

WestCOG Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 11:00 am

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Meeting ID: 895 3109 3509

Agenda

- 1) **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**
 - a. WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos
- 2) **FEATURED PRESENTATION**
 - a. Federal Certification Review: Jennifer Brady, FHWA Transportation Specialist and Brandon Burns FTA Acting Director Planning & Program Development.....Attachment 2a, pp. 1-2
- 3) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** *limited to topics on this agenda and to 2 minutes per speaker.*
- 4) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
 - a. 2027-2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Project Solicitation & Demo.....Attachment 4a, p. 3
 - b. ADA Transition Plans Assistance Project
 - c. Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox
 - d. Draft HVMPO & SWRMPO FY27-30 Transportation Improvement Program...Attachment 4d, p. 4
 - e. FY 2027 MGP 13b Program Announcement.....Attachment 4e, p. 5
 - f. Safe Streets for All – FY26 Funding Opportunity.....Attachment 4f, pp. 6-12
 - g. Data Campaign 26.....Attachment 4g, p. 13
- 5) **ACTION ITEMS**
 - a. Approval of the March 2026 meeting minutes.....Attachment 5a, pp. 14-16
 - b. FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program.....Attachment 5b, pp. 17-18
 - i. SWRMPO – #0135-0346; Stamford
- 6) **OTHER BUSINESS**
- 7) **UPCOMING MEETINGS**
 - a. MPO/COG Thursday, April 16, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.
 - b. TAG Meeting Tuesday May 12, 2026
- 8) **ADJOURNMENT**

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2026 Federal Certification Review

of the

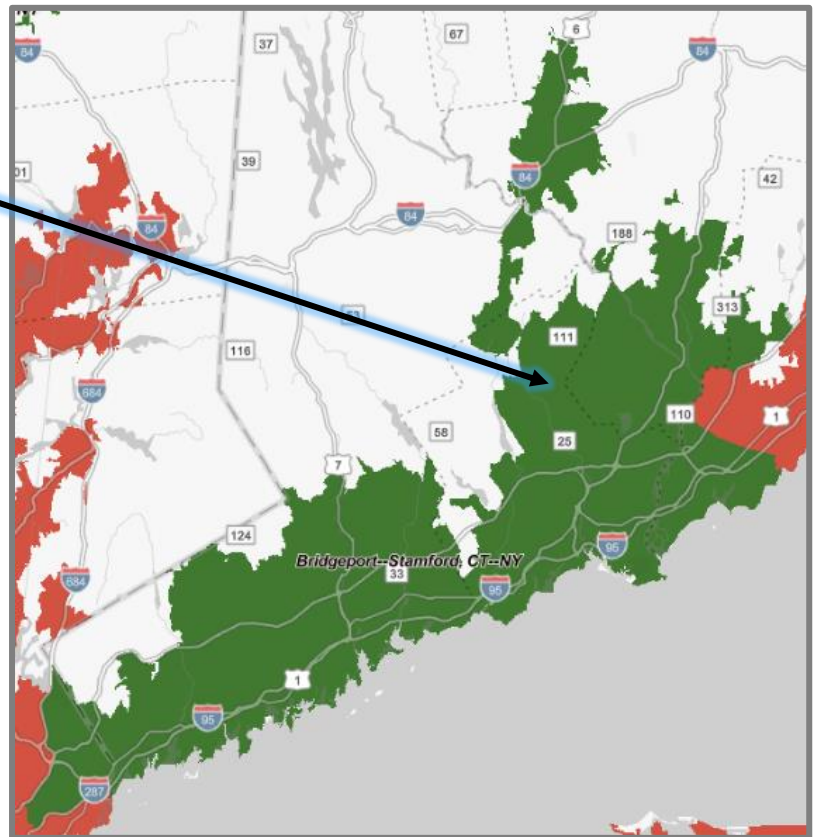
South Western Region MPO and the Greater Bridgeport and Valley MPO

for the

Bridgeport-Stamford, CT Transportation Management Area Overview

At least once every four years, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) must certify that a metropolitan planning organization (MPO) serving a Transportation Management Area (TMA) – an urbanized area with a population over 200,000 – is carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process in adherence with federal requirements under [23 U.S.C. 134](#) and [49 U.S.C. 5303](#). The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) jointly conduct this review, make a certification determination, and produce a report that may include compliance issues (corrective actions), areas for improvement (recommendations), and/or notable practices (commendations). Based on these findings, the MPO will either be “certified,” “certified with conditions or restrictions,” or “not certified”.

Bridgeport-Stamford TMA



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

A **continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive** (3-C) process that informs transportation decisions, including how projects are selected and prioritized for implementation within a region.

With limited funds, this is critical for prioritizing regional needs and identifying projects that best meet performance goals and objectives while providing public benefit. The process assists in developing a framework for the future transportation system.

3-C Planning Process

Continuous: Regularly addressing short-term needs and long-term regional goals

Cooperative: Involving all interested parties through a public participation process

Comprehensive: Multimodal in scope and consistent with other regional and statewide planning products and federal planning factors

Four Key MPO Planning Documents

Please note that there are other federal requirements applicable to MPOs, these are four core planning documents that frame the metropolitan transportation planning process.

Public Participation Plan (PPP)

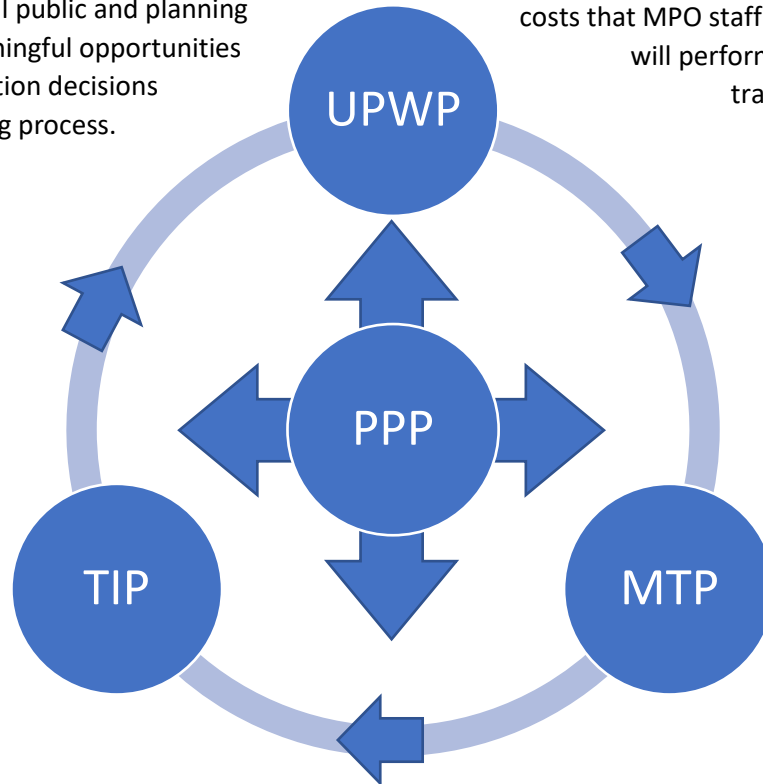
Documents public involvement strategies that provide the general public and planning stakeholders with meaningful opportunities to influence transportation decisions throughout the planning process.

Updated as needed

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Lists transportation tasks, products, and associated costs that MPO staff and other responsible parties will perform to support the metropolitan transportation planning process.

Updated biennially



Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Identifies transportation investments, and associated costs, by year for implementation in the region over the next 4 years. Projects reflect investment priorities from the MTP and activities from the UPWP.

Updated regularly; New TIP prepared every 2-3 years

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Establishes regional goals, strategies, projects, and priorities for an integrated intermodal transportation system that reflect current and future demand over at least 20 years.

Updated every four years

Things to Think About...

What are your views on the planning process?

- What are some challenges?
- What are some strengths?

Do you feel you understand how the planning process works and how to get involved?

Do you feel like you have adequate opportunities to participate and be heard?

How is the Process Going? We Want Your Input!

Written comments can be submitted by 5/1/2026 to:

FHWA: Jennifer Brady, P.E., Transportation Specialist
jennifer.brady@dot.gov or
 c/o FHWA Connecticut Division
 450 Main Street, Suite 612; Hartford, CT 06103

FTA: Brandon Burns, Acting Director Planning & Program Development, FTA Region 1
michael.burns1@dot.gov or
 c/o Federal Transit Administration, Region 1
 220 Binney Street, 9th Floor; Cambridge, MA 02142

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TO: WestCOG TAG Representatives
 FROM: Kristin Floberg, Senior Planner
 DATE: March 30, 2026
 RE: 2027-2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Project Solicitation

Purpose

WestCOG is soliciting projects for inclusion in the SWRMPO and HVMPO MTP from member municipalities and transit providers.

Background

MPOs are required to maintain and regularly update a MTP every 4 years in air quality nonattainment and maintenance zones. Adoption of a MTP is a condition of eligibility for federal transportation funding. This solicitation process ensures the MTP reflects current municipal and transit priorities. While inclusion does not guarantee funding, it is typically required for projects to advance on to the TIP and compete for federal funds.

Discussion

We are seeking projects that address long-term needs and have regional or system-level value, including:

- Roadway and intersection improvements
- Bridge rehabilitation/replacement
- Pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure
- Transit access, facilities, or service improvements
- Freight and goods movement improvements
- Traffic operations and safety improvements
- Resilience projects affecting transportation assets

Routine maintenance and small-scale local projects are generally not appropriate.

Next steps

- Review relevant projects included in Appendix B of the current 2023-2050 MTP: <https://westcog.org/mtp/>
- Submit projects using the online form by May 22nd. This will be emailed out separately.
- WestCOG staff are available to discuss project ideas. Early coordination is encouraged, particularly for projects that may require additional clarification or refinement. Please contact Kristin Floberg, kfloberg@westcog.org, (475)323-2075 with any questions.

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DATE: March 31, 2026

Draft HVMPO & SWRMPO FFY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Background: Federal law requires the development and maintenance of a TIP, which is a financially-constrained listing of transportation projects covering a period of at least four years. In this case, the upcoming four-year period is for Federal Fiscal Years 2027-2030. The TIP is developed in cooperation with CTDOT and public transit providers. The CTDOT concurrently develops and maintains a Statewide TIP (STIP), the amalgamation of all regional TIPs in Connecticut. Both the TIP and STIP must meet air quality conformity requirements and adhere to transportation planning guidelines.

Next Steps: The draft HVMPO and SWRMPO 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) will be considered for endorsement at the May 21, 2026 MPO meetings. Also considered for endorsement will be the CTDOT draft Air Quality Conformity Determinations for Ozone and PM 2.5. Below is the WestCOG schedule developed in coordination with CTDOT for the draft 2027-2030 HVMPO and SWRMPO TIP update:

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| April 1, 2026 | Beginning of the Public Comment Period |
| April 21, 2026 | 6:30pm-7:30pm HVMPO Public Information Meeting |
| April 22, 2026 | 7pm-8pm SWRMPO Public Information Meeting |
| April 23, 2026 | 12pm-1pm SWRMPO & HVMPO Virtual Public Information Meeting |
| May 1, 2026 | End of Public Comment Period |
| May 12, 2026 | WestCOG's Technical Advisory Group (TAG) has the opportunity to make a recommendation to the MPOs for the 5/21 MPO meeting |
| May 21, 2026 | HVMPO & SWRMPO vote on the draft TIP for endorsement at the MPO meeting |

All materials for the draft 2027-2030 HVMPO and SWRMPO TIP will be posted on the [WestCOG website](https://www.westcog.org) on April 1, 2026. In accordance with the WestCOG Public Involvement Plan, the required public comment period for the draft TIP is a minimum of 30 days. Comments on the draft TIP or draft air quality conformity may be made by mail to the WestCOG office, email: plan@westcog.org telephone: 475-323-2071 or at the public information meetings.

To register to make a comment at the public information meetings, please contact 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.

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TO: TAG Members
 FROM: Todd Fontanella
 DATE: March 30, 2026
 RE: State Matching Grant Program (MGP) for Transportation of Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

Overview: CTDOT has announced the FY 2027 MGP application process. The MGP provides matching funds to municipalities for transportation of seniors and persons with disabilities. Funding is calculated based on the land area and population of those over age 60. The program has been in place since 2006; the funds cannot replace municipal support for transportation services. If a town or city reduces its funding for senior/disabled transportation, the grant will be proportionally reduced. For your convenience, we emailed the application materials to you on March 25, 2026; they should also be available at <https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/Publictrans/Bureau-of-Public-Transportation/State-Matching-Grant-Program-for-Elderly-and-People-with-Disabilities>.

