its recommendations into regional plans and activities. SCRCOG has partnered with CTDOT as an urban model in the development of a regional transportation safety plan. Difficulties with the emphasis of the plan have resulted in the plan remaining a draft. SCRCOG looks to CTDOT for input to address the concerns. After potential adoption, SCRCOG will consult with CTDOT on updates..

## Complete Streets

Consider the needs of all users of all abilities or mode to provide a comprehensive, integrated and connected multi-modal network of transportation options.

## Climate Change and Resiliency

Work in cooperation with CTDOT and other state and local agencies to improve transportation system resiliency in the face of climate change, sea level rise and severe storms. Support CTDOT's climate change and resiliency planning efforts. SCRCOG's other climate change, coastal resilience, and hazard mitigation efforts in conjunction with additional partners will further regional planning efforts and identify potential opportunities for improving transportation resiliency.

## Transition to Performance Based Planning and Programming

As federal and state standards required under FAST Act are finalized and adopted, SCRCOG staff will work to develop and implement a performance management approach to transportation planning and programming that supports the achievement of transportation system performance outcomes. To date, SCRCOG has adopted all CTDOT proposed goals and expects to continue those endorsements during the term of this UPWP.

## Models of Regional Planning

SCRCOG coordinates with Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments, the other major planning region sharing our urban area. In addition, our participation in the Connecticut Association of Councils of Governments (CTCOG), as well as numerous staff contacts, keeps us in contact and cooperation with not only the other neighboring Councils, but the entire state regional planning community. We will continue to build upon this strong base of cooperation and collaboration.

## Ladders of Opportunity

SCRCOG staff continue to look for means to identify and address transportation connectivity issues. Our previous Transit Study, our commencement of a Mobility Manager Service for elderly and persons with disabilities, and our Jobs Access Study, produced in cooperation with the local NAACP chapter and the Workforce Alliance, among other partners, are examples of the region's commitment to identifying and working to address transportation connectivity issues. These efforts will continue during FY2020 and FY2021.

#### **Products**

- FY2021-2024 TIP. Maintain the four-year Transportation Improvement Program and adopt amendments as appropriate throughout the fiscal year.
- Adopt FY2024-FY2027 TIP. Coordinate with CTDOT to adopt and, after adopted, maintain and adopt amendments as appropriate.
- Local Accident Reduction Program or as amended. Prepare applications, as appropriate, for CTDOT review in association with interested municipalities (April 2022 and April 2023).
- FTA Section 5310 Program Priorities. Review and approval of grants, in conjunction with CTDOT (April 2022 and April 2023).
- Potential regional transportation safety plan (Awaiting CTDOT answers to SCRCOG concerns).

This task requires continuing activity throughout the years. Reporting milestones are noted above.

#### Task 4: Other Technical Assistance

#### **Objective**

- 1. Coordination with Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) on emergency response planning and transportation security.
- 2. Provide technical assistance and coordination with Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program participants and CTDOT concerning applications for funding.
- 3. Provide assistance to new transit station development in the Region, including transit oriented development (TOD) for New Haven, West Haven, North Haven, Branford, Madison, Guilford, Orange, Wallingford, Meriden, and Milford.
- 4. Work with REX Development to ensure continued regional economic vitality.

## Major 2022 and 2023 Activities

#### Coordination with DEMHS

Continue attendance by staff at DEMHS regional meetings to work with DEHMS and municipal staff on emergency response planning and implementation. Review of DEMHS communications and plans to insure integration with other regional initiatives.

## Security of the Transportation System

Work with DEMHS Region 2 Regional Emergency Preparedness Team Steering Committee to review and offer recommendations on security. The Transportation Regional Emergency Support Function provides an annual SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis to help improve regional transportation function and security.

#### Transit Stations and TOD

Work with interested municipalities, CTDOT, local legislators and residents to help promote transit and TOD opportunities to increase mobility, improve transportation options, promote economic vitality, and encourage the linking of transportation and land use decisions.

## REX Development

Promote regional economic vitality through representation on the REX Board. Chief Elected Officials serve on the REX Board, which identifies regional economic opportunities. Continued Board membership and participation, with periodic reports to the Council, will help promote economic vitality and opportunities. REX serves as the regional coordinator of brownfields funds, utilizing these opportunities to encourage adaptive reuse of brownfields sites to contribute to the improved economic environment of the region.

This task requires continuing activity throughout the years.

