

WestCOG/HVMPO/SWRMPO Meeting Agenda

A Joint Meeting for Western Connecticut Council of Governments (WestCOG), Housatonic Valley and South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organizations (HVMPO, SWRMPO)

Time. Thursday, June 18, @12:00 p.m.

Location. Ridgefield Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

Virtual Option: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88222966740> Meeting ID: 882 2296 6740

1. Call to Order

- a. COG Meeting: Hon. Rudy Marconi
- b. HVMPO Meeting: Hon. Julia Pemberton
- c. SWRMPO Meeting: Hon. Jon Zagrodzky

2. Public Participation (Limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

3. Staff Program Updates

- a. WestCOG's Regional Housing Planning, by Farnaz Kamyab, Planner
- b. WestCOG's Parcel and Cama Improvement Grant Update, Nick Trabka & Edward Provitz, Data Scientists
- c. Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update, Kristin Floberg, Senior Planner
- d. ADA Transition Plan Update, Mike Wilson, Senior Planner

4. COG Action Items

- a. Approval of May Meeting Minutes.....Attachment4a, pp. 1-4
- b. LOTCIP Adjustment.....Attachment 4b, pp. 5-13
- c. Regional Services Grant Spending Plan and 2026-06-18-#01 Resolution....Attachment4c, pp. 14-16
- d. Agency Budget.....Attachment 4d, pp. 17-20

5. MPO Action Items 4d, pp.

- a. Approval of the May 2026 Meeting Minutes.....Attachment 4a,pp. 1-4
- b. FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program..... Attachment 5b, pp. 21-23
 - i. SWRMPO - #170S-SNON; Statewide
 - ii. HVMPO - #170S-SNON; Statewide, 0174-0492; Danbury

6. Information Items

- a. Summer Staff for 2026.....Attachment 6a, pp. 24-25

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- b. Culvert and Bridge Mapping.....Attachment 6b, p. 26

7. Other Business

8. Adjournment

9. Next meeting

- a. Thurs. July 16, 2026 @12:00 pm

Western Connecticut

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



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WestCOG / HVMPO / SWRMPO Interim Meeting Minutes

(A Combined Meeting for Western Connecticut Council of Governments (WestCOG), Housatonic Valley and South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organizations (HVMPO, SWRMPO) 1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482

Scheduled for: Thursday, May 21, 12:00 p.m.

Location. Ridgefield Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT

COG Chairman Rudolph Marconi / Vice Chair- Dan Carter
 Treasurer -Jon Zagrodzky / Secretary Julia Pemberton
 HVMPO Chairman Julia Pemberton / Vice Chairman Dan Carter
 SWRMPO Chairman Jon Zagrodzky / Vice Chairman Dionna Carlson

Members Attending

Bethel..... First Selectman Dan Carter COG/HVMPO
 Bridgewater..... First Selectman Eric Gsell COG/HVMPO
 Brookfield Absent
 Danbury Absent
 Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky COG/SWRMPO
 Greenwich..... Selectman Lauren Rabin COG/SWRMPO
 New Canaan..... First Selectman Dionna Carlson COG/SWRMPO
 New Fairfield Absent
 New Milford..... Mayor Pete Bass COG/HVMPO
 Newtown First Selectman Bruce Walczak COG/HVMPO
 Norwalk..... Chief of Staff Corey Frate SWRMPO
 Redding..... First Selectwoman Julia Pemberton COG/HVMPO
 Ridgefield..... First Selectman Rudy Marconi COG/HVMPO
 Sherman..... First Selectman Don Lowe COG/HVMPO
 Stamford..... Mayor Caroline Simmons COG/SWRMPO
 Weston..... First Selectman Samantha Nestor COG/SWRMPO
 Westport..... First Selectman Kevin Christie COG/SWRMPO
 Wilton..... First Selectman Toni Boucher COG/SWRMPO
 Transit Representative..... NTD Director of Service Planning Rick Schreiner SWRMPO
 Transit Representative..... Absent
 CTDOT CTDOT Transportation Planner II Matthew Abbott
 MPO Staff..... Francis Pickering (Non-voting MPO member)

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Others in Attendance: Bethel Director of Public Works Eric Swenson, Newtown Director of Planning and Land Use Rob Sibley, Jill Soderholm Newtown P&Z, Outreach Manager for Congressman Himes Sophie Khanna, Ellen Graham from Senator Blumenthal's office, HARTransit Chief Financial Officer Lori Wilk, Jonathan Dean, Joe Belrose, and Neil Patel Greg Palmer, Obesebea Aye-Addo, Joe Lombardi, and Kevin Ng. from CTDOT and James Root from the Sierra Club.

WestCOG Staff: Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kristin Floberg, Todd Fontanella, Mike Wilson, Amal Malik, Vicky Ricks, and Cricket Carpenter.

Call to Order

The COG meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. by Chairman Rudy Marconi
The HVMPO meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. by Vice Chairman Dan Carter
The SWRMPO meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chairman Jon Zagrodzky

Public Comment

No comment was made during the public comment period.

Featured Presentations

Greg Palmer, Obesebea Aye-Addo, Joe Lombardi, and Kevin Ng from CTDOT provided a presentation on CTDOT's Traffic Operations:

Jonathan Dean, Joe Belrose, and Neil Patel from CTDOT presented on the I-95 Planning and Environmental Linkages Studies for Greenwich and Stamford.

COG Action Items

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky the minutes of the April COG meeting were unanimously approved.

2026-05-21-#01 Mason Street Partners, LLC Brownfield Resolution

WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Newtown First Selectman Bruce Walczak and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the 2026-05-21-#01 Mason Street Partners, LLC Brownfield Resolution was unanimously approved.

Greenwich SS4A Application Letter of Support

WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky the Greenwich SS4A Application Letter of Support was unanimously approved.

Appointment of Auditor Selection

WestCOG's Francis Pickering provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Darien

First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the Appointment of Auditor Selection was unanimously approved.

LOTICIP Adjustment

Program Director Kevin Mahoney provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass, the New Milford LOTICIP adjustment was unanimously approved. The Ridgefield LOTICIP Adjustment is tabled for a future meeting.

2026-05-15-#09 Resolution Authorizing Financial Adjustments for Regional Water Planning and State Coordination

Francis Pickering provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, the 2026-05-15-#09 Resolution Authorizing Financial Adjustments for Regional Water Planning and State Coordination was unanimously approved.

MPO Action Items

Approval of the April 2026 Meeting Minutes

After review and on a motion made by Wilton First Selectman and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Dionna Carlson the minutes of the April 2026 SWRMPO meeting were unanimously approved.

After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe the minutes of the April 2026 HVMPO meeting were unanimously approved.

FY 2025 Section 5310 Application Rankings

WestCOG's Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher the SWRMPO FY 2025 Section 5310 Application Rankings were unanimously approved. After review and on a motion made by Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the HVMPO FY 2025 Section 5310 Application Rankings were unanimously approved.

FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program

SWRMPO - #0170-FAREBX; Various, #0400-2026EQ; Various

Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by New Canaan First Selectman Dionna Carlson and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher the **FY25-FY28** Transportation Improvement Program SWRMPO - #0170-FAREBX; Various, #0400-2026EQ; Various was unanimously approved.

HVMPO and SWRMPO FY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program

2026-05-21-#02 Resolution to Endorse the HVMPO FFY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program

2026-05-21-#06 Resolution to Endorse the SWRMPO FFY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program HVMPO Air Quality Conformity Resolutions (#03, #04, #05)

SWRMPO Air Quality Conformity Resolutions (#07, #08)

Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview.

After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi the HVMPO 05-21-#02 Resolution to Endorse the HVMPO FFY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program was unanimously approved.

After review and on a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Dionna Carlson the SWRMPO 05-21-#02 Resolution to Endorse the SWRMPO FFY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2026-05-21-#06 Resolution to Endorse the SWRMPO FFY2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program were unanimously approved.

After review and on a motion made by Redding First Selectwoman Julia Pemberton and seconded by Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi the HVMPO Air Quality Conformity Resolutions (#03, #04, #05) were unanimously approved.

After review and on a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Dionna Carlson the SWRMPO Air Quality Resolutions (#07, #08) were unanimously approved.

Information Items

CTDEEP Volkswagen NOx Mitigation Program Round 4
Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an update.

Draft RSG Regional Services Grant Spending Plan.
Francis Pickering provided an update.

Draft Agency Budget.
Francis Pickering provided an update.

Housing Update
This item was tabled.

Legislative Update
This item was tabled.

Summer Staff for 2026
WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle provided an update.

Other Business

Adjournment

On a motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned at 2:07

Next meeting

Thurs. June 18, 2026 @12:00 pm

WestCOG LOTCIP Program
06/18/2026 Adjustments

Municipality	Project	Amount	Cap (Maximum LOTCIP funds)	Status	Expiration Date *
Available funding (FY2014-2027), net of estimated administrative costs		\$160,487,100			
Bethel	Sidewalks, Phase 2	(\$2,000,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Bethel	TOD Pedestrian and Streetscape, Phase 1	(\$1,500,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/1/2026
Brookfield	US 202 Streetscape, Phase 1 (Four Corners)	(\$798,351)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Brookfield	US 202 Streetscape, Phase 3	(\$1,017,303)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Brookfield	Streetscape, Phases 5 and 7	(\$1,781,000)		3. CTF, in final design	8/20/2026
Brookfield	Town Hall Campus Pedestrian Improvements	(\$1,063,200)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	2/19/2032
Brookfield	Streetscape, Phase 4	(\$2,390,000)		2. Application pending	8/20/2026
Danbury	White Street and Locust Avenue	(\$3,613,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
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	Fiber Optic Trunk Cable, Phase 1	(\$6,900,000)	\$7,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/18/2029
Danbury	Tarrywile 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	Davis Avenue over Indian Harbor	(\$2,917,207)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Greenwich	Frontage Road and Delavan Avenue	(\$1,375,528)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Greenwich	Sound Beach Avenue over Cider Mill Brook	(\$2,534,677)		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)		4. Under construction	N/A
Greenwich	US 1 Sidewalk Connectivity & ADA Accessibility	(\$4,521,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/26/2029
Greenwich	Replacement of the Fairfield Road Culvert No. 2 over Brother Brook	(\$1,432,400)	\$4,000,000	1. Pre-Application	2/19/2032
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 Canaan	Route 106-Farm Road Intersection Improvement	(\$1,420,000)	\$4,000,000	2. Application pending	2/19/2032
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	Still River Drive and Pickett District Road Roundabout	(\$1,219,175)		5. Construction complete	N/A
New Milford	Wellsville Avenue over East Aspetuck River	(\$1,148,534)		5. Construction complete	N/A
New Milford	East Street-Elm Street Intersection	(\$657,000)		3. CTF, in final design	9/9/2026
New Milford	Intersection Improvements at Grove Street and Hine Hill Road	(\$556,800)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/16/2031
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
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	(\$3,094,000)		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 Improvements	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	1. Pre-Application	1/16/2031
Ridgefield	Ridgebury Road Pavement Restoration, Phase I	(\$3,924,000)	\$4,000,000	1. Pre-Application	2/19/2032
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

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WestCOG LOTCIP Program
06/18/2026 Adjustments

Municipality	Project	Amount	Cap (Maximum LOTCIP funds)	Status	Expiration Date *
Stamford	Atlantic Street-Main Street Intersection	(\$2,841,600)		3. CTF, in final design	4/30/2026
Stamford	Bridge Street Corridor Multimodal Safety and Mobility	(\$4,128,000)		3. CTF, in final design	11/18/2027
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	Glenbrook Rd-Church St Intersection and TOD Improvement	(\$4,321,000)		3. CTF, in final design	5/25/2028
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	Shippan-Harbor-Magee Roundabout	(\$2,830,000)		3. CTF, in final design	4/22/2027
Stamford	Strawberry Hill Avenue-Rock Spring Road Intersection Improvement	(\$1,820,000)		3. CTF, in final design	1/15/2027
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
Stamford	Bull's Head Pedestrian Safety Improvements	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	1. Pre-Application	2/19/2032
Weston	Lyons Plain Road Pavement Rehabilitation	(\$2,715,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Weston	Pedestrian Safety Improvements	(\$1,956,500)		4. Under construction	N/A
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)		4. Under construction	N/A
Westport	Easton Road Pedestrian Safety Improvements	(\$4,000,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	1/16/2031
Westport	Replacement of the Hillandale Road over Muddy Brook	(\$2,845,000)	\$4,000,000	3. CTF, in final design	2/14/2030
Wilton	Pedestrian Walkway, Wilton Train Station	(\$1,416,000)		5. Construction complete	N/A
Wilton	Preservation of Local Bridges (Nos. 4978, 4980)	(\$2,365,000)		3. CTF, in final design	N/A
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)	(\$186,201,546)			
	Remaining Balance	(\$25,714,446)			
	Endorsed/Allocated	116.0%			

