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**MEMORANDUM**

September 7, 2004

**TO:** Transportation Planning Board

**FROM:** Ronald F. Kirby *RFK*  
Director, Department of  
Transportation Planning

**RE:** Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting of September 3, 2004, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolution:

- ❖ TPB SR4-2005: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity requirement to fund HOV enforcement on Interstate Highways, add funding to the VA 645 (Stringfellow Road) Project, and modify the limits of the Fairfax County Parkway HOV Project 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."



TPB SR4- 2005  
September 3, 2004

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO  
THE FY 2004-2009 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)  
THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT  
TO FUND HOV ENFORCEMENT ON INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS, ADD FUNDING TO  
THE VA 645 (STRINGFELLOW ROAD) PROJECT, AND MODIFY THE LIMITS OF  
THE FAIRFAX COUNTY PARKWAY HOV PROJECT 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 the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 17, 2003 the TPB adopted the 2003 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

**WHEREAS**, in the attached letter of August 27, 2004, VDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 TIP to fund HOV enforcement on Interstate highways in Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William Counties, to add funding to widen VA 645 (Stringfellow Road) from VA 7735 to US 50, and to split the Fairfax County HOV lane project into two segments, as described in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects are included in the current conformity analysis or 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 August 15, 1997 *Federal Register*;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2004-2009 TIP to fund HOV enforcement on Interstate highways in Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William Counties, to add funding to widen VA 645 (Stringfellow Road) from VA 7735 to US 50, and to split the Fairfax County HOV lane project into two segments, as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Steering Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on September 3, 2004.**





# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Chantilly, VA 20151  
(703) 383-VDOT (8368)

August 27, 2004

PHILIP A. SHUCET  
COMMISSIONER

National Capital Region  
Transportation Improvement Program Amendment

The Honorable Christopher Zimmerman  
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 Zimmerman:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests an amendment (copy attached) to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Table 1 describes the individual projects included in the TIP amendment, including the reason(s) each project is included in this request, conformity status, and funding implications. In summary, this amendment will add one new project (HOV enforcement) to the TIP, add funding to an existing project (Stringfellow Road widening), and split an existing project (Fairfax County Parkway HOV lanes) into two segments. The limits of the Fairfax County Parkway project will also be corrected by this amendment. None of these projects will adversely affect the conformity analysis performed for the FY-04 TIP.

VDOT requests that this amendment be approved by the TPB Steering Committee at its meeting on September 3, 2004.

Please call Jo Anne Sorenson at (703) 383-2461, if you need further information. Upon approval of this amendment, please furnish copies of the approval to Ms. Sorenson and to Ms. Marsha Fiol, Acting Division Chief, for VDOT's Transportation and Mobility Planning Division. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E.E. Hull".

E.E. Hull, Acting  
District Administrator

attachments



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

PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT - 9/3/2004

FY 2004-2009

Changes to existing entries are noted in **bold**.

Agency Project ID	Facility, Location, Description	Phase	FY03 TIP Entry	Carry Over	Annual Element FY 04	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	Program Total FY 04-09	Funding Source	Funding Shares Fed/s/I/o
<b>VDOT INTERSTATE</b>													
72835 (New)	Interstate Highways HOV Enforcement From: In Nova To:	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 250	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$250 NHS	80% 20%
Alexandria and Arlington, Fairfax, & Prince Wm. Co.													
<b>FAIRFAX COUNTY SECONDARY</b>													
60864 (New)	VA 645 (Stringfellow Road) From: VA 7735 (Fair Lakes Blvd.) To: US 50	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	3,000	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 18,000 0	0 0 0	\$21,000 STP	80% 20%
Fairfax County													
57167	VA 7100 (Fairfax Co. Pkwy. HOV) From: US 50 To: VA 267 (Dulles Toll Road)	P.E. ROW Const	4,271 0 0	4,271 0 0	7,098 0 0	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$7,098 STP	80% 20%
Fairfax County													
None	VA 7100 (Fairfax Co. Parkway) From: VA 123 (Ox Road) To: I-66	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0		
Fairfax County													

Widen from existing 2 lanes to 4 lanes.

Study the widening of the Parkway to 6 lanes within the existing right of way.  
Additional lanes will function as HOV lanes in the peak period.

Study the widening of the Parkway to 6 lanes within the existing right of way.





## Table 1

### Background Information on NoVA Projects Proposed for Amendment into the FY-04 TIP

Presented to the TPB Steering Committee  
September 3, 2004

Facility / Project:	Interstate Highways HOV Enforcement
Jurisdiction:	Alexandria and Arlington, Fairfax, & Prince William Counties
Limits / Location:	Northern Virginia
Project Description:	As requested by the Commonwealth's Secretary of Transportation, fund HOV enforcement efforts.
Agency Project ID:	72835
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	Yes, included in TIP amendment package.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	Yes, included in TIP amendment package.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	To allow project to get underway once access is authorized to the FY-05 funds allocated to this project.
Conformity Status:	As HOV enforcement is an "activity (per Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126) which does not involve or lead directly to construction," it is "... exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made."
Financial Implications:	Allows access to FY-05 funds allocated towards this effort.