## Task 5: Public Participation

#### **Objectives**

1. Facilitate a timely flow of information to interested individuals and organizations through media outreach and our agency website.

- 2. Provide a focus for public input relative to the region's Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program and other key products by elected officials, any interested citizens, and specifically by minority, low-income and non-English speaking communities.
- 3. Solicit public interest for each of our regional planning and transportation studies and for the SCRCOG decision-making process in general. Ensure that outreach, review and project definition respond to USDOT/CTDOT Environmental Justice requirements contained in the FAST federal transportation act and federal planning regulations, utilizing latest available census and demographic data.
- 4. Share technical material with professionals, elected officials and the public at appropriate times as major study efforts progress.

#### Major 2022 and 2023 Activities

The Council of Governments will continue its commitment to public outreach through a wide range of outlets:

#### Annual Report

SCRCOG's annual report will be made available at the conclusion of each fiscal year.

#### Media Coverage

The Transportation Committee agenda notification process includes over thirty area media organizations. Meeting notices for Transportation Committee/Council actions and SCRCOG publications will be regularly shared with a wide range of print and broadcast media including the *New Haven Register*, the *Connecticut Post*, the *Meriden Record-Journal*, *La Voz Hispana* and other local (non-daily) newspapers in the region, and radio and television news departments.

#### Transportation Committee and Technical Transportation Committee

The Region's Transportation Committee (chief elected officials) and Transportation Technical Committee (municipal staff), meeting together monthly, will continue to interact with CTDOT personnel, federal staff and other interested parties. The committees advance programming and planning proposals to the Council as a whole. Over 100 organizations and individuals, including advocacy organizations, environmental groups, social services organizations, and transit operators, will be notified of committee meetings by email. Notice of meetings is also provided on the SCRCOG website. Council-adopted *Public Participation Guidelines* clearly identify the Council's commitment to broad, ongoing participation, and highlight the avenues for public input in the transportation planning process.

#### Public Meetings

• Quarterly Greater New Haven Transit District meetings and periodic attendance at meetings of the Milford and Meriden transit districts to facilitate planning and programming activities.

- REX Development, the region's non-profit economic development organization, was established jointly by SCRCOG and the private sector. Chief Elected Officials serve on the REX Board.
- Regional Alliance work sessions. The fourteen-year-old Alliance brings a broad array of regionally oriented organizations together to share experience, initiatives and ideas in the educational, social service, economic development, land use and transportation fields.
- Regional Chambers of Commerce Municipal Economic Development Directors from the region meet with SCRCOG staff periodically to address business-related transportation issues.

#### Council of Governments Meetings

Monthly Council meetings (chief elected officials) provide opportunities to review the status of major planning and programming efforts, gain further guidance from chief elected officials and take formal Council TIP actions.

#### SCRCOG Web Site

The agency website provides ready access to Council meeting agendas, reports and memos including *Public Participation Guidelines*, the UPWP, the TIP and proposed TIP amendments, and *South Central Regional Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2019-2045*. Links to CTDOT, municipalities, data sources and transit/transportation sites are also included on the website.

#### Public Participation Guidelines

SCRCOG *Public Participation Guidelines* outline broad public involvement. Ongoing public participation confirms their effectiveness.

#### Evaluation of Effectiveness

Evaluation of the effectiveness of the Region's public outreach is an ongoing process. Staff continually reviews the attendance at SCRCOG and Transportation Committee meetings, as well as at public meetings held as part of consultant supported work. This review indicates that the outreach is working and involving the community and interested parties. Hits on the SCRCOG website indicate a high level of interest in our activities. Staff attendance at public meetings of regional and state organizations and civic groups, and reports back to our members, provide involvement in the region and important communication both within and beyond the Region. This high level of involvement and communication is indicative of the Region's ongoing commitment to effective public outreach.

Efforts will focus on enhanced public awareness and understanding the region's transportation needs. In FY 2022 and FY 2023, public outreach will continue to emphasize the implementation of the Regional Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development, working toward solutions involving policies such as smart growth, non-vehicular transportation, and context-sensitive design solutions. Chief elected officials and SCRCOG staff will continue to participate in the organizations as noted above.

Public outreach will include opportunities for public input on the FY2022 and FY 2023 Consultant supported activity and CTDOT transit improvements.

This task requires continuing activity throughout the years. Reporting milestones are noted above.

