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We have muted attendees upon entrance. We will unmute people either individually or for everyone depending on the situation.

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Plainville Fire Company Hot Air Balloon Festival. Photo by Bill Dillane

Agenda

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- Eversource President, Steve Sullivan

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- <u>Titan Energy Proposal</u>
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Trust Documents

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2. Public Comment

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3. Approval of Minutes from 03/27/2024

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DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 12:00 NOON

This was a virtual meeting.

For more information, email info@crcog.org or call 860-724-4283

Attendance	Town/Organization		
Hiram Peck	Avon		
Jon Colman	Bloomfield		
Robert Skinner	Canton		
Mark Walter	Columbia		
Lisa Thomas	Coventry		
Connor Martin	East Hartford		
Lori Spielman	Ellington		
Joe Capodiferro	Farmington		
Jonathan Luiz	Glastonbury		
Mike Walsh	Granby		
Raúl De Jesús Jr.	Hartford		
Andrew Tierney	Hebron		
Ryan Aylesworth	Mansfield		
David Porter	Marlborough		
Brock Weber	New Britain		
Jon Trister	Newington		
Lisa Marotta	Rocky Hill		
Marc Nelson	Simsbury		
Mark Sciota	Southington		
William Morrison	Stafford		
Colin Moll	Suffield		
Rick Ledwith	West Hartford		
Fred Presley	Wethersfield		
Ken Lesser	Wethersfield		
Staff			
Aaliyah Miller	CRCOG		
Cara Radzins	CRCOG		
Caitlin Palmer	CRCOG		
Cheryl Assis	CRCOG		

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6. Presentation: Steve Sullivan is President, Connecticut Electric Operations for Eversource

Steve Sullivan is President, Connecticut Electric Operations for Eversource Energy. He oversees electric operations and system maintenance in the state, manages Connecticut storm response efforts, and leads a dedicated, cross-functional team tasked with addressing the needs of customers in Connecticut. Steve assumed his current role in December 2021. He is responsible for safe, reliable everyday delivery of electricity in Connecticut, as well as helping to advance the state's clean energy future. Steve works closely with Regulatory Affairs, Community Affairs, Information Technology, Corporate Communications and other Eversource departments. He is committed to earning the confidence and trust of our customers, the business community and elected leaders across Connecticut. Steve has more than 30 years of experience with Eversource and predecessor companies. Before taking his current role, he served as Vice President of Transmission Project Management and Construction, overseeing transmission line and substation projects, which strengthen the transmission system and enable the adoption of new renewable energy across Eversource's three-state service area. Steve also has extensive electric distribution knowledge, including system operations and system restoration. Steve holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Tufts University. He lives in Tolland, Connecticut with his wife, Janet.





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Capitol Region Council of Governments

Steve Sullivan

President of Connecticut Electric Operations

- Eversource is in your Communities
- Electric Rates
- Emergency Response Enhancements
- Questions

Eversource is in your Communities







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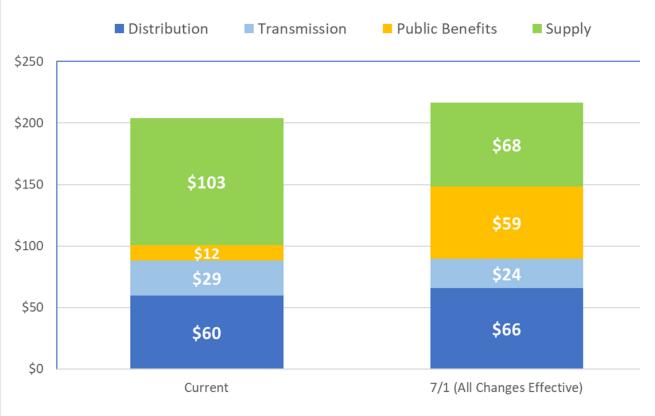
Property Taxes Paid to CRCOG Municipalities

\$1.9M
Grants Awarded to CRCOG
Non-Profit Organizations

\$13M Historic Tax Credits Purchased in CRCOG

Electric Rates





PURA: RAM increase in effect July 1

- Average residential customer expected increase about \$13
- Amount driven by state policies and regulations related to electric supply costs
 - Unpaid COVID customer balances
 - Policy backlog



- Community Relations ERP Readiness Team
- Just in Time training
- Municipal Hub improvements
- Public safety branch for blocked roads
- Quarterly meetings with Emergency Management Directors
- Gas and Electric coordination
- Effective use of community mailbox







Questions?



