

# GREATER HARTFORD MOBILITY STUDY

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## Vision Statement

The Greater Hartford Mobility Study's (GHMS) Vision is to improve mobility by planning an integrated, resilient, multi-modal transportation system in the Greater Hartford Region thereby enhancing the quality of life, economic vitality, and opportunity in the region.

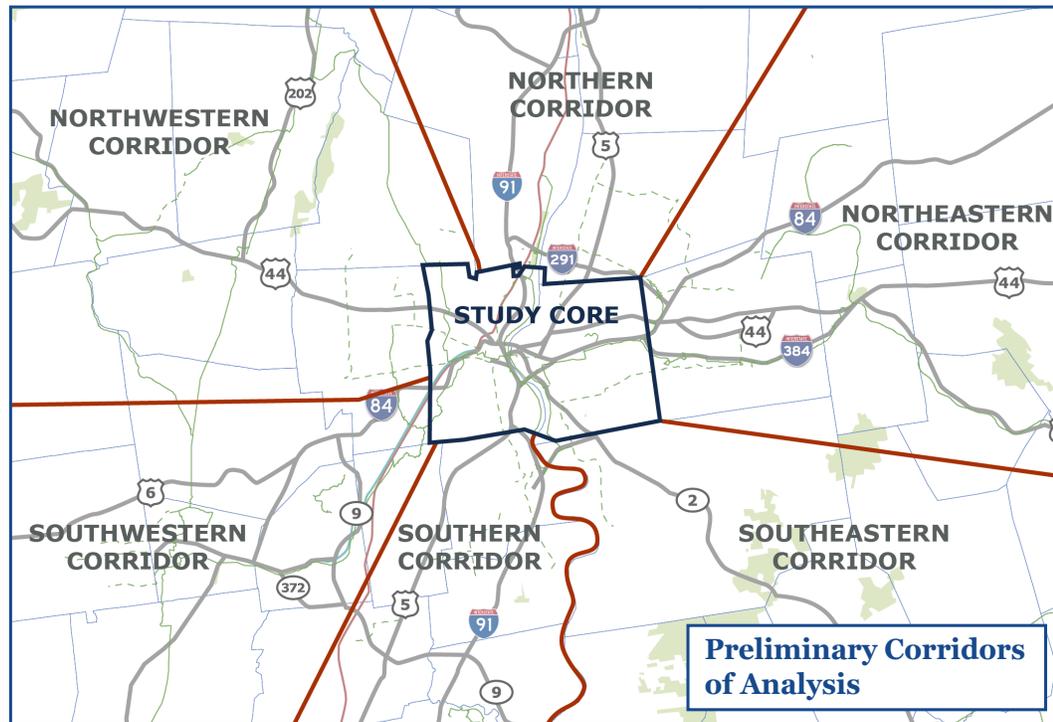
## Study Goals

- » Improve the movement of people and goods
- » Increase transportation options, accessibility, reliability, and safety
- » Accommodate future needs and emerging technologies
- » Prioritize social equity
- » Minimize environmental impacts

*A list of quantifiable performance measures is being developed to assess how the study will meet these goals.*

## What is the Greater Hartford Mobility Study?

The GHMS is a comprehensive study aimed at addressing mobility challenges in the Greater Hartford Region. It will ultimately recommend transportation solutions to facilitate economic growth on both sides of the Connecticut River while improving public safety and expanding mobility choices to all users.



## Why did CTDOT decide to conduct the GHMS?

By late 2019, there were several initiatives in the Greater Hartford Region, such as the I-84 Hartford Project, CTfastrak expansion, Amtrak/Hartford Line Rail Corridor enhancements, I-84 / I-91 interchange improvements, East Coast Greenway planning, and expanded bicycle and pedestrian networks – each at different levels of completion.

Because independently advancing one of these projects could possibly interfere or conflict with others, CTDOT decided to holistically assess these initiatives and other multimodal mobility improvement opportunities with one overarching study.

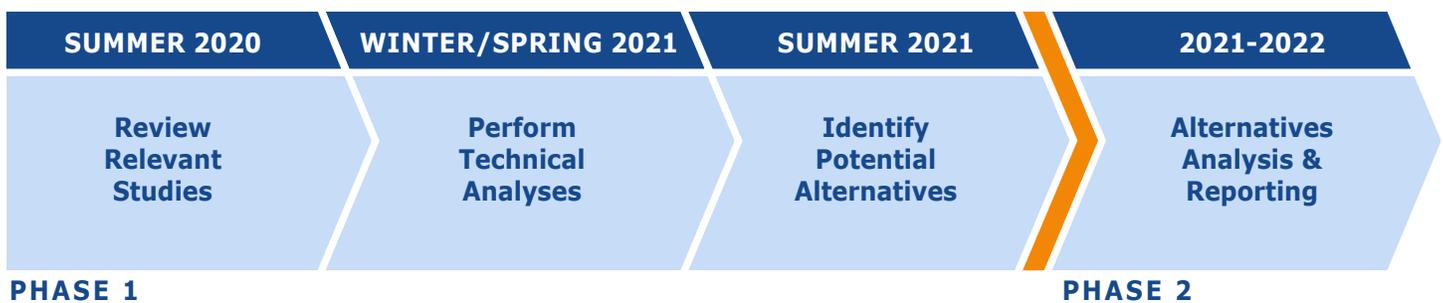


# Benefits to Greater Hartford

The GHMS sets a path to improve mobility in Greater Hartford by planning an **integrated, resilient, multi-modal system**. The study process, called a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study, provides a unique opportunity to accomplish this. The PEL study evaluates potential improvement alternatives to see if they meet the GHMS's Purpose and Need (P&N). This process efficiently identifies transportation priorities in the region. It prioritizes stand-alone projects into the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. Projects that do not meet the P&N of the study are documented but not evaluated further, saving on the cost of further engineering and environmental analysis.

## Study Steps and Timeline

The study steps and timeline below reflects Phase 1 and the start of Phase 2 of the GHMS. Phase 2 will involve a deeper analysis of the identified projects. Additional details about the Phase 2 study steps will be shared as the study progresses into 2021. The expected study duration is 2-3 years.



## How can you participate?

The GHMS will be actively informed by the public and stakeholders. This is critical because many in Hartford and beyond depend on multiple modes of transportation to get around. We want to hear your comments, questions, and concerns!



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