Required Materials: For FY 2027, municipalities need to submit the required certifications and budget information. The Maintenance of Effort Certification, Grant Assignment Certification, Certificate of Insurance, and MGP Budget Worksheet must be completed each fiscal year as recertifications for the program. Instructions regarding the submittal of the proposed SFY 2027 MGP Budget Worksheet can be found in the MGP Budget Instructions document. Please note the following:

- Maintenance of Effort Certification: should be completed and signed by the CFO. Please also include a copy of the budget page for FY 2027 that shows the line item for this transportation program.
- Assignability Certification: Those municipalities participating in a coordinated program through a transit district (HARTransit or NTD) should complete this form and have it signed by the municipal CEO assigning the grant to the transit district.
- Program Budget: Please also include a copy of the budget page that shows the line item for this transportation program. Please mark on the budget page the line item attributable to the dial-a-ride program.

Optional Material: A form titled "In-Kind Contributions" has been added to the SFY 2027 recertification documentation. This form is only required by entities who are choosing to utilize in-kind contributions on the MGP Budget Worksheet.

Certification documents are due Thursday, May 14th, 2027. Please submit completed certification documentation packets to DOT.PTransMGP@ct.gov. Questions regarding the annual certification documentation or requests for technical assistance may be directed to Juliana Lee at CTDOT, at Juliana.Lee@ct.gov or (860) 594-2241, or to the program mailbox at DOT.PTransMGP@ct.gov.

It is recommended that the grant program certifications be placed on the agenda for your municipal boards soon, to avoid any delays.

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TO: TAG Representatives
 FROM: Staff
 DATE: March 31, 2026
 RE: Safe Streets and Roads for All FY26 Funding Opportunity

Background

The Federal Highway Administration is currently accepting applications for the FY26 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding opportunity. CTDOT will be providing letters of support to COGs and municipalities applying for SS4A funding.

Discussion

The SS4A program provides funding for two main types of grants:

- **Planning and Demonstration Grants** are used to develop, complete, or supplement an Action Plan, as well as carry out demonstration activities that inform an Action Plan.
- **Implementation Grants** are used to implement strategies or projects that are consistent with an existing Action Plan and may also bundle funding requests for supplemental planning and demonstration activities that inform the Action Plan.

Eligible Project Types:

- Develop a comprehensive Safety Action Plan (Action Plan)
- Conduct supplemental safety planning to enhance an Action Plan.
- Carry out demonstration activities to inform the development of, or an update to, an Action Plan.
- Perform planning, design, and development activities for projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan.
- Implement projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan that address roadway safety problems.

If a proposal impacts a state road, CTDOT's Traffic Operations Unit will need to review the proposed project prior to submittal. Attached, please find the following materials to assist the letter of support process:

- SS4A Application Guidance for Municipalities and COGs
- LOS Request Form

Please note that SS4A grants require a 20% local match and are reimbursable projects. CTDOT cannot provide funds for a local match or administer SS4A grants if awarded. Please feel free to reach out with any questions to Jennifer Arienti at Jennifer.orienti@ct.gov.

Deadline: May 26, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (EDT).

Helpful Information:

- USDOT is placing a priority on Public Safety Infrastructure.
- Eligible applicants may submit one application only to the FY 2026 funding opportunity.

Next steps

CTDOT requests receipt of the following in order to provide a letter of support:

1. Completed LOS Request Form (attached)
2. Project Summary including project description, proposed budget, source of non-federal match, and who will administer the project if the grant is received.

The above materials must be received **no later than April 30, 2026**, in order for a LOS to be provided. Any work performed on a state-owned asset/road needs to be reviewed by the CTDOT's Traffic Engineering Unit prior to submittal. The sooner they receive the requested materials, the sooner CTDOT can review and send back comments and a support letter.

USDOT will host 3 informational webinars on this grant opportunity. Dates and times are listed below. Go to the USDOT [SS4A Webinar Series](#) page for more information and to register.

- SS4A Implementation Grants
Date: April 7, 2026
Time: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET
- SS4A Action Plans
Date: April 9, 2026
Time: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET
- SS4A Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Activities
Date: April 14, 2026
Time: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET

CTDOT SS4A Application Guidance for Municipalities and COGs

Changes in the FY2026 NOFO

- DOT is placing a priority on Public Safety Infrastructure.
- Section B. Definitions. Clarifying information is added regarding Public Safety Infrastructure for post-crash care, emergency response coordination, and prehospital blood transfusion activities.
- Section G. Application Review Information has been updated to include clearer information regarding how SS4A applications will be assessed.
- Section G. Application Review Information. Added language noting that if DOT does not receive enough merit-worthy applications for Planning and Demonstration Grants to award the 30 percent set aside requirement, surplus funds may be redirected toward merit-worthy Implementation Grants.
- Added language highlighting new Executive Orders and DOT Orders.

General Comments from CTDOT regarding SS4A Grant Applications and Awards

- A city/town will assume all maintenance responsibilities for the following, constructed as part of an SS4A award:
 - Signs, including RRFB/PHB
 - Pavement markings, including bike lane markings
 - Snow plowing new bump out areas
 - all decorative streetscape features
 - A Maintenance Agreement with CTDOT will be required for certain aspects of the proposed concept
- MUTCD – Federal Standards Compliance
 - All proposed signs, pavement markings and traffic signal work must be MUTCD compliant and per CTDOT Standard
 - New traffic signals will need to meet signal warrants prior to approval
 - Design plans must meet MUTCD and all other applicable federal standards
 - OSTA approval will be required for installation of new signals and changes to signals owned by the municipality
- Work on State routes
 - Work performed within the State's right of way will require an Encroachment Permit and may be subjected to CTDOT approval
 - Bollards and speed bumps may not be allowed on the state roads
 - Speed tables and bump outs will require further review
 - Approval will be required for signal modifications
- Design Considerations
 - Consider including bicycle pavement markings at signalized intersections to facilitate left turns for cyclists

- Pedestrian facility design must be Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and PROWAG compliant
- Consistent standards with respect to controlling factors such as traffic volume

Suggested Resources for Preparing Applications

- **Regional Transportation Safety Plans (RTSPs):**
 - May be able to be used by Municipalities and COGs as part of an SS4A application
 - Are included in the State’s Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP)
 - Were completed by all COGs in 2021
 - Include specific crash data for each town
 - Incorporate local stakeholder input
 - Are data-driven, multimodal, and multidisciplinary
- **Local Road Safety Plans (such as the RTSPs) are considered a FHWA proven safety countermeasure: [Local Road Safety Plans | FHWA \(dot.gov\)](#)**
- **Transportation Enterprise Data (TED):**
<https://connecticut-ctdot.opendata.arcgis.com/>
 - “One stop” resource for integrated authoritative geospatial transportation data
- **Connecticut Roadway Safety Management System: [Safety Analysis | Connecticut Transportation Safety Research Center \(uconn.edu\)](#)**
 - Data-driven, enterprise-level web application developed to implement the latest Highway Safety Manual (HSM) methods
- **CT Training and Technical Assistance Center – Safety Circuit Rider Program: [CT Safety Circuit Rider Program | T2 Center \(uconn.edu\)](#)**

Support Letter Process

- **Submit draft applications to DOT.Grants@ct.gov by:**
 - April 30 for the May 26 deadline
- **The following information is required:**
 - LOS Request Form
 - Applicant: Municipality/COG name
 - Point of Contact
 - Description of the Project
 - Budget with Cost Estimate and source of non-federal match
 - Is the application for a Planning and Demonstration (Action) Grant or an Implementation Grant?
 - If for an Implementation Grant, are you proposing work on a State Road?
- **Support letter timeline and application feedback:**
 - DOT will review applications and provide Support Letters before the deadline(s)
 - DOT will not provide comments on individual applications

- DOT will only provide comments on Implementation Grant applications that propose work on State Roads if our Traffic Safety team identifies major red flags with your proposals

