To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

From: William Dickinson Chairman, Transportation Committee

Date: January 2, 2018

Subject: Wednesday, January 10, 2018
Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at 12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

Action Items:

1. Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2017  Page 4
2. 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Three  Pages 5-13
   Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- James Rode
3. Request of GNHTD for UPWP Funds for MOVE New Haven Study  Page 14, 15
   - Amendment of UPWP  GNHTD
4. Endorsement of targets for safety performance measures established by CTDOT  Pages 16-29

Informational Items:

5. New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program and LOTCIP  Pages 30,31
   Stephen Dudley
6. Regional Mobility Management Program Status Report
7. Other Business
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WTNH Channel 8 News
Transportation Committee Minutes – November 8, 2017

FS Mazza called the meeting to order at 12:06 PM.

Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017
FS Cosgrove made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2017 meeting. M Austin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #2: 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 2
J. Rode introduced the 6 projects included in Amendment 2. 5 of these projects were for the rehab or replacement of bridges in the region. The 6th project involved the installation of CCTV along I-91. Following a discussion, FS Cosgrove made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment 2. B. Bass seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #3 Corridor Study Prioritization
S. Dudley presented a memo that was distributed to the committee Corridor Study Prioritization process. The region received 2 requests for studies. One in Meriden and one in New Haven. Following a discussion, J. Portley made a motion to recommend approval of the prioritized list with Meriden as #1 and New Haven #2. M. Austin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Informational Item #4: New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program and LOTCIP
S. Dudley gave an update on the program. He reported that with a state budget passed it was time to begin planning for a new solicitation for projects in January. Those present discussed their projects and asked questions.

Informational Item #4: Regional Mobility Management Program Status Report
The report was included with the agenda.

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn. J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:40PM.
Project  0092-0672  2015-A3-1  Minor intersection/Ped improve near Rt 15 Exit 59  Page 6
Changes  Amendment 3 moves project into current TIP and Increases funds Construction Phase
Reason  Action is necessary based on final cost estimates.

Project  0092-0675  2015-A6-1  Rehab BR 03094 over Amtrak  Page 6
Changes  Amendment 3 reduces Funding amount for CON
Reason  Action is necessary based on final cost estimates

Project  0148-0208  2017-A3-2  Hall Avenue Pedestrian Improvements  Page 7
Changes  Amendment 3 adds a new project
Reason  Project will provide Pedestrian improvements on Hall Avenue, Washington Street and Oak Street in Wallingford, a distance of approx. 2,700 LF.  The project turns off road and will create a multi-use trail from Oak Street to the Senior Center, a distance of approx. 1,350 LF.

Project  0156-0180  2015-A7-1  I-95 Resurfacing, Bridge and Safety Improvements  Page 8
Changes  Amendment 3 moves FD Phase to current fiscal year.
Reason  Action necessary based on revised project schedule

Project  0320-0007  2017-A0-22  HARTFORD LINE OPS FY2018  Page 9
Changes  Amendment 3 Removes 5307 funds and reduces CMAQ funding
Reason  Action necessary based on revised project schedule and available funds.

Project  0320-00071  2017-A0-23  HARTFORD LINE OPS FY 2019  Page 10
Changes  Amendment 3 Removes 5307 funds. CMAQ funding increased
Reason  Action necessary based on revised project schedule and available funds

Project  0320-00072  2017-A0-24  HARTFORD LINE OPS FY 2020  Page 11
Changes  Amendment 3 Removes 5307 funds CMAQ funding increased
Reason  Action necessary based on revised project schedule and available funds

Project  0320-00073  2017-A3-1  HARTFORD LINE OPS 2021  Page 11
Changes  Amendment 3 adds new project to continue funding NHHS operating costs
Reason  Action necessary based on revised project schedule
**Project Name**: Minor intersection/Ped improve near Rt 15 Exit 59

**Description**: Project addresses capacity concerns on Rte 69 at the interchange ramps and at Pond Lilly Avenue and capacity and safety concerns on the exit ramps due to excessive traffic queues.

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**Amendment Notes**
FY18 TIP Amend 3 moves project to FY18 TIP and Increases funds.

