

DRAFT RESOLUTION 2015-17

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

ADOPT THE ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL YEAR 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN – *RETHINKING TRANSPORTATION*.

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC) has been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning processes for its respective Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA); and,

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require that each MPO shall develop a long range transportation plan (LRTP) from which the transportation improvement program (TIP) shall be derived; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Ulster County is within the Federally designated Mid-Hudson Valley, New York, Transportation Management Area (TMA), and shares regional transportation planning and programming responsibilities with Dutchess and Orange Counties and a portion of New Jersey, including the coordination of a congestion management process (CMP); and

WHEREAS, Federal surface transportation programs are the responsibility of the UCTC and authorized by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act; and

WHEREAS, the UCTC last adopted a LRTP in 2010 with a horizon date of 2035; and

WHEREAS, for these proposed amendments, the UCTC, in cooperation with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) and transit operators, has reviewed and documented compliance of its planning process with adopted *UCTC Operating Procedures*, UCTC public notice procedures, and all existing federal rules and regulations, including *The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act* (MAP-21) requirements; and.

WHEREAS, the UCTC has updated its LRTP to Year 2040 based upon new data collected and forecasted; and

WHEREAS, the UCTC's Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan – *Rethinking Transportation* sets the planning and programming priorities for the entire UCTC metropolitan planning area transportation system; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the LRTP's adoption, the UCTC was classified as being an air quality attainment area and, therefore, the LRTP was not required to demonstrate air quality conformity with federal and state air quality conformity requirements.



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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Transportation Council adopts the Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan – *Rethinking Transportation* for the entire UCTC metropolitan planning area; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Ulster County Transportation Council authorizes the Secretary to transmit the Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan – *Rethinking Transportation* to the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and other appropriate Federal and state agencies to satisfy all current reporting requirements.

CERTIFICATE, the undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Ulster County Transportation Council, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by a vote on September 29, 2015

Date

By _____
William J. Gorton, P.E., Secretary,
Ulster County Transportation Council