# Appendix A

Unified Planning Work Program

Financial Tables – Fiscal Years 22 and 23\*

Table 1
Fiscal Year 2022 - Anticipated Revenues

	Federal	State	Local	Total
FHWA & FTA	1,022,354	127,794	127,794	1,277,942
FY 2019 Carryover	150,000	18,750	18,750	187,500
Total	1,172,354	127,794	165,294	1,465,442

Table 2
Fiscal Year 2022 - Planning Costs by Task

	Federal	State	Local	Total
Management of the Planning Process	61,191	6,670	8,628	76,489
Transportation Planning Activities	306,623	33,424	43,232	383,279
Data Collection / Analysis	13,479	1,469	1,900	16,848
Planning Projects	678,258	73,935	95,630	847,823
Public Participation	112,805	12,297	15,905	141,007
Total	1,172,354	127,794	165,294	1,465,442

<sup>\*</sup>All FY 23 activities subject to the confirmation of funding and the approval of the SCRCOG FY 23 budget.

Table 3
Fiscal Year 2022 - Direct Salaries by Task - Hours & Cost (Hourly Rate) 1

	Personnel Costs by Task										
	Ex. Dir.		Trans. I	Dir.	Plan	Planners		Field		Total	
	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	
Management of the Planning Process	300	21,538	100	5,754	100	4,869	0	0	500	32,161	
Transportation Planning Activities	345	24,768	250	14,388	3,600	120,134	0	0	4,195	159,290	
Data Collection / Analysis	0	0	0	0	150	6,132	50	900	200	7,032	
Planning Projects	100	7,179	1,050	60,431	300	10,628	0	0	1,450	78,239	
Public Participation	55	3,949	100	5,755	1,100	48,844	0	0	1,255	58,548	
Total	800	57,434	1,500	86,329	5,250	190,608	50	900	7,600	335,271	

<sup>1</sup> See Table 15 for FY 2022 maximum hourly rates

General Classification duties – Executive Director - Oversees agency operations, administers planning program, financial oversight, oversees status of UPWP, reports to SCRCOG Board on agency operations and progress. Transportation Director - administers transportation planning, works with municipalities, FHWA and CTDOT staff to facilitate transportation planning, oversees consultants, prepares necessary planning documents. Planners - duties include financial administration, budget oversight, transportation document preparation, coordination of transportation planning and land use, sustainability, economic vitality, environmental concerns, management and utilization of GIS database for transportation planning, coordination of transportation system integration, management and preservation, data acquisition and utilization. Field - Acquisition of parking occupancy data and other data acquisition.

Table 4

Fiscal Year 2022 - Total Labor by Task - Salaries & Overhead Applied 1

	Labor Costs by Task							
	Ex. Dir.	Trans. Dir.	Planners	Field	Total			
Management of the Planning Process	50,989	13,623	11,528	0	76,139			
Transportation Planning Activities	58,637	34,063	284,404	0	377,104			
Data Collection / Analysis	0	0	14,518	2,131	16,648			
Planning Projects	16,996	143,064	25,161	0	185,222			
Public Participation	9,348	13,625	115,633	0	138,607			
Total	135,969	204,375	451,244	2,131	793,720			

<sup>1.</sup> Estimated overhead rate @ 1.3674

Table 5
Fiscal Year 2022 - Direct Expenditures by Task

	Direct Expenditures by Task							
Print	& Repro	Travel D	ata Proc	Consult	Misc 1	Total		
Management of the Planning Process	0	100	0	0	250	350		
Transportation Planning Activities	775	2,300	1,500	0	1,600	6,175		
Data Collection / Analysis	0	200	0	0	0	200		
Planning Projects	0	200	0	660,500	1,900	662,600		
Public Participation	500	100	0	0	1,800	2,400		
Total	1,275	2,900	1,500	660,500	5,550	671,725		

<sup>1.</sup> Miscellaneous expenses include technical training & support, technical publications, and advertising expenses.