**State Project #0092-0675**

**Project Name**: Rehab BR 03094 over Amtrak

**Description**: Project will fund the rehabilitation of Bridge #03094 carries I-91 over Amtrak in New Haven. This bridge was identified as structurally deficient with poor upperstructure Condition rating.

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**Amendment Notes**
FY 15 TIP Amend 6 adds new project. FY18 TIP Amend 3 reduces Funding amount for CON.
South Central Regional Council of Governments  
FFY2018-FFY2021 Transportation Improvement Program  
Amendment 3

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**Project Name** Hall Avenue Pedestrian Improvements

**Description** Pedestrian improvements on Hall Avenue, Washington Street and Oak Street in Wallingford, a distance of approx 2,700 LF. The project turns off road and will create a multi-use trail from Oak Street to the Senior Center, a distance of approx 1,350 LF.

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**Amendment Notes**

FY18 TIP Amend 3 adds a new project
**Project Name:** I-95 Resurfacing, Bridge and Safety Improvements

**Description:** Resurfacing I-95 in West Haven and Orange reconstruct shoulders, Median & install 45” concrete barrier curb, bridge deck rehab, parapet mod and guiderail updates

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**TIP Funds:** $55,500

**Amendment Notes:**
FY15 TIP Amend 7 introduces new project. FY18 TIP Amend 3 moves FD Phase
**Project Name**: HARTFORD LINE OPS FY18  
**Description**: Project provides operating fund for the Hartford Line

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**Amendment Notes**:  
FY18 Amend 3 Reduces funding
**Project Name** HARTFORD LINE OPS FY19

**Description** Project provides operating fund for the Hartford Line

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**TIP Funds** $22,188

### Amendment Notes

FY18 Amend 3 Reduces funding
## State Project #0320-0007

### SCRCOG # 2017-A0-24

**Municipality:** Regional  
**AQ Code:** X6

**Project Name:** HARTFORD LINE OPS FY20

**Description:** Project provides operating fund for the Hartford Line

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**Total Cost:** $42,188

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**TIP Funds:** $22,924

**Amendment Notes:**  
FY18 Amend 3 Reduces funding

## State Project #0320-0007

### SCRCOG # 2017-A3-1

**Municipality:** Regional  
**AQ Code:** X6

**Project Name:** HARTFORD LINE OPS FY21

**Description:** Project provides operating fund for the Hartford Line

### Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

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**TIP Funds:** $13,632

**Amendment Notes:**  
FY18 Amend 3 adds new project
Resolution  
Fiscal Year 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 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 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program on July 26, 2017, 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 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region’s Long-Range Transportation Plans—2015 to 2040, (April, 2015); and

Whereas:  The Council, on July 26, 2017, 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—2015 to 2040, (May, 2015)); 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 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Three
(continued)

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

The Program Amendment 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 January 24, 2018.

Date: January 24, 2018

By:_____________________________________, Secretary

South Central Regional Council of Governments
MEMORANDUM

To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

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

Re: Move New Haven Study Request for Funding

Date: January 2, 2018

Attached please find a request from Greater New Haven Transit District for additional funding for Phase 2 of the Move New Haven Study.

If this request is approved by the SCRCOG Board, the $100,000 funding will come from non-programmed federal transportation planning funds. The match would be provided from non-SCRCOG sources.

Representatives of the Move New Haven Study team will be present to address the request for funding.

The current UPWP would have to be amended to provide this funding with the following addition:

*Phase 2 Move New Haven Study – Assist Greater New Haven Transit District with partial funding for an origin-destination survey for all routes in the New Haven Division of CTTRANSIT. Funding would consist of $100,000 federal transportation funds with match provided from non-federal and non-SCRCOG sources.*

In order to maintain fiscal constraint, the following reduction would also be necessary:

*FY 19 - Regionwide GIS and data upgrade for asset management and planning purposes – Reduce from $135,000 to $10,000*

If recommended by your committees, the required technical changes would be made to the current UPWP and the amendment would be presented to the Board for action at the January meeting.
Mr. Carl Amento
Executive Director
South Central Regional Council of Governments
127 Washington Avenue
North Haven, CT 06473

Re: Move New Haven – Alternatives Analysis

Dear Carl:

This correspondence is a follow-up to the meeting held at SCRCOG offices yesterday, December 21, 2017.

