

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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COMMISSIONER

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June 29, 2011

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

RE: National Capital Region: FY 2011-2016 TIP Amendment

Dear Chairman Bowser:

Prince William County and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is requesting the Transportation Planning Board consider and take action at the July 20, 2011, meeting to amend the FY 2011-2016 TIP to add funding to complete construction of the proposed I-66 HOV and General Purpose Widening and Reconstruction of Route 15 Interchange Project.

The project involves widening a 2.5 mile stretch of the existing four lanes of I-66 to eight lanes by adding one HOV lane and one general purpose lane in each direction and the reconstruction of the I-66/Route 15 Interchange between Route 29 in Gainesville to Route15 in Haymarket. The project has been determined to be regionally significant for air quality purposes. On March 15, 2011, the Board approved VDOT's request to include this project in the 2010 CLRP and revise its previously approved air quality conformity analyses.

The Board reviewed the results of the revised air quality conformity analyses for the 2010 CLRP amendment at its June 15, 2011, meeting and is scheduled to take final action on the CLRP amendment and the emissions analyses at the July 20th meeting. This proposed TIP amendments is intended to provide the funding toward the construction of both the elements of the project outlined above. The project is in the currently adopted FY 2011-2016 TIP but with funding for the preliminary engineering (PE) phase only. The proposed amendment funds the PE phase, the right-of-way (ROW) and construction (CN) phases for both of the project elements and is divided into two UPC designations described below:

- I-66 HOV and General Purpose (GP) Widening from Route 29 to Route 15 (UPC#93577). This amendment proposes to release \$8,483,154 in AC-NH funds in the PE phase for FY11; add \$5,769,000 in IM Funds for the PE phase in FY 2011; add \$4,500,000 in AC-IM funds for the RW phase in FY 2011; add \$7,486,528 in IM funds for the CN phase in FY11; add \$39,389,868 in AC-NH funds for the CN phase in FY 2011; add \$7,935,115 AC-IM funds for the CN phase in FY 2011; add \$3,601,945 AC-IM funds for the CN phase for FY 2015; add \$2,576,359 in AC for FY 2015; add \$24,276,661 in Advanced Construction Conversion (ACC) for FY 2016; add \$4,333,170 in ACC for FY 2017; and add \$12,536,848 in ACC for FY 2017.
- Reconstruction of I-66/Route 15 Interchange (UPC#100566). This amendment proposes to obligate \$3,060,000 IM funds in FY 2011 for the PE phase; obligate \$4,500,000 AC-IM funds for the RW phase in FY 2012; obligate \$40,844,700 in AC-IM funds for the construction phase in FY 2012; and convert advanced construction funds of \$45,344,700 between FY 2013-FY 2015.

Attached is a more detailed spreadsheet outlining this funding. These funds are derived using the Advanced Construction mechanism against the state's allocation of NH and IM federal funds. State funds are made available to provide the match for these federal funds. On June 15, 2011, the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved these funds as part of Virginia's Six Year Improvement Program.

Representatives of Prince William County and I plan to attend the Board meeting.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our proposal.

Sincerely,

Garrett W. Moore, P.E. District Administrator

Northern Virginia District

Attachment

bcc: Mr. Michael C. May, Prince William County Supervisor.

Mr. John D. Jenkins, Prince William County Supervisor.

Mr. Tom Blaser, Prince William County, Department of Transportation

Mr. Ricardo Canizales, Prince William Department of Transportation

Ms. Diane Mitchell, VDOT-PD

Ms. Renee Hamilton, NoVA VDOT

Ms. Maria Sinner, NoVA VDOT

Mr. William Cuttler, NoVA VDOT

Mr. Kanathur Srikanth, NoVA VDOT

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000) NORTHERN VIRGINIA

TIP Amendment - 6/28/2011

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This TIP amendment was included in the revised regional air quality conformity analysis for the amended 2010 CLRP scheduled for TPB approval July 20, 2011. Air Quality:

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Engineering studies, design and Reconstruct I-66/ Rte 15 (James Madison Highway) Interchange. Description:

Prince William County Jurisdiction:

This TIP amendment is to add PE,RW,CN phase and obiligate \$3,060,000 IM funds PE Phase FY11;\$4,500,000AC-IM RW ph. FY12;\$40,844,700 AC-IM CN ph. FY12; \$9,000,000 AC-Conv FY13;\$18,000,000 AC-Conv FY14 and \$18,344,700 AC-Conv FY15. Amendment:

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