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- □ CRCOG's open house is today from 3-5PM at our new location on 350 Church St. in Hartford. Hope to see you there!
- ☐ Our MSC met on April 16. We had a great presentation from the Town of Plainville on its social media campaign!
- ☐ We will present our FY 2024-25 Budget to Executive Committee & Policy Board next month.
- ☐ We will hold a POCD workshop at 11AM in advance of Policy Board meeting on May 22.



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BIL/IIJA UPDATE

- ☐ In conjunction with NVCOG, NECCOG & NWCOG, we are receiving a \$1.2M PROTECT grant to develop a multijurisdictional Resilience Improvement Plan (RIP) for inland, non-coastal municipalities.
- ☐ Click here for the <u>April Edition</u> of CRCOG's Funding Opportunities Newsletter.
- ☐ U.S. DOT is accepting applications under <u>Safe Streets and Roads</u> <u>for All (SS4A)</u> to fund projects that will prevent deaths and serious injuries on roadways. Two types of grants are available:
 - Planning and Demonstration Grants will be reviewed in three cohorts with the following upcoming due dates: **May 16**, or **August 29, 2024**. If you applied April 4, and do not receive an award with that cohort, you can revise your application and resubmit.
 - Implementation Grants Applications are due by **May 16, 2024**. Projects must address road safety concerns identified in a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.
- Infrastructure Investment Program through June 17. ATIIP is a new competitive grant program to plan & design or construct projects providing safe & connected active transportation facilities in active transportation networks or active transportation spines.

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ADMINISTRATION & MUNICIPAL SERVICES

- □ CRPC is accepting **new members for the Energy Consortium**. If interested in participating, please reach out to kbona@crcog.org.
- □ CRPC is now collecting quantities for Treated Road Salt! **NOTE: NON-PIGGYBACKING BID so quantities must be submitted to participate.** Quantities are due to Kim Bona by May 17, 2024.

 The bid will be issued on June 6, 2024.
 - ☐ Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA)

 approved amendments to its Bylaws and Ordinance to simplify the document and to encourage membership. CCSWA also beginning work on an organics diversion project.
- ☐ Human Services Coordinating Council (HSCC) is scheduled to meet virtually on June 18, 2024. The discussion will focus on housing "un"affordability and insecurity in our region.



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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Solicitation has been released, with applications due by **May 13, 2024**. Eligible projects include on-and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, multi-use trail projects, and safe routes to school projects. Project sizes may range from \$500,000 to \$4 million, inclusive of a 20% non-federal match. There is \$9.5 million in federal **funding** available for CRCOG projects. More information is available at https://crcog.org/request-for-proposals-2024-transportation-alternativesprogram-solicitation/.
- □ CRCOG continues to coordinate with FHWA and the City of New Britain to update of the **Regional Transportation Safety Plan**, which will be funded by CRCOG's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant award. We are negotiating terms for consultant assistance. Our **Vision Zero Task Force** will meet tomorrow, April 25.

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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

- ☐ Staff released an RFQ for the **Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian**Priority Network Plan on March 22 with responses due April 24.
- ☐ Staff is developing an RFQ for the **Regional Warehousing Land**Use and Traffic Study for release later this spring.