As discussed during that meeting, it has been recommended that to complete a data-driven analysis of the existing public transportation system in the New Haven Region, an Origin-Destination study of the CTTransit – New Haven Division should be conducted.

The anticipated cost of such a study has been identified as $300,000, and the Connecticut Department of Transportation has offered to contribute $200,000 toward this effort. On behalf of the project partners which include CTDOT, City of New Haven and Greater New Haven Transit District, I am requesting SCRCOG’s consideration to utilize $100,000 in Unified Planning Work Program funding to augment the State’s contribution.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter. We appreciate the support of SCRCOG in this important transit improvement initiative within our region.

Sincerely yours,

Kimberly A. Dunham
Executive Director
Highway Safety Target Setting for MAP-21/FAST Act Performance Measures

Options for State and MPO Coordination

Connecticut Department of Transportation Performance Management Unit

AND COLLABORATION
Introduction

• Highway Safety is the first of seven national goals that are addressed in the current federal transportation legislation.

• MPO/State DOT coordination is central to the legislation framework.

• This presentation presents the performance target-setting options available for MPOs.
Highway Safety: Zero fatalities is the goal

- Since developing its own Performance Measures in 2009, the CTDOT has always had a goal of zero fatalities.
Highway Safety is determined by

- Interaction between drivers and their behavior, the highway infrastructure
  - In specific conditions.

- Safety outcomes are not fully under the control of the CTDOT.
  - The DOT implements safety programs addressing both driver behavior and roadway engineering. Despite these efforts, quantitative measures and achievable targets that are reported are likely to be higher than the goal.
  - States are still required to track and set targets in a realistic and time-framed way
    - i.e. non-zero numbers.
Performance management approach

• Best chance of achieving our goals.
• Performance measures must be realistic, quantifiable and achievable.
  – Measurement allows a sustained and focus effort, with timely and transparent feedback.
MAP-21: Performance-based framework
National performance goals and measures

• Required to be developed by FHWA through the rulemaking process.
• In the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR.)
• Once effective,
  – Rules are requirements for states and MPOs
  – Have the force of law.
# 5 Performance Measures for Highway Safety

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<td>Number of Non-Motorized fatalities and serious injuries</td>
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5 Performance Measures: Accountability

• State DOTs:
  – Constraints on ability to direct federal-aid funds

• MPOs:
  – Yearly FHWA certification of planning process

• Even one death on our roads is too many.
  – However, underlying national trends and realities means we will have non-zero numbers when measures and targets are computed.
Achieving Targets

• Setting targets requires developing and executing plans to achieve them.
  – State: Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP), Highway Safety Improvement Plan (HSIP)
  – MPOs: Long Range Plan and TIP.

• State and MPO efforts need to be reflected in the TIPs and the STIP.
MPOs have a choice

• Can support state targets, develop their own targets, or arrive at a combination of the two above.

  – **Implications:**
  • Responsiveness of the target to specific MPO condition.
  • Systems, analyses, and resources have to be in place to meet requirements that accompany setting quantifiable, meaningful, and achievable targets.
# How it plays out

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| **MPO Responsibility** | • Endorse CTDOT targets and submit to CTDOT  
• Use CTDOT data for inclusion in future Long Range Plan and TIP | • Endorse different MPO targets and report them to CTDOT  
• Analyze safety data  
• Report on: baseline performance, VMT estimates and methodology, as well as progress towards achieving targets  
• Incorporate MPO derived data into future Long Range Plan and TIP |
| **CTDOT Responsibility** | • Report State and MPO targets to FHWA  
• Analyze safety data  
• Report on: baseline performance, VMT estimates and methodology, as well as progress towards achieving targets  
• Incorporate results into future Long Range Plan and TIP | • Report State and MPO targets to FHWA  
• Receive MPO report and make available to FHWA |
RESOLUTION FOR ENDORSEMENT OF TARGETS FOR SAFETY
PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED BY CTDOT

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Connecticut as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for South Central Region; and

WHEREAS the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) requires States to set targets for five safety performance measures by August 31, 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established targets for five performance measures based on five year rolling averages for:

