

# National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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Item #5

## MEMORANDUM

May 7, 2009

**To:** Transportation Planning Board

**From:** Ronald F. Kirby  
Director, Department of  
Transportation Planning

**RE:** Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting of May 1, 2009, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolutions:

- TPB SR13-2009 on an Amendment to the FY 2009 -2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to include funding for Preliminary Engineering for the Virginia Railway Express Gainesville-Haymarket Extension, a bus maintenance facility, a Road Intersection Improvement Project, and noise barriers on Linton Hall Road in Prince William County, as requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).

The TPB Bylaws provide that the Steering Committee “shall have the full authority to approve non-regionally significant items, and in such cases it shall advise the TPB of its action.”

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ON AMENDMENT TO  
THE FY 2009- 2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS  
EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE FUNDING  
FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR THE VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS  
GAINESVILLE- HAYMARKET EXTENSION, A BUS MAINTENANCE FACILITY, A ROAD  
INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND NOISE BARRIERS ON LINTON HALL  
ROAD IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, AS REQUESTED BY THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT  
OF TRANSPORTATION (VDOT)**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), which is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 19, 2008 the TPB adopted amendments to the FY 2009-2014 TIP which was adopted on July 16, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, in the attached letter of April 28, 2009 VDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2009-2014 TIP to include \$612,000 in FTA Section 5309 funding for preliminary engineering for the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Gainesville-Haymarket Extension, \$1,225,000 in FTA Section 5309 funding for the Potomac Rappahannock Transit Commission Western Prince William County Maintenance Facility, \$3,120,000 in Federal Lands Highway Program funding for improvements to the Fuller Heights Road and Fuller Road intersection, and \$2,706,000 in regional Surface Transportation Program funding for noise barriers on Linton Hall Road as described in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations "40 CFR Parts 51 and 93 Transportation Conformity Rule Amendments: Flexibility and Streamlining; Final Rule," issued in the May 6, 2005, *Federal Register*;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2009-2014 TIP to include \$612,000 in FTA Section 5309 funding for preliminary engineering for the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Gainesville-Haymarket Extension, \$1,225,000 in FTA Section 5309 funding for the Potomac Rappahannock Transit Commission Western Prince William County Maintenance Facility, \$3,120,000 in Federal Lands Highway Program funding for improvements to the Fuller Heights Road and Fuller Road intersection, and \$2,706,000 in regional Surface Transportation Program funding for noise barriers on Linton Hall Road, as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Steering Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on May 1, 2009.**



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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DAVID S. EKERN, P.E.  
COMMISSIONER

April 28, 2009

National Capital Region: FY 2009-2014  
Transportation Improvement Program Amendment

The Honorable Charles A. Jenkins  
Chairman, National Capital Region  
Transportation Planning Board  
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.; Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20002-4201

Dear Chairman Jenkins:

On behalf of the Potomac Rappahannock Transit Commission (PRTC), the Virginia Railway Express (VRE), Prince William County and itself, VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office requests amending the FY 2009-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add four projects. None of the four projects are regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes and as such would not affect the approved air quality conformity determination. The proposed amendment will provide additional funding allocated by the Commonwealth's Transportation Board in its currently approved FY 2009-2014 Six Year Improvement Program and/or apportioned by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The four projects are outlined below.

- Fuller Heights Road/Fuller Road Intersection Improvements (UPC# 92999). This project is the relocation of the existing intersection of Fuller Heights Road with Fuller Road approximately 400' east. The proposed TIP Amendment adds \$0.550M in FY 2009 for PE, \$0.600M in ROW in FY2009, \$1.135M in FY 2009 for the Construction phase and \$0.835M in the Construction phase in FY 2010. The source of funding is the Federal Lands Highway Program and does not require any matching funds.
- Noise Barriers on Linton Hall Road (UPC#87035). This project involves construction of noise barriers along Linton Hall Road (Rte. 619) between 0.3mi north of Country Mill Drive

and 0.3mi north of Hazel Circle Drive. The proposed TIP Amendment will add \$2.70M of RSTP funds for the PE phase. This amount includes a 20% state match.


