

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO
THE FY 2009-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS
EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO ADD \$218,000
IN AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FUNDING FOR THE
SMALLWOOD DRIVE WEST IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AS REQUESTED BY
CHARLES COUNTY**

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

WHEREAS, on February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), which includes substantial new funding for the nation's transportation system, was enacted; and

WHEREAS, Charles County has developed a list of transportation projects for ARRA funding in consultation with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT); and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2009, the TPB adopted Resolution R31-2009 to amend the FY 2009-2014 TIP to add \$475,000 in ARRA funding for improvements on Smallwood Drive West and St Charles Parkway and resurfacing of the Western Parkway from MD 228 to Plaza Drive, as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of e-mail of June 11, 2009, Charles County has requested that the FY 2009-2014 TIP be amended to add \$218,160 more in ARRA funding for the Smallwood Drive West improvements project to include the construction of a turn lane within the original project limits; 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 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD amends the FY 2009-2014 TIP to add \$218,160 more in ARRA funding for the Smallwood Drive West improvements project to include the construction of a turn lane within the original project limits, as described in the attached materials .

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on June 17, 2009.

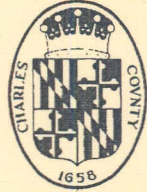
CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Planning and Growth Management

MELVIN C. BEALL, JR., P.E., *Director*



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June 11, 2009

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:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) has distributed transportation funding to the State of Maryland. Through a Phase II allocation of highway funds, \$1.9 million has been designated for Charles County.

The County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland, requests an additional amendment to the Fiscal Year 2009-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment that was approved by the Transportation Planning Board on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 under Resolution R31-2009. We wish to modify the "Smallwood Drive West" project description to include the construction of a turn lane within the original project limits and to add \$218,160 of ARRA funding in FY 2009. This request is exempt from the air quality conformity analysis requirement.

Please see the attached TIP tables for the full project description and funding information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jason R. Groth', written in a cursive style.

Jason R. Groth
Chief of Resource & Infrastructure Mgmt.

Attachments (3 Forms)

Cc: Charles County Commissioners
Ronald F. Kirby, MWCOG
Donald A. Halligan, MDOT
Doug Simmons, SHA

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**SUBURBAN MARYLAND
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)**

	Previous Funding	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	FY13	FY 14	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total
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Charles County

Secondary
Smallwood Drive West Improvements

Agency Project ID: _____ Title: **Smallwood Drive at McDaniel Road turn lane construction** Complete: **2009**

Facility: Smallwood Drive West		363 c						ARRA	363
From: US 301 Crain Highway		145 c						100 / 0 / 0	
To: Middletown Road								Total Funds:	363

Description: Replacement of traffic loop detectors at select intersections, the installation of needed recessed reflective pavement markers, and the installation of new pavement markings. 5666
 - Replace traffic loop sensors \$ 100,000
 - Install recessed reflective pavement markers \$ 25,000
 - Pavement markings \$20,000

Design and construct a full length center turn lane and taper in accordance with Charles County Road Ordinance Table 2.07 based on the 50 MPH design speed to accommodate a U-turn movement on westbound Smallwood Drive at McDaniel Road.

ARRA Amendment Add project to FY 2009-2014 TIP with \$145,000 of ARRA funding in FY 2009.	Amendment Approved on:	5/20/2009
ARRA Amendment Add an additional \$218,160 of ARRA funding in FY 2009 and modify the project description to include a construction of a left turn lane at McDaniel Road.	Proposed for Amendment on:	6/17/2009