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

① Increase by \$34,000 from \$3,060,000 for supplemental grant funds

TAG: Recommended Approval 05/12/2026

COG: To be considered 06/18/2026

Net change in COG-endorsed funds

Increase

\$34,000

L117-0001

Ligi Way Combined Use Path, Ridgefield

Request for Additional Funding for Construction Cost Over-run

Values in "Requested" section based on Attachment 2 - 04-29-2026 Town of Ridgefield email

CT DOT		Original Grant			Requested			Change		
		LOTICIP Participating 100% State	LOTICIP Non-Participating 100% Municipal	TOTAL (Participating + Non Participating)	LOTICIP Participating 100% State	LOTICIP Non-Participating 100% Municipal	TOTAL (Participating + Non Participating)	LOTICIP Participating 100% State	LOTICIP Non-Participating 100% Municipal	TOTAL (Participating + Non Participating)
	Contract items	2,458,050.00	241,545.00	2,699,595.00	2,844,593.29	241,545.00	3,086,138.29	386,543.29	0.00	386,543.29
	Contingencies	245,805.00	24,154.50	269,959.50				(245,805.00)	(24,154.50)	(269,959.50)
	Incidentals	245,805.00	24,154.50	269,959.50	249,342.00	69,465.00	318,807.00	3,537.00	45,310.50	48,847.50
	Total	\$2,949,660.00	\$289,854.00	\$3,239,514.00	\$3,093,935.29	\$311,010.00	\$3,404,945.29	\$144,275.29	\$21,156.00	\$165,431.29
WestCOG	Total				\$3,093,935.29			\$3,093,935.29		
	Rounded	\$3,060,000.00			\$3,094,000			\$34,000		

Net/Actual increase in WestCOG LOTCIP Funds \$144,275.29 Consisting of:

 \$110,340.00 Funds previously committed by WestCOG above the grant amount that will not be released if Town request is approved.

 \$33,935.29 Requested funds above the previously-committed amount



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

Office of the Director
of Public Works & Facilities

Attachment 1 - 04-29-2026 Town of Ridgefield email

March 31, 2026

Mr. Kevin Mahoney
1 Riverside Road
Sandy Hook, CT 06482
Director of Transportation Planning
Capital Region Council of Governments

RE: LOTCIP Project Combined Use Path – Ligi Way; State Project # L117-0001

Dear Kevin

The Town of Ridgefield would like to formally request additional funding support for the Ligi Way Combined-Use Path, State Project # L117-0001, funded under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP). During the construction phase, the project encountered unforeseen means and methods challenges that have resulted in costs exceeding the original approved budget.

Specifically, unanticipated subsurface conditions were encountered within the existing roadway fill in the vicinity of the combined pathway boardwalk and the wood beam guide rail. The material consisted primarily of boulders less than one cubic yard in size, which did not meet the project's rock excavation specifications. As a result, the material was unsuitable for the planned drilling methods and instead required a shift to more labor-intensive and time-consuming excavation methods.

This change in means and methods significantly increased construction costs due to additional equipment requirements, extended labor durations, and reduced production efficiency. These conditions could not have been reasonably identified during the design phase and only became evident once excavation activities were underway.

As a direct result of addressing these conditions, the project has fully expended and exceeded both the 10% incidentals and 10% contingency allowances included in the original project budget. Despite these challenges, the project continues to deliver important infrastructure improvements, including improved pedestrian access along Ligi's Way the boardwalk, and upgraded roadside safety features as well.

To ensure successful completion of the project without compromising quality or scope, we respectfully request consideration for the revised project total of \$3,093,935.29 (State participating request).

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Attachment 1 - 04-29-2026 Town of Ridgefield email

We appreciate your consideration of this request and your continued support of this important infrastructure investment. Please feel free to contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J Muller", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jacob Muller

Attachment 2 - 04-29-2026 Town of Ridgefield email

L117-0001

Ligi Way Combined Use Path, Ridgefield
Request for Additional Funding for Cost Over-run

	Original Grant			Requested		
	LOTICIP Participating 100% State	LOTICIP Participating 100% Municipal	Total	LOTICIP Participating 100% State	LOTICIP Participating 100% Municipal	Total
Contract Items	\$2,458,050.00	\$241,545.00	\$2,699,595.00	\$2,844,593.29	\$241,545.00	\$3,086,138.29
Contingencies	\$245,805.00	\$24,154.50	\$269,959.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Incidentals	\$245,805.00	\$24,154.50	\$269,959.50	\$249,342.00	\$69,465.00	\$318,807.00
Total	\$2,949,660.00	\$289,854.00	\$3,239,514.00	\$3,093,935.29	\$311,010.00	\$3,404,945.29