Table 6
Fiscal Year 2022 - Planning Projects with Consultant Assistance

FY 22 Funds		FY 19 Carryover Funds	
	Cost		Cost
Region-wide Pavement Management System Training	11,000	Woodbridge Business Connectivity Study	50,000
West Haven Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan	50,000	New Haven Continuation of Fountain St. Study	50,000
New Haven Conditional Eval. of Existing Structures	87,000	Travel and Tourism Enhancement	50,000
Wallingford Northrup Road Study	80,000	GIS Viewer Maintenance and Hosting	25,000
Hamden Canal Trail Crossings Evaluations	70,000	Region-wide Pavement Management System Trai	12,500
Milford Feasibility Study	67,000		
Meriden CT Loop Trail Connection Study	108,000		
Total	473,000	Total	187,500

Table 7
Fiscal Year 2022 - Total UPWP Program Cost

	Cost
SCRCOG Salaries	335,271
Overhead - Indirect Applied (1.3674)	458,449
Print & Reproductions	1,275
Travel	2,900
Data Processing	1,500
Consultants - FY 22 Funds	473,000
Consultants - FY 19 Carryover Funds	187,500
Miscellaneous	5,550
Total	1,465,442

Table 8
Fiscal Year 2023 - Anticipated Revenues

	Federal	State	Local	Total
FHWA & FTA	1,022,354	127,794	127,794	1,277,943
FY 2019 Carryover	140,000	17,500	17,500	175,000
Total	1,162,354	127,794	162,794	1,452,942

Table 9
Fiscal Year 2023 - Planning Costs by Task

	Federal	State	Local	Total
Management of the Planning Process	64,196	7,058	8,991	80,245
Transportation Planning Activities	322,508	35,458	45,169	403,135
Data Collection / Analysis	14,093	1,549	1,974	17,616
Planning Projects	643,062	70,701	90,064	803,827
Public Participation	118,493	13,028	16,596	148,117
Total	1,162,354	127,794	162,794	1,452,942

Table 10 Fiscal Year 2023 - Direct Salaries by Task - Hours & Cost (Hourly Rate)  $^1$ 

	Personnel Costs by Task									
	Ex. Dir.		Trans. Dir.		Planners		Field		Total	
	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost	Hrs	Cost
Management of the Planning Process	307	22,591	102	6,017	102	5,090	0	0	511	33,698
Transportation Planning Activities	353	25,976	256	15,102	3,689	126,193	0	0	4,298	167,271
Data Collection / Analysis	0	0	0	0	153	6,411	51	941	204	7,352
Planning Projects	102	7,506	1,076	63,476	307	11,143	0	0	1,485	82,125
Public Participation	56	4,121	102	6,017	1,127	51,296	0	0	1,285	61,435
Total	818	60,194	1,536	90,612	5,378	200,134	51	941	7,783	351,881

<sup>1</sup> See Table 16 for FY 2023 maximum hourly rates

General Classification duties – Executive Director - Oversees agency operations, administers planning program, financial oversight, oversees status of UPWP, reports to SCRCOG Board on agency operations and progress. Transportation Director - administers transportation planning, works with municipalities, FHWA and CTDOT staff to facilitate transportation planning, oversees consultants, prepares necessary planning documents. Planners - duties include financial administration, budget oversight, transportation document preparation, coordination of transportation planning and land use, sustainability, economic vitality, environmental concerns, management and utilization of GIS database for transportation planning, coordination of transportation system integration, management and preservation, data acquisition and utilization. Field - Acquisition of parking occupancy data and other data acquisition.

Table 11 Fiscal Year 2023 - Total Labor by Task - Salaries & Overhead Applied  $^{1}$ 

	Labor Costs by Task							
	Ex. Dir.	Trans. Dir.	Planners	Field	Total			
Management of the Planning Process	53,483	14,245	12,050	0	79,777			
Transportation Planning Activities	61,496	35,752	298,749	0	395,997			
Data Collection / Analysis	0	0	15,178	2,228	17,406			
Planning Projects	17,769	150,272	26,381	0	194,422			
Public Participation	9,756	14,245	121,439	0	145,440			
Total	142,504	214,515	473,796	2,228	833,043			

<sup>1.</sup> Estimated overhead rate @ 1.3674

Table 12
Fiscal Year 2023 - Direct Expenditures by Task

6000000		Dire	ct Expendit	ures by Task		
Print	& Repro	Travel I	Data Proc	Consult	Misc <sup>1</sup>	Total
Management of the Planning Process	0	105	0	0	363	468
Transportation Planning Activities	831	2,415	1,700	0	2,192	7,138
Data Collection / Analysis	0	210	0	0	0	210
Planning Projects	0	210	0	607,000	2,195	609,405
Public Participation	525	105	0	0	2,046	2,676
Total	1,356	3,045	1,700	607,000	6,796	619,896

<sup>1.</sup> Miscellaneous expenses include technical training & support, technical publications, and advertising expenses.