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PUBLIC SAFETY

- CRCOG staff are winding down work on the FY 20 **State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP)** and have begun work on the
 FY 21 grant. This program includes funds for training and exercise,
 contractual support, and maintenance of regional equipment. There
 are set asides for the Hartford Bomb Squad, Capitol Region HAZMAT
 team, and the Metropolitan Medical Response System.
- □ CRCOG will host a **FEMA 402 Class** − **National Incident Management System Overview for Senior Officials**(Executives, Elected and Appointed) specifically targeted for Policy

 Board members on May 24th from 9:00-12:00.
- □ CTDEMHS Region 3 Cyber Security Task Force holds bimonthly meetings providing federal and state cyber briefings, information sharing opportunities, and a forum for IT managers in the region. The next meeting will be held on June 13, 2024.

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REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- ☐ We re waiting to hear the results of our \$500,000 grant application for new assessment funds for the regional **Brownfields Program**, as well as our request for additional "Supplemental Funding" from EPA, and from DECD on our application on behalf of 169 Bartholomew Avenue in Hartford.
- ☐ An RFQ for the **Regional Housing Strategy** is being developed for release later this spring/early summer. A survey requesting information has been sent to town planners in advance of this effort.
- ☐ CRCOG is working with the communities of Hartford, New Britain, and New Haven to release a new RFP for **regional micromobility** and meeting with these communities to review the draft document for release late April/early May. We're expanding the program to allow interested members of our CRPC to participate.
- □ CRCOG is assisting the CTDOT with its active transportation microgrant program. We have sent 10 community requests totaling \$41,325 to CTDOT for approval and will coordinate with our towns to disburse the funds by the end of May. CTDOT will continue to award \$5,000 grants to eligible entities on a first-come, first-served basis until all \$500,000 in funding has been allocated.



5. Legislative Update

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7. Resolution of the Capitol Region Council of Governments Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with Titan Energy for an Energy Consultant



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Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board

From: Kim Bona, Program Manager

CC: Pauline Yoder, Matt Hart Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

Subject: Resolution of the Capitol Region Council of Governments Authorizing

Execution of an Agreement with Titan Energy for an Energy Consultant

<u>Background</u>: The Capitol Region Purchasing Council (CRPC) is preparing to rebid electricity suppliers for participating consortium member towns in the fall. The most transparent and preferred method of this solicitation process is via reverse auction, as expressed by CRPC members.

On March 14, 2024, CRCOG issued an RFP for an Energy Consultant to assist with the reverse auction process. On April 11, 2024, a review committee consisting of representatives from CRCOG staff and CRPC membership reviewed the proposals.

Titan's proposal offered a favorable fee schedule, extensive experience working with municipalities, and a successful partnership with CCM. For these reasons, the review committee feels Titan Energy is the most qualified firm to best serve CRPC member towns.

Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG: Through a reverse auction, participating Electricity Consortium members will save time and resources in collecting bids. Additionally, this process ensures increased compliance and transparency, adhering to public procurement scrutiny.

An energy consultant will provide subject matter expertise and strategic recommendations to best select the methodology most appropriate to meet the needs of member towns while saving them the time and resources associated with bidding for an electricity supplier.

Financial/Operational Impact: Electricity Consortium members may benefit from favorable pricing by aggregating electricity consortium power. There is no financial impact to CRCOG operations.



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Services under this contract will be provided at no direct cost to CRCOG. The consultant will recoup costs associated with duties through a fee levied on the awarded contracts associated with the reverse auction.

<u>Project Schedule:</u> The Electricity Consortium is currently accepting new members. Those interested in joining and participating in this rebid should contact Kim Bona. The CRPC will begin collecting account information from interested members now, and the reverse auction will take place in the fall; the contract period with awarded electricity supplier will begin on January 1, 2025.

Recommendation: In order to move forward with this procurement, staff recommends Policy Board approval of the attached resolution.

Attachments:

- Resolution
- · Titan Energy Proposal

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8. Resolution Authorizing Changes in Pension Plan and Trust Documents

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Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board

From: Tracey Malenfant, Finance Officer

CC: M. Hart, P. Yoder

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

Subject: Resolution Authorizing Changes in Pension Plan and Trust Documents

Background:

CRCOG's Pension Plan and Trust documents were last restated in 2007. CRCOG's consultant, PASI, has recommended an update to ensure that the documents comply with IRS regulations and follow current best practices.

