

DRAFT RESOLUTION #25-3

2025-2026 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Capital Region Transportation Council (Transportation Council) has been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for the Capital District Transportation Management Area (TMA) which includes Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and Schenectady counties, except the Town of Moreau and the Village of South Glens Falls, as required by Title 23, U.S.C. Section 134 and Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5303; and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR Section 450.308 and 49 CFR Section 613.100 state that the Unified Planning Work Program shall annually describe all urban transportation and transportation related planning activities anticipated within the Transportation Council's metropolitan planning area during the next year regardless of funding sources; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Council has determined that the 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (2025-2026 UPWP) addresses the planning requirements set forth by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs (IIJA) Act, enacted on November 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the 2025-2026 UPWP has been developed in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation which require a discussion of the important transportation issues facing the area and serve as the framework for selecting program tasks, and

WHEREAS, the planning activities identified in the 2025-2026 UPWP are consistent with the vision, strategies and recommendations in New Visions 2050, the adopted metropolitan transportation plan for the region, and

WHEREAS, public comment has been solicited on a Draft 2025-2026 UPWP, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Committee, at its January 29, 2025 meeting, recommended approval of the 2025-2026 UPWP for the Capital Region by the Transportation Council.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Council approves the 2025-2026 UPWP for its metropolitan planning area which includes the Capital District Transportation Management Area (TMA); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transportation Council authorizes the Planning Committee to make minor revisions and refinements consistent with the overall intent of the 2025-2026 UPWP that are necessary during the course of the year; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transportation Council authorizes the New York State Department of Transportation to submit the 2025-2026 UPWP to the Federal Highway Administration to secure Metropolitan Planning (PL), Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, and other federal transportation planning funds as described in the 2025-2026 UPWP, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transportation Council authorizes the New York State Department of Transportation to submit an application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to secure Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning Program (MPP) funds, on behalf of the Transportation Council.

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