

January 16, 2026

Michael Whitton, Supervisor
Town of Clinton
1215 Centre Rd
Clinton NY 12572

Re: Proposed Functional Classification Update

Dear Supervisor Whitton:

The [Dutchess County Transportation Council \(DCTC\)](#) has been working with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) to update the functional classification of several roads in the county. The proposed changes in your municipality are shown in the table below. These proposed changes are intended to better characterize the function of these roads within the overall transportation network. For more information about functional classification, please see the attached fact sheet. Also attached for reference are the relevant functional classification change request form(s) and map(s).

To complete our submittal package to NYSDOT, we require a letter of support from you. Please see the attached template. Please feel free to modify it as needed and return it to the DCTC within two weeks if possible.

Change ID #	Route/Road	From	To	Owner	Municipality	Current Functional Class	Proposed Functional Class
2	NY 9G (North)	South Cross Rd	US 9	NYSDOT	Town of Clinton/ Hyde Park/ Rhinebeck	FC 7- Rural Major Collector	FC 6- Rural Minor Arterial

If you have any questions about the proposed changes, please contact me at (845) 486-3600 or mdebald@dutchessny.gov.

Very truly yours,

Mark Debald
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Transportation Program Administrator

Encls:

1. Functional Classification fact sheet
2. Change request form(s) and map(s)
3. Municipal support letter template

Functional Classification Fact Sheet

Background

Functional classification (FC) groups roads into classes according to their character and the role they play in the overall roadway network. For each classification, a road is further identified as being urban or rural based on its location within the [Urbanized Area](#). Each class is described below. (FC codes 1-9 are for rural areas, and 11-19 are for urban areas).

- [Principal Arterial Interstate \(FC 1/11\)](#): these roads support long-distance travel and are officially designated as Interstates by U.S. DOT (e.g., I-84).
- [Principal Arterial Expressway \(FC 2/12\)](#): travel lanes on these roads are usually separated by some type of physical barrier and have limited access points, such as on- and off-ramps or very limited at-grade intersections (e.g., Taconic State Parkway; Route 9 in the City of Poughkeepsie).
- [Principal Arterial Other \(FC 4/14\)](#): these roads serve major urban centers, provide a high degree of access, and can also provide access through rural areas. Unlike expressways, adjacent land uses are typically served directly by these Arterials (e.g., Routes 22, 44, 52, & 55; most of Routes 9 & 9D).
- [Minor Arterial \(FC 6/16\)](#): these roads provide access for trips of moderate length and serve smaller geographic areas than Principal Arterials (e.g., Routes 113 & 199; sections of Routes 9G, 82, 115, & 376; CR 28, 77, & 104).
- [Major Collector \(FC 7/17\) & Minor Collector \(FC 8/18\)](#): these roads gather traffic from Local Roads and funnel them to the Arterial network (e.g., CR 34-Baxtertown Rd & CR 35-Osborne Hill Rd in Fishkill; CR 19-Slate Quarry Rd in Clinton & Rhinebeck; CR 67-Quaker Hill Rd in Pawling).
- [Local Roads \(FC 9/19\)](#): these roads are not intended for long distance travel, but instead provide the most direct access to adjacent land uses.

Federal-aid Eligibility

Functional classification directly relates to federal-aid eligibility, or whether a road or other facility may receive federal transportation funding. Federal-aid highways are all public roads except for local roads (FC 9/19) and rural minor collector roads (FC 8). They can include state, county, city, town, and village roads. Based on our current functional classification map, about 26 percent of centerline mileage in Dutchess County (651 lane miles) is federal-aid eligible. DCTC's [Moving Dutchess Forward transportation map](#) shows roads in Dutchess County that are eligible for federal aid, and NYSDOT's [Functional Class Viewer](#) shows each road's functional classification.

Dutchess County Functional Classification Summary

Functional Classification	Total Centerline Mileage	Total Federal-Aid Eligible	% Federal-Aid Eligible
Rural			
Principal Arterial Interstate (1)	2	2	20%
Principal Arterial Expressway (2)	32	32	
Principal Arterial Other (4)	66	66	
Minor Arterial (6)	23	23	
Major Collector (7)	99	99	
Minor Collector (8)	155	0	
Local (9)	753	0	
Total Rural	1,130	222	
Urban			
Principal Arterial Interstate (11)	46	46	31%
Principal Arterial Expressway (12)	22	22	
Principal Arterial Other (14)	83	83	
Minor Arterial (16)	72	72	
Major Collector (17)	196	196	
Minor Collector (18)	10	10	
Local (19)	946	0	
Total Urban	1,375	429	
Total			
	2,505	651	26%

REQUEST FOR FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION CHANGE

Change ID #2 - Map #2

1. **Region:** 8
2. **County:** Dutchess
3. **Metropolitan Planning Organization(s):** Dutchess County Transportation Council (DCTC)
4. **Municipality(s):** Town of Hyde Park, Town of Clinton, and Town of Rhinebeck
5. **Route Number or Street Name:** NY 9G
6. **From:** South Cross Road
7. **To:** US 9
8. **Length (xx.xx miles):** 9.69 miles
9. **Existing Route?** ☒ Yes ☐ No
10. **If No, the year of proposed construction:** n/a
11. **Current Functional Classification:** *7 - Rural major collector
12. **Proposed Functional Classification:** *6 - Rural minor arterial
13. **Route on the NHS?** ☐ Yes ☒ No
14. **Proposed addition to the NHS?** ☐ Yes ☒ No
15. **Justification:** Currently this segment of NY 9G carries the functional classification of Major Collector. Upgrading this segment of NY 9G to a Minor Arterial, coupled with the proposed for the segment to the south (FC Change ID #1), will complete the

connection to the higher-level arterial system on US 9 in the Town of Poughkeepsie and the Town of Rhinebeck. Without this upgrade, the Minor Arterial system on NY 9G would remain as a “dead end” at the location of the 2000 FHWA Urban Area Boundary (UAB), which occurs just north of Mill Road in the Town of Hyde Park.

The traffic volume on this segment (7,500-12,000 AADT) supports the Minor Arterial classification. This volume is similar to the Principal Arterial to the west, US 9 (7,700-10,500 AADT). Heavy vehicle use is also similar on both facilities (about 6%).

This proposal addresses connectivity to the higher-level arterial system on US 9 and reflects the major traffic generators along this proposed routing of the Minor Arterial system on NY 9G. Examples of major traffic generators in this area include the “cultural hub” that is the Village of Rhinebeck and the Walkway Over the Hudson State Park in the City of Poughkeepsie.

This proposal is part of DCTC’s 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program (Task MP 209) to review and recommend changes to functional classifications. The recommended modification was endorsed by the DCTC’s Policy Committee in September 2024 and endorsed by the relevant municipalities (see attached letters and DCTC resolution).

*The 2020 UAB urban/rural designation for this FC change request affects the section of NY 9G from South Cross Road to North Cross Road (1.0 mile in length). This section now carries an “urban” designation.

AADT and HV% of facility and connecting/parallel facilities

Station #	NYSDOT FC Code/FHWA FS Code	Facility	Description		AADT Year	*AADT	HV% Year	**HV %
820073	7/5	NY 9G (north)	From:	South Cross Road	2023	7,473	2023	5%
			To:	CR 14 - Hollow Road				
820640	7/5	NY 9G (north)	From:	CR 14 - Hollow Road	2023	7,821	2023	6%
			To:	NY 308				
820078	7/5	NY 9G (north)	From:	NY 308	2023	11,905	2023	7%
			To:	After US 9				
Station #	NYSDOT FC Code/FHWA FS Code	Connecting Facilities	Description		AADT Year	*AADT	HV% Year	**HV %
820077	4/3	US 9	From:	NY 308 Rhinebeck	2023	10,330	2023	4%
			To:	NY 9G				
820013	4/3	NY 9G	From:	After US 9	2023	10,676	2023	6%
			To:	Start NY 9G/NY 199 OLAP				
820075	4/3	US 9	From:	NY 9G	2023	8,546	2023	6%
			To:	NY 199 REDHOOK				

