National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEMORANDUM

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To: Travel Forecasting Subcommittee

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Subject: Adjustment to Regional HOV Facilities Monitoring Plan for Spring 2010

At the January 22, 2010 meeting of the Travel Forecasting Subcommittee, TPB staff presented a proposed field data collection approach for the spring 2010 Regional HOV Facilities Monitoring Project. The highway portion of this approach entailed reducing the number of counting stations in each corridor, while increasing the number of counting days for the remaining stations from 1 to 2 days. No objections were stated or concerns expressed by Subcommittee members, so staff concluded this approach would be acceptable for the upcoming spring data collection project.

Subsequent to this meeting, however, staff was contacted by VDOT personnel who greatly-depend on the data collected through this program. Concern was expressed that those state DOT personnel who do depend on these data typically do not attend meetings of the Travel Forecasting Subcommittee, and missed the briefing as a result. Had they attended, they would have expressed concern over eliminating specific counting stations that are important to the time-series of data collected through the years. As a result, VDOT staff requested to have these omitted stations included back in the spring data collection program. A list of stations is attached to this memorandum.

Staff believes these concerns are valid and implementing the approach presented to TFS would adversely affect VDOT's HOV facilities monitoring data series. As a result, staff will collect one day counts for ALL the stations, including those proposed to be eliminated at the January 22 TFS meeting. In future years, staff will coordinate any proposed modifications to data

collection approaches more proactively, ensuring that both the TFS, which has oversight for this technical program, and state DOT personnel, who rely on these data to support their programs, are actively consulted.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know. My cell phone number and e-mail address are at the top of this memorandum.

Thanks.

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Count Station ID Number	Route	Location	County
39501	I-395	U.S. 1 and Va. 110/Pentagon	Arlington
39502		Va. 120 (S. Glebe Road)	Arlington
39503		Va. 648 (Edsall Road)/Turkeycock Run	Fairfax
09501	1-95	Va. 7100 (Fairfax County	Fairfax
09502		Parkway)/Newington Va. 234 (Dumfries Road)/Dumfries Scales	Prince William
06601	I-66	T. Roosevelt Bridge	D.C. and Arlington
06602		U.S. 29 (Lee Highway)/Lyon Village	Arlington
06603		Sycamore Street/East Falls Church	Arlington
06604		Va. 7 (Leesburg Pike)	Fairfax
06605		Va. 243 (Nutley Street)	Fairfax
06606		Va. 123 (Chain Bridge Road)	Fairfax
06607		U.S. 50 (Lee-Jackson Highway)/Fair Oaks	Fairfax
06608		Va. 234 Business (Sudley Road)/Bull Run Rest Areas	Prince William
06609		Va. 234 Bypass (Prince William Parkway)	Prince William
26701	Va. 267	Va. 123 (Dolley Madison Boulevard)	Fairfax
26702		Va. 684 (Spring Hill Road)/main DTR barrier	Fairfax
26703		Va. 7 (Leesburg Pike)	Fairfax
26704		Va. 7100 (Fairfax County Parkway)	Fairfax
26705		Va. 28 (Sully Road)	Fairfax and Loudoun
27001	I-270	Rockledge Drive/North Bethesda	
27002		Md. 189 (Falls Road)/Rockville	Montgomery
27003		I-370/Shady Grove	Montgomery
27004		Md. 117 (Clopper	Montgomery
		Road)/Gaithersburg	
27005		Md. 118 (Germantown	Montgomery
		Road)/Germantown	
27006		Md. 109 (Old Hundred	Montgomery
		Road)/Hyattstown Scales	

Count Station ID Number	Route	Location	County
27007	I-270Y	Democracy Boulevard/Montgomery Mall	Montgomery
05001	U.S. 50	Md. 410 (East West Highway)/New Carrollton	Prince George's
05002		Md. 704 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Highway)/Glenarden Springdale	Prince George's
05003		Md. 197 (Collington Road)/Freeway Airport	Prince George's
05004		Md. 3 (Crain Highway)/Bowie	Prince George's
05005		Md. 424/Davidsonville Road (Davidsonville)	Prince George's and Anne Arundel
09549501	I-95/I-495	Woodrow Wilson Bridge/National Harbor	Prince George's and City of Alexandria

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