Recommendation:

In order to ensure that CRCOG's plan documents remain current and compliant with legal requirements, staff recommends Board approval of the attached Resolution to Restate CRCOG's Pension Plan and Trust Documents.

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9. Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation for an Active Transportation Microgrant

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Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board

From: Caitlin Palmer, Director of Regional Planning and Development

CC: Matt Hart, Executive Director Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

Subject: Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation for an Active Transportation Microgrant

Background: The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) created the Active Transportation Microgrant to allow organizations such as municipalities, schools, and non-profits the ability to apply for non-infrastructure related transportation funding. Eligible items include, but are not limited to, bikes, helmets, and training classes. The funding is intended to improve safety, equity, accessibility, and sustainability amongst active and vulnerable road users.

To date, CRCOG has received nine applications from communities/organizations totaling \$41,325.

Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG: Organizations have an opportunity to apply for a \$5,000 grant. This grant does not require a match from the organization.

Financial/Operational Impact: CRCOG can administer this grant with existing staff resources.

<u>Project Schedule:</u> The grant process is ongoing until the statewide \$500,000 grant is expended. Organizations are expected to purchase and install all items within one calendar year of receipt of funds.

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Recommendation: In order to allow our municipal members and others to participate in this grant program, staff recommends approval of the attached resolution.

Attachments:

Resolution





10. 2024 LOTCIP Project Solicitation -

Recommended Project

Selections

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Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board; Transportation Committee

From: Sotoria Montanari, LOTCIP Program Manager

CC: Matthew W. Hart, Executive Director, Robert Aloise, Director of Transportation Planning; Cara Radzins, Deputy Director of Transportation Planning; Jon Colman, Transportation Committee Chair

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024 (Transportation Committee Meeting: April 22, 2024)

Subject: 2024 LOTCIP Solicitation - Recommended Project Selections

<u>Background:</u> A Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued in October 2023 requesting municipal transportation projects that would compete for approximately \$42 million of Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP) funding.

Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG: Under LOTCIP, municipalities receive 100% construction funding for a variety of transportation projects. The program is more streamlined compared to federal transportation funding opportunities.

Financial/Operational Impact: LOTCIP is a state-funded program for municipal transportation projects. LOTCIP funds construction costs at 100%, however municipalities are responsible for all Design phase related costs. LOTCIP provides CRCOG with program administration funding as requested.

<u>Project Schedule:</u> Once projects are approved, they will be reviewed by CRCOG staff and consultants in Summer/Fall 2024 for additional data as needed. Applications will be submitted to CTDOT during the Fall/Winter 2024/2025 for issuance of Commitment to Fund Letters during Winter/Spring 2025.

Recommendation: CRCOG staff recommends approval of nineteen (19) project selections in the amount of \$39,663,800 from the LOTCIP 2024 Solicitation. This recommendation was endorsed by the Transportation Committee at its meeting on April 22, 2024.

Attachments:

· Project Listing

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11. Proclamation in

Recognition of

Vicki Shotland

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HONORING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VICKI SHOTLAND UPON HER RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Vicki Shotland has dedicated her career to Greater Hartford Transit District (GHTD) with unwavering commitment, integrity, and passion; and

WHEREAS, her significant contributions to ADA accessibility and public transportation, have positively impacted the lives of the community; and

WHEREAS, she has successfully advanced the mission of the GHTD and leaves the organization well-positioned to serve the Greater Hartford community; and

WHEREAS, she has served as a dedicated and active member of our regional Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, her retirement marks the conclusion of a remarkable chapter in her life and the beginning of a well-deserved period of new adventures, relaxation and happiness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby issue this proclamation to Vicki Shotland in recognition of her outstanding career and many contributions to our region.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy	of a resolution adopted	by the Policy	Board at its	meeting
held on April 24, 2024				

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lason Bowsza, Secretary		

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12. Proclamation Declaring the Fourth Saturday of April as Celebrate Trails Day

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HONORING RAILS TO TRAILS CONSERVANCY'S CELEBRATION FOR TRAILS DAY ON APRIL 27, 2024

