

GREATER BRIDGEPORT AND VALLEY  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

LEGAL NOTICE

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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Greater Bridgeport and Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization has developed the draft Transportation Improvement Program for the Greater Bridgeport and Valley planning regions. The TIP lists all proposed highway and transit improvement projects programmed to receive federal financial assistance from the US Department of Transportation – Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration – over the next four federal fiscal years. The MPO's TIP conforms to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) being developed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

A thirty (30) day review and comment period has been established, beginning on December 12, 2011 and ending on January 10, 2012. The public is welcomed and encouraged to review and comment on the MPO's draft TIP, as well as the draft STIP. Copies of the TIP and STIP are available for review at the offices of the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council, Bridgeport Transportation Center, Suite 1, Third Floor, 525 Water Street, Bridgeport, CT and Valley Council of Governments, Derby Rail Station, Main Street, Derby, CT, as well as at the offices of the mayors or first selectmen of member municipalities. The draft TIP can also be viewed on-line at [gbrct.org](http://gbrct.org) and [valleycog.org](http://valleycog.org).

Capital projects sponsored by the Greater Bridgeport Transit and the Valley Transit District are included in the draft TIP. The TIP development process will be used to satisfy federal requirements for public notice, review and comment for routine and traditional local bus capital projects funded by the FTA under the Section 5307 capital grant program.

**NOTICE** is also given that the GBRC and VCOG will hold public information meetings concerning the draft STIP/TIP and related air quality assessment on Thursday, January 5, 2012, at 5:00 PM in the conference room of the VCOG, Derby Rail Station, Main Street, Derby and on Thursday, January 5, 2012, at 5:00 PM in the conference room of the GBRC located on the third floor of the Bridgeport rail station, Suite 1, at 525 Water Street, Bridgeport. Agency and ConnDOT staff will be available at 4:30 PM to informally discuss any aspects relating to the draft TIP/STIP and any other transportation issues and concerns.

The public is encouraged to attend one of these meetings to learn more about programmed transportation improvements and to express their support or

concerns regarding actions contained in the draft TIP/STIP. Comments may be made orally at the information meetings or in writing. Written comments must be clearly legible, submitted on 8½" by 11" paper and include the person's name and address. Any person wishing to comment on the draft TIP/STIP may submit their comments in writing to Brian Bidolli, Executive Director, GBRC or Rick Dunne, Executive Director, VCOG. Written comments must be received at the offices of the GBRC or VCOG before 4:30 PM on January 9, 2012. The MPO will consider endorsement of the draft TIP and adoption of the Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Statements at its regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012. The public is invited to attend this MPO meeting and will be afforded an opportunity to comment on the draft TIP and air quality conformity determinations before they are considered by the MPO.

For more information, please call the GBRC at (203) 366-5405 or the VCOG at (203) 735-8688.