(1) Number of Fatalities,

(2) Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT),

(3) Number of Serious Injuries,

(4) Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT, and

(5) Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries, and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the 8 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Connecticut at the February 22, 2017 Safety Target Setting Coordination and Training Workshop; and at the December 2016 and the April 2017 RPO Coordination meetings, and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT has officially adopted the safety targets in the Highway Safety Improvement Program annual report dated August 28, 2017, and the Highway Safety Plan dated June 2017, and
WHEREAS the SCRCOG may establish safety targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the aforementioned State’s targets, or establish its own target within 180 days of the State establishing and reporting its safety targets,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SCRCOG has agreed to support CTDOT’s 2018 targets for the five safety performance targets as attached herein, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SCRCOG will plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of said targets.

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 24, 2018

Date: January 24, 2018

By: _________________________________

, Secretary

South Central Regional Council of Governments
South Central Mobility Management Status Report
The Kennedy Center
John Wardzala
Regional Mobility Manager
7 Research Drive, Woodbridge, CT 06525

December 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

SUMMARY

DECEMBER PRESENTATIONS AND EXHIBITS

Transit Information Outreach at Bella Vista
Exhibited transit information during CT Food Bank’s December Mobile Food Pantry at Bella Vista. There were approximately 130 attendees (primarily people with a disability and those over 65). Attendees expressed significant interest in the Reduced Fare ID application.

Presented/exhibited at Branford Cares monthly event
The Branford Cares December event was held at the Branford Soup Kitchen/Clothing Bank.

Meeting at FISH (Food In Service to the Homebound)
Introductory meeting with FISH Executive Director and staff. FISH delivers groceries to the homebound in the New Haven area. The households they deliver to include people that are elderly, sick, and disabled. FISH staff were unaware of the south central CT transit information I presented and moving forward they will use me as a resource for their homebound clients who require transpiration assistance and information.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Wheelchair “Parking Space” Issue on CTtransit’s new buses
A wheelchair user contacted me regarding an issue on CTtransit’s new bus models. Once boarded on the bus, not all powered wheelchairs users can “back in” and properly park their wheelchair in the designated space behind the bus driver due to a new plastic kick guard located near where wheelchairs are strapped down on the bus.
**Wheelchair “Parking Space” Issue on CTtransit’s new buses continued…**

As a result of not being able to completely parallel park and back in correctly, certain power wheelchair models block the bus’ center isle.

Concerns of the power wheelchair user include obstructing the center isle on the bus and the risk of his Foley catheter’s tube being bumped into/snagged and inadvertently pulled out/disconnected either from his body or from the urine bag by boarding passengers.

- Helped distribute CTtransit’s printed “Holiday Bus Schedule” brochures (especially to those that don’t have Internet or smartphone access) at mobile food pantries and at brick-and-mortar food pantries/soup kitchens.

For example, despite the temperature being in the lower 30s, approximately 140 people attended CT Food Bank’s December Mobile Food Panty in Hamden where I was able to help spread CTTransit holiday bus schedule information to those who do not have Internet access.

- Helping people who are homeless that have a disability and/or are over 65 obtain a CT DOT Reduced Fare ID.

- Continued presence at Connecticut Food Bank’s Mobility Pantry Sites in the south central CT region. Introducing attendees to mobility options and offering printed transportation news and literature promoting Know How To Go SCCT, The Kennedy Center’s Mobility Services and Travel Training program, the CT DOT’s Transit Reduced Fare Photo Identification Card Program application, United Way's 2-1-1 info, and more. The printed material most often taken by attendees include: CT DOT’s “Transit Reduced Fare Photo Identification Card Program” application, The Kennedy Center Travel Training brochure, town street maps and bus schedules.

- Helped resolve transportation issues for people who contacted me for assistance i.e., senior citizens and people with disabilities.

**MEDIA UPDATES**

- Continue to update and maintain content on the knowhowtogoscct.org website.

- Running weekly Google Analytics on the knowhowtogoscct.org website, tracking and reporting website traffic, running. Running a website tool to check for broken links and accessibility issues.

- Continue to update and maintain the Know How To Go SCCT Twitter account. Tweeted 126 transportation related Tweets throughout the month of December.