- Virginia Railway Express Gainesville-Haymarket Extension (UPC# VRE0004). This project involves the proposed extension of VRE service between the existing Broad Run station and new Haymarket station. The proposed TIP amendment provides \$0.612M, in FY 2009, for the PE phase. The source of funding is a FTA earmark apportioned under the section 5309 program.
- Potomac Rappahannock Transit Commission Western Prince William County Maintenance Facility (UPC#PRTC0002). This project involves construction of PRTC's Western Prince William County Maintenance Facility. The proposed amendment provides \$1.225M, in FY 2009, for the ROW phase. The source of funding is a FTA earmark apportioned under the section 5309 program.

The attached table presents the revised project funding for the FY 2009-2014 TIP document.

VDOT requests that this amendment be reviewed and acted upon by the Steering Committee at its May 1, 2009 meeting. VDOT's representative will be in attendance at the meeting to answer any questions the Committee may have. Upon approval of this amendment, please furnish copies of the approval to Ms. Jo Anne Sorenson (VDOT's Northern Virginia office) and to Mr. Chad Tucker in VDOT's Transportation and Mobility Planning Division in Richmond.

Thank you for your consideration of and action on this request.

Sincerely,



*Jo Anne Sorenson*  
Asst. Dist. Administrator  
for

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District Administrator  
VDOT – Northern Virginia District

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)**

TIP AMENDMENT 5/13/09

FY 2009 - 2014 TIP

Agency Project ID	Facility, Location, Description	Phase	Previous Funding	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Program Total FY 09-14	Funding Source		Funding Shares		
											Fed	Sta	Fed	Sta	Loc
<b>VDOT - Secondary</b>															
92999	Title: Rte. 1-Fuller Hts. Rd.-Fuller Rd. Relocation Proj. Facility: Fuller Road From: Rt. 1/Rte. 619 Intersection To: 0.2mi. SE from Rte. 1 (0.2000mi) Jurisdiction: Prince William County	P.E. ROW Const	\$0 0 \$0	\$550 600 \$1,135	0 0 \$835	\$0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	\$3,120 \$0 \$0	FED-FLH	100%	0%	0%
Description: Project consists of relocating existing intersection of Fuller Heights Rd. with Fuller Road approx 400' east. Fuller Heights Rd. at Fuller Rd. will then terminate in a cul-de-sac.		Reason for Amendment: Utilize carry over Federal Lands Funds from the transportation improvements project at the Marine Corps Heritage Museum.													
Reason for Amendment: Air Quality		Project not regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes.													
87035	Title: Rte 619 - Construct Noise Barriers Facility: Linton Hall Road From: .13mi north of Country Mill Road To: .13mi north of Hazel Circle Drive Jurisdiction: Prince William County	P.E. ROW Const		\$2,706							\$2,706	FED-RSTP	80%	20%	0%
Description: Construct Noise Barriers on Rte 619 .13 mi north of Country Mill Road to .13mi north of Hazel Circle Drive		Reason for Amendment: To protect residential areas from traffic noise on Linton Hall Road.													
Reason for Amendment: Air Quality		Project not regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes.													
<b>DRPT - Transit</b>															
VRE 0004	Title: VRE-Gainesville-Haymarket Extension Facility: Extend VRE service to Gainesville-Haymarket From: Broad Run VRE Station To: Haymarket Jurisdiction: Prince William County	P.E. ROW Const	\$0 0 \$0	\$612 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	\$0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	\$612 \$0 \$0	FTA Sec. 5309	80%	16%	4%
Description: Fund PE for the Gainesville-Haymarket extension of VRE service. (Associated with UPC 85373)		Reason for Amendment: Amendment to enter FTA funding into the TIP.													
Reason for Amendment: Air Quality		Project phase exempt from air quality conformity purposes.													
PRTC 0002	Title: Western Prince William Maintenance Facility Facility: From: To: Jurisdiction: Prince William County	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	\$0 \$1,225 \$0	\$0 \$0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	0 0 \$0	\$1,225 \$0 \$0	FTA Sec. 5309	80%	16%	4%
Description: Fund R/W acquisition for the Western Prince William County Maintenance Facility. (Associated with UPC 85382)		Reason for Amendment: Amendment to enter FTA funding into the TIP.													
Reason for Amendment: Air Quality		Project not regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes.													