

## Legal Notice Announcing the Start of the Public Comment Period

The draft Housatonic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (HVMPO) 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a dynamic list of all highway and public transit projects proposed to be undertaken utilizing Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration funding during federal fiscal years 2025-2028 within Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield, and Sherman. The draft TIP is being updated and will be considered for endorsement at the HVMPO meeting on April 18, 2024. It is being circulated beforehand to ensure that community concerns are properly included. In accordance with the WestCOG Public Involvement Plan, HVMPO is initiating a public comment period which will begin at noon March 1, 2024 and conclude at noon on April 1, 2024.

Also considered for endorsement are the CT Department of Transportation (CTDOT) draft Air Quality Conformity Determinations for Ozone and Particulates. The draft TIP and draft Air Quality Conformity Determination documents are available for inspection at [westcog.org](http://westcog.org) beginning March 1, 2024. Persons with limited internet access may contact WestCOG by telephone: 475-323-2071, via email: [plan@westcog.org](mailto:plan@westcog.org) or mail the WestCOG office (1 Riverside Road, Sandy Hook, CT 06482) for assistance. Comments on the draft TIP or draft air quality conformity may be made by mail to the WestCOG office, email: [plan@westcog.org](mailto:plan@westcog.org) telephone: 475-323-2071 or at the following public information meetings:

HVMPO Public Information Meeting: Tuesday March 19, 2024 from 7pm-8pm at the Danbury Library- 170 Main Street, Danbury CT 06810

Virtual Public Information Meeting: Thursday March 14, 2024 from 12pm-1pm over Zoom. Please go to [westcog.org](http://westcog.org) to access the meeting link.

To register to make a comment at the public information meetings, please contact [plan@westcog.org](mailto:plan@westcog.org) and provide your name as well as the subject matter you are commenting on. Comments will be addressed on a first-come, first-served basis. For language assistance or other accommodations, contact Western Connecticut Council of Governments at least five business days prior to the meeting at [help@westcog.org](mailto:help@westcog.org)

CTDOT's draft 2025-2028 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) will be available for review for a 30-day public comment period from May 1-31, 2024. Comments from the public must be received on or before May 31, 2024. Comments should be emailed to [DOT.STIPComments@ct.gov](mailto:DOT.STIPComments@ct.gov) or mailed to Maribeth Wojenski, Bureau of Policy and Planning, Connecticut Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 317546, Newington, Connecticut 06131-7546.