

DRAFT RESOLUTION 2023-09

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

Apportionment of Federal Transit Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC), Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC), and Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC) have been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning processes for their respective counties of the Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY-NJ Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the federal surface transportation programs that are the responsibility of the UCTC, OCTC, and DCTC are authorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA or 'Infrastructure Act') (PL 117-58, November 15, 2021); and

WHEREAS, the Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY-NJ Urbanized Area has been designated a Transportation Management Area (TMA) and is referred to as the Mid-Hudson Valley TMA; and

WHEREAS, the UCTC, OCTC, and DCTC ("the TMA Transportation Councils") share responsibility for transportation planning and programming within the TMA; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021 the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) was signed into law to support the nation's public transit systems as they continue to respond to the COVID pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2021 the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) released the formula derived apportionments for FFY 2021 FTA Section 5307 ARPA funding to Urbanized Areas; and

WHEREAS, the Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY-NJ Urbanized Area (UZA 89) was apportioned a total of \$66,481,159 with the amount being further apportioned by an agreement between the States of New York and New Jersey, where New York would receive \$65,354,962 and New Jersey \$1,126,197; and

WHEREAS, the three TMA Transportation Councils have considered the planning factors under 23 USC 135 (d)(1)(A-J) in reaching consensus in the methodology supporting the sub-allocation of the ARPA funds apportioned to UZA89 for the transit services within the three counties, and regional transit services as provided by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and inter-county bus services; and

WHEREAS, the three TMA Transportation Councils wish to allocate FFY 2021 ARPA FTA Section 5307 formula funds; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Transportation Council agrees to the distribution of FFY 2021 FTA Section 5307 appropriated through ARPA as specified in Attachment 1.

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CERTIFICATE, the undersigned, duly qualified and Secretary of the Ulster County Transportation Council, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting on September 26, 2023.

Date

By _____
Lance MacMillan, P.E., Secretary,
Ulster County Transportation Council

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ATTACHMENT 1

**Distribution of FFY 2021 ARPA FTA 5307 Funds in the
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FFY 2021 Full Allocation.....	\$66,481,159
Previously Allocated.....	\$37,997,365
Currently Unallocated.....	\$28,483,749
Public Operators¹	
Dutchess County.....	\$8,113,863
Orange County.....	\$15,145,131
Ulster County.....	\$ 5,224,800
Total.....	\$28,483,794