

GREATER BRIDGEPORT AND VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Ansonia●Bridgeport●Derby●Easton●Fairfield●Monroe●Seymour●Shelton●Stratford●Trumbull

MEMO

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FROM: Matt Fulda, Executive Director, MetroCOG
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DATE: January 25, 2024

RE: Resolution Adopted at the January 25, 2024 MPO Meeting.

Attached, please find copies of the resolution adopted by the Greater Bridgeport and Valley MPO on January 25, 2024. The resolutions adopted by the MPO were:

- **2024-014:** FFY 2021-2024 TIP/STIP, FHWA Projects
 - 0002-0130: Drainage & outlet improvements, Ansonia (delete project)
 - 0015-0380: Repair and Upgrade Fixed Loading Ramp, Water Street Dock, Bridgeport
 - 0083-0271: Replace Highway Signs & Supports on Segments of CT-15 (Greenwich-Meriden)
 - 0144-0199: CT-127 Trail Connector, Trumbull
 - 0173-0519: Replace traffic control signals, District 3
 - 0173-0531: Replace traffic control signals, District 3

The above resolutions were adopted and endorsed by the GBVMPO at a regular meeting at which a quorum was present and after adhering to the public involvement process, as stipulated in the MPO's public participation program handbook. If you have any questions or

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comments regarding the MPO's actions of January 25, 2024 or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the appropriate COG.

**RESOLUTION 2024-01
AMENDMENT
FFY 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FHWA PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the Greater Bridgeport and Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is authorized by the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to prepare, endorse; and periodically amend a short range Transportation Improvement Program for the 10-town MPO area within the Bridgeport-Stamford Urbanized Area;

WHEREAS, the MPO endorsed the *FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Greater Bridgeport and Valley Planning Regions (TIP)* at its October 14th, 2020 meeting; and the US Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration) have approved the *State FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)*;

WHEREAS, the *BIL* allocates funds to the State of Connecticut under various federal transportation assistance programs administered by the Federal Highway Administration;

WHEREAS, the *BIL* planning guidelines require the *TIP/STIP* to be fiscally constrained to available program funds;

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting amendments to the *TIP/STIP* to add program funding to continue on-going projects listed in the current *TIP/STIP*;

WHEREAS, these amendments represent minor modifications of the *TIP/STIP* and involve projects that are exempt from the regional emissions analyses and do not necessitate a new air quality analysis;

WHEREAS, the public notification and review of these proposed amendments was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's *Public Participation Plan*, as amended, and the proposed amendments are consistent with the goals and objectives of the Metropolitan Transportation Plans of the Greater Bridgeport and Valley Planning Region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Greater Bridgeport and Valley MPO endorses the amendment of the *FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program* to include the projects as described and listed in the attachment to this resolution.

This resolution shall become effective as of January 25, 2024.

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We, the undersigned co-secretaries of Greater Bridgeport and Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Connecticut, do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the MPO at a regular public meeting held on January 25, 2024 at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



Matt Fulda, Executive Director
MetroCOG – MPO Co-Secretary



Richard T. Dunne, Executive Director
NVCOG – MPO Co-Secretary

Date: January 25, 2024

AMENDMENT
FFY 2021-2024 STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
(TIP/STIP): FHWA PROGRAMS

The Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting the following amendments to the FFY 2021-2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP/TIP).

Below are summaries of each project. The proposed action(s), funding sources, air quality code, phase, year and cost allocation for each project are detailed in the spreadsheet.

0002-0130: Drainage & outlet improvements, Ansonia (delete project): This project was originally approved by the GBVMPO at the September 29th, 2022 meeting. The purpose of the project is to provide drainage outlet upgrade on Route 334 and includes reconstruction and stabilization of currently eroded side slopes. The purpose of the amendment is to remove federal 2024 ROW and FYI CON funding – CTDOT’s details note that all work will be completed under a future emergency declaration project.

0015-0380: Repair and Upgrade Fixed Loading Ramp, Water Street Dock, Bridgeport: This is a new project that will repair and upgrade the Water Street dock. The project includes installation of a turbidity curtain, a steel pile wall and new fender piles, repair and/or replacement of timber piles and horizontal bracing and cross bracing, and repair of the deck areas including installation of waterproof membrane and new asphalt and pavement markings. This project replaces the original Ferry Boad Discretionary (FBD) funded project 0015-0355 which was initiated in 2015 but cancelled due to issues regarding the original scope versus funding availability. Through coordination between Bridgeport, CTDOT, and FHWA, a revised scope has now been developed that is acceptable to and was approved by FHWA.

0083-0271: Replace Highway Signs & Supports on Segments of CT-15 (Greenwich-Meriden): This is a new project which will replace highway signs and sign supports, replace Service Plaza signs and renumber exits on the entire length of CT-15. The existing highway signs and many sign supports have exceeded their useful service life and need replacement. The project will include the removal and installation of extruded aluminum signs and supports. Select sheet aluminum signs will be installed as necessary. Service Plaza signs will be replaced to meet current standards. Exits will be renumbered from sequential to mileage based on Route 15 from the NY state line to Meriden (Merritt Parkway and Wilbur Cross Parkway) to conform to Federal requirements. ***See Attachment C for FAQs***

0144-0199: CT-127 Trail Connector, Trumbull: This project was originally approved by the GBVMPO at the January 27, 2022 meeting. The purpose of this amendment is to move the ROW and CON phases from 2024 to FYI. The purpose of the project is to construct a pedestrian/bicycle connection from Trumbull’s White Plains commuter lot to Twin Brooks Park,

the site of a Pequonnock River Trail trailhead. Project components on Route 127/White Plains Road include a concrete sidewalk, retaining wall, pavement markings and signage.

0173-0519: Replace traffic control signals, District 3: This project was originally approved by the GBVMPO at the October 28th, 2021 meeting. The amendment will add a new phase to provide federal STPA funds for 2024 construction (which was previously 100% state funded). The purpose of the project is to replace signals to meet current standards at various District 3 locations, including Bridgeport and Stratford. These include:

- Bridgeport, Full replacements: Route 700 (Fairfield Ave) at Iranistan Ave, Route 130 (Stratford/Connecticut Ave) at Hollister Ave and Route 1 (North Ave) at Route 59.
- Stratford, Route 113:
 - Partial replacements at Surf Ave, Honeyspot Rd/Honeyspot Rd extension, Garfield Ave/Long Beach Ave and Access Road.
 - GPS units/replace controllers at Eagles Nest Rd/DOT Maintenance Garage and Watson Blvd.

0173-0531: Replace traffic control signals, District 3: This project was originally approved by the GBVMPO at the September 29th, 2022 meeting. The amendment will increase funding for the ROW phase as additional easements are necessary. The purpose of the project is to bring traffic signals to current standards. Projects/locations relevant to the GBVMPO are:

Full Replacement:

- Bridgeport, US 1/Boston Avenue: Pembroke Street and intersection of Central Avenue and Palisade Avenue
- Monroe: CT 111/Monroe TnPk at Purdy Hill Road
- Trumbull: CT 731/Main Street at Trumbull Shopping Park Drive; CT 127/White Plains Road at CT 734, Trumbull Center and Bank of America Driveway, and Reservoir Avenue

Partial Replacement, Pedestrian upgrades:

- Bridgeport, US 1/Boston Avenue: Bayview Shopping Plaza
- Fairfield, Route 58/ Tunxis Hill Cutoff: Knapps Highway and Tunxis Hill Road



Linking Performance to Investment: States and MPOs are required to establish performance targets and utilize a performance-based approach to transportation decision-making¹. The projects above are anticipated to support achievement of targets for the following performance measures (indicated in grey, by project and measure):

¹ CTDOT's Performance Measures page is at <https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/Performance-Measures/Performance-Measures>; 23 USC 150 details the FHWA's national goals and performance management measures, see <http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title23-section150&num=0&edition=prelim>

