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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee
From: William Dickinson Chairman, Transportation Committee
Date: August 3, 2011
Subject: **Wednesday August 10, 2011**
Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at 12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

Agenda

Action Items:

- 1) Meeting Minutes of July 13 , 2011 Page 4
- 2) Meeting Minutes of July 26 , 2011 Page 5
- 3) 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Nineteen Pages 6-10
Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Amendment 19 James Rode
- 4) New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program Guidelines Page 11

Informational Items:

- 5) Discussion of Project Requirements Which Impact Project Cost and Timing
- 6) New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program Monthly Review
James Rode
- 7) Other Business

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Orange: P. Dinice, E. Lieberman¹

Wallingford: W. Dickinson, J. Thompson¹

West Haven: E. Buckheit, A. Quadir¹, B. Sabo,

Woodbridge: J. Hellauer, P. Rubens-Dahl, W. Connors¹

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Others

The Advisor

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Minutes Transportation Committee July 13, 2011

Transportation Committee members

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair
North Haven, Jonathan Bodwell Proxy for FS Michael Freda
Branford, Janice Plaziak Proxy FS Anthony DaRos
Hamden, Robert Brinton, proxy for Mayor Scott Jackson
New Haven, Richard Miller, proxy for Mayor John DeStefano
Milford, Gary Wassmer, Proxy for Mayor Richetelli

Guests

Lou Mangini, Congresswoman DeLauro’s Office
Jean Stimolo, Rideworks
Lori Richards, GNHTD
Grayson Wright, ConnDOT
Jim Travers, New Haven

Transportation Technical Committee

Branford, Janice Plaziak
Guilford, Jim Portley

Meriden Pierre Blanchet
North Branford, Kurt Weiss
Wallingford, John Thompson
West Haven, Abdul Quadir
SCRCOG
James Rode, Carl Amento,

Action Item #1

Mayor Dickinson began the meeting at 12:20 PM.
Minutes of the June 8, 2011 meeting were adopted on a motion by J. Plaziak seconded by K. Weiss

Action Item #2

J. Rode presented the STP-Urban Program Guidelines which were included in the agenda packet. These guidelines were developed following the June meeting and emailed to the members to review prior to the meeting. There was a long discussion on the proposed guidelines and how allowing the use of STP-Urban funds on State roads could impact the program. In the end it was decided to table the item so that additional items could be included for the Committee’s review in August.

Action Item #3

J. Rode presented the FY2010 –FY2013 TIP Amendment 18 which consisted of 8 projects. In addition project #83-0253 for rte 796 (Milford Connector) Sign Replacement was added as a supplement to the amendment. After some discussion Project #79-231 *Streetscape from Cook Ave to North Second St* was tabled pending additional information. J. Portley made the motion to approve FY10 TIP Amendment 18 as amended, P. Blanchet seconded, and motion was approved.

Informational Item #1

J. Rode spoke briefly about the STP-Urban program. Those present provided additional information on the progress of their individual projects

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn meeting, P. Blanchet seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.



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Minutes Special Transportation Committee Meeting July 26, 2011

Transportation Committee members

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair
North Haven, FS Michael Freda
Branford, Janice Plaziak Proxy FS Anthony DaRos
New Haven, Richard Miller, proxy for Mayor John DeStefano
Milford, Gary Wassmer, Proxy for Mayor Richetelli

Guests

Meriden, Brian Ennis
CTRANSIT, Vic Marques

Transportation Technical Committee

East Haven, James Staunton
Guilford, Jim Portley
Meriden Bob Bass
North Branford, Kurt Weiss

SCRCOG

James Rode, Stephen Dudley

Mayor Dickinson began the meeting at 12:10 PM.

Action Item #1

J. Rode presented the Supplement to 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Eighteen which consisted of Project #79-231 *Streetscape from Cook Ave to North Second St.* S Dudley explained that unanticipated utility relocation costs require additional funding and that STP- Urban is the only available source of funds, and that ConnDOT agreed to increase the region’s STP-Urban apportionment for FY11 to cover this cost. B Bass and B Ennis were on hand from Meriden to answer questions specific to the project. After a brief discussion D Miller made the motion to approve the addition 79-231 to Amendment 18, J. Staunton seconded, and motion was approved.

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn meeting, J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:35PM.

South Central Regional Council of Governments
2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Amendment Number 19

Project **0092-0532 1999-002 I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B**
Changes Amendment 19 increases BRXZ funds for FY11 and deletes funds for FY12
Reason To fully obligate the federal apportionment of funds for FY11 funds are moved to the appropriate fiscal year

Project **0138-0221 2001-025 I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement**
Changes Amendment 19 increases Bridge funds for FY11, delete funds in FY12 and decrease funds in FY13
Reason To fully obligate the federal apportionment of funds for FY11 funds are moved to the appropriate fiscal year

South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2010-FFY2013 Transportation Improvement Program

Supplement to Amendment Number 19

State Project 0092-0532

SCRCOG # 1999-002

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B

Description Construct a new 10-lane bridge across New Haven Harbor between Route 34/I-91 interchange and Stiles Street