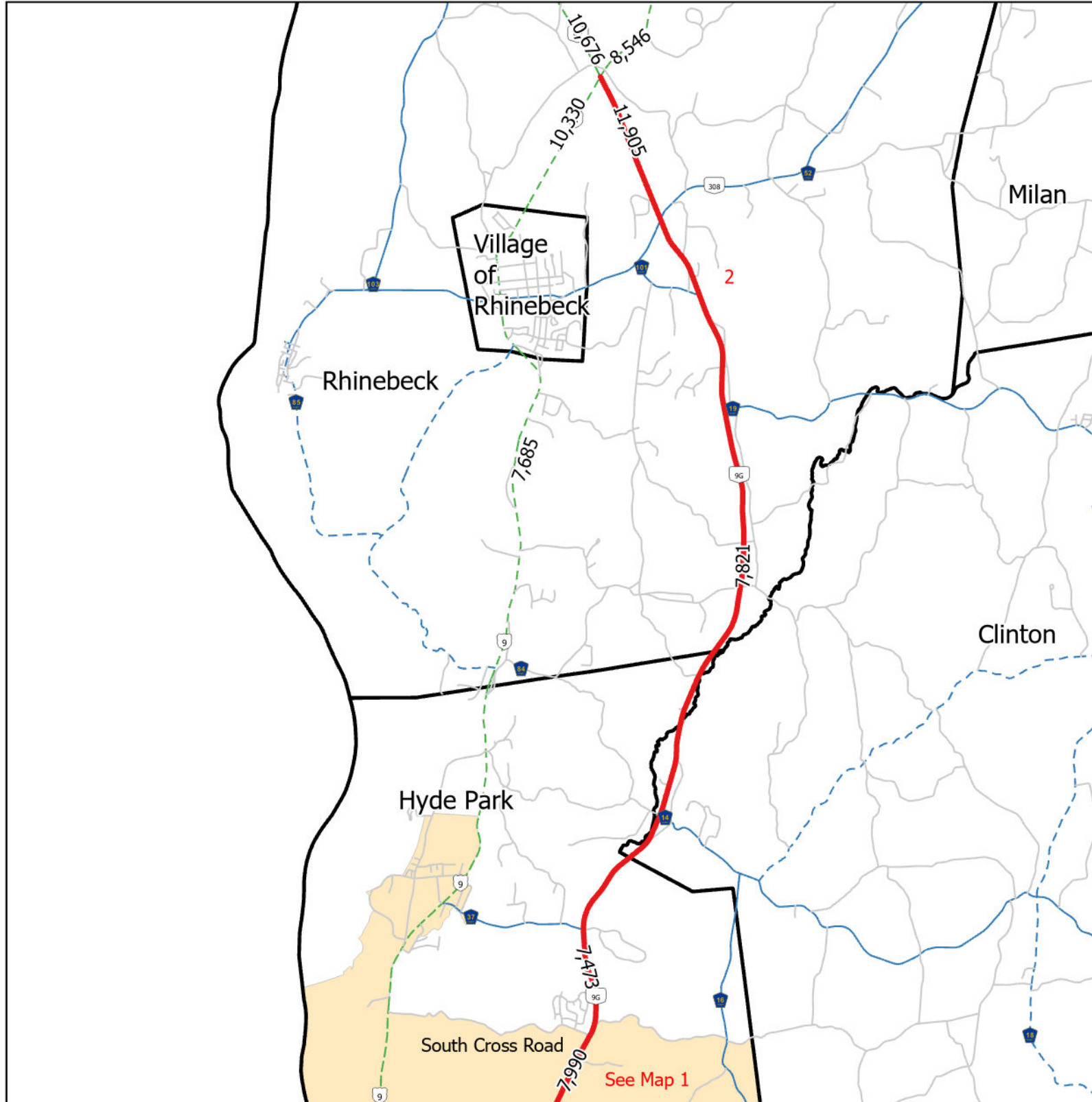
820072	17/5	NY 9G	From:	CR 41 - East Market Street	2023	7,990	2023	6%
			To:	South Cross Road				
Station #	NYS DOT FC Code/FHWA FS Code	Parallel Facilities	Description		AADT Year	*AADT	HV% Year	**HV %
820037	4/3	US 9	From:	CR 37 - North Cross Road	2023	7,685	2023	4%
			To:	NY 308 Rhinebeck				

*Contains values that represent either the actual AADT or estimated AADT. The estimated AADT data is an estimate for the last full calendar year.

**Contains values that represent either the actual or average percentage of heavy vehicles.

AADT and HV% Sources - The sources listed below are the only acceptable data sources for the “AADT and HV% of facility and connecting/parallel facilities” table:

- NYS DOT Traffic Data Viewer (TDV) includes Continuous Count Station, Short Count Station, and Special Short Count Station Traffic Data
 - HV% data sourced from the TDV are whole number values.
 - If AADT data and HV% data are not available in the Traffic Data Viewer (TDV), coordinate with the Main Office to see if short duration count collection is needed.
 - Please note that some data did not transfer correctly during migration to Drakewell platform for TDV. This data may be available outside of TDV in report format. The report format values are to the hundredth decimal place.
- NYS DOT “Heavy Vehicle (F4—F13) Percentages 2022” (January 2024)
 - If HV% data are not listed in the NYS DOT Traffic Data Viewer (TDV), then usage of NYS DOT “Heavy Vehicle (F4-F13) Percentages 2022” values are acceptable. HV% data from this source are to the tenth decimal place.



Proposed Functional Classifications Map 2

Town of Clinton
Town of Hyde Park
Town of Rhinebeck

Proposed FC	Current FC	
04-Rural Principal Arterial - Other	1 - Rural Principal Arterial - Interstate	12 - Urban Principal Arterial - Other Freeway or expressway
06-Rural Minor Arterial	2 - Rural Principal Arterial - Other Freeway or expressway	14 - Urban Principal Arterial - Other
07-Rural Major Collector	4 - Rural Principal Arterial - Other	16 - Urban Minor Arterial
08-Rural Minor Collector	6 - Rural Minor Arterial	17 - Urban Major Collector
16-Urban Minor Arterial	7 - Rural Major Collector	18 - Urban Minor Collector
17-Urban Major Collector	8 - Rural Minor Collector	19 - Urban Local
18-Urban Minor Collector	9 - Rural Local	
19-Urban Local Road	11 - Urban Principal Arterial - Interstate	

Symbology
 Municipal Boundaries
 2010 Urbanized Area Boundary
 ## Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT)
 ## Change ID Number

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