

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FY 2010-2015 TO INCLUDE
THE TRANSPORTATION COMPONENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE 'RETURN TO
L'ENFANT" DEVELOPMENT OF I-395**

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 the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005 for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Planning Regulations of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) implementing SAFETEA-LU, which became effective July 14, 2007, specify the development and content of the long range transportation plan and require that it be reviewed and updated at least every four years; and

WHEREAS, the TIP is required by FHWA and 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 15, 2009, the TPB approved the 2009 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and FY 2010-2015 TIP, which were developed as specified in the Federal Planning Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the transportation component inputs associated with the "Return to L'Enfant" development over I-395 and air quality conformity scope of work were released for public comment on May 14, 2009, and were approved by the TPB at its June 17, 2009 meeting; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2009, the draft air quality conformity determination results for this amendment to the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP and additional web-based information were released for a 30-day public comment period and inter-agency review; and

WHEREAS, during the development of this amendment to the FY 2010-2015 TIP, the TPB Participation Plan was followed, and opportunities were provided for public comment: (1) At the May 14, 2009 TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting, the project submissions for inclusion in the air quality conformity analysis of this amendment to the 2009 CLRP and the FY 2010-2015 TIP and the air quality conformity work scope were released, and an opportunity for public comment on these submissions was provided at the beginning of the June and July TPB meetings; (2) At the June 17 meeting, the TPB approved a set of responses to the public

comments on the project submissions for inclusion in the amendment to the CLRP and TIP documents; (3) At the September 10, 2009 CAC meeting the draft amendment to the 2009 CLRP, the draft FY 2010-2015 TIP and web-based information on the amendment were released for a 30-day public comment period which closed on October 11, 2009, and no public comments were received; (4) An opportunity for public comment on these documents was provided on the TPB web page and at the beginning of the October 21 TPB meeting; and (5) The final version of the TIP will include summaries of all comments and responses; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2009, the TPB determined that the amendment to the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP to include the Purple Line Light Rail project and the transportation component associated with the "Return to L'Enfant" development over I-395 conforms with the requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD approves the amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program for FY 2010-2015 to include the private sector funding for the transportation component associated with the "Return to L'Enfant" development over I-395 as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on October 21, 2009.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)**

Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13	FY14	FY 15	Source Total
Interstate									
Return to L'Enfant									
TIP ID: 5718 Agency ID: Title: Return to L'Enfant Complete: 2014									
Facility: I 395 Center Leg Freeway	0/0/100	1,000 a	1,000 a	10,518 c	4,446 c	4,445 c		808 c	25,662
From: Massachusetts Avenue, NW									
To: E St., NW (Between 2nd & 3rd)									
Description: Street and Massachusetts Avenue NW, and available terra firma pieces between 3rd Street NW and I-395. The projected development will cover the sunken I-395 highway with three city blocks and two new Rights of Way (ROWs) at G and F Streets NW, by means of an at-grade platform above the highway. The city blocks will have a total of 2.3 million square feet of office, residential, retail, and public space, with parking garage and service corridor below grade. By creating new building walls along the edges of G and F Streets, the development will demarcate and establish the L'Enfant plan vistas and reconnect the city grid by adding pedestrian and vehicular corridors.									
Key transportation components of the project include the following items (noted by letter when a question is applicable to individual aspects; otherwise, applicable to the entire project noted with "X"):									
A. Closure of the I-395 Southbound Exit Ramp to the 400 block of 3rd Street, NW									
B. Reconnection of F Street, NW between 2nd and 3rd Streets, for vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle traffic									
C. Reconnection of G Street, NW between 2nd and 3rd Streets, for bicycle and pedestrian traffic									
D. Reconfiguration of the I-395 Southbound Entrance Ramp from the 600 block of 3rd Street, NW									
E. Reconfiguration of the I-395 Northbound Exit Ramp to the 500 block of 2nd Street, NW									
Total Funds: 25,662									

