

**WestCOG Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 11:00 am

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89531093509>

Meeting ID: 895 3109 3509

Agenda

- 1) **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**
  - a. WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos
- 2) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** *limited to topics on this agenda and to 2 minutes per speaker.*
- 3) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
  - a. LOTCIP Proposals- Staff Recommendations.....Attachment 3a, p. 1
- 4) **ACTION ITEMS**
  - a. Approval of the December 2025 meeting minutes.....Attachment 4a, pp. 2-4
  - b. 2026 TAG Meeting Schedule Change.....Attachment 4b, p. 5
  - c. FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program.....Attachment 4c, pp. 6-8
    - i. SWRMPO - #0173-0560, Various
    - ii. HVMPO - #0096-0212, Newtown
  - d. LOTCIP Adjustments.....Attachment 4d pp. 9-10
- 5) **OTHER BUSINESS**
- 6) **UPCOMING MEETINGS**
  - a. MPO/COG/Legislative Reception- Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 12:00 Lunch: 11:30
  - b. TAG Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- 7) **ADJOURNMENT**

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2025 LOTCIP Project Proposals  
WestCOG Staff Recommendations

Attachment 3a

Municipality	Short Description/Title	Estimated Total Cost	Requested LOTCIP funds	LOTICIP Funds Recommended	Suitability for COG Commitment
Brookfield	Town Hall Campus Master Plan - Phase 2	\$1,063,200	\$1,063,200	\$1,063,200	Recommended for funding - 1st priority
Greenwich	Replacement of the Fairfield Road Culvert No. 2 over Brother Brook	\$1,432,400	\$1,432,400	\$1,432,400	Recommended for funding - 1st priority
New Canaan	Route 106-Farm Road Intersection Improvement	\$1,420,000	\$1,420,000	\$1,420,000	Recommended for funding - 1st priority
Ridgefield	Ridgebury Road Pavement Restoration, Phase I	\$3,924,000	\$3,924,000	\$3,924,000	Recommended for funding - 1st priority
Stamford	Bull's Head Pedestrian Safety Improvements	\$8,309,018	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	Recommended for funding - 1st priority
Danbury	Citywide Pedestrian Safety & Traffic Controller Improvements	\$3,960,000	\$3,960,000		Suitable for initiation, subject to available funding
Weston	Old Hyde Road	\$1,273,200	\$1,273,200		Suitable for initiation, subject to available funding
Wilton	NRVT Ridge Route (length of 4,682 feet)	\$3,087,600	\$3,087,600		Suitable for initiation, subject to available funding
Wilton	NRVT Ridge Route (length of 1,550 feet)	\$706,800	\$706,800		Suitable but redundant to larger/longer project
Greenwich	Route 1-Bryan Road Traffic Control Signal	\$806,400	\$806,400		Refinement needed
Greenwich	Replacement of the River Road Bridge over Strickland Brook	\$6,876,000	\$4,000,000		Refinement needed
New Milford	Old Boardman Bridge Rehabilitation	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000		Refinement needed
Norwalk	Ward Street Corridor Safety Improvement Project	\$3,867,093	\$3,867,093		Refinement needed
Stamford	Long Ridge Road Corridor Improvements	\$5,488,800	\$4,678,400		Refinement needed
TOTAL		\$31,585,418	\$37,512,293	\$11,839,600	

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## INTERIM MINUTES OF 12/09/2025

### Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482 475-323-2070 via Zoom:

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| • Bethel                     | Public Works Project Manager Jonathan Matz               |
| • Bridgewater                | Absent   |
| • Brookfield                 | Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco                   |
| • Danbury                    | Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda                         |
| • Darien                     | Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg          |
| • Greenwich                  | Greenwich Chief Engineer Gabriella Circosta-Cohee        |
| • New Canaan                 | Director of Public Works Tiger Mann                      |
| • New Fairfield              | Absent   |
| • New Milford                | Director of Public Works Jack Healy                      |
| • Newtown                    | Absent   |
| • Norwalk                    | Dir. of Transportation, Mobility and Parking Jim Travers |
| • Redding                    | Director of Public Works James Gracy                     |
| • Ridgefield                 | Absent   |
| • Sherman                    | Absent   |
| • Stamford                   | Traffic Engineer Jianhong Wang                           |
| • Weston                     | Absent   |
| • Westport                   | Town Engineer Keith Wilberg                              |
| • Wilton                     | Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio   |
| • Transit Representative SWR | Absent   |
| • Transit Representative HV  | Acting Hartransit CEO Bob Yastremski                     |

**Others Attending:** Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski, Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, Norwalk Principal Engineer Jim Meehan, Stamford Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser, Housatonic Area Transit Planner Guyauth Gabbidon, FHWA Transportation Planner Jennifer Brady, and Ridgefield CT Affordable Housing Committee Chair Debra Franceschini.

**WestCOG Staff Members:** Francis Pickering, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Mike Wilson, Nick Trabka, Eddie Provitz, Sagnik Chand, Amal Malik, and Cricket Carpenter.

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No member of the public spoke when asked to do so.

#### **New Staff Welcome**

WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos introduced new WestCOG Data Scientists Eddie Provitz and Sagnik Chand to the TAG members.

#### **FEATURED PRESENTATION**

WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering spoke on Housing and Public Act 25-1

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

##### **WestCOG Traffic Calming Plan and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox**

WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an overview.

##### **2025 LOTCIP Project Solicitation**

WestCOG Program Director Kevin Mahoney provided an overview.

##### **Concrete Survey**

WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an update. Five municipalities participated in the survey. Kristin will send out the link again.

##### **Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant**

**Program:** WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided an overview. Applications for this program are due on April 24, 2026.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **Approval of the November 2025 meeting minutes**

After review and on a motion made by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda and seconded by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski the minutes of the November 2025 meeting were approved with an abstention made by Stamford Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser.

**FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program**

**SWRMPO - #0301-0509CN, Stamford; #0301-0189CN, Norwalk; #0301-0187CN, Norwalk; #0301-0176CN, Norwalk; #0300-2026TK, Various. HVMPO - #0300-2026TK, Various; 0170-3795, New Milford 2026 Annual Highway Safety Performance Measures.**

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Norwalk Dir. of Transportation, Mobility and Parking Jim Travers and seconded by Stamford Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser. The FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program Adjustments were unanimously approved.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

MPO/COG Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025

TAG Meeting Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY THE TAG MEMBERS

## WestCOG Technical Advisory Group (TAG) 2026 Annual Meeting Schedule

**Meeting Location** - All meetings will be virtual, via Zoom, unless noted otherwise

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\*\*\*Held on Tuesdays after the Executive Committee Meeting unless noted below

<u>Date</u>	<u>TAG Meeting</u>
Tuesday, Jan. 13	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 10	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 10	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
*Wednesday, Apr. 8	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, May 12	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, June 9	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
*Wednesday, Jul. 8	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Aug. 11	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Sept. 8	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 13	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 10	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 8	11:00 am – 12:00 pm



# Western Connecticut

## COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

TO: MPO Members  
DATE: January 5, 2026  
SUBJECT: Amendments to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program

### SWRMPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Background:** The FFY2025-2028 South Western Region MPO TIP was endorsed by the MPO on April 18, 2024. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on August 5, 2024.

The following projects have proposed amendments:

1. 0173-0560 – Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations

Details of these amendments can be viewed on the following pages.

**Action Requested:** MPO endorsement after review and support by TAG.

### HVMPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Background:** The FFY2025-2028 Housatonic Valley Region MPO TIP was endorsed by the MPO on April 18, 2024. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on August 5, 2024.

The following projects have proposed amendments:

1. 0096-0212– Drainage Asset Study

Details of these amendments can be viewed on the following pages.

**Action Requested:** MPO endorsement after review and support by TAG.

0173-0560 - REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Lead Agency:	CTDOT
Project Type:	FHWA
Region:	1, 6, 7, 8
Town:	DISTRICT 3
Air Quality Status:	-
Total Cost:	\$3,346,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Preliminary Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$2,474,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,474,000
Total Preliminary Design		\$0	\$0	\$2,474,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,474,000
Final Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$752,000	\$0	\$0	\$752,000
Total Final Design		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$752,000	\$0	\$0	\$752,000
Right of Way	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000
Total Right of Way		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$0	\$2,474,000	\$872,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,346,000