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>		<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
117	CON	Federal	1,968					
BRXZ		AC-Entry	0					
		Federal		111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648
		State		16,603	7,715	4,952	8,776	21,465
HPP		Federal	9,920					
		State	2,480					
IBR		Federal	255					
TI		Federal	42,735					
		State	6,386					
Total Cost	\$521,521		63,744	127,717	59,346	38,091	67,510	165,113

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>		<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
117	CON	Federal	1,968					
BRXZ		AC-Entry	0					
		Federal		111,114	70,731		58,734	143,648
		State		16,603	10,569		8,776	21,465
HPP		Federal	9,920					
		State	2,480					
IBR		Federal	255					
TI		Federal	42,735					
		State	6,386					
TIP Funds	\$505,384		63,744	127,717	81,300	0	67,510	165,113

Amendment Notes

FY07 TIP Amend 5 moves IMD & SEC117 Funds From FY05 TIP into FY07 TIP. FY07 TIP Amend 9 reduces funds as 92-613, 92-617 are added to TIP as breakout projects. The project cost is decreased FY07 TIP Amend 11 redistributes funds as breakout Projects # 092-618 is added to the TIP Project cost is increased. FY07 TIP Amend 14 NCIP funds moved to #92-618. FY07 TIP Amend 23 shifts all unobligated funds from FFY08 to FFY09 as project is ADV 2/4/09. Bridge funds increased by \$60M for FFY10. Project moved into FY10 TIP FY10 TIP Amend 6 increases FFY10 funds & Decreases FFY11 Funds. FY10 TIP 18 moves BRXZ funds from FY12 to FY11. FY10 TIP 19 moves BRXZ funds from FY12 to FY11

South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2010-FFY2013 Transportation Improvement Program

Supplement to Amendment Number 19

State Project 0138-0221

SCRCOG # 2001-025

Municipality Regional

Proposed

Project Name I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement

Description 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)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
BRXZ	CON AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			21,340	40,294	42,888	48,410
	State			2,371	4,478	4,765	5,379
I-M	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			7,730	930	34,730	74,410
	State			859	103	3,859	8,268
I-MD	Federal			950			
NHS	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			9,280			26,830
	State			1,031			2,981
Total Cost	\$341,886	0	0	43,561	45,805	86,242	166,278

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
BRXZ	CON AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			70,240		36,210	48,410
	State			7,804		4,023	5,379
I-M	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			7,730	930	34,730	74,410
	State			859	103	3,859	8,268
I-MD	Federal			950			
NHS	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			9,280			26,830
	State			1,031			2,981
TIP Funds	\$344,027	0	0	97,894	1,033	78,822	166,278

Amendment Notes

Introduced to 07 TIP with CON funding in 2008. FY07 TIP Amend 13 adds AC entry, Moves funds to FFY09 and increases funds. FY07 TIP Amend 16 moves AC Entry to FFY09. FY07 TIP Amend 19 increases cost 18%. Region instructed to update TIP. FY10 TIP Amend 12 moves this project into the current TIPFY10 TIP 19 moves BRXZ funds from FY12 to FY11



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Resolution

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

- 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—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011)*; 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—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011)*); 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 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Nineteen
(Continued)***

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

The *Program Amendment Nineteen* 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 **August 24, 2011**.

Date: August 24, 2011.

By: _____
John Picard, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments



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Revised Draft 8-3-11 – revisions in italics

**SCRCOG Policy re: Utilization of STP New Haven-Meriden
Urban Funds on State Highways in the Region**

It has long been the practice of SCRCOG to utilize the limited STP New Haven-Meriden Urban Funding solely on municipally-maintained roadways. This practice has only been deviated from rarely and only after substantial discussion and under unusual and compelling circumstances. The Connecticut Department of Transportation has numerous categories of funds with substantial federal assistance which provides the Department with flexibility for utilization of these funds on the state-maintained highway network. The region only has the programming of the limited New Haven-Meriden Urban Funds under its sole discretion.

Therefore, the following is adopted as SCRCOG policy for guidance regarding the utilization of STP New Haven-Meriden Urban funds for municipal-sponsored projects on state highways:

1. The project sponsor shall be a municipal government.
2. The request shall be forwarded from the chief elected official of the sponsoring municipality.
3. The project shall be supported with substantial local funding, *including a commitment to meet the STP urban program 10% match.*
4. The project shall provide substantial community improvement and benefits which are beyond highway maintenance.
5. The sponsor shall provide documentation on all sources of funding.
6. The sponsor shall also document the efforts undertaken to seek funding under other programs prior to the request for Urban Funds.
7. The Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee shall consider the information provided on a case-by-case basis and determine if the request shall be recommended to SCRCOG for approval.
8. *In considering the request, the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee shall, at a minimum, evaluate the following:*
 - a. *The potential impact on other projects currently in the program or under review in the Concept Unit at CDOT.*
 - b. *The history of STP urban funds utilization by the sponsor municipality.*
 - c. *The equitable distribution of STP urban funds to benefit the entire region.*
 - d. *The benefits of the proposed project to the regional transportation system and/or the municipality.*

Adopted by Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

Date