

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL  
Policy Committee Meeting**

**A G E N D A**

**February 25, 2025  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

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

Topic: February 25, 2025 UCTC Policy Committee  
Time: Feb 25, 2025 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and  
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**1. Policy Committee Call to Order – Roll Call & Introductions (10:00am)**

**2. Call for Citizen Comments**

**3. Approval of the November 26, 2024 Policy Committee meeting summary**

**4. Communications and Announcements**

**5. New Business**

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

UCTC Resolution 2025-01 provides for the adoption of the Draft SFY 2025/26 UCTC Unified Planning Work Program.

The Draft 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program is a detailed description of all planning activities anticipated to be developed by the UCTC 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

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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.

UCTC also has federal funds available from previous years that represent savings available to the Council for programming as needed. UCTC will program a total of \$606,908 of previous savings of FHWA PL Funds; combined with the allocation of \$465,172 the proposed UCTC PL SFY2025 Program Budget is \$1,072,080, with \$279,491 remaining as Unprogrammed Balance (savings). UCTC will program a total of \$58,068 of previous savings of FTA 5303 funds, combined with the allocation of \$57,935 the proposed UCTC FTA 5303 SFY 2025 Program Budget is \$116,003 with \$0 remaining as Unprogrammed Balance.

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

Staff has made the Draft UCTC 2025 UPWP available for 15 day public review and comment; any public comments submitted during that time will be made available to the Policy Committee prior to consideration of Resolution 2025-01.

***Recommended Action:*** *Discuss the UCTC SFY25 UPWP, review any public comments received, and consider adoption (20 minutes).*

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

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

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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.

**Recommended Action:** *Discuss Resolution 2025-02 and consider adoption (10 minutes).*

**c) UCTC Resolution 2025-03: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds Attributable to the Kingston Small Urbanized Area**

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 Resolution 2025-03 and consider adoption (10 minutes).*

**d) UCTC Resolution 2025-04: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds Attributable to the Kingston Small Urbanized Area**

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.**

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.

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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.

**Recommended Action:** *Discuss Resolution 2025-04 and consider adoption (10 minutes).*

**e) UCTC Resolution 2025-05: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Transportation Management Area.**

UCTC Resolution 2025-05 seeks approval for the allocation of **FFY 2024** Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). This action is a routine occurrence that takes place after the FTA apportions 5307 funds to the TMA (UZA 89) and TMA members come to an agreement on a fair and rational sub-regional allocation. FTA Section 5307 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients; the OCTC and DCTC will approve similar resolutions.

For **FFY 2024**, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive an allocation of **\$666,866**; \$3,016,590 is made available to Inter-County Commuter Bus Service Providers in Ulster County; and \$3,934,115 will be made available for future TMA programming (savings).

**Recommended Action:** *Discuss Resolution 2025-05 and consider adoption (10 minutes).*

**f) UCTC Resolution 2025-06: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Transportation Management Area**

The Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities program (49 U.S.C. 5339) makes Federal resources available to States and designated recipients to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low or no emission vehicles or facilities. Funding is provided through formula allocations and competitive grants. A sub-program provides competitive grants for bus and bus facility projects that support low and zero-emission vehicles.

UCTC Resolution 2025-06 seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2024 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). These funds stem from federal authorizations to the TMA (UZA 89) under the Bus and Bus Facilities Program. FTA Section 5339 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation,

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prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients. The OCTC and DCTC must approve similar resolutions.

For **FFY 2024**, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive a total of **\$296,301** in **FTA 5339** funds; a 20% local match is required.

**Recommended Action:** *Discuss Resolution 2025-06 and consider adoption (10 minutes).*

**6. Other/Old Business**

- **UCTC 2026 TIP Update**
  - *UCTC Expression of interest letter*
- **UCTC Year 2050 LRTP Update**
- Project Updates
- Ulster County Traffic Safety Board tentatively scheduled for March 3, 2025

**No UCTC Technical Committee meeting has been scheduled at this time.**