

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Technical Committee Meeting**

A G E N D A

Friday, April 23, 2013

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

SUNY Ulster College

Clinton Hall, Howard St. John Conference Room

Cottkill Road, Stone Ridge, NY

1. Welcome/Introductions
2. Call for Citizen Comments
3. Approval of the February 22, 2013 Technical Committee meeting summary
4. Correspondence
5. New Business

a) Draft Resolution 2013 -03: Draft UCTC 2014 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program:

The Draft UCTC 2014 – 2018 TIP is submitted to the Technical Committee for review. MPO staff will present the draft program to members and address any questions or comments regarding program contents and schedule for adoption.

Recommended Action: Discuss the draft TIP and forward to Policy Committee for review and approval (45 minutes).

b) UCTC 2013 – 2015 Two-Year Voting Membership Rotation: The current 2011 – 2013 Voting Membership will expire on June 4, 2013. Notice will be provided to members regarding the turnover.

Recommended Action: Information and discussion purposes only (10 minutes).

c) 2013 Traffic Monitoring Program: Tri-State Traffic Data Inc is currently collecting data from April 8 through to May 3 with most counts being performed in the City of Kingston.

Recommended Action: Information and discussion purposes only (10 minutes).

d) Mid Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area Certification Review: This routine review by FTA and FHWA staff has been scheduled for May 29 and 30.

Recommended Action: Information and discussion purposes only (10 minutes).

5. Other/Old Business

- SFY2013 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).
- Revisions to Federal-Aid Urban Area Boundaries and Metropolitan Planning Area Boundaries. Proposed boundary changes submitted to NYSDOT; awaiting response.
- Competitive Transportation Funding Opportunities. STEP and HSIP programs; UCTC awaits statewide award announcements.

6. Announcements/Project Updates (10 minutes)

7. Adjournment. The next Policy Committee meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday May 22nd 2013.

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Agenda Supplement

**Agenda Item 5a
New Business (45 minutes)**

Draft UCTC 2014 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program: The Draft 2014 – 2018 TIP is submitted for the Technical Committee’s review. MPO staff will present the draft program to members and address any questions or comments regarding program contents and schedule for adoption. Substantial reductions in projects have been made to the overall UCTC Highway and Bridge program. The prior 2011 – 2015 program total of \$33.8 million in highway, bridge and trail projects was reduced to \$17.4 million through the deletion or postponement of a number of local projects. With an estimated Federal aid allocation of \$17 million over 5 years, the local program reasonably meets NYSDOT’s and FHWA’s guidance for a fiscally constraint program. When considering additional discretionary funding sources, the entire 5 year local highway program totals \$19.8 million in highway, bridge, trail and other projects. The proposed state program in Ulster County totals \$33.7 million in various highway, bridge and transit projects.

Recommended Action: Discuss the draft TIP and forward to Policy Committee for review and approval (45 minutes).

**Agenda Item 5b
New Business (45 minutes)**

UCTC 2013 – 2015 Two-Year Voting Membership Rotation: The current 2011 – 2013 Voting Membership will expire on June 4, 2013. Notice will be provided to existing and future voting members regarding the rotation. The relevant voting member schedule is provided below:

Rotating Voting Members for Two-Year Terms - beginning June 4, 2003, one member from each pair will serve on an alternating basis:

2011 – 2013	2013 – 2015
Village of Saugerties – Mayor	→ • Town of Hurley – Supervisor
Town of Rosendale – Supervisor	→ • Town of Esopus – Supervisor
Town of Lloyd – Supervisor	→ • Town of Marlborough – Supervisor
Town of Plattekill – Supervisor	→ • Town of Shawangunk – Supervisor
Village of Ellenville – Mayor	→ • Village of New Paltz – Mayor
Town of New Paltz – Supervisor	→ • Town of Wawarsing – Supervisor
Town of Woodstock – Supervisor	→ • Town of Kingston – Supervisor

One Voting Member - Selected by Ulster County Association of Town Supervisors; Term beginning June 4, 2003

- Town of Gardiner – Supervisor (Current Voting Member)
- Town of Denning – Supervisor
- Town of Hardenburgh – Supervisor
- Town of Marbletown – Supervisor
- Town of Olive – Supervisor
- Town of Rochester – Supervisor
- Town of Shandaken – Supervisor

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**Agenda Item 6
Announcements/Project Updates (10 minutes)**

44.22.03: Traffic Monitoring Program: UCTC has received 2012 count data collected by the consultant Tri-State Traffic Data Inc. The data were collected in the weeks of May 7-11, May 14-18, May 21-25, June 4-8, and June 11-15 2012. The remaining count data was collected in the week of August 6, 2012. The 2012 counts include locations in the southern corridor of the county that were last counted in 2009. UCTC is currently awaiting counts collected by Tri-State Traffic Data Inc for NYSDOT to complete the report; anticipated 2012 report completion is May 2013 pending data. In addition, Tri-State Traffic Data Inc is currently collecting data for the 2013 season with counters across the County. The 2013 counts will occur from April 8 through to May 3 with most counts being performed in the City of Kingston.

44.23.02-01: Initiate a Study of the Need and Location for an Intermodal Facility to Serve the Greater New Paltz Area: An RFP for consultant selection was closed in March of 2013; two planning and engineering consultant firms submitted proposals – Behan Planning and Design of Saratoga Springs, NY (with Nelson Nygaard and Alfandre Architects as subconsultants) and Stonefield Engineering and Design, LLC of Rutherford, NJ. A selection committee was arranged to evaluate proposals, including consultant interviews held on April 4. An award and contract will likely be issued in mid-April with project commencement occurring shortly thereafter.

44.23.02-02: Initiate a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Demonstration Project: Award letters were sent to the Town Shawangunk, Town of Lloyd and a joint application from New Paltz Village/Town; an RFP for consultant selection will be issued shortly.

44.23.02-04: Boices Lane Rail Safety Study: The purpose of the study is to assess the traffic operations and safety at the existing railroad crossing on Boices Lane in the Town of Ulster, including the adjacent intersections with Morton Boulevard and John Clark Drive, and to evaluate alternatives to reduce congestion and address safety issues identified as part of the study. Creighton Manning Engineering Consultants have been performing the work. To date, existing and future traffic conditions have been analyzed and the draft plan has been submitted and reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee. Additional final revisions and public meeting presenting recommendations are pending.

44.23.02-05: Analysis of Priority Investigation Location (PIL) Data among Congested Roadway Segments in Ulster County PILs: In a continual effort to reduce traffic fatalities in Ulster County and improve overall traffic safety, this study will seek to build upon existing NYSDOT PIL and other similar data sources. PIL data will be combined with data from UCTC's Congestion Management Process and related/subsequent Travel Time Survey to identify and measure correlations between highly-congested areas and frequent accident occurrence. Where such correlations are identified, recommendations may include simple non-capital work, such as site-specific traffic control and/or maintenance improvements, to capital safety projects and/or safety enhancements to other capital projects.

Financial Report: No new information to report at this time; an updated financial report will be provided at the May Policy Committee meeting

Upcoming UCTC Meetings. A Policy Committee meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday May 22nd 2013**. For more information, contact Brian Slack.