Table 13
Fiscal Year 2023 - Planning Projects with Consultant Assistance

FY 23 Funds		FY 19 Carryover Funds	
	Cost		Cost
New Haven 1-Way 2-Way Conversion Study	107,000	Travel and Tourism Enhancement	50,000
New Haven Two-Way Transit Study	90,000	Hamden Dixwell Ave. and Whitney Ave. Intersect	50,000
Hamden Complete Streets Route 10 Study	55,000	Branford Walkability/Sidewalk Study	75,000
GIS Viewer Maintenance and Hosting	25,000		
Madison Bicycle-Ped. Safety Improvements Study	40,000		
New Haven Port Transp. and Freight Security Study	50,000		
Congestion Management Process	65,000		
Total	432,000	Total	175,000
10111	<b>4</b> 52,000	10111	173,0

Table 14
Fiscal Year 2023 - Total UPWP Program Cost

	Cost
SCRCOG Salaries	351,881
Overhead - Indirect Applied (1.3674)	481,165
Print & Reproductions	1,356
Travel	3,045
Data Processing	1,700
Consultants - FY 23 Funds	432,000
Consultants - FY 19 Carryover Funds	175,000
Miscellaneous	6,796
Total	1,452,942

Table 15
Fiscal Year 2022 - Job Titles and Maximum Hourly Rates

\$ 75.00
\$ 60.00
\$ 50.00
\$ 18.00

Table 16
Fiscal Year 2023 - Job Titles and Maximum Hourly Rates

Maximum Hourly Rate
\$ 75.00
\$ 60.00
\$ 55.00
\$ 18.00

# **Appendix B**

# Statement of Cooperative MPO/State/Transit Operators Planning Roles & Responsibilities

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this statement is to outline the roles and responsibilities of the State, the <u>South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG)</u> and appropriate providers of public transportation as required by 23 CFR Sec. 450.314(a), (h)"Metropolitan Planning Agreements".

#### **General Roles & Responsibilities**

SCRCOG will perform the transportation planning process for their region and develop procedures to coordinate transportation planning activities in accordance with applicable federal regulations and guidance. The transportation process will, at a minimum, consist of:

- 1. Preparation of a two-year Unified Planning Work Program that lists and describes all transportation planning studies and tasks to be completed during this two-year period.
- 2. Preparation and update of a long range, multi-modal metropolitan transportation plan.
- 3. Preparation and maintenance of a short-range transportation improvement program (TIP).
- 4. Financial planning to ensure plan and program are financially constrained and within anticipated funding levels.
- 5. Conduct planning studies and system performance monitoring, including highway corridor and intersection studies, transit system studies, application of advanced computer techniques, and transportation data collection and archiving.
- 6. Public outreach, including survey of affected populations, electronic dissemination of reports and information (website), and consideration of public comments.
- 7. Ensuring the transportation planning process evaluates the benefits and burdens of transportation projects and/or investments to ensure significant or disproportionate impacts on low income and minority populations are avoided and/or mitigated. This will be accomplished using traditional and non-traditional outreach to Title VI populations, including outreach to LEP populations.
- 8. Development and implementation of a Congestion Management Process as appropriate.
- 9. Ensuring plans, projects and programs are consistent with and conform to air quality goals of reducing transportation-related emissions and attaining National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

#### **Metropolitan Transportation Plan**

- 1. SCRCOG will be responsible for preparing and developing the (20-25 years) metropolitan transportation plans for their respective region.
- 2. SCRCOG may develop a consolidated transportation plan summary report for the planning region that includes the key issues facing the area and priority programs and projects.
- 3. CTDOT will provide the following information and data in support of developing the transportation plan:
  - a. Financial information estimate of anticipated federal funds over the 20-25 year time frame of the plan for the highway and transit programs.
  - b. Trip tables for each analysis year, including base year and the horizon year of the plan by trip purpose and mode. (CTDOT will provide this only if requested since SCRCOG may maintain their own travel forecast model.)
  - c. Traffic count data for state roads in the SCRCOG region, and transit statistics as available.
  - d. List of projects of statewide significance by mode, with descriptions, so that they can be incorporated into the long range metropolitan transportation plans.
  - e. Assess air quality impacts and conduct the regional emissions assessment of the plan. Will provide the results of the assessment in a timely manner to allow inclusion in the plan and to be made available to the public at public information meetings. (Refer to air quality tasks.)
- 4. SCRCOG may conduct transportation modeling for the area.
- 5. SCRCOG will consult with the appropriate providers of public transportation on local bus capital projects to include in the transportation plan, and will work together to develop local bus improvements for the plan from the 10-year capital program. Through consultation, they will identify future local bus needs and services, including new routes, service expansion, rolling stock needs beyond replacement, and operating financial needs.