Project: Combined Use Path Ligi Way and Farmingville Road

ITEM NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AS BID AMOUNT		FINAL AMOUNT	
				QUANTITY	AMOUNT	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
0201001	Clearing and Grubbing	LS	\$1.00	35,000	\$35,000.00	35,000.00	\$35,000.00
0202000	Earth Excavation	CY	\$50.00	200	\$10,000.00	1,348.48	\$67,424.00
0202529	Cut Bituminous Concrete Pavement	LF	\$10.00	120	\$1,200.00	0.00	\$0.00
0207000	Borrow	CY	\$55.00	330	\$18,150.00	0.00	\$0.00
0219001	Sedimentation Control System	LF	\$7.00	340	\$2,380.00	2,060.00	\$14,420.00
0219011A	Sedimentation Control at Catch Basin	Ea.	\$100.00	1	\$100.00	0.00	\$0.00
0406005A	Pavement Repair	SY	\$180.00	35	\$6,300.00	182.17	\$32,790.60
0601733.40	Class PCC03340	CY	\$800.00	13	\$10,400.00	21.03	\$16,824.00
0601744.60	Class PCC04460	CY	\$2,000.00	20	\$40,000.00	26.06	\$52,120.00
0602030	Deformed Steel Bars - Galvanized	LB	\$5.00	2,500	\$12,500.00	3,802.00	\$19,010.00
0604301A	Pedestrian Bridge Superstructure (Site No. 1)	LS	\$1.00	150,000	\$150,000.00	150,000.00	\$150,000.00
0603801	Structural Steel	CWT	\$500.00	550	\$275,000.00	593.61	\$296,805.00
0701190	Obstructions	Hr.	\$750.00	4	\$3,000.00	0.00	\$0.00
0701192	Access Tubes	LF	\$10.00	200	\$2,000.00	0.00	\$0.00
0701099	Furnishing Drilled Shaft Drilling Equipment	LS	\$1.00	25,000	\$25,000.00	25,000.00	\$25,000.00
0701200	Drilled Shaft (2'-0" Diameter)	LF	\$190.00	720	\$136,800.00	720.00	\$136,800.00
0701230	Drilled Shaft Earth Excavation (2'-0" Diameter)	LF	\$65.00	700	\$45,500.00	720.00	\$46,800.00
0701260	Drilled Shaft Rock Excavation (2'-0" Diameter)	LF	\$200.00	20	\$4,000.00	0.00	\$0.00
0702026	Micropiles	Ea.	\$7,000.00	12	\$84,000.00	12.00	\$84,000.00
0702027	Verification Test For Micropiles	Ea.	\$35,000.00	1	\$35,000.00	1.00	\$35,000.00
0702028	Proof Test For Micropiles	Ea.	\$7,000.00	2	\$14,000.00	2.00	\$14,000.00
0703012	Modified Riprap	CY	\$125.00	35	\$4,375.00	0.00	\$0.00
0755009	Geotextile	SY	\$2.00	720	\$1,440.00	127.78	\$255.56
0811001	Concrete Curbing	LF	\$150.00	70	\$10,500.00	115.00	\$17,250.00
0815001	Bituminous Concrete Lip Curbing	LF	\$12.00	300	\$3,600.00	0.00	\$0.00
0906204A	Three Rail Wood Fence	LF	\$40.00	300	\$12,000.00	311.92	\$12,476.80
0910090A	Steel-Backed Timber Guiderail - Type A	LF	\$90.00	970	\$87,300.00	840.00	\$75,600.00
0910091A	Steel-Backed Timber Guiderail - Terminal Section	Ea.	\$5,000.00	6	\$30,000.00	5.00	\$25,000.00
0910093A	Steel-Backed Timber Guiderail - Type A (System 2)	LF	\$130.00	1,700	\$221,000.00	1,640.00	\$213,200.00
0912503	Removal of Existing Metal Beam Rail	LF	\$6.00	2,375	\$14,250.00	2,382.00	\$14,292.00
0913011	Chainlink Fence (5' High)	LF	\$220.00	35	\$7,700.00	41.67	\$9,167.40
0921001	Concrete Sidewalk	SF	\$17.00	7,350	\$124,950.00	7,409.27	\$125,957.59
0921005	Concrete Sidewalk Ramp	SF	\$45.00	180	\$8,100.00	292.70	\$13,171.50
0921016A	Concrete Paver Sidewalk	SF	\$75.00	410	\$30,750.00	452.39	\$33,929.25
0921039	Detectable Warning Strip	Ea.	\$230.00	4	\$920.00	3.00	\$690.00
0922103X1A	Boardwalk (Sta. 15+60 - 26+25)	SF	\$65.00	9,600	\$624,000.00	9,600.00	\$624,000.00

