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Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

and

Central Naugatuck Valley MPO

NVCOG Conference Room
49 Leavenworth St., 3rd Floor
Waterbury, CT
10 a.m., Friday, April 12, 2019

NVCOG Representatives: Sheila O'Malley, Alternate, Ansonia; Chris Bielik, First Selectman, Beacon Falls; Len Assard, First Selectman, Bethlehem; Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Mayor, Bristol; Rob Oris, Jr., Town Council Chair, Jerry Sitko, Alternate, Cheshire; Rich Dziekan, Mayor, Derby; Ed St. John, First Selectman, Middlebury; Pete Hess, Mayor, Naugatuck; George Temple, First Selectman, Oxford; Dave Merchant, Mayor, Plymouth; Bob Chatfield, Mayor, Prospect; Mark Lauretti, Mayor, Shelton; Jeff Manville, First Selectman, John Monteleone, Alternate, Southbury; Ed Mone, First Selectman, Thomaston; Neil O'Leary, Mayor, Mackenzie Demac, Alternate, Waterbury; Tom Winn, Town Council Chair, Watertown; Tom Dunn, Mayor, Wolcott; Barbara Perkinson, First Selectman, Woodbury.

Speakers/Guests/Other: Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz; OPM Undersecretary Jonathan Harris; April Chaplin, Kennedy Center; Hedy Ayers, Eversource; members of the public.

Staff: Rick Dunne, Mark Nielsen, Aaron Budris, Glenda Prentiss, Trish Bauer, Lauren Rizzo, Christian Meyer, John DiCarlo, Max Tanguay-Colucci, Karen Svetz, Michael Szpryngel, Richard Crowther, Jr., Gabriel Filer.

1. **Commencement of Meeting (Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Public Comment)**

Chairman Neil O'Leary called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the roll was called. For public comment Hedy Ayers of Eversource reviewed two press releases, one recognizing that Eversource had earned a 2019 Energy Star Partner of the Year Sustained Excellence Award, and the other concerning National Safe Digging Month.

2. **Discussion with Jonathan Harris, OPM Undersecretary, Comprehensive Planning and Intergovernmental Policy Division, regarding the Administration's Efforts at Municipal and Regional Opportunities and Deficiencies**

Mr. Harris spoke about Governor Lamont's vision for economic growth, an important part of which is determining how to share services amongst the various levels of government. This is not just a matter of cost savings or cost shifting, but a method of achieving effective, efficient, and responsive service delivery for citizens and businesses.

Ed St. John spoke about regionalization and difficulties encountered in getting various parties to the table. Mr. Harris said that part of the process of regionalization is determining where the problems are. He said there is a bill that will address collective bargaining and calls for selection of a neutral arbitrator. George Temple had a question concerning school regionalization. Mr. Harris said certain language such as "redistricting" has been pulled from the governor's bill. He also stated that the governor does not want to force regionalization of schools and that another legislative bill (SB 874) would establish a commission on shared school services. Any plan would use a bottom up approach, not a top down one, and the administration is aware that "one size does not fit all."

Ed Mone inquired about funding priorities and cost shifting. He noted that municipalities are incurring greater costs and there are reductions in funding to Educational Cost Sharing (ECS) and to councils of

governments as well, essentially further shifting costs to municipalities. He asked if this funding would be restored. Mr. Harris said the budget in the general sense is to hold municipalities harmless as to level of funding. Mr. Harris said some towns had been receiving funds in excess of the formula and the plan had been to phase this out over a seven year period, but this budget proposal reduces the phase out period to three years. There will be tradeoffs that will help municipalities and the ECS factor is not being looked at in a vacuum. Mr. Harris believes that COG funding has been going from grant based funding, which can be carried over, to line item funding which lapses at the end of the fiscal year. The administration has decided to move things over to grant based funding and to provide stability. Potentially, there will be a base line formula for the Regional Services Grant (RSG). A work group is being organized to address these and other issues, including the Regional Performance Incentive Program (RPIP).

(At approximately this point in the meeting, Mark Lauretti and Rob Oris, Jr. joined the group.)

Chairman O'Leary said municipalities both large and small appreciate the administration's willingness to listen and get things done. He stated that the administration has invited everyone to the table and the diversity of Connecticut is being understood. He thanked Mr. Harris for his time and then introduced Lieutenant Governor Susan Bysiewicz.

Ms. Bysiewicz started off by stating that the administration desires to work in a productive and non-partisan fashion and that the governor has asked her to be his liaison to mayors and first selectmen around the state. To date, individual visits have been made to 53 mayors and to four COGs, and these visits will continue. Ms. Bysiewicz spoke about the challenges of closing the estimated \$4B deficit for the next biennium and noted the governor's "debt diet." Economic development and job growth are priorities. One approach to this will be to investigate projects that can benefit whole parts of the state. Due to the announcement of the debt diet and the governor's budget proposal that did not raise income or sales tax rates, there has been an upgrade in the state's bond rating. The administration is doing outreach to both Democratic and Republican legislators.

Proposals are being put forth to make state government more efficient and responsible, and to bring about cost savings. One example would be to make sure more transactions are done online, such as with the DMV, and to lengthen the time for renewals and registrations. Increased centralized purchasing is being explored with the intent of also allowing municipalities to use the state's purchasing power beyond what is currently being done. The retail economy of state government will be taken to the next step of a more online economy. The administration is looking at ways to invest and fix Connecticut's crumbling infrastructure. This may include tolls. Forty-two states have tolls; Connecticut does not. Forty percent of Connecticut's traffic comes from out-of-state and the administration's proposal is basically a 40/60 split between out-of-state and in-state traffic. Legislative discussions will continue. Ms. Bysiewicz also noted the importance of the upcoming U.S. Census. \$11B in federal funding is riding on it.

Other topics included cost savings, efficiencies, educational expenses, and the challenge of pension funding.

3. RPIP – Presentation of Draft Phase I Regional Wastewater Report for Publication

John DiCarlo said the Wastewater Treatment Consolidation Study's draft Phase I Report was recently published and may be found on the NVCOG website. A summary of non-regionalized projected costs for wastewater expenditures for the municipalities involved in the project (Derby, Ansonia, Seymour,

Beacon Falls, and Naugatuck) was displayed. Meetings will be held in May with the legislative bodies of each of the five towns.

4. Old Business (Tabled from March)

a. Fiscal Disparities Statute – Resolution 2017, Status 2018 and Discussion

Rick Dunne explained this issue involves the municipal fiscal disparities provision of CGS Sec. 7-148dd that occurs for certain cities when there are certain disparities with the communities surrounding them. The City of Waterbury encountered this in 2017 and 2018. Accordingly, NVCOG submitted recommendations to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM). OPM, however, did not have funding available to assist with implementing the recommendations. The concern now is that there is no relief, technically, under the statute and NVCOG is due to respond again for 2018. Undersecretary Harris said the administration is looking into the fiscal disparities issue and will advise when its review is complete. If the fiscal disparities statute is eliminated, it needs to be determined if something else should replace it. There is a possibility of using the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission as a strategic support for municipalities in a preventative way. In the meantime, he advises that NVCOG proceed as per the existing statute and thus remain in compliance. On a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: That NVCOG staff draft a letter to the secretary requesting relief from CGS Sec. 7-148dd and further that NVCOG propose that the secretary seek amendment of the fiscal disparities statute.

At this point in the meeting, at approximately 11:10 a.m., a short break was called. Due to time constraints, several CEOs had to leave. A quorum was still present. Mackenzie Demac, the alternate representative for Waterbury, stepped in for Mayor O’Leary. The remainder of the meeting was chaired by Secretary Ed Mone. The meeting was called back to order at 11:33 a.m.

b. Endorsement of NVCOG Resolution 2019-14 – Rick Dunne reintroduced the topic of professional design review services for the LOTCIP Lakewood Road Sidewalk Reconstruction Project. On a motion by Tom Dunn, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2019-14.

5. CNVMPO Activities (Voting members for these items are limited to the 15 CEOs in the CNVMPO area)

a. Approval of Amendments to the 2018-2021 CNVMPO TIP

i. Endorsement: CTDOT Project No. 0170-3528, Statewide Transportation Demand Management – Christian Meyer described this project which will provide funds for Statewide Transportation Demand Management (TDM) for the Connecticut portion of the NY-NJ-CT moderate nonattainment area for the period 7/1/2019 – 6/30/19, as outlined in Memorandum 20190412-TIP. On a motion by Ed St. John, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve CNVMPO Resolution 2019-05.

ii. Endorsement: CTDOT Project No. 0151-0333, Rehabilitation of Bridges Carrying Route 8 over Naugatuck River – Mr. Meyer explained that this project will expand the scope to add bridge 03177 to the project, as outlined in Memorandum 20190412-TIP. On a motion by Ed St. John, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve CNVMPO Resolution 2019-06.

b. *Air Quality Conformity Determination*

i. Summary of Regional Air Emissions Assessments – Mark Nielsen explained the CNVMPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting or amending the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Based on assessments, it is concluded that all elements of the CTDOT transportation program, the CNVMPO TIP, and the CNVMPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan conform to the applicable SIP, 1990 CAA, and the approved transportation conformity budgets.

ii. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

iii. Endorsement: Resolution on Conformity with the Clean Air Act – Ozone – On a motion by Chris Bielik, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse CNVMPO Resolution 2019-07.

iv. Endorsement: Resolution on Conformity with the Clean Air Act – PM2.5 – On a motion by Chris Bielik, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse CNVMPO Resolution 2019-08.

c. *Metropolitan Transportation Plan: 2019-2045*

i. Overview of Final Draft of the MTP – Mark Nielsen explained that this Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) meets the requirements of the federal transportation planning process, was developed with close coordination with the MPO member communities, and has been available for public input, as described in Memorandum 04122019-MTP.

ii. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

iii. Endorsement of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan: 2019-2045 – On a motion by Chris Bielik, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse CNVMPO Resolution 2019-09.

6. **NVCOG Administrative Items**

a. *Approval of the Minutes of the March 8, 2019 NVCOG & CNVMPO Meeting* – On a motion by Ed St. John, seconded by Barbara Perkinson, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the March 8, 2019 NVCOG and CNVMPO meeting.

b. *Approval of Agency Financial Report for Period Ending 2/28/19* – Michael Szpryngel reviewed the NVCOG financial statements for the period ending 2/28/19, as shown in Memorandum 04052019-FIN-01. On a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by Chris Bielik, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the NVCOG financial report for the period ending 2/28/19.

- c. *Review of Brownfields RLF Report* – Mr. Szpryngel provided a financial update for the EPA Revolving Loan Fund and Program Income for February 2019, as detailed in Memorandum 04052019-FIN-02. This report was presented earlier to the RLF committee. Rick Dunne and Mr. Szpryngel noted that this report will become a regular non-actionable NVCOG agenda item.
- d. *Approval of FTA Capital Program Certifications and Assurances FY19* – Rick Dunne reported that Capital Program Certifications and Assurances must be submitted to FTA on an annual basis. NVCOG Resolution 2019-15a empowers Mr. Dunne to certify to FTA that NVCOG complies with all items on their check list. On a motion by Chris Bielik, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2019-15a.

e. *Director's Report*

- *Legislative Update* – Mr. Dunne said an NVCOG “hot list” of proposed 2019 CGA bills is being maintained and a copy will be emailed to all members later in the day. Mr. Dunne also said that even with the estimated increase in dues for the NVCOG preliminary budget that was adopted in January, there will be a deficit, as the Regional Services Grant is currently appearing at 50% of what was initially expected. Discussions are ongoing between CTDOT and the MPOs concerning a policy decision they made that will have a negative financial impact on the MPOs. Ed Mone said the final NVCOG budget has not yet been approved and the necessary adjustments will be made. Mr. Dunne said the final budget will be adopted in June.

Also, Mr. Dunne said, as they are empowered, the executive board took action to select an auditor by extending the existing procurement that had a two year option.

7. NVCOG Website Update

In the interest of time, this item was tabled to next month.

8. Adoption of Recommendation regarding MOU between NVCOG and Connecticut Brownfield Land Bank, Inc.

Rick Dunne reviewed the mutual roles and responsibilities between NVCOG and the Connecticut Brownfield Land Bank. He said this MOU will be helpful to both entities in obtaining funds while working together. On a motion by Rich Dziekan, seconded by Chris Bielik, it was unanimously

VOTED: To authorize Executive Director Rick Dunne to execute the MOU between NVCOG and Connecticut Brownfield Land Bank.

9. NVCOG Planning/Transportation

a. *LOTICIP*

- i. *Program Progress Report* – Mark Nielsen said NVCOG is moving ahead with LOTICIP projects and that no action for this item is required.

- b. *Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-aside – Project Solicitation* – Mr. Nielsen said solicitations for this program have been sent to the towns.

10. Endorsement of NVCOG’s CT DEEP Clean Water Section 319 Grant Application for Mad River Watershed Plan and Authority for the Executive Director to Execute All Necessary Documents for this Grant, if Awarded

Aaron Budris said NVCOG staff worked with the City of Waterbury, the City of Bristol, and the Town of Wolcott to prepare an application for the CT DEEP Clean Water Section 319 Grant program. If awarded, the grant would fund a watershed based plan for the Mad River, which is one of the Naugatuck River’s major tributaries. On a motion by Ed St. John, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse NVCOG Resolution 2019-16 authorizing Executive Director Rick Dunne to submit the grant application and sign any documents necessary for the successful development of a Mad River Watershed Plan if funding is awarded.

11. Emergency Planning Update

Ed Mone asked everyone to read the emergency management updates for April, via Memorandum 04052019-EMU, as prepared by Senior Regional Planner Joanna Rogalski and included with the agenda materials.

12. Other

There was no other business.

13. Adjournment

At 11:57 a.m., on a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by
Lauren Rizzo
Administrative Services Coordinator
for
Ed Mone
Secretary



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RESOLUTION 2019-14

**LOTICIP
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN REVIEW SERVICES**

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on April 12, 2019 in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments receives funds from the Connecticut Department of Transportation under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) to administer the program and conduct professional review of design plans and specifications prepared by local project sponsors.

WHEREAS, the NVCOG conducted a qualifications-based selection process to create an on-call consultant list to conduct the professional review of design plans and specifications submitted by LOTICIP project sponsors.

WHEREAS, the NVCOG solicited requests for proposals and bids from the consultants on the approved on-call list to conduct the professional design review for the final design plans for the Lakewood Road Sidewalk Reconstruction Project in the City of Waterbury.

WHEREAS, the lowest qualified bid received, at a cost not to exceed \$4,200, was submitted by BL Companies.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NVCOG endorses the selection of BL Companies from the NVCOG on-call consultant list to conduct the professional design review for the Lakewood Road Sidewalk Reconstruction Project and authorizes the Executive Director to execute any and all agreements with BL Companies related to the professional design review of the Lakewood Road Sidewalk Reconstruction Project.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on April 12, 2019

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed

Ed Mone, Secretary



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RESOLUTION 2019-05

AMENDMENT

**FFY 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is authorized by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to prepare, endorse, and periodically amend a short range Transportation Improvement Program for the 15-town MPO area within the Waterbury Urbanized Area and is required to maintain a fiscally-constrained program of priority projects.

WHEREAS, the CNVMPO endorsed the *FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Central Naugatuck Valley Planning Region (TIP)* at its June 9, 2017, meeting; and the US Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration) have approved the *State FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)*.

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate Federal Highway Administration, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds for project number 0170-3528, Statewide Transportation Demand Management.

WHEREAS, the proposed project is exempt from the regional emissions analysis and does not necessitate a new Air Quality Conformity Determination.

WHEREAS, the public notification and review of these amendments was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's public involvement guidelines, and the proposed amendments are consistent with the long range transportation plan for the Central Naugatuck Valley planning region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO approves the amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate federal aid funds under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality program as listed and described in the attachment to this resolution.

This resolution shall become effective as of April 12, 2019.

I do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO at a public meeting held on April 12, 2019, at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.


Neil O'Leary, Chairman

April 12, 2019
Date



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RESOLUTION 2019-06

**AMENDMENT
FFY 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO**

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WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate additional Federal Highway Administration, National Highway Performance Program funds for project number 0151-0333, Rehabilitation of Bridges 03176 and 03177 over the Naugatuck River.

WHEREAS, the proposed project is exempt from the regional emissions analysis and does not necessitate a new Air Quality Conformity Determination.

WHEREAS, the public notification and review of these amendments was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's public involvement guidelines, and the proposed amendments are consistent with the long range transportation plan for the Central Naugatuck Valley planning region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO approves the amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate federal aid funds under the National Highway Performance Program as listed and described in the attachment to this resolution.

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RESOLUTION 2019-07

**RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT
OZONE**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting or amending the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and,

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. The plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions,
2. The plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures, and
3. The plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan approved today, April 12, 2019, and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and,

WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut has elected to assess conformity in the Connecticut portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT Ozone Moderate Nonattainment area (Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex Counties) and in the Greater Connecticut Ozone Marginal Nonattainment area (Litchfield, Hartford, Tolland, New London and Windham Counties), and the Connecticut Department of Transportation has jointly assessed the impact of all transportation plans and programs in these Nonattainment areas (Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination February 2019); and,

WHEREAS The Connecticut Department of Transportation's assessment (above) has found that plans and programs jointly meet mobile source emission's guidelines advanced by EPA pursuant to Section 7506 (3) (A),

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO finds that the **2019-2045 MTP** and the **FFY 2018-2021 TIP** and all Amendments conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51 and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3)

(A) and hereby approves the existing Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination dated February 2019, contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during said period

This resolution shall become effective as of April 12, 2019.

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Respectfully submitted,


Neil O'Leary
CNV MPO Chairman

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RESOLUTION 2019-08

**RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT
PM 2.5**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting or amending the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and,

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. The plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions,
2. The plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures, and
3. The plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan approved today, April 12, 2019, and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and,

WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut has elected to jointly assess conformity in all PM 2.5 attainment/maintenance areas in Connecticut (Fairfield County and New Haven County) and,

WHEREAS The results of the required emissions analysis performed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation on the **2019-2045 MTP** and the **FFY 2018-2021 TIP** and Amendments show that the implementation of the projects contained therein will result in emissions of PM2.5 in each analysis year that are less than the emissions of the baseline year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO finds that the **2019-2045 MTP** and the **FFY 2018-2021 TIP** and Amendments conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51 and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and hereby approves the existing Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination dated February 2019, contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during said period.

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Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTION 2019-09

ENDORSEMENT

**METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN: 2019- 2045
FOR THE NAUGATUCK VALLEY PLANNING REGION**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is designated by the US Department of Transportation as the transportation planning agency for the Central Naugatuck Valley Planning Region, and conducts the transportation planning process in accordance with Section 450 of Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation planning regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the *Central Naugatuck Valley Regional Transportation Plan: 2015 - 2040* was prepared and endorsed by the CNV MPO on April 10, 2015:

WHEREAS the *FAST Act*, and other related acts, requires MPOs to prepare and develop long range Metropolitan Transportation Plans every four years that reflect at least a 20-year planning horizon, are financially constrained, comply with federal planning guidelines, consider all modes of transportation, address ten planning factors, consider six livability principles, and conform to the *Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990* and Connecticut's *State Implementation Plan for Air Quality*, as revised; and,

WHEREAS, the CNV MPO prepared and completed a new long range *Metropolitan Transportation Plan* with a timeframe of 2019 to 2040 through the transportation planning process and in conformity with *FAST Act* planning guidelines; and,

WHEREAS the CNV MPO conducted a proactive public involvement process that followed the procedures set forth in the MPOs *Public Participation Program* handbook, as revised, including soliciting input and guidance from transportation stakeholders, making the draft plan available to the public electronically (on the web), preparing a summary of the draft plan and posting it on the NVCOG website, notifying the public of the new plan, soliciting review comments and suggestions through an online survey, providing at least a 30-day review period, holding public information meeting (March 27, 2019 at the office of the NVCOG), recording comments from the public, and considering and responding to comments.

WHEREAS, the proposed program of projects recommended in the CNV MPO's Metropolitan Transportation Plan was assessed for its impact on air quality and the State's ability to attain the *Ozone and PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards*;

WHEREAS, the regional emissions assessments demonstrate that the proposed projects will not have an adverse impact on air quality.

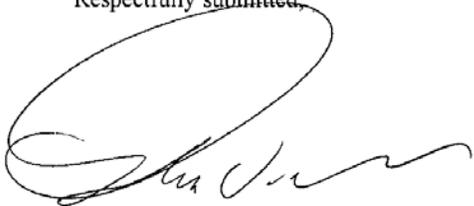
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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO, after reviewing the final draft *Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Naugatuck Valley Planning Region: 2019-2045*, finds that the *MTP* conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (40 CFR 21 and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and endorses it as the official long range *Metropolitan Transportation Plan* for the Central Naugatuck Valley metropolitan planning area.

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Respectfully submitted,



Ed Mone
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RESOLUTION 2019-15 a

FTA ASSISTANCE – CERTIFICATIONS & ASSURANCES FY 2019

WHEREAS, the **FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION** (hereinafter “FTA”) requires that each Applicant which seeks FTA assistance provide various certifications and assurances; and

WHEREAS, the **NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS** (hereinafter “NVCOG”), has sought assistance from the FTA pursuant to certain Assistance Agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that NVCOG makes the certifications and assurances of Categories 1-18 as set forth in the “FTA Fiscal Year 2019 Certifications and Assurances” and agrees that it has complied as of this date and agrees to continue to comply with all the applicable requirements of said Groups 1-18.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is duly authorized to make and execute the foregoing certifications and assurances.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut on April 12, 2019

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed:


Neil O'Leary, Chairman

NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (NVCOG)

RESOLUTION 2019-16

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) in response to its request for proposals for fiscal year 2019 Clean Water Section 319 grants, and authorization for the NVCOG Executive Director to submit said grant application and execute any documents necessary for the successful development of a Mad River Watershed Plan, should funding be awarded.

Whereas, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has requested applications for funding for fiscal year 2019 Clean Water Section 319 grants;

Whereas, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments in collaboration with the City of Waterbury, Town of Wolcott, and City of Bristol has prepared an application to the Section 319 program for funding to develop a watershed based plan for the Mad River Watershed;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments strongly supports and endorses the application for the successful development of a Mad River Watershed Plan;

Be Further Resolved, that Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments authorizes Rick Dunne, Executive Director of the NVCOG, or his successor, to sign the grant application and to sign any other documents associated with administering the grant, if awarded, including any amendments thereto.

Certification

The undersigned duly qualified officer, acting on behalf of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments Board of Directors.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, this 12th day of April 2019.



Neil M. O'Leary, Mayor, Waterbury
Chairman, Naugatuck Valley COG