Current Change Reason:	New Project
Federal Project Cost:	Stays the same \$3,346,000
Total Project Cost:	Stays the same \$3,346,000
Air Quality Changes:	Air Quality has changed from None to X7



0096-0212 - DRAINAGE ASSET STUDY

DRAINAGE ASSET STUDY

Lead Agency:	CTDOT
Project Type:	FHWA
Region:	2, 5
Town:	MIDDLEBURY, NEWTOWN, SOUTHBURY
Air Quality Status:	-
Total Cost:	\$380,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Planning	PRPL	\$0	\$0	\$304,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$304,000
Planning	State Match	\$0	\$0	\$76,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$76,000
Total Planning		\$0	\$0	\$380,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$0	\$380,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000

Current Change Reason:	New Project
Federal Project Cost:	Stays the same \$304,000
Total Project Cost:	Stays the same \$380,000
Air Quality Changes:	Air Quality has changed from None to X6

WestCOG LOTCIP Program  
1/29/2026 Adjustment

Municipality	Project	Amount	Cap (Maximum LOTCIP funds)	Status	Expiration Date *
Available funding (FY2014-2027), net of estimated administrative costs		\$160,487,100			
Bethel	TOD Pedestrian and Streetscape, Phase 1	(\$1,500,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/1/2026
Bethel	Sidewalks, Phase 2	(\$2,000,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Brookfield	US 202 Streetscape, Phase 1 (Four Corners)	(\$798,351)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Brookfield	US 202 Streetscape, Phase 3	(\$1,152,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Brookfield	Streetscape, Phases 5 and 7	(\$1,781,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Brookfield	Streetscape, Phase 4	(\$2,390,000)		2. Application pending	8/20/2026
Danbury	White Street and Locust Avenue	(\$3,613,000)		4. Under construction	N/A
Danbury	Fiber Optic Trunk Cable, Phase 1	(\$6,900,000)	\$7,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/18/2029
Danbury	360 Degree Video Detection	(\$3,948,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	2/14/2030
Danbury	Downtown Danbury Streetscape Renaissance Project	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/16/2031
Danbury	Tarryville Park, Norwalk River Valley Trail	(\$712,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/29/2028
Darien	Noroton Avenue-West Avenue Intersection	(\$973,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Darien	Noroton Avenue-Ledge Avenue Intersection	(\$1,650,000)		2. Application pending	3/20/2026
Greenwich	Sound Beach Avenue over Cider Mill Brook	(\$2,534,677)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Greenwich	Frontage Road and Delavan Avenue	(\$1,375,528)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Greenwich	Davis Avenue over Indian Harbor	(\$2,917,207)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Greenwich	Glenville Corridor Ped and Road Improvements	(\$2,143,000)		4. Under construction	N/A
Greenwich	Replacement of North Street Bridge over West Brothers Brook	(\$4,276,150)		3. CTF, in final design	4/20/2028
Greenwich	US 1 Sidewalk Connectivity & ADA Accessibility	(\$4,521,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/26/2029
New Canaan	Park Street Sidewalks	(\$980,000)		3. CTF, in final design	10/1/2026
New Canaan	Talmadge Hill Railroad Station	(\$860,000)		3. CTF, in final design	10/1/2027
New Fairfield	Route 39 and Saw Mill Road (Candlewood Corners Drainage)	(\$553,981)		5. Construction complete	N/A
New Fairfield	Downtown Sidewalk and Streetscape Improvements	(\$1,956,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
New Milford	Wellsville Avenue over East Aspetuck River	(\$1,148,534)		5. Construction complete	N/A
New Milford	Still River Drive and Pickett District Road Roundabout	(\$1,219,175)		5. Construction complete	N/A
New Milford	Pumpkin Hill Road-Still River Drive Intersection	(\$1,804,000)		3. CTF, in final design	6/24/2025
New Milford	Wellsville Avenue Road and Sidewalk Improvements	(\$3,243,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
New Milford	Intersection Improvements at Grove Street and Hine Hill Road	(\$532,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/16/2031
New Milford	East Street-Elm Street Intersection	(\$657,000)		2. Application pending	9/9/2026
Newtown	Toddy Hill Road over Curtis Pond Brook	(\$2,247,047)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Norwalk	East Wall St-Landmark Square Streetscape Improvements	(\$2,439,000)		4. Under construction	N/A