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0922103X2A	Boardwalk (Observation Platform)	SF	\$80.00	600	\$48,000.00	600.00	\$48,000.00
0922500	Bituminous Concrete Driveway (Commercial)	SY	\$75.00	100	\$7,500.00	0.00	\$0.00
0944003	Furnishing and Placing Topsoil	SY	\$14.00	1,550	\$21,700.00	1,821.78	\$25,504.97
0949125A	Carpinus Caroliniana 'American Hornbeam', 3"-3.5" Cal.	Ea.	\$1,800.00	2	\$3,600.00	2.00	\$3,600.00
0949226A	Ilex Verticillata 'Winterberry', #3 Container	Ea.	\$90.00	10	\$900.00	10.00	\$900.00
0949412A	Dennstaedtia Punctilobula, 'Hay-scented Fern', #3 Container	Ea.	\$95.00	82	\$7,790.00	82.00	\$7,790.00
0949413A	Carex Pensylvanica 'Pennsylvania Sedge', #3 Container	Ea.	\$95.00	17	\$1,615.00	17.00	\$1,615.00
0949583A	Panicum Virgatum 'Shenandoah Switch Grass', #3 Container	Ea.	\$95.00	10	\$950.00	10.00	\$950.00
0949834A	Acer Rubrum 'Red Maple', 3"-3.5" Cal.	Ea.	\$1,800.00	4	\$7,200.00	4.00	\$7,200.00
0949894A	Cornus Racemosa 'Gray Dogwood', #3 Container	Ea.	\$110.00	6	\$660.00	6.00	\$660.00
0950019A	Turf Establishment - Lawn	SY	\$4.00	870	\$3,480.00	1,821.78	\$7,287.12
0950040A	Conservation Seeding for Slopes	SY	\$4.00	790	\$3,160.00	0.00	\$0.00
0970006	Trafficperson (Municipal Police Officer)	Est. Cos	\$1.00	70,000	\$70,000.00	148,194.15	\$148,194.15
0970007	Trafficperson (Uniformed Flagger)	Hr.	\$58.00	1,000	\$58,000.00	966.26	\$56,042.86
0971001A	Maintenance & Protection of Traffic	L.S.	\$1.00	74,000	\$74,000.00	74,000.00	\$74,000.00
0975004A	Mobilization and Project Closeout	L.S.	\$1.00	203,000	\$203,000.00	203,000.00	\$203,000.00
0980020	Construction Surveying	L.S.	\$1.00	35,000	\$35,000.00	35,000.00	\$35,000.00
0992087A	Information Kiosk	Ea.	\$20,000.00	1	\$20,000.00	1.00	\$20,000.00
0992090A	Backed Bench	Ea.	\$2,000.00	2	\$4,000.00	2.00	\$4,000.00
0992091A	Backless Bench	Ea.	\$2,000.00	4	\$8,000.00	4.00	\$8,000.00
0992092A	Bike Rack	Ea.	\$1,000.00	2	\$2,000.00	2.00	\$2,000.00
0992103A	Trash Receptacle	Ea.	\$2,500.00	1	\$2,500.00	1.00	\$2,500.00
1117110A	Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB Type A)	Ea.	\$9,000.00	2	\$18,000.00	2.00	\$18,000.00
1204122A	Project Sign	Ea.	\$1,000.00	1	\$1,000.00	1.00	\$1,000.00
1206023A	Removal and Relocation of Existing Signs	LS	\$1.00	1,000	\$1,000.00	1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1208931	Sign Face Sheet Aluminum - (Type IX Reflective Sheeting)	SF	\$125.00	25	\$3,125.00	16.50	\$2,062.50
1210101	4" White Epoxy Resin Pavement Markings	LF	\$4.00	50	\$200.00	0.00	\$0.00
1210105	Epoxy Resin Pavement Markings, Symbols and Legends	SF	\$14.00	120	\$1,680.00	111.00	\$1,554.00
1211001	Removal Pavement Markings	SF	\$4.00	80	\$320.00	0.00	\$0.00
CO 1 item 1	Stone used in Backfill of D.Shafts	Ton	\$40.00			769.00	\$30,760.00
CO 1 Item 2	Conc. Used in Backfill of D.Shafts	C.Y.	\$250.50			33.00	\$8,266.50
CO 1 Item 3	Test Pit for Location of Sewer	C.P.	\$1.00			2,562.01	\$2,562.01
CO 1 Item 4	Removal of Piles	C.Y.	\$32.00			1,200.00	\$38,400.00
CO 1 Item 5	Structure Excavation	C.Y.	\$50.50			159.81	\$8,070.41
CO 1 Item 6	Removal of Invasive Species	S.Y.	\$6.99			0.00	\$0.00
CO 2 Item 1	HMA for Paving all inclusive	Ton	\$245.00			304.36	\$74,568.20
CO 3 Item 1	Bollards	Each	\$2,231.64			7.00	\$15,621.48
CO 4 Item 1	Invasive Treatment	Each	\$3,493.75			4.00	\$13,975.00
CO 5 Item 1	2" Stone	Ton	\$179.06			149.79	\$26,821.40
CO 6 Item 1	Town Subbase Credit	S.F.	-\$0.46			8,154.36	-\$3,751.01
ORIGINAL CONTRACT TOTAL					\$2,699,595.00	FINAL TOTAL:	3,086,138.29



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD
Department of Public Works

[Attachment 2 - 06-08-2026 Town of Ridgefield email](#)

March 31, 2026

Mr. Kevin Mahoney
1 Riverside Road
Sandy Hook, CT 06482
Director of Transportation Planning
Western Connecticut Council of Governments

RE: LOTCIP Project Combined Use Path – Ligi Way; State Project # L117-0001

Dear Kevin-

Below are the descriptions we discussed regarding the overages for the above-mentioned project;

- Earth Excavation – During construction differences in existing contour elevations to plan contour elevations were discovered. In addition, large stones and boulders were excavated for the installation of the drilled shafts. This was paid as Earth Excavation as Obstructions is an hourly item and would have been more expensive.
- Pavement Repair – Portions of Ligi Way was constructed with fill over a wetland area. The fill utilized was a combination of construction debris and large boulders or rock Excavation. As the piles were being constructed repairs needed to be done due to numerous rocks going under the pavement. This expanded the pavement repair areas.
- Police – Due the traffic volume, Police were needed during construction for safety as Ligi way is an alternative bypass to main street.
- Stone to Backfill Drilled Shafts – Stone was used to backfill around the drilled shafts, reduce settling and compaction where large boulders were excavated.
- Removal of Piles – Two large piles of construction debris were removed from the site at the viewing area.
- HMA for Paving – Paving increased due to the boulders being taken out of the side of the road for the installation of the guide rail and drilled shafts.
- 2" Stone – Placed under the guide rail to protect the slope and help prevent the growth of weeds.

Sincerely,

Jacob Muller

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Western Connecticut

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



TO: WestCOG Representatives
 FROM: Francis R. Pickering, Executive Director
 DATE: June 18, 2026
 RE: **SFY 2027 WestCOG Regional Services Grant spending plan - Draft**

Background

Following the U.S. Department of Transportation, WestCOG's largest funder is the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management (OPM). WestCOG's OPM funding comes in the form of a Regional Services Grant (RSG) to be used for the provision of regional services, particularly those that result in cost savings to municipalities and local taxpayers.

To receive these funds, WestCOG must:

- Submit an RSG spending plan to OPM for the use of these funds by July 1. (The plan may be adjusted by the Executive Committee throughout the year as needed, for instance, should funding or project costs, scope, priorities, or viability change, with OPM approval.) *A proposed spending plan is on the next page.*
- Execute a contract with OPM to receive funds. RSG supports COG activities in the OPM-approved areas of regional services, comprehensive planning, and municipal technical support.

For state fiscal year 2027, WestCOG's unrestricted RSG is estimated to total \$998,828. In addition, SS PA 25-1 also provides additional, restricted funding for every COG in Connecticut:

- \$200,000 for the planning and development of additional housing; and
- \$200,000 for stormwater management and flood mitigation *or* a municipal solid waste and recycling.

Historically, RSG has funded a mixture of COG staff in the provision of planning assistance and technical assistance, with the rest used for consultant projects. The split proposed for FY2027 is 50% for staff time.

With respect to consultant projects, the following are proposed for FY27:

- Municipal ADA Transition Plans
- EDA Partnership Planning nonfederal cost share
- Flood program assistance
- Planning/zoning and housing assistance
- Nonfederal cost share for federal grants (e.g., SS4A)

Next steps

Approve the RSG spending plan.