Project Number	Performance Measure					
	Highway Safety	Highway Asset Management	System Reliability	Freight Movement	Air Quality	Transit Asset Management
0015-0380						
0083-0271						
0144-0199						
0173-0531						
0173-0519						

MPO Action: The proposed amendments are consistent with the long range transportation plans of the Greater Bridgeport and Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization and conform to the air quality objectives. The proposed schedule, programming and funding adjustments will maintain a financially constrained TIP/STIP. It is recommended that the MPO endorse the proposed amendments to the FFY 2021-2024 TIP/STIP as described above and listed in the attached table.

**REQUESTED CHANGES
(AMENDMENT)**

2021 STIP: FHWA Amendments, 1/25/2024																
Region	FACode	Proj#	TempP#	AQCd	Rte/Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$(000)	Fed\$(000)	Sta\$(000)	Loc\$(000)	Comments	code for change	
6	STPA	0002-0130		X6	CT 334	ANSONIA	DRAINAGE & OUTLET IMPROVEMENTS	ROW	2024	-60	-48	-12	0	DELETE PROJECT	09	
6	STPA	0002-0130		X6	CT 334	ANSONIA	DRAINAGE & OUTLET IMPROVEMENTS	CON	FYI	-3,100	-2,480	-620	0	DELETE PROJECT	09	
7	FBD	0015-0389		X6	WATER ST. DOC	BRIDGEPORT	REPAIR AND UPGRADE FIXED LOADING RAMP	PD	2024	200	160	0	40	NEW PROJECT	05	
7	FBD	0015-0389		X6	WATER ST. DOC	BRIDGEPORT	REPAIR AND UPGRADE FIXED LOADING RAMP	FD	FYI	150	120	0	30	NEW PROJECT	05	
7	FBD	0015-0389		X6	WATER ST. DOC	BRIDGEPORT	REPAIR AND UPGRADE FIXED LOADING RAMP	CON	FYI	1,931	1,545	0	386	NEW PROJECT	05	
1,7,8	NHPP	0083-0271		X6	CT 15	GREENWICH-MERIDEN	REPLACE HIGHWAY SIGNS & SUPPORTS ON SEGMENTS OF CT 15 - AC ENTRY	CON	2024	0	0	0	0	NEW PROJECT	05	
1,7,8	NHPP	0083-0271		X6	CT 15	GREENWICH-MERIDEN	REPLACE HIGHWAY SIGNS & SUPPORTS ON SEGMENTS OF CT 15 - AC CONVERSION	CON	2024	11,100	11,100	0	0	NEW PROJECT	05	
7	TAPB	0144-0199		X6	CT 127	TRUMBULL	ROUTE 127 TRAIL CONNECTOR	FD	FYI	125	100	0	25	MOVE FROM FY24 TO FYI	01	
7	TAPB	0144-0199		X6	CT 127	TRUMBULL	ROUTE 127 TRAIL CONNECTOR	ROW	FYI	50	40	0	10	MOVE FROM FY24 TO FYI	01	
7,8	STPA	0173-0519		X7	VARIOUS	DISTRICT 3	TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL UPGRADES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS	CON	2024	5,549	4,439	1,110	0	ADD NEW PHASE	06	
1,7,8	STPA	0173-0531		X7	VARIOUS	DISTRICT 3	REPLACE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS	ROW	2024	530	530	0	0	INCREASE EST. FROM FED \$140K	04	
																
Concur with Amendment Matthew Fulda Date: 1/25/24																
																
Concur with Amendment Rick Dunne Date: 1/25/24																
CODE KEY																
01	Move projects from one year in the STIP to another year in the STIP															
02	Fiscal constraint issues															
03	Adjust existing projects for design schedule changes															
04	Adjust existing projects for revised cost estimates															
05	New Project															
06	New Phase															
07	Administrative Requirement															
08	Delete phase															
09	Delete project															
10	Correction															