#### **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

- 1. The selection of projects in the TIP and the development of the TIP will occur through a consultative process between CTDOT, SCRCOG, and the appropriate provider(s) of public transportation.
- 2. CTDOT will send a draft proposed 5-year Capital Plan to SCRCOG for review and comment. The draft list will reflect input that CTDOT received from SCRCOG during the consultation process on the previous year's plan.
- 3. CTDOT will prepare an initial list of projects to include in the new TIP. This list will be based on the current TIP that is about to expire and the 5- year Capital Plan.
- 4. CTDOT will consult with and solicit comments from SCRCOG and transit providers on the TIP and incorporate where practicable.

- 5. CTDOT will provide detailed project descriptions, cost estimates and program schedules. The project descriptions will provide sufficient detail to allow SCRCOG to explain the projects to the policy board and the general public.
- 6. CTDOT will provide a list of projects obligated during each of the federal fiscal years covered by the expiring TIP/STIP. The annual listing of obligated projects should include both highway and transit projects.
- 7. SCRCOG will compile the TIP for the Region, including preparing a narrative. Projects will be categorized by federal aid program and listed in summary tables. The TIP will be converted into a format that will allow it to be downloaded to the Region's website. SCRCOG will maintain the TIP by tracking amendments and changes to projects (schedule, scope and cost) made through the TIP/STIP Administrative Action/Amendment/Notification process.
- 8. CTDOT will develop the STIP based on the MPOs' TIPs and projects located in the rural regions of the State.
- 9. CTDOT will include one STIP entry each for the Bridge program and the Highway Safety Improvement program. This entry will list the total funds needed for these programs for each fiscal year. All Regions will receive back up lists in the form of the Bridge Report and the Safety Report monthly. The one-line entry will reduce the number of entries needed in the STIP. Any projects listed in the Bridge and or Safety Report that are over \$5m and on the NHS, will be transferred directly into the STIP as its own entry per the TIP/STIP Administrative Action/Amendment/Notification process.
- 10. CTDOT will provide proposed amendments to SCRCOG for consideration. The amendment will include a project description that provides sufficient detail to allow SCRCOG to explain the proposed changes to the SCRCOG board and project management contact information. It will also provide a clear reason and justification for the amendment. If it involves a new project, CTDOT will provide a clear explanation of the reasons and rationale for adding it to the TIP/STIP.
- 11. When an amendment to the TIP/STIP is being proposed by SCRCOG, the project sponsor will consult with CTDOT to obtain concurrence with the proposed amendment, to obtain Air Quality review and consistency with Air Quality Conformity regulations and ensure financial consistency.
- 12. CTDOT will provide a financial assessment of the STIP with each update. SCRCOG should prepare a TIP summary table listing all projects by funding program sorted by year based on CTDOT's financial assessment.

#### **Air Quality Planning**

1. CTDOT and SCRCOG should meet at least once per year to discuss the air quality conformity process, the regional emissions analysis and air quality modeling.

- 2. CTDOT will conduct the regional emissions analysis, which includes the SCRCOG area and provide the results to SCRCOG. The regional emissions analyses for the build or future years will include the proposed transportation improvements included in the regional long-range metropolitan transportation plans and TIP.
- 3. SCRCOG will prepare a summary report of the conformity process and regional emissions analysis for the Region. It will contain a table showing the estimated emissions from the transportation system for each criteria pollutant and analysis year.
- 4. The summary report on the regional emissions analyses will be inserted into the long-range transportation plan and TIP.
- 5. SCRCOG will make the regional emissions analysis available to the public.

#### **Public Participation Program**

- 1. SCRCOG will annually review and evaluate their public participation program.
- 2. SCRCOG will update and prepare a list of neighborhood and local organizations and groups that will receive notices of MPO plans, programs and projects.
- 3. SCRCOG will work to ensure that low-income, minority and transit dependent individuals are afforded an adequate opportunity to participate in the transportation planning process, receive a fair share of the transportation improvement benefits and do not endure a disproportionate transportation burden, SCRCOG will comply with federal legislation on these issues.
- 4. SCRCOG's process for developing plans, projects, and programs will include consultation with state and local agencies responsible for land use and growth management, natural resources, environmental protection, conservation and historic preservation.
- 5. SCRCOG will maintain their website to provide clear and concise information on the transportation planning process and provide an opportunity to download reports and documents. This will include developing project and study summaries, converting reports into a pdf or text format, and maintaining a list of available documents. The website will provide links to other associated organizations and agencies.

