

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee
From: Rob Aloise, Director of Transportation Planning
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Subject: CRCOG Study Endorsement Duration

This memorandum outlines the need for a standard CRCOG Policy Board endorsement duration for transportation and corridor studies. At present, study endorsements are effective indefinitely and resulting projects and costs are incorporated into Metropolitan Transportation Plan updates and long-range spending projections even when the underlying need, supporting data, and/or municipal priorities have changed. Therefore, CRCOG staff sees the need to define study endorsement durations and criteria to determine how to continue and how to sunset (retire) endorsements.

Other MPOs have implemented policies to address this concern. For example, Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments requires that plans be reauthorized by municipalities after five years. CRCOG staff plans to bring potential recommendations to a March Transportation Subcommittee meeting for discussion, guidance, and possible action, with potential Transportation Committee and Policy Board adoption to follow. If you have any recommendation, suggestions, comments or concerns, please contact Jack Treanor, Transportation Planner at jtreatnor@crcogct.gov.