SS4A Grant Projects are Federal Projects

- SS4A grants require a 20% local match and are reimbursable projects
 - CTDOT cannot provide funds for a local match
- The municipality/COG will be the direct recipient of the grant funds
- FHWA will administer the project under 2CFR200
- Federal requirements for implementing the project will apply, for example:
 - NEPA
 - Rights-of-Way
 - ADA
 - Proprietary Items
 - Buy America
 - DBE
 - Contract Bidding & Award
 - Construction Inspection
 - Public Engagement
- Resources to consider: [Federal-aid Essentials for Local Public Agencies \(dot.gov\)](#)

**Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT)
Letter of Support (LOS) Request Form:**

****Please provide a Letter of Support Template along with your completed Request Form****

Contact Information

Name/Title:

Organization:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

General Project Information

Funding Opportunity:

Applicant:

Joint Applicant (if applicable):

CT Congressional District(s):

Project Name:

Project Location and Scope Description (2-3 sentences describing the project):

Purpose and Need Statement (2-3 sentences describing the P&N):

Is the project on a state road or impacts a state-owned facility?

If the applicant is working with CTDOT on this project, indicate CTDOT project manager?

Budget Information

Total Project Cost:

Requested Award Amount:

Total Federal Match:

State/Local Match:

Who will be providing the cost share?

What will be the source of the cost share?

Project Readiness

Current Phase of Project:

Design/Construction Schedule:

Can the project meet the obligation dates listed in the NOFO?

NEPA Status:

Permitting Status:

Will the proposed project be listed on the STIP/TIP if the grant is awarded?

Does the proposed project require Air Conformity analysis?

If awarded, who is going to administer the grant and project?

Does the proposed project require acquisition of real property or easements, including temporary construction easements? If yes, is the applicant requesting CTDOT to administer the ROW acquisition process?

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TO: WestCOG Technical Advisory Group
FROM: Nicholas Trabka
DATE: March 31, 2026
RE: WestCOG Data Campaign

Purpose

Request for municipal data to support WestCOG's annual Data Campaign.

Discussion

WestCOG's Data Campaign supports critical regional planning efforts, including the development of the Connecticut OPM Housing Growth Plan and other state-mandated initiatives. Additional information is available here: <https://westcog.org/data-campaign/>. At this time, we are requesting updated municipal data in the following areas:

- Zoning (including all overlay zones)
- Sewer service areas
- Public water service areas
- Protected lands (e.g., PA 490, open space, conservation easements)
- Trail routing data

Next Steps

We have reached out to this group as well as applicable departments within your municipality. If you are able to provide any of this data, [please submit available data via our Survey123 form](#). If you are not the appropriate contact, please connect us with the relevant staff or forward this request.

Survey link: <https://arcg.is/1nmW8ro>

For questions or coordination, please contact:
Greed@westcog.org or Ntrabka@westcog.org

Please submit all available data by May 1, 2026.



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INTERIM MINUTES OF 3/10/2026

Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

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

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89531093509>

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| • Bethel | Absent |
| • Bridgewater | First Selectman Eric Gsell |
| • Brookfield | Greg Dembowski Brookfield Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco |
| • Danbury | Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda |
| • Darien | Director of Public Works Ed Gentile |
| • Greenwich | Chief Engineer Gabriella Circosta-Cohee |
| • New Canaan | Public Works Director Tiger Mann |
| • New Fairfield | Absent |
| • New Milford | First Selectman Pete Bass |
| • Newtown | First Selectman Bruce Walczak |
| • Norwalk | Absent |
| • Redding | Director of Public Works Jamie Gracie |
| • Ridgefield | Absent |
| • Sherman | Public Works Supervisor Kris Fazzino |
| • Stamford | Senior Transportation Planner Luke Buttenwieser |
| • Weston | Absent |
| • Westport | Town Engineer Keith Wilberg |
| • Wilton | Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio |
| • Transit Representative SWR | NTD Director of Service Planning Rick Schreiner |
| • Transit Representative HV | HARtransit acting CEO Bob Yastremski |

Others Attending: Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski, Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, New Milford Engineer Chuck Ballard, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy, Stamford Traffic Engineer Jianhong Wang, CTDOT Transportation Supervising Planner Mike Salter, CTDOT Transportation Planner II Matthew Abbott, CTDOT Transportation Planner2 Rebecca Andreucci, and FHWA Transportation Planner Jennifer Brady, Susie Blank, and Tom Marino

WestCOG Staff Members: Kristin Hadjstylianos, Todd Fontanella, Mike Wison, Nicholas Trabka, 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.

