

To: CRCOG Cost Review Sub-Committee

**CRCOG Transportation Committee** 

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Subject: STP-Urban Hartford TIP Amendment Discussion

Connecticut's MPOs have largely ceded the programming of projects utilizing STP-Urban funds to CTDOT in exchange for control over LOTCIP programming. However, one stipulation CRCOG has consistently requested is that STP-Urban funding be reserved for use on non-freeway facilities. CTDOT has requested that CRCOG make an exception to this restriction this month to help ensure that they can fully program unexpected and historically high nationwide transportation funding redistribution, which is estimated to make an additional \$116 million available for obligation this fiscal year in Connecticut. To assist in their efforts to fully obligate the State's federal transportation funds, CTDOT is requesting CRCOG approve \$6 million of federal STP-Urban funding towards pavement preservation on I-91 in East Windsor and Enfield (project number 46-0131) in this fiscal year.

CRCOG staff has met with CTDOT and it was determined 46-0131 was the only viable project that could be added to the CRCOG STP-Urban program that would comply with fiscal year 2024 redistribution requirements (including funding obligation within a 3 week window in September). CTDOT has indicated that approval of this request will not impact any other projects currently programmed for STP-Urban funding. Even without this project, approximately \$27 million of STP-Urban funding is expected to be expended on other CRCOG projects, eclipsing our typical annual apportionment of about \$24 million. Furthermore, CTDOT and CRCOG staff worked together this past fall to better allocate STP-Urban and LOTCIP funding on two projects, resulting in making an additional \$2± million available within CRCOG's LOTCIP program.

CRCOG staff recommend that the Transportation Subcommittee discuss making an exception to the STP-Urban freeway restriction and consider recommending approval of the proposed TIP amendment for State Project 46-0131 to the Transportation Committee.

## TIP Amendments (FFY 2021-2024 TIP)

<u>Q</u> #	Funding	Proj.	Route or	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		ā		Total \$	Fed \$	State \$	Local \$	
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1a	1a STPH	0046-0131  -91	I-91	EAST WINDSOR/ENFIELD	PAVEMENT PRESERVATION; MAINLINE & RAMPS - AC ENTRY	CON	2024	0	0	0	0	NEW PROJECT
1b	<b>1b</b> STPH	0046-0131  -91	1-91	EAST WINDSOR/ENFIELD	PAVEMENT PRESERVATION; MAINLINE & RAMPS - AC CONVERSION	CON	2024	6,667	6,000	299	0	NEW PROJECT
10	1c NHPP	0046-0131  -91	1-91	EAST WINDSOR/ENFIELD	PAVEMENT PRESERVATION; MAINLINE & RAMPS - AC ENTRY	CON	FYI	0	0	0	0	NEW PROJECT
1d	1d NHPP	0046-0131  -91	1-91	EAST WINDSOR/ENFIELD	PAVEMENT PRESERVATION; MAINLINE & RAMPS - AC CONVERSION	CON	FYI	38,333	34,500	3,833	0	NEW PROJECT
2	2 RTAP	0093-0250	0093-0250 VARIOUS	NEWINGTON	WRONG-WAY RUMBLE STRIPS	ОТН	2024	90	40	10	0	ADD NEW PROJECT