RSG Spending Plan

Activity	Description	Amount
Municipal technical support	Data collection, research, analysis, reporting, and presentation, including accessibility, transition, and operations analysis and planning; development of/enhancement to digital systems (including GIS, communications, and records, online services, cybersecurity, IT/IS); pollution prevention and control; energy management; financial operations and management.	\$141,000
Regional services	Economic development and initiatives, including the WCEDD and CEDS; infrastructure (physical and digital); water quality programs/projects; access/mobility including for disabled/elderly; brownfield programs; capital projects; intergovernmental coordination; grant/program assistance/management; municipal training.	\$628,828
Comprehensive planning	Land use referrals, planning/zoning/design assistance, including transportation systems; agriculture planning; sustainability planning, including for climate change, renewable energy, waste, and environmental quality; emergency/disaster planning and preparedness.	\$229,000
Housing	Comprehensive regional housing planning, including local assistance	\$200,000
Stormwater management and flood mitigation	Flood adaptation/mitigation; water programs	\$200,000
TOTAL		\$1,398,828

[2026/06/18 #01]
CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE
WESTERN CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Regional Services Grant FY2027 Contracted Services

Ridgefield, Connecticut

I, Julia Pemberton, Secretary of the Western Connecticut Council of Governments, an organization (the “Organization”) existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, certify that the following are true and complete resolution which were adopted at a duly called and held meeting of the governing body of the Western Connecticut Council of Governments on June 18, 2026, and that such resolution have not been amended or modified and continue to be in full force and effect:

RESOLVED, that the Organization execute and deliver to the State of Connecticut a Notice of Grant Award (the “Agreement”) in the amount of \$1,398,828.36 for the 2027 Regional Services Grant.

RESOLVED, that Francis Pickering, as Executive Director of the Organization, is directed to execute and deliver the Agreement on behalf of the Organization and to do all things necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of the Agreement, including executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by the Agreement.

I further certify that Francis Pickering now holds the office of Executive Director and that he has held that office since 2/2/2015.

This resolution is in full force and effect as of June 18th, 2026.

Julia Pemberton, Secretary
Western Connecticut Council of Governments
June 18th, 2026

WestCOG Operating Budget Revenue Sources

FY2026-2027 DRAFT BUDGET					
		2024-2025	2025-2026	2025-2026	2026-2027
		Actual	Budget	Projected	Draft Budget
Operating Revenue					
FEDERAL					
1	FHWA Federal Highway Admin PL-SWR (80%)	\$ 903,404	\$ 1,379,036	\$ 923,600	\$ 1,379,036
	FHWA Federal Highway Admin PL-HV (80%)	\$ 464,573	\$ 778,176	\$ 532,865	\$ 778,176
	FHWA Route 1 Corridor Study	\$ 164,385	\$ 42,972	\$ 50,041	\$ -
	FTA BUILD Grant (funds obligated by 9/30/22)	\$ 233,288	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	DHS State and Local Cybersecurity Grant	\$ 1,230	\$ 49,298	\$ 31,179	\$ 22,230
3	OPM Data Improvement Grant	\$ 2,647	\$ 163,350	\$ 145,000	\$ 70,000
	EPA Georgetown Branchville Sewer Grant	\$ 18,128	\$ 170,000	\$ 163,500	\$ -
4	EDA Planning Partnership Grant	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000
5	FHWA RAISE Grant	\$ -	\$ 2,264,000	\$ 112,042	\$ 2,000,000 * year 2 of 3
6	FTA Neighborhood Access and Equity	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000 * year 1 of 2
7	USDA Vacant Lot & Urban Farmer Grant (NIFA)	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000 * year 2 of 4
8	EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant	\$ 48,630	\$ 70,000	\$ 28,000	\$ 123,000 * year 4 of 4
	DHS DEMHS Reg 5 (fee for service)	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ -
Total Federal		\$ 1,918,284	\$ 5,503,832	\$ 2,061,227	\$ 4,947,442
STATE					
	CTDOT CT Department of Transportation (10%)	\$ 151,997	\$ 178,140	\$ 149,400	\$ 178,140
	SWRMPO	\$ 100,378	\$ 113,131	\$ 94,900	\$ 113,131
	HVMPO	\$ 51,619	\$ 65,009	\$ 54,500	\$ 65,009
	CTDOT Route 1 Corridor Study	\$ 20,548	\$ 5,372	\$ 6,178	\$ -
9	CTDOT LOTCIP Administration	\$ 211,312	\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 245,000
	CTDOAG Farm Viability Study	\$ 27,223	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	CTDEEP Regional Waste	\$ 12,603	\$ 139,000	\$ 51,913	\$ -
10	CTDEEP Recreational Trails Grant	\$ -	\$ 283,000	\$ 14,005	\$ 250,000 * to match 1/2 RAISE
11	OPM Water and Waste	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
11	OPM Housing	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
	OPM Regional Services Grant FY23-24	\$ 384,818	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	OPM Regional Services Grant FY24-25	\$ 840,017	\$ 149,824	\$ 158,811	\$ -
	OPM Regional Services Grant FY25-26	\$ -	\$ 998,828	\$ 863,986	\$ 134,842
11	OPM Regional Services Grant FY26-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 998,828
Total State		\$ 1,648,518	\$ 2,384,164	\$ 1,874,293	\$ 2,206,810
LOCAL					
	Annual Dues Assessment (18 Municipalities)	\$ 328,928	\$ 339,076	\$ 200,000	\$ 349,248
	Route 1 Corridor Study - Norwalk	\$ 20,548	\$ 5,372	\$ 6,178	\$ -
	Georgetown Branchville Sewer - Ridgefield/Redding	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -
	RAISE Grant Town Match	\$ -	\$ 283,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000 * year 2 of 3
	Misc. Income/Interest Income	\$ 111,205	\$ 120,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 90,000
Total WestCOG Local		\$ 460,681	\$ 797,448	\$ 306,178	\$ 689,248
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		\$ 4,027,484	\$ 8,685,444	\$ 4,241,697	\$ 7,843,500
CAPITAL PROJECTS					
12	FHWA SS4A Grant	\$ -	\$ 1,979,673	\$ -	\$ 1,979,673 * year 1 of 2
	SS4A Grant Town Match	\$ -	\$ 494,919	\$ -	\$ 494,919 * year 1 of 2
13	DOJ Justice Assistance Grant - Training Facility	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 951,000
	OPM Firing Range - RPIP	\$ -	\$ 1,650,000	\$ -	\$ -
	Firing Range Match needed	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	\$ -
Total WestCOG Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 5,624,592	\$ -	\$ 3,425,592
PASS THROUGH					
	Health Directors Fund (multiple towns)	\$ 6,150	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
DECD	650 Atlantic St - Stamford	\$ -	\$ 950,000	\$ -	\$ -
DECD	Woodland Pacific - Stamford	\$ -	\$ 950,000	\$ -	\$ -
DECD	279 Mason St - Greenwich	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
DECD	290 Mason St - Greenwich	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
DECD	Open Doors - Norwalk	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000
DECD	16 & 40 Railroad Pl. - Westport Brownfields	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
DECD	601 & 609 Riverside Ave. - Westport Brownfields	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
EPA	Community Wide Assessment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000
FEMA	Flood Mitigation	\$ -	\$ 1,567,980	\$ -	\$ 1,493,430
CTDOT	Microgrant Program	\$ 56,506	\$ 50,000	\$ 56,500	\$ 70,000
Total WestCOG Pass Through		\$ 62,656	\$ 7,525,980	\$ 63,500	\$ 18,270,430
Total Revenue with Pass Through & Capital Exp		\$ 4,090,140	\$ 21,836,016	\$ 4,305,197	\$ 29,539,522