Norwalk	Wall Street Corridor	(\$7,000,000)	\$7,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	5/17/2029
Norwalk	Roundabout at Richard Avenue and West Cedar Street	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	2. Application pending	2/14/2030
Ridgefield	Ligi's Way Combined Use Path	(\$3,060,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Ridgefield	Norwalk Valley River Trail, Ridgefield Ramble	(\$3,062,000)		3. CTF, in final design	6/17/2027
Ridgefield	Ridgebury Road Drainage and Pavement Improvements	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	1. Pre-Application	1/16/2031
Stamford	Fiber Optic Trunk Cable	(\$5,411,892)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Stamford	West Main Street (Route 1) and West Avenue	(\$1,987,496)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Stamford	Greenwich Avenue-Pulaski Street	(\$3,928,312)		4. Under construction	N/A
Stamford	360 Degree Video Detection	(\$2,790,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/15/2025
Stamford	Atlantic Street-Main Street Intersection	(\$2,841,600)		3. CTF, in final design	4/30/2026
Stamford	Lower Atlantic Street Corridor Improvements	(\$6,955,000)	\$7,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Stamford	North State Street Multimodal Gateway	(\$4,600,200)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Stamford	Strawberry Hill Avenue-Rock Spring Road Intersection Improvement	(\$1,820,000)		3. CTF, in final design	1/15/2027
Stamford	Shippan-Harbor-Magee Roundabout	(\$2,830,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/22/2027
Stamford	Bridge Street Corridor Multimodal Safety and Mobility	(\$4,128,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/18/2027
Stamford	Glenbrook Rd-Church St Intersection and TOD Improvement	(\$4,321,000)		3. CTF, in final design	5/25/2028
Stamford	Citywide Pedestrian Signal Infrastructure and Safety Upgrades	(\$3,114,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/29/2028
Stamford	Citywide Signal System Upgrade	(\$3,870,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/29/2028
Stamford	Strawberry Hill/Newfield Ave Corridor Reconstruction	(\$4,284,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/29/2028
Stamford	Third Street Corridor and Intersection Improvements	(\$5,772,000)		2. Application pending	1/18/2029
Weston	Lyons Plain Road Pavement Rehabilitation	(\$2,715,000)		4. Under construction	N/A
Weston	Pedestrian Safety Improvements	(\$1,956,500)		3. CTF, in final design	10/31/2025
Weston	Valley Forge Road Pavement Rehabilitation, Phases 1 and 2	(\$5,357,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/29/2028
Westport	Main Street (Route 57) and Compo Road North (Route 136)	(\$1,138,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Westport	Riverside Avenue Roadway and Sidewalk Improvements	(\$985,193)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Westport	Compo Road South (Route 136) Sidewalk Improvements	(\$2,040,000)		3. CTF, in final design	10/1/2025
Westport	Replacement of the Hillandale Road over Muddy Brook	(\$2,845,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	2/14/2030
Westport	Easton Road Pedestrian Safety Improvements	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/16/2031
Wilton	Pedestrian Walkway, Wilton Train Station	(\$1,416,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Wilton	Preservation of Local Bridges (Nos. 4985, 4978, 4980, 4982)	(\$2,365,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Wilton	Wilton Loop North, Norwalk River Valley Trail	(\$3,020,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/18/2027
	Total COG-Endorsed Funds (including requested adjustments)	(\$174,437,843)			
	Remaining Balance	(\$13,950,743)			
	Endorsed/Allocated	108.7%			

\* COG endorsement expires by this date if CT DOT has not issued Authorization to Advertise

① Increased by \$426,150 from \$3,850,000

TAG: To be considered 1/13/2026

COG: To be considered 1/29/2026

Net change in COG-endorsed funds

Increase

**\$426,150**

WestCOG LOTCIP Program  
1/29/2026 Adjustment

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Available funding (FY2014-2027), net of estimated administrative costs		\$160,487,100			
Greenwich	Replacement of North Street Bridge over West Brothers Brook	(\$4,276,150)		3. CTF, in final design	4/20/2028
	Total COG-Endorsed Funds (including requested adjustments)	(\$174,437,843)			
	Remaining Balance	(\$13,950,743)			
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