To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee  
From: William Dickinson Chairman, Transportation Committee  
Date: September 1, 2010  
Subject: Wednesday, September 8, 2010  
Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at 12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

Agenda

Action Items:

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2) 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Ten 
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3) PM 2.5 Air Quality Conformity Resolution Page 9

Informational Items:

1) New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program Monthly Review  
Stephen Dudley

2) Other Business  
Member comment and/or additional public comment

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Hamden: S. Jackson, L. Creane, R. Roscow, E. Fuller, T. Wydra, B. Brinton
Madison: F. McPherson, M. Ozols, M. Ott
Meriden: D. Caruso, L. Kendzior, D. Brunet, P. Blanchet, P. Brennan, T. Loin
Milford: D. Sulik, B. Kolwicz, J. O’Connell, R. Gregory, K. Rose
New Haven: J. DeStefano, K. Murphy, R. Miller, K. Gilvarg, B. Notghi, M. Piscitelli
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North Haven: M. Freda, A. Fredrickson, B. Cummings, J. Bodwell
Orange: J. Zeoli, P. Dinice, E. Lieberman
Wallingford: W. Dickinson, J. Thompson
West Haven: E. Buckheit, A. Quadri, B. Sabo, J. Panza
Woodbridge: J. Hellauer, P. Rubens-Dahl, W. Connors

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**Others**

Center for Disability Rights: M. Gallucci
ConnDOT: S. Livingston, P. Moberg, M. Rolfe, G. Wright, D. Larosa, J. Redeker
Connecticut League of Women Voters (New Haven Chapter): N. Ciarleglio
Connecticut Post: F. Juliano
Connecticut Transit: V. Marques, P. Fry
Fay, Spofford & Thorndike: G. Lindsay
FHWA: Steve Cooper, Eloise Powell, Amy Jackson-Grove
Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce: T. Rescigno, L. DiCocco-Beaunon
Greater New Haven Convention and Visitors Bureau: G. Kozlowski
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Preparing the meeting at 12:17 PM.
Minutes of the July 14, 2010 meeting were unanimously adopted on a motion by J. Portley/ K. Weiss.

Action Item #2
S. Dudley presented the FY2010 –FY2013 TIP Amendment 9. New projects added to the TIP included 173-0407 Operating funds for CDOT Bridgeport Operations Center and 427-T0152, 427-T075, and OGNH-XXX, three Greater New Haven transit district projects moved into this TIP from the previous TIP. The balance of the requests were for federal fiscal year-end adjustments to fully program remaining funds. J. Portley made the motion to approve FY10 TIP Amendment 9, M. Piscitelli seconded, and motion was approved.

Informational Item #1
Mayor Dickinson spoke about the ongoing discussions regarding a pavement preservation project in Wallingford. A meeting will be held with FHWA later in the month. R. Miller provided updates on projects in New Haven.

Informational Item #2
S. Dudley discussed the potential use of Urban funds for only the design phase of the Grand Avenue Bridge in New Haven. It is expected that this item will be discussed further at the September meeting.
M. Piscitelli asked for updates to be provided at the next meeting on the following items:
- Long Wharf no-build recommendation status.
- Waterfront Street/Forbes Avenue bicycle safety and railroad crossing.
- I-95 West River Bridge Construction/

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn meeting, J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:56 PM.
Project  0138-0221  2001-025  I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement

Changes  Amendment 10 decreases funds for FFY11 and increases overall funding reflected in the TIP/STIP for years 2012, 2013 and FYI

Reason  This action is required to maintain fiscal constraint in FFY11. And to bring funding levels reflected in the TIP in line with the revised projected expenditures.
I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement

Replace the current six-lane bridge with a new structure to the north (west) of the existing bridge though complicated by proximity to Metro North. FY02 includes $500,000 (total) ROW. Approximately four year construction period.

**Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)**

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**Amendment Notes**

Adjust obligation schedule; defer FY04 CON to FY05 and increase post-FY05 commitment. FY 07TIP Amend 1 reduced NHS funding for 2010 and added 2011/ FYI. FY07-11 Tip amend 3 deletes all NHS funding introduces IM and Bridge funding and increases overall project funding by 143,881 FY07 TIP Amend 7 deletes FFY07 and moves project start out to FFY08, FY07 TIP Amend 13 realigns funding sources and moves project out to FFY09 FY07 TIP Amend 22 moves funds from FFY09, FFY10 changes amounts in FYI as breakout project is added to the TIP. Project moved into FY10 TIP reduced by $99 M, FY10 TIP Amend 10 adjusts funding.
Resolution

Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Ten

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 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program on October 28, 2009, 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 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region’s Long-Range Transportation Plans, May, 2007); and

Whereas: The Council, on October 28, 2009, indicated that periodic Program adjustment or amendment was possible; and

Whereas: Projects referenced in the Program amendment (below) are consistent with the region’s long-range transportation plan (South Central Regional Long Range Transportation Plan—2007 to 2035, (May, 2007); 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.
Resolution
Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Ten
(Continued)

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

The Program Amendment Ten 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 September 22, 2010.

Date: September 22, 2010

Anthony DaRos
Secretary
RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT

PM 2.5

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting an annual Transportation Improvement Program or when effecting a significant revision of the Region’s Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. the plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions;
2. the plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures;
3. the plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) that the plans and programs approved on October 28, 2009 and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and

WHEREAS, the New York – Northern New Jersey – Long Island, NY-NJ-CT area is designated a PM 2.5 Nonattainment area; and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has elected to jointly assess conformity in all PM 2.5 nonattainment areas in Connecticut (Fairfield County and New Haven County) and
RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT – PM 2.5 (Continued)

WHEREAS,

the results of the required emissions analysis performed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation on the Regional Long Range Plan (March 2007) and the FFY 2010-2013 TIP shows that the implementation of the projects contained therein will result in emissions of PM2.5 in each analysis year that are less that the emissions of the baseline year.

Now, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of Governments,

That the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) finds that the Regional Long Range Plan (March 2007) and the FFY 2010-2013 TIP conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51 and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and hereby approves the July 2010 PM2.5 Conformity Determination.

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 South Central Regional Council of Governments on September 22, 2010.

DATE: September 22, 2010

BY: ________________________

Anthony J. DaRos
Secretary