

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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS  
FROM THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE  
PROGRAM BETWEEN PROJECTS IN VIRGINIA**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, the FAST Act's Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set-Aside) Program, which is part of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), provides a portion of funding based on the relative share of the total State population sub-allocated to large urbanized areas, and the MPO is required "to develop a competitive process to allow eligible entities to submit projects for funding ... in consultation with the relevant State"; and

**WHEREAS**, the TA Set-Aside Program provides funding for transportation programs and projects defined as eligible per Section 1109 of the FAST Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) are responsible for determining the total federal funding amount allocated to the TPB, determining project eligibility, project implementation, and project oversight; and

**WHEREAS**, the TA Set-Aside Program provides an opportunity to fund projects that implement regional policies reflected in the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan, in the Equity Emphasis Areas, and related to the seven initiatives endorsed by the TPB in December 2017 and January 2018, which include promoting Regional Activity Centers, improving pedestrian and bicycle access to transit, and completing the National Capital Trail Network; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington & Old Dominion (W&OD) Trail Crossings Improvements (UPC 111402) project in Falls Church previously received a total of \$856,585 in TA Set-Aside Funding, including \$523,050 from the TPB's TA Set-Aside suballocations and \$333,535 from the suballocation of the Commonwealth Transportation Board's Northern Virginia member; and

**WHEREAS**, the W&OD Trail Crossings Improvements project requires \$416,919 in additional funding to complete design and construction; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined the City of Falls Church will provide the required match of \$83,384 for additional funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth Transportation Board's Northern Virginia member has committed to providing \$166,767 from TA Set-Aside funding to the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB has a significant surplus in its TA Set-Aside balance of funds for projects in Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 12, 2019, the TPB approved Resolution SR1-2020 which established a policy for off-cycle fund transfers of TA Set-Aside funding to projects previously approved by the TPB, and the transfer requested by VDOT is consistent with that policy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board approves the transfer of \$166,768 in federal TA Set-Aside funds to the W&OD Trail Crossings Improvements project, as described in the attached material.



## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Stephen C. Brich, P.E.  
Commissioner  
January 4, 2024

1401 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable Christina Henderson, Chair  
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board  
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments  
777 North Capital Street, N.E., Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20002-4201

RE: Request to Transfer Transportation Alternatives (TA) Funding from Balance Entry Account to Approved Project.

Dear Chairman Henderson:

There is \$8,334,668 of previous federal TA set aside funding available -- \$1,656,333 is from previously cancelled or surplus of NOVA TPB project funding and \$6,678,335 is undistributed FY23 and FY24 funding in the TA Statewide NOVA TPB Balance Entry Account (70466).

This request is for Transportation Planning Board concurrence for the following "Out of Cycle" transfer:

- UPC 111402 WASHINGTON & OLD DOMINION TRAIL CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS (City of Falls Church) – The project was previously funded with CTB TA allocations of \$353,275 and TPB TA Set Aside funds of \$523,050. Request to transfer from TA Statewide NOVA TPB Balance Entry (UPC 70466) **\$166,768** of TA Set Aside funds to the WASHINGTON & OLD DOMINION TRAIL CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS (UPC 111402) to cover half of the increase for design and construction costs totaling \$333,535. City of Falls Church is committed to the \$83,384 of TA funds match requirement to award the project on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

The funding transfer request above has been coordinated with the Local Assistance TA Program Coordinator and the CTB member for the remaining \$166,767 to support the full funding for award. VDOT requests approval of this transfer at the next Steering Committee meeting. VDOT's representatives will be available to answer questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Cuttler".

Bill Cuttler, P.E.  
Northern Virginia District Engineer

Cc: John Swanson, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board  
Carol Bondurant, VDOT Programming Manager - Maria Sinner, P.E., VDOT PIM