WestCOG is presenting a balanced budget for FY2026-2027 with Expenses equal to Revenues.

WestCOG Operating Expenditure Detail

FY2026-2027 *DRAFT* BUDGET

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Budget	2025-2026 <i>Projected</i>	2025-2026 Draft Budget
Expenditure Summary				
Expenditures				
Personnel - Salary	\$ 1,491,889	\$ 1,826,000	\$ 1,669,000	\$ 1,966,500
Employer Payroll Taxes	\$ 118,977	\$ 147,000	\$ 122,654	\$ 152,000
Fringes	\$ 311,947	\$ 400,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 400,000
Retirement Plan 401a	\$ 115,159	\$ 135,000	\$ 133,000	\$ 143,500
Consultants	\$ 1,400,266	\$ 5,765,219	\$ 1,665,127	\$ 4,712,500
Payroll Services	\$ 4,790	\$ 5,400	\$ 6,122	\$ 6,000
Audit	\$ 21,100	\$ 25,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 25,000
Legal Services	\$ 62,078	\$ 39,575	\$ 12,337	\$ 20,000
Other Purchased Services	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 529	\$ 5,000
Rent	\$ 110,543	\$ 121,000	\$ 115,000	\$ 121,000
Utilities	\$ 29,986	\$ 32,500	\$ 33,000	\$ 38,000
IT Service/Maint/Software/Equip	\$ 60,175	\$ 69,800	\$ 51,507	\$ 73,000
Reproduction	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 250	\$ 2,000
Supplies	\$ 5,631	\$ 12,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
Meetings/Travel	\$ 25,439	\$ 40,000	\$ 26,000	\$ 40,000
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 13,775	\$ 17,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 17,000
Liability Insurance	\$ 23,524	\$ 26,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 27,000
Postage	\$ 324	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Equipment Leasing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Legal/Public Notices	\$ 1,000	\$ 18,500	\$ 3,500	\$ 12,000
Recruitment	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Misc.	\$ 4,623	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,800	\$ 10,000
Depreciation	\$ 8,101	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 15,000
Interest Expense	\$ 5,685	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Capital Expense	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
Contingency*	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,815,011	\$ 8,759,993	\$ 4,232,825	\$ 7,843,500
Capital Projects				
Safe Streets for All (SS4A)		\$ 2,474,592		\$ 2,474,592
Consultant or Pass Through - Training Facility		\$ 3,150,000		\$ 951,000
Total WestCOG Capital Projects	\$ -	\$ 5,624,592	\$ -	\$ 3,425,592
PASS THROUGH				
Health Directors Fund (multiple towns)	\$ 6,150	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
650 Atlantic St - Stamford		\$ 950,000		\$ - * year 1 of 2
Woodland Pacific - Stamford		\$ 950,000		\$ -
279 Mason St - Greenwich				\$ 4,000,000 * year 1 of 2
290 Mason St - Greenwich				\$ 4,000,000
Open Doors - Norwalk				\$ 200,000
16 & 40 Railroad Pl. - Westport Brownfields		\$ 4,000,000		\$ 4,000,000
601 & 609 Riverside Ave. - Westport Brownfields				\$ 4,000,000
Community Wide Assessment				\$ 500,000
Flood Mitigation		\$ 1,493,430		\$ 1,493,430
CTDOT Microgrant Program	\$ 56,526	\$ 50,000	\$ 56,500	\$ 70,000
Total WestCOG Pass Through	\$ 62,676	\$ 7,451,430	\$ 63,500	\$ 18,270,430
Total Expenditures with Pass Through & Capital Exp	\$ 3,877,687	\$ 21,836,016	\$ 4,296,325	\$ 29,539,522

* Contingency is amount in budget to correspond to unprogrammed project revenue/unforeseen expenses, but available for such through Annual Dues.

1. **Federal Highway (FHWA) Metropolitan Planning:** annual funding for regional transportation planning via HVMPO and SWRMPO. For FY27, planned activities include: New Milford Trail Study, East/West Trail Study, the Merritt Parkway ITS, and the Regional Freight Study. Funding is programmed biennially.
2. **DEMHS State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP):** FEMA/CISA fund to upgrade to WestCOG's IT systems to reduce vulnerability. This project will be completed by November 30, 2026.
3. **OPM Data Improvement Grant:** American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to enhance local parcel and CAMA data. This project will be completed by December 31, 2026.
4. **EDA (Economic Development Administration) Planning Partnership** funds activities of the Western Connecticut Economic Development District (WCEDD), including updates to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and brownfields redevelopment.
5. **FHWA RAISE** funds the Western CT Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project. This project has begun and will run into FY26-27.
6. **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Neighborhood Access and Equity** funds the Regional Transit Study.
7. **USDA Vacant Lot and Urban Farm Grant** is funding for work around urban farms.
8. **EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant** supports development of the Comprehensive Climate Action Plan.
9. **Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LoTCIP)** covers administrative costs associated with LoTCIP.
10. **CTDEEP Recreations Trails Grant** covers 50% of the nonfederal cost share required for the Western CT Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project (RAISE).

