

TPB R20-2009
March 18, 2009

**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 FUNDING
FROM THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT FOR SEVEN
PROJECTS AS REQUESTED BY THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (DDOT)**

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 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, in the attached letters of March 9 and 18, 2009, DDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2009-2014 TIP to add \$67,800,000 in ARRA funding for the following projects:

- Bicycle Sharing (SmartBike) \$3 million,
- Replacing the deck on the New York Avenue Bridge over Railroad Tracks \$40 million,
- Replacing the Eastern Avenue Bridge over Kenilworth Avenue \$12 million,
- Streetscape improvements on K Street NW from 7th Street to New Jersey Avenue \$5.5 million,
- Safe Routes to Schools \$4 million,
- Citywide Streetlight Construction \$2.3 million, and
- Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide \$1 million, as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, these projects 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 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 \$67,800,000 in ARRA funding for the following projects:

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Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on March 18, 2009.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Office of the Director

March 9, 2009

Mr. Charles Jenkins
Chair
Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, NE – Suite 300
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Jenkins,

As you are aware, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) was signed into law on February 17, 2009, and the United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) has advised the state departments of transportation and metropolitan planning organizations to take necessary actions to utilize the funds provided by it quickly and effectively.

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is continuing to evaluate the details and criteria of the ARRA. The District, as a member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, whole-heartedly supports new ARRA projects put forward by WMATA at last month's meeting of the Transportation Planning Board (TPB).

Regarding roadways, DDOT has identified a list of projects that are ready to proceed. These projects will create jobs and support the long-term growth of our economy. With the exception of the project to create new sidewalks along federal-aid routes where none now exist, all of the other projects have already been approved in the District's prior-year Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs). These projects, therefore, have already been accounted for and approved as part of the region's mandatory air quality conformity process. They have also been subject to public review and comment. The project to create new sidewalks along federal-aid routes is exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

DDOT requests that Transportation Planning Board approve several TIP amendments. Primarily, these amendments add ARRA funding to a project or substitute ARRA funds for STP funds which will then be applied to other projects. The net effect is to allow DDOT to accomplish more projects sooner than if the ARRA funds had not been available. All of the projects listed below will have the identified stimulus funds obligated during FY09.

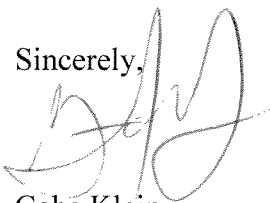
DDOT ARRA TIP Amendments Letter
Page Two

- Bicycle Sharing (SmartBike)
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-4
 - Add \$3 million ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$6.4 million
- New York Ave Bridge Over Railroad Tracks
 - FY08-13 STIP, page SD-15
 - Source of funding = ARRA
 - Total funding = \$40 million
- Eastern Ave Bridge Over Kenilworth,
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-16
 - Source of Funding = ARRA
 - Total funding = \$12 million
- K Street NW from 7th Street, NW to New Jersey Ave, NW
 - (4th Street streetscape from L Street to Mass Ave)
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-31
 - Source of Funding = ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$5.5 million
- Safe Routes to Schools
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-33
 - Add \$4 million ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$6.45 million
- Citywide Streetlight Construction
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-35
 - Add \$2.3 million ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$5.8 million
- Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-40
 - Add \$5.8 million ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$22.28

Total ARRA funding for these projects is estimated at \$72.6 million. These projects are estimated to support 2,016 jobs.

Thank you for your assistance regarding the implementation of these administrative modifications. Please contact us as soon as they have been effectuated. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mark Rawlings at 202-671-2234 or Rick Rybeck at 202-671-2325.

Sincerely,



Gabe Klein
Acting Director

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Office of the Director

March 18, 2009

Mr. Charles Jenkins
Chair
Transportation Planning Board
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777 North Capitol Street, NE – Suite 300
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Dear Mr. Jenkins and members of the TPB,

In the packet before you are requested modifications and amendments to the District's portion of the Region's FY 2009 – FY 2014 TIP necessary to implement the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Since these letters were sent, we have made minor adjustments as follows:

- In TPB R20-2009, at the bottom of the pages one and two, please strike \$5.8 million and substitute \$1 million.
- In my March 9th letter to Charles Jenkins, on page two,
 - halfway down the page is the “K Street” project. Please change “Total Funding” from \$5.5 million to \$11 million. We mistakenly requested a substitution of funds, when it was our intent to add \$5.5 million in ARRA funds to the \$5.5 million in STP funds already there.
 - In the last bullet, change \$5.8 million to \$1.0 million and change “Total Funding” from \$22.28 million to \$17.48 million for FY09.
 - In the 2nd to last paragraph, change “Total ARRA funding” from \$72.6 million to \$67.8 million. Also, change the number of jobs supported from 2,016 to 1,882.
- On “Proposed for Amendment,” page D-3 for “Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide,” please change FY09 construction from \$22.28 million to \$17.48 million. At the end of this line, please change ARRA funds from \$5.8 million to \$1 million.

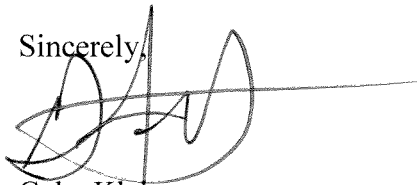
- In my March 9th letter to Ron Kirby, on page two:
 - Under “Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements,” we converted \$19.8 million of STP funds to ARRA funds. In addition, we are adding another \$4.8 million of ARRA funds to this project so that a subproject can be moved up from 2011 to 2009. (This was the reason for reducing the Resurfacing item from \$5.8 million to \$1 million previously.)
 - In the second-to-last paragraph, “Total funding” is changed from \$50.9 million to \$55.7 million. Also, the number of jobs supported by this spending increases from 1,413 to 1,546.

- On page D-2 of the following tables, the second project is “Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements.” Total FY09 ARