

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Technical Committee Meeting**

A G E N D A

January 28, 2025

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Rosendale Town Hall 1915 Lucas Turnpike, Cottekill, NY 12419 - Rm M1

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- 1. Technical Committee Call to Order – Welcome & Introductions (10:00am)**
- 2. Call for Citizen Comments**
- 3. Approval of the October 22, 2024 Technical Committee meeting summary**
- 4. Communications and Announcements**
- 5. New Business**

a) Draft UCTC Resolution 2025-01: Approval of the UCTC State Fiscal Year 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

The Draft 2025 UPWP budget summary, including the Project Listing Summary, was still under development at the time of agenda distribution; an overview of the draft program will be provided at the January 28 meeting for UCTC Technical Committee review.

The Project Listing Summary represents the extent of all tasks associated with the 2025 Unified Planning Work Program and all necessary federal, state and local funds associated with each task. The Draft 2025 UPWP continues work commenced during previous UPWP cycles and revises several projects included on the previous program; no new projects have been added from the previous UPWP cycle

UCTC's 2025/26 Federal funding allocation for the period April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 is a total of **\$465,172 in FHWA (PL)** funds and a total of **\$57,935 in FTA Section 5303 (MPP)** funds. All of these funds (\$523,107) are available for programming in the 2024/2025 UPWP.

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UCTC also has federal funds available from previous years that represent savings available to the Council for programming as needed. Staff is presently calculating an estimate of total funds available for programming; that estimate will be made available at the 1/28/25 meeting.

After Technical Committee comments are provided and any appropriate revisions are made, staff recommends that the Draft UCTC 2025 UPWP be made available for 15 day public review and comment period prior to UCTC Policy Committee review.

All figures in the 2025 UPWP are subject to change pending final revisions to individual task costs and closure of SFY 2024 expenditures.

Recommended Action: *Discuss the Draft UCTC SFY25 UPWP and consider opening the action for public comment and forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (45 minutes).*

b) Draft Resolution 2025-02: Support New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Targets for Safety Performance Measures.

Draft Resolution 2025-02 updates Safety Performance Measures based on new targets adopted by NYSDOT for 2025; original 2018 targets were approved by UCTC under Resolution 2017-12 and updated for each subsequent Federal fiscal year.

Safety Performance Management (Safety PM) is part of the overall Transportation Performance Management (TPM) program, which FHWA defines as a strategic approach that uses system information to make investment and policy decision to achieve national performance goals. The Safety PM Final Rule supports the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), as it establishes safety performance measure requirements for the purpose of carrying out the HSIP and to assess fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

The Safety PM Final Rule establishes five performance measures as the five-year rolling averages to include:

1. Number of Fatalities
2. Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
3. Number of Serious Injuries
4. Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT
5. Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries

The Safety PM Final Rule also establishes the process for State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to establish and report their safety targets, and the process that FHWA will use to assess whether State DOTs have met or made significant progress toward meeting their safety targets. NYSDOT has closely coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the 14 MPOs in NYS through the NYS Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations. Through that process, NYSDOT has requested all MPOs to adopt the NYSDOT targets to establish uniformity during the initial reporting period.

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Recommended Action: Discuss the Draft Resolution 2025-02 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (30 minutes).

c) Draft UCTC Resolution 2025-03: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Transportation Management Area

Draft UCTC Resolution 2025-03 seeks approval for the allocation of **FFY 2023** Federal Transit Administration (FTA) **Section 5339 formula funds** attributable to the Kingston Small Urbanized Area (SUZA). The State of New York allocates its Section 5339 funds for both the State Governors' and apportionments of Small Urbanized Areas to each Designated Recipient in proportion to the current Section 5339 formula. This distribution is shown in Attachment 1.

The FTA Section 5339 Grant for Buses and Bus Facilities provides funding to states and transit agencies through a statutory formula to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities.

Ulster County, as operator of Ulster County Area Transit, is the only Designated Recipient in the Kingston Urbanized Area and is therefore solely responsible for administering these funds. For **FFY 2023**, Ulster County will receive a total of **\$372,177** in FTA 5339 funds; a 20% local match is required.

Recommended Action: *Discuss the proposed resolution and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for approval (15 minutes).*

d) Draft UCTC Resolution 2025-04: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Transportation Management Area

Draft UCTC Resolution 2025-04 seeks approval for the allocation of **FFY 2024** Federal Transit Administration (FTA) **Section 5339 formula funds** attributable to the Kingston Small Urbanized Area (SUZA). The State of New York allocates its Section 5339 funds for both the State Governors' and apportionments of Small Urbanized Areas to each Designated Recipient in proportion to the current Section 5339 formula. This distribution is shown in Attachment 1. **This table includes two new SUZAs in Orange and Suffolk County based on the 2002 Census.**

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Ulster County, as operator of Ulster County Area Transit, is the only Designated Recipient in the Kingston Urbanized Area and is therefore solely responsible for administering these funds. For **FFY 2024**, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive a total of **\$300,043** in FTA 5339 funds; a 20% local match is required.

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Recommended Action: *Discuss the proposed resolution and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for approval (15 minutes).*

6. Other/Old Business

- **UCTC 2026 TIP Update**
- **UCTC Year 2050 LRTP Update**
- Project Updates
- Ulster County Traffic Safety Board tentatively scheduled for February 3, 2025

The UCTC Policy Committee is scheduled to meet on February 25, 2025.