WHEREAS, on the fourth Saturday of April, the Capitol Region Council of Governments in partnership with the Rails to Trails Conservancy invites the Greater Hartford region to join Celebrate Trails Day, an annual springtime celebration of America's trails; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) leads as a catalyst to enhance the quality of life, vibrancy, and vitality of the Greater Hartford region; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG provides planning, programs, and services to its member municipalities and is the region's designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, Rails to Trails Conservancy, which is the largest trail, walking and biking advocacy organization in the United States, is the national organizer of Celebrate Trails Day; and

WHEREAS, Celebrate Trails Day is an opportunity to showcase the many ways that trails and connected trail networks bring joy and impact to people's lives; and

WHEREAS, trails, especially when connected, provide ways to access the outdoors and safely get around by foot, bike and mobility device in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Hartford region is host to the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, the Hop River State Part Trail, and the East Coast Greenway:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in partnership with the Rails to Trails Conservancy, that the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby recognize the fourth Saturday of every April (April 27, 2024), as "Celebrate Trails Day" in our capital region.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of held on April 24, 2024	a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting
BY: Jason Bowsza, Secretary	DATE:

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13. TIP Amendments

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Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board; Transportation Committee

From: Rob Aloise, Director of Transportation Planning

CC: Matt Hart, Executive Director

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024 (Transportation Committee: April 22, 2024)

Subject: TIP Amendments

<u>Background:</u> Each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is required to maintain a four-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), detailing all federal surface transportation funding. As part of maintaining this document, the MPO approves amendments as needed.

Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG: The following projects are included:

- 1. District 1-Various-Install High Friction Surface Treatment
- 2. Statewide-Various-TDM: Greater CT Moderate
- 3. Statewide-Various-TDM: NY-NJ-CT Moderate
- 4. Statewide-NVCOG Municipal ADA Program
- 5. East Hartford-CT 2-NHS Bridge Improvements
- 6. Wethersfield-CT 15-NHS Bridge Improvements
- 7. Hartford/East Hartford-I-84-Rehab Bulkeley Bridge
- 8. Ellington-CT 140-Intersection Realignment and Increase Horizontal Curves

Financial/Operational Impact: See attached table and backup material for individual project funding details.

<u>Project Schedule:</u> See attached table and backup material for individual project schedule details.

Recommendation: CRCOG Staff recommends approval. The Transportation Committee will provide a recommendation at their meeting on April 24, 2024.

Attachments:

- · TIP Amendment Summary Sheet
- Project Backup Materials as provided by CTDOT

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14. Correspondence & Handouts

• <u>Letters of Support</u>

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April 18, 2024

Mr. Garrett Eucalitto Connecticut Department of Transportation 2800 Berlin Turnpike PO Box 317546 Newington, CT 06131-7546

Subject: I-84 Safety and Operational Improvements in West Hartford

Dear Commissioner Eucalitto:

The Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) would like to commend the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) on the safety and congestion improvements recently completed under the I-84 Safety and Operational Improvements project in West Hartford. As such, CRCOG enthusiastically supports the CTDOT's submittal of the project for the America's Transportation Award in the Operations Excellence category. The project succeeded in addressing longstanding congestion and safety issues along a nearly two-mile long stretch of I-84 where high traffic volumes and closely spaced interchanges precipitated a high incidence of crashes, including, tragically, multiple fatalities. Consequently, solving the operational and safety issues along this stretch of I-84 has been a longstanding priority for CRCOG.

The project has received widespread support from CRCOG's member municipalities, as it has resulted in the construction of new operational lanes along I-84; increased shoulder widths; improved pavement, signing, and roadside safety systems; and new or upgraded incident management and information technology systems. Amazingly, this work was largely completed within the limits of the existing I-84 right-of-way without significant impacts to adjacent properties.

CRCOG is excited that CTDOT is being considered for recognition and strongly supports this project for consideration for an America's Transportation Award in Operations Excellence.

Sincerely,

Matthew W. Hart Executive Director

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CC: P. Sucato, CTDOT CRCOG Policy Board R. Aloise, CRCOG



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