

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

**RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO
THE FY 2015-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)
THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT
TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION: FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY
PROJECT GROUPING, 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 October 15, 2014 the TPB adopted the FY 2015-2020 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of May 28, 2015, VDOT has requested that the FY 2015-2020 TIP be amended to include \$204,000 in Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) and state matching funds for the Construction: Federal Lands Highway project grouping, as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, this project is 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 2015-2020 TIP to include \$204,000 in Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) and state matching funds for the Construction: Federal Lands Highway project grouping, as described in the attached materials.



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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CHARLES A. KILPATRICK, P.E.
COMMISSIONER

May 28, 2015

The Honorable Phil Mendelson, 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 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment for
Federal Lands Project Grouping

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests an amendment to the FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a Project Grouping for "Construction: Federal Lands Highway." VDOT is initially programming \$204,204 in Federal Lands Access Program funds for this project grouping. VDOT staff has entered the project in the TPB's iTIP project database.

The proposed funds are included in recent allocations by the Commonwealth Transportation Board as part of VDOT's FY 2015-2020 Six Year Improvement Program. 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 2014 CLRP update. This amendment will not impact the regional air quality conformity analysis since projects eligible for listing in Project Groupings are by definition not regionally significant for the Air Quality Conformity assessment.

VDOT requests that this TIP Amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on June 5, 2015. 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Helen L. Cuervo".

Helen L. Cuervo, P.E.
District Engineer
Northern Virginia District

cc: Ms. Dianne Mitchell, VDOT
Ms. Maria Sinner, P.E., VDOT-NoVA
Mr. Norman Whitaker, AICP, VDOT-NoVA

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

Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Source Total
Federal Lands Highway Program									
Construction : Federal Lands Highway									
TIP ID: 6441 Agency ID:			Title: Constuction : Federal Lands Highway				Complete:		

Facility:	FLAP	80/20/0	204	c						204
From:										
To:										
									Total Funds:	204

Description: Groupings for federally funded transportation improvements on federal lands.

Amendment: New Project	Requested on: 6/5/2015
TIP amendment to add Federal Lands grouping - add \$163,363 (PB - FLAP) FFY15 CN phase	