ACTION ITEMS

FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program

SWRMPO - #0170-3795; Various

HVMPO - #0170-3795; Various

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an over view. After review and on a motion made by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Stamford Transportation Planner Luke Bittenweiser the FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement amendments were unanimously approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FY27-30 Transportation Improvement Program

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an overview.

ADA Transition Plans Assistance Project

WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an update.

Prohibition of certain unmanned aircraft systems

WestCOG Senior Data Scientist Nick Trabka provided an update.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the February 2026 meeting minutes

After review and on a motion made by New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy and seconded by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembrowski the minutes of the February 2026 meeting were unanimously approved.

FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program

SWRMPO - #0056-0237; Greenwich, #0102-0358; Norwalk, #0102-0383; Norwalk, #0158-0225;

Westport, #0161-0148; Wilton

HVMPO - #0034-0364; Danbury, #0096-0211; Newtown

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by

Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda the TIP amendments were unanimously approved.

2026 Transit Safety Performance Targets

WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided an update. After review and on a motion made by New Canaan Public Works Director Tiger Mann and seconded by New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy the 2026 Transit Safety Performance Targets were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MPO/COG Thursday, March 19th, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.

TAG Meeting **Wednesday April 8th, 2026

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY THE TAG MEMBERS



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TO: MPO Members
DATE: March 30, 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. 0135-0346 – RBC Improvements Between Exits 6-7 & Auxiliary Lane SB

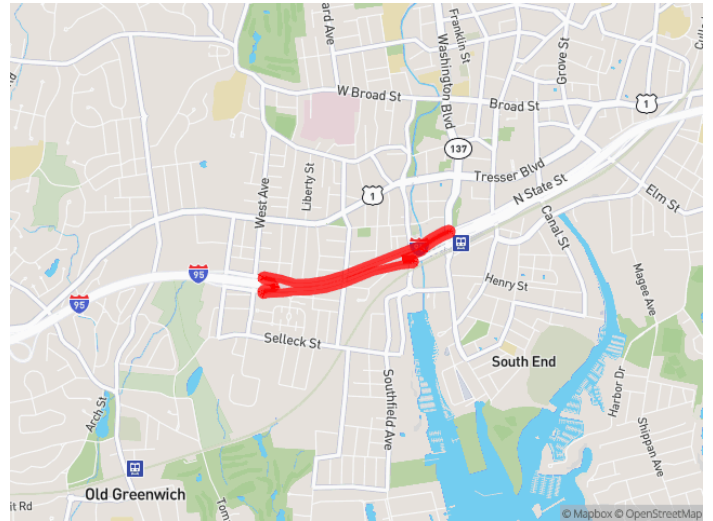
Details of these amendments can be viewed on the following pages.

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

0135-0346 - RBC IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN EXITS 6-7 & AUXILIARY LANE SB

RBC IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN EXITS 6-7 & AUXILIARY LANE SB

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| Lead Agency: | CTDOT |
| Project Type: | FHWA |
| Region: | 1 |
| Town: | STAMFORD |
| Air Quality Status: | - |
| Total Cost: | \$8,777,777 |



| Phase | Fund Source | Prior | FY2025 | FY2026 | FY2027 | FY2028 | Future | Total |
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| Construction | NHPP | \$0 | \$0 | \$2,700,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$2,700,000 |
| Construction | State Match | \$0 | \$577,777 | \$300,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$877,777 |
| Construction | STPB | \$0 | \$5,200,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$5,200,000 |
| Total Construction | | \$0 | \$5,777,777 | \$3,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$8,777,777 |
| - | NHPP | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| - | STPB | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Programmed | | \$0 | \$5,777,777 | \$3,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$8,777,777 |

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| Current Change Reason: | Schedule / Funding / Scope- Update 04 - Adjust existing projects for revised cost estimates - 07 - Administrative Requirement |
| Project Changes: | Plan Revision Name changed from "Adoption" to "April 2026 Amendment" |