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Facility / Project:	VA 645 (Stringfellow Road)
Limits / Location:	VA 7735 (Fair Lakes Blvd.) to US 50
Project Description:	Widen from existing 2 lanes to 4 lanes.
Agency Project ID:	60864
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	Yes, included in TIP amendment package.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	To allow project to get underway once access is authorized to the FY-05 funds allocated to this project.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04's conformity input.
Financial Implications:	Allows access to FY-05 funds allocated towards this project.

**Table 1**  
(Cont.)

Facility / Project:	VA 7100 (Fairfax Co. Pkwy. HOV)
Limits / Location:	From US 50 to VA 267 (Dulles Toll Road)
Project Description:	Study the widening of the Parkway to 6 lanes within the existing right of way. Additional lanes will function as HOV lanes in the peak period.
Agency Project ID:	57167
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, minor modification of existing project in TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	To assign the funding in the TIP to the actual limits under study and to extend the northern project limit one block north to the Dulles Toll Road. This project is essentially a subset of the original project which extended from VA 123 to Sunrise Valley Drive.
Conformity Status:	Studies are exempt. However, the proposed improvements are included in FY-04's 2015, 2025, and 2030 conformity analyses.
Financial Implications:	None. Amendment allocates existing study funding in TIP to specific project.

Facility / Project:	VA 7100 (Fairfax Co. Pkwy. HOV)
Limits / Location:	From VA 123 (Ox Road) to I-66
Project Description:	Study the widening of the Parkway to 6 lanes within the existing right of way.
Agency Project ID:	None
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No. No funding allocated to project.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	To assign the funding in the TIP to the actual limits under study. This project is essentially a subset of the original project which extended from VA 123 to Sunrise Valley Drive. It, currently, has no funding allocated to it.
Conformity Status:	Studies are exempt. However, the proposed improvements are included in FY-04's 2015, 2025, and 2030 conformity analyses.
Financial Implications:	None. No funding allocated to this project.

## CONSTRAINED LONG RANGE PLAN (CLRP)

Proposed Project or Action Description Form  
FY 2004 - 2030

1. Location and Jurisdiction

Facility: **Interstate Highways HOV Enforcement**  
From/At: **In Nova**  
To:  
Jurisdiction: **Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, Prince William**

2. Submitting Agency: **VDOT**

Agency Project ID: **72835**  
Last Modified On: **9/2/2004**

3. Project Type and Description

Construction  
Transportation Emissions Reduction Measure (TERM)

- Study
- Illustrative Project
- Other Action/Strategy

Description of project or action:  
**Fund HOV enforcement efforts.**

**No bicycle/pedestrian accommodations included.**

4. Project Phasing

Project ID	TIP Improve.	Facility	From	To	Completion Date / In TIP
<b>72835</b> (New)	<b>Implement</b>	<b>Interstate Highways HOV Enforcement</b>	<b>In Nova</b>		<b>2005 X</b>

**Note: "X" after Date indicates project is presently in TIP. Bold "X" denotes amendment into TIP.**

5. Purpose/contribution to regional goals

**This project will contribute to Policy Goal 5, Objective 2 in that improved HOV enforcement will increase the efficiency of NoVA's HOV lanes; thereby, increasing their attractiveness to HOV use / resulting in reduced reliance on single-occupant vehicles.**

6. Funding and Schedule Information

Cost (In Thousands): **\$250**  
Source: **Federal, State,**

Date of completion or implementation: **2005**

Cost and schedule remarks:  
**May become ongoing program.**

7. CMS Documentation

Is this a highway capacity-increasing project on a limited access or other principal arterial highway?

Yes  No

If yes, does this project require a CMS Documentation form under the given criteria?

Yes  No

If not, please identify the criteria that exempt the project here:

**Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**  
Proposed Project or Action Description Form  
FY 2004-2009

1. Agency: **VDOT**

Last Modified On: **9/2/2004**

2. Location and Jurisdiction

Facility: **Interstate Highways HOV Enforcement**  
From/At: **In Nova**  
To: **HOV Enforcement**  
Jurisdiction: **Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, and Prince William**

3. Description of Project or Action

**Fund HOV enforcement efforts.**

**No bicycle/pedestrian accommodations included.**

4. Project Status

**New**

5. Environmental Review

**Proposed Categorical Exclusion (CE)**

6. Funding and Schedule Information

Date of completion or implementation: **2005**

Source	FY	Amount (x \$1,000)	Phase	% Fed/State/Loc
<b>NHS</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>CN</b>	<b>80 20</b>

7. Cost and schedule remarks:

**May become ongoing program.**

**Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**  
Proposed Project or Action Description Form  
FY 2004-2009

1. Agency: **VDOT**

Last Modified On: **8/23/2004**

2. Location and Jurisdiction

Facility: **VA 645 (Stringfellow Road)**  
From/At: **VA 7735 (Fair Lakes Blvd.)**  
To: **US 50**  
Jurisdiction: **Fairfax County,**

3. Description of project or action:

**Widen from existing 2 lanes to 4 lanes.**

**Bicycle/pedestrian accommodations included.**

4. Project Status

**New project.**

5. Environmental Review

**Proposed Categorical Exclusion (CE) / 4(f)**

6. Funding and Schedule Information

Date of completion or implementation: **2012**

Source	FY	Amount (x \$1,000)	Phase	% Fed/State/Loc
<b>STP</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>P.E.</b>	<b>80 20</b>
<b>STP</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>18,000</b>	<b>ROW</b>	<b>80 20</b>

7. Cost and schedule remarks: