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# South Central Regional Council of Governments Transportation and Transportation Technical Committee Meeting Notice & Agenda

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - 12:00.

This is a hybrid meeting with in-person attendance at the SCRCOG Office and remote access via Zoom.

Office Location: 127 Washington Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473

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#### Action Items:

- 1. Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2024,
- 2. <u>2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Thirty Three</u> *Recommend SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- Gabriel Filer*

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#### Informational Items:

- 3. <u>LOTCIP Update</u> James Rode
- 4. <u>UPWP Study solicitation for FY2025</u> *James Rode*
- 5. Other Business

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#### Transportation Committee Minutes – January 10, 2024

#### **Transportation Committee Members**

Branford, FS James Cosgrove Guilford, FS Matthew Hoey Hamden, Mayor Lauren Garrett

North Haven, Andrew Bevilacqua, Proxy for FS Freda

#### **Transportation Technical Committee**

Branford, John Hoefferle Guilford, Janice Plaziak Hamden, Stephen White Madison, John Iennaco Meriden, Brian Ennis New Haven, Giovanni Zinn North Branford, Victor Benni Orange, Bob Brinton Wallingford, Alison Kapushinski West Haven, Abdul Quadir

#### Guests

Kevin Tedesco, CTDOT Kevin Ortiz, Branford Erik Shortell, FHWA Douglas Hausladen, New Haven Mario Marrero, GNHTD Lou Mangini, Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro's office Michael Dion, BL **SCRCOG** James Rode, Gabriel Filer,

Amealia Maynard

FS Hoey called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

#### Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2023

FS Cosgrove made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2023, meeting; A Kapushinski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

J. Rode introduced the 10 project changes in Amendment 32. A. Kapushinski made a motion to recommend approval. B Ennis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. J, Rode provided an overview of the new software used to maintain the region's TIP and discussed possible changes to the amendment procedures. More information will be provided as it becomes available and presented to the policy board at a later date.

#### **Action Item #3: LOTCIP Discussion and Possible Action**

J. Rode gave an update on the program following the annual program review meeting with CTDOT. He stressed that while projects are moving, there is still a large fund balance that must be addressed. A new project solicitation was announced for 2024 and J. Rode provided information on that.

#### **Information Item #5: UPWP FY2024 Municipal Studies**

J. Rode gave a brief status update of the UPWP studies.

#### **Other Business**

G. Filer gave an update on SCRCOG's new social media campaign. He invited those present to follow us on FaceBook.

J Plaziak made a motion to adjourn at 1:33PM, J Hoefferle seconded.

### **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

## 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 33

Project	0083-0271	Replace Highway Signs and Supports Route 15	Page 4
Changes	Amendment 33 changes project description and extends project limits.		
Reason	Action is necessary as the project limits have been extended to include the entire length of Route 15 from Greenwich to Meriden		

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

0083-0271 STATUS Project Changed Federal

Name: Replace Highway Signs and Supports Rte 15

**Description:** Replace highway signs and sign supports along CT 15 (Wilbur Cross Pkwy) from Milford to the Berlin Tpk in Meriden and replace Service Plaza signs and renumber exits on entire length of CT 15 (Merritt Pkwy/Wilbur Cross Pkwy - Greenwich to

Meriden).

Project Type: Roadway DISTRICT:

County:

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Fiscal Year	Revenue Source		PE	ROW	CON	Other	Total	
2024	NHPP		\$0		\$11,100,000	\$0	\$11,100,000	
2024	NHPP		\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	
		2021 - 2024 TOTAL	\$0		\$11,100,000	\$0	\$11,100,000	
		All Years Total	\$0		\$11,100,000	\$0	\$11,100,000	

MPO: Lead Agency: CONNDOT

#### **Previously Approved Version**

0083-027

Name: Replace Highway Signs and Supports Rte 15

Description: Replacement of highway signs and sign supports along CT 15 (Wilbur Cross Parkway) from Milford to the Berlin Turnpike in

Meriden.

Project Type: Roadway DISTRICT:

County:

Fiscal Year	Revenue Source	PE	ROW	CON	Other	Total
2024	NHPP	\$0		\$11,100,000	\$	0 \$11,100,000
	2021 - 2024 TOTAL	\$0		\$11,100,000	\$	0 \$11,100,000
	All Years Total	\$0		\$11,100,000	\$	0 \$11,100,000

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#### Resolution

Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Thirty Three

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—2023 to 2050, (April, 2023); 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—2023 to 2050, (April, 2023); 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 Thirty Three (Continued)

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

The Program Amendment *Thirty Three* 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 **February 28, 2024** 

Date February 28, 2024	<i>By:</i>
•	Mayor Lauren Garrett Secretary
	South Central Regional Council of Governments