#### **Public Transportation Planning**

1. SCRCOG will allow for, to the extent feasible, the participation of transit providers at all transportation committee and policy board meetings to provide advice, information and consultation on transportation programs within the planning region.

- 2. SCRCOG will provide the opportunity for the transit provider(s) to review and comment on planning products relating to transit issues within the region.
- 3. SCRCOG will allow for transit provider(s) to participate in UPWP, long-range plan, and TIP development to ensure the consideration of any appropriate comments.
- 4. SCRCOG and CTDOT will assist the transit provider(s), to the extent feasible, with planning for transit-related activities.

#### Fiscal/Financial Planning

- 1. CTDOT will provide SCRCOG with up-to-date fiscal and financial information on the statewide and regional transportation improvement programs to the extent practicable. This will include:
  - a. Anticipated federal funding resources by federal aid category and state funding resources for the upcoming federal fiscal year, as shown in the TIP financial chart.
  - b. Will hold annual meetings to discuss authorized funds for the STP-Urban and LOTCIP accounts.
  - c. Annual authorized/programmed funds for the FTA Section 5307 Program as contained in the STIP and the annual UZA split agreements.
  - d. Monthly updates of STP-Urban Program showing current estimated cost & scheduled obligation dates.
- 2. CTDOT will notify SCRCOG when the anticipated cost of a project, regardless of funding category, has changed in accordance with the agreed upon TIP/STIP Administrative Action/Amendment/Notification process.
- 3. SCRCOG will prepare summary tables and charts that display financial information for presentation to the policy board.

#### **Congestion Management Process (CMP) Program**

- 1. SCRCOG, as part of a TMA, will conduct a highway performance monitoring program that includes the gathering of available traffic counts and travel time information and determination of travel speeds and delay.
- 2. SCRCOG will conduct congestion strategies studies for critical corridors and identify possible improvements to reduce congestion and delay.
- 3. SCRCOG will work with CTDOT on programming possible congestion-reducing projects.
- 4. SCRCOG will, upon implementation of a congestion reduction improvement, assess post-improvement operations and determine level of congestion relief.

#### **Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Program**

- 1. CTDOT will maintain the statewide ITS architecture and ensure consistency with the Regional ITS Architecture for SCRCOG.
- 2. SCRCOG will maintain and update the Regional ITS Architecture for SCRCOG, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Based Planning and Programming**

#### (I) Collection of Performance Data

- 1. All data collected for performance measure goals will be collected by CTDOT and will meet the MAP21/FAST ACT provisions and requirements.
- 2. All data collected for goals for Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) State of Good Repair performance measures will include data provided by the Transit Districts through CTDOT, in accordance with the Transit Asset Management Rule.
- 3. CTDOT will make the compiled data collected for each performance measure available on the CTDOT MAP21 website.
- 4. CTDOT will develop a Measures and Deliverables tracking spreadsheet outlining each Performance Measure, the deliverables required, the submittal dates and CTDOT contact and provide to SCRCOG.

#### (II) Selection of Performance Targets

CTDOT will draft statewide performance targets for each of the FAST Act performance measures and coordinate with the MPOs and Transit Representatives, as required by 23 CFR Parts 450 and 771, as well as 49 CFR Part 613 as outlined below:

- 1. CTDOT will discuss performance measures at each of the regularly scheduled monthly meetings (via teleconference or in person meeting).
- 2. CTDOT will present data collected for each performance measure and collaborate with SCRCOG and Transit Representatives on assumptions.
- 3. CTDOT will provide SCRCOG and Transit Representative with 30 days to provide feedback on the data received and the assumptions provided.
- 4. The feedback received will be discussed at the next scheduled monthly meeting.
- 5. CTDOT will set targets for each performance measure based on feedback received.

