Item #5

MEMORANDUM

March 13, 2014

To: Transportation Planning Board

From: Gerald Miller MM

Acting Co-Director,

Department of Transportation Planning

Re: Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting on March 7, 2014, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolutions:

• SR10-2014: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2013- 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to include funding for the Virginia Route 28 study, 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 AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2013-2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE VIRGINIA ROUTE 28 STUDY 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 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the TIP is required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area; and

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2012 the TPB adopted the FY 2013-2018 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of February 26, 2014 VDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2013-2018 TIP to include \$2.5 million in Equity Bond and Surface Transportation Program funds to determine short and long-term solutions to congestion and access issues on VA Route 28 between Sudley Road and I-66 in Fairfax and Prince William Counties and the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park, as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, studies 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 2013-2018 TIP to include \$2.5 million in Equity Bond and Surface Transportation Program funds to determine short and long-term solutions to congestion and access issues on VA Route 28 between Sudley Road and I-66 in Fairfax and Prince William Counties and the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board Steering Committee at its regular meeting on March 7, 2014.



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CHARLES A. KILPATRICK, P.E. COMMISSIONER

4975 Alliance Drive Fairfax, VA 22030

February 26, 2014

The Honorable Patrick Wojahn, 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 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment for VA Route

28 Study (UPC # 105482)

Dear Chairman Wojahn:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests an amendment to the FY 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add funding for the VA Route 28 Study. VDOT will evaluate the Route 28 corridor through Manassas, Manassas Park, Prince William County and Fairfax County to determine short and long term solutions to the transportation congestion and access issues in this area. The study area extends seven miles along Route 28 from Sudley Road to I-66.

The amendment adds \$2,501,759 to the TIP, including \$2,001,407 in federal funds and \$500,352 in state matching funds provided by VDOT. The proposed funds are included in recent allocations by the Commonwealth Transportation Board as part of VDOT's FY 2014-2019 Six Year Improvement Program. This project is a planning study involving no right of way acquisition or construction and is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. While the proposed funds are new to the TIP, they are part of the total federal and state funding estimates included in VDOT's financial plan for the 2010 CLRP update.

VDOT requests that this TIP Amendment be considered and acted upon by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on March 7, 2014. VDOT's representative will attend the meeting and be available to answer any questions about the amendments.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Helen L. Cuervo, P.E. District Administrator

Northern Virginia District

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Mr. Paul Nishimoto, VDOT-NoVA

Mr. Kanathur Srikanth, VDOT-NoVA VirginiaDot.org

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

FY 2013 - 2018

TIP Amendment - 03/07/2014 VA Route 28 Study- Sudley Road to I-66

New Funding in BOLD

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