

Capitol Region Council of Governments
241 Main St., Hartford, CT 06106

Cost Review and Schedule Subcommittee Meeting
Special Meeting on STP Enhancement Proposals
Thursday January 5, 2012

The Cost Review and Schedule Subcommittee is open to all Transportation Committee Members / Alternates and participation of all towns is encouraged.

Name	Organization
Jon Colman	Bloomfield
Robert Phillips	Ellington
Len Norton	East Windsor
Piya Hawkes	Enfield
Russ Arnold	Farmington
Daniel Pennington	Glastonbury
Jamie Klase	Granby
Mark Carlino	Manchester
Peter Hughes	Marlborough
Jim Sollmi	Rocky Hill
Dave Kraus	West Hartford
Mike Turner	Wethersfield
Bob Jarvis	Windsor
Mary Ellen Thibodeau	Bike Walk CT

Guests

Jonathan Thiesse	Bloomfield
Ray Carpentino	Rocky Hill
Steve Sopelak	Rocky Hill
Jeff LaMalva	Manchester
Duane Martin	West Hartford
John Cabibbo	Enfield
Sandra Sheehan	GHTD
Ken Shooshan-Stoller	FHWA
Erik Shortell	FHWA

CRCOG Staff

Jennifer Carrier
Rob Aloise
Pramod Pandey
Lia Huang
Karen Stewartson

1. **General Overview and Voting Procedures** – Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. Rob Aloise reviewed the STP-Enhancement project selection process.
2. **Interview 1: Bloomfield Greenway Section 1-Phases B&C** – Jonathan Thiesse presented Bloomfield’s proposal for a 1.1 mile paved multi-use trail, an unconstructed section of the East Coast Greenway. The interview concluded with a brief Question and Answer session.
3. **Interview 2: Enfield – Northgate Streetscape Improvements (Route 5)** – Piya Hawkes presented streetscape improvements that provide safety benefits for all users and that create a welcoming entrance to Connecticut. The interview concluded with a brief Question and Answer session.
4. **Interview 3: Manchester-South Main Street (Route 83) Enhancements** – Mark Carlino and Jeff LaMalva presented bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements near Downtown Manchester and along/near the East Coast Greenway. The interview concluded with a brief Question and Answer session.
5. **Interview 4: Rocky Hill – Highway (CT Rte 99) and Elm Street/Glastonbury Avenue (CT Rte 160)** – Jim Sollmi presented streetscape improvements that enhance Rocky Hill’s town center. Ray Carpentino explained the community and economic benefits of this plan. The interview concluded with a brief Question and Answer session.
6. **Interview 5: West Hartford – Trout Brook Multi-use Trail-Phase 2** – Dave Kraus presented a 0.7 mile extension of Trout Brook Trail. The fully built trail will connect the New Britain-Hartford Busway station in Elmwood with the West Hartford branch of UConn and St. Joseph’s College, passing through the West Hartford Center area. The interview concluded with a brief Question and Answer session.
7. **Tabulation and Interview Results** – After all interviews were completed, each Transportation Committee member present completed a project ranking form. On each form, the projects could be ranked 1 (highest priority) through 5 (lowest priority), without any two projects receiving duplicate rankings. CRCOG staff collected the forms and averaged the rankings to determine the prioritization results.

Jon Colman announced the preliminary project prioritizations as follows (with 1 representing the highest priority):

1. West Hartford
2. Bloomfield
3. Manchester
4. Rocky Hill
5. Enfield

It was noted that the cost estimates for the three projects fell short of CRCOG allocation of \$3.07M federal for this solicitation. It was also noted that final recommendations may be contingent of the results of the ongoing CMAQ solicitation. A final staff recommendation will be issued with the CMAQ project recommendations for Transportation Committee consideration at the January 23, 2012 meeting.

8. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.