#### (II) Reporting of Performance Targets

- 1. CTDOT will notify SCRCOG and Transit Representatives by email when final statewide targets are established.
- 2. CTDOT will send the targets that have been set, the backup information and a PowerPoint presentation to SCRCOG for their use in educating the MPO Policy Board. CTDOT will provide region level data summaries, if available.
- 3. SCRCOG has 180 days after CTDOT establishes their targets to establish their own targets or endorse the State's targets and agree to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of the performance targets.
- 4. If SCRCOG is establishing their own targets, SCRCOG will report those targets to CTDOT by email no later than the 180 day timeframe.
- 5. SCRCOG will share this information with the Policy Board and will require Policy Board resolution to support the targets set by CTDOT or endorse their own targets.
- 6. SCRCOG will forward the Policy Board resolution to the Performance Measures Unit at CTDOT before the 180 day limitation for FHWA performance measures.
- 7. For FTA performance measures, it is noted that SCRCOG provided a resolution of support for the initial transit State of Good Repair (SGR) performance targets on July 1, 2017. Thereafter, in accordance with FTA, transit providers will continue to share their targets annually with SCRCOG. However, SCRCOG targets are not required to be updated annually, only revisited whenever SCRCOG updates their MTP and/or TIP on or after October 1, 2018.
- 8. SCRCOG set initial SGR targets as required by FTA on 7/1/17. Thereafter, SCRCOG needs to set SGR targets for the first time when the TIP or MTP is amended or updated on or after October 1, 2018. Following this date, targets should be updated upon the development of future TIPs and MTPs.

#### (IV) Reporting of progress toward achieving goal

- 1. CTDOT will document progress towards achieving statewide performance targets and report that information to SCRCOG and transit representatives in the Long Range Transportation Plan, the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, the CTDOT TAM Plans and the FTA Annual report by email after the required reports are issued to Federal Agencies.
- 2. CTDOT will share the TAM Plans with SCRCOG in a timely manner, and the MPOs will incorporate them into their planning process.
- 3. SCRCOG will document progress towards achieving performance targets and report that information to CTDOT in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Transportation

Improvement Plan as outlined in the Measures and Deliverables tracking spreadsheet vial email. CTDOT will collect this information and file until requested from FHWA.

### (V) The collection of data for the State asset management plan for the NHS

1. CTDOT will collect all asset management data required for all NHS routes, regardless of ownership.

## 23 Performance Measures

Number of Fatalities - 5-Year Rolling Average
Rate of Fatalities per 100 million VMT - 5-Year
Rolling Average
Number of Serious Injuries - 5-Year Rolling Average
Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT - 5-
Year Rolling Average
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-
Motorized Serious Injuries - 5-Year Rolling Average
Percentage of Pavements of the Interstate System in
Good Condition
Percentage of Pavements of the Interstate System in
in Poor Condition
Percentage of Pavements of the Non-Interstate NHS
in Good Condition
Percentage of Pavements of the Non-Interstate NHS
in Poor Condition
Percentage of NHS Bridges classified in Good
Condition (by deck area)
Percentage of NHS Bridges classified in Poor
Condition (by deck area)
Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the
Interstate That Are Reliable
Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the Non-
Interstate NHS That Are Reliable
Percent of the Interstate System mileage providing
for reliable truck travel times
Annual Hours of Peak-Hour Excessive Delay
(PHED)

Congestion and Air Quality	Percent of Non-SOV Travel
Congestion and Air Quality	Total Emissions Reduction
Transit Asset Management	Percentage of Service (non-revenue) Vehicles that
	have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark
	(ULB)
Transit Asset Management	Percentage of Facilities with an asset class rated
_	below condition 3 on the TERM scale.

Transit Asset Management	Infrastructure (rail, fixed guideway, track, signals,
	and systems) - Percentage of track segments with
	performance restrictions
Transit Asset Management	Percentage of Revenue Vehicles within a particular
	asset class that have met or exceeded their ULB
FTA C 5010.1E	Number of fatalities per "vehicle revenue miles." by
	mode.
FTA C 5010.1E	Number of serious injuries per "vehicle revenue
	miles." by mode.

#### Amendment

This Statement on Transportation Planning may be amended from time to time or to coincide with annual UPWP approval as jointly deemed necessary or in the best interests of all parties, including Federal transportation agencies.

#### **Effective Date**

This Statement will be effective after it has been endorsed by SCRCOG as part of the UPWP, and as soon as the UPWP has been approved by the relevant Federal transportation agencies.

#### **No Limitation on Statutory Authority**

Nothing contained in this Statement is intended to or shall limit the authority or responsibilities assigned to signatory organizations under Connecticut law, federal law, local ordinance, or charter.