11. **OPM Regional Services Grant (RSG)** provides funding to cover staff costs inhouse work on Flood projects, Housing projects, the ADA Transition Plan, and various other regional service projects.
12. **FHWA Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A)** funds safety improvements at intersections and road segments in Western CT. This project has not yet started.
13. **DOJ Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)** funds training facility equipment (TBD).



Western Connecticut

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

TO: MPO Members
 DATE: June 1, 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. 170S-SNON – CE Sign Support Inspection – Non-NHS Roads

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:

2. 170S-SNON – CE Sign Support Inspection – Non-NHS Roads
3. 0174-0492 – 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.

170S-SNON - CE SIGN SUPPORT INSPECTION - NON-NHS ROADS

CE SIGN SUPPORT INSPECTION - NON-NHS ROADS

Lead Agency:	CTDOT
Project Type:	FHWA
Region:	70
Town:	STATEWIDE
Air Quality Status:	-
Total Cost:	\$2,500,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Other Activities	State Match	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$500,000
Other Activities	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$2,000,000
Total Other Activities		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000
-	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Future Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,500,000

Current Change Reason:	New Project
Air Quality Changes:	Air Quality has changed from None to X6

Change Reason Details

Change Reason *

New Project
 Project Changed (e.g. Schedule / Funding / Scope)
 Project Completed
 Project Removed

Narrative Description of Changes *

KZ - Reduce all entries to \$0. This placeholder project is being replaced with real project number 0170-3803.

0174-0492 - REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Lead Agency:	CTDOT
Project Type:	FHWA
Region:	74
Town:	DISTRICT 4
Air Quality Status:	-
Total Cost:	\$1,989,000

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Preliminary Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000
Total Preliminary Design		\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,000
Final Design	STPA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$453,000	\$0	\$0	\$453,000
Total Final Design		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$453,000	\$0	\$0	\$453,000
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	\$1,416,000	\$573,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,989,000

Current Change Reason:	New Project
Air Quality Changes:	Air Quality has changed from None to X7

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TO: WestCOG Council Representatives
 FROM: Michael Towle, WestCOG Deputy Director
 DATE: May 14, 2026
 RE: Summer Staff for 2026

Background

WestCOG is hosting a total of six temporary staff for the 2026 Summer Session working across three separate initiatives. A summary of the projects and the associated staff work on them is provided below.

Culvert and Bridge Mapping

Connecticut Public Act 25-33 requires all municipalities to catalog all their culvert and bridge data in a GIS and provide it to their respective COGs by May 1, 2028. The intention of this data collection is to evaluate flood exposure. WestCOG intends to capture this data requirement on behalf of their member municipalities. Mapping has already initiated and will continue through August.

- Julianne Thibault, Planning Aide. B.S. Student at Rowan University, 2028
- Julia Kaiser, Planning Aide. M.S. Student at Clark University, 2027
- Howard Truax, Planning Aide. B.S. UConn, 2026

Sustainable CT

Sustainable CT is a voluntary statewide initiative that supports municipalities in advancing sustainability, resilience, and community well-being through a structured certification framework. Participation helps towns access funding, technical assistance, and recognition while implementing practical actions that improve environmental performance and quality of life.

Gold Certified: Norwalk★ **Silver Certified:** Darien, Greenwich★, Ridgefield, Stamford
Bronze Certified: Bethel. **Registered:** Brookfield, Danbury, New Canaan, Newtown, Redding, Weston, Westport, Wilton, New Milford. (★ = Climate Leader Status)

This summer, Sustainable CT's statewide project will examine how municipalities manage trees, including local policies, programs, and best practices to support canopy health and expansion.

- Brianna Jackson, Sustainable CT Fellow. B.A. Boston University
- Lyah Muktavaram, Sustainable CT Fellow. B.A. Wesleyan University, 2026

Princeton Internship Program

Princeton provides funding for an interested Princeton Student to work in WestCOG for the Summer. WestCOG is still working out the scope of work for this summer's Princeton placement but considering assisting UConn, Land Trusts, and municipalities to identify land suitable for

agriculture sites (Building off of our agriculture viability study), as well as a cost and process assessment of municipal legal notices across our member municipalities (attempting to identify a streamlined and cost saving approach while meeting required standards).

- Kameil Crane, Princeton Intern, A.B. Princeton, 2028

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TO: WestCOG Council Representatives
 FROM: Nicholas Trabka
 DATE: June 11, 2026
 RE: Culvert and Bridge Mapping

Purpose

To support member municipalities in meeting the inventory and assessment requirements established under Connecticut Public Act 25-33.

Background

Connecticut Public Act 25-33 establishes new requirements for municipalities to inventory and assess culverts and small bridges to improve understanding of local drainage infrastructure and strengthen resilience to flooding and extreme weather events.

To support member communities in meeting these requirements, WestCOG has initiated a regional stormwater infrastructure mapping program focused on collecting standardized data on culverts and small bridges throughout the Western Connecticut Planning Region.

The program includes field verification, photography, condition assessments, and GIS-based data management. The resulting regional dataset will provide municipalities with an inventory to support compliance specifically with Public Act 25-33, as well as, infrastructure planning, asset management, stormwater management, and long-term resilience efforts.

Discussion

To support efficient field operations, Staff have been coordinating with local public works departments prior to beginning work in each community. Staff will continue reaching out to these departments to provide advance notice of field activities and to request any existing culvert, bridge, or drainage infrastructure inventories that can be incorporated into the regional dataset. Staff appreciate the cooperation of member municipalities in sharing existing pre-mapped infrastructure information.

Next steps

Field mapping will continue across all 18 member municipalities over the next two summers. Staff will process and deliver the completed dataset to municipalities in advance of the 2028 Public Act 25-33 deadline.

Keep an eye out for Julie, Julia, and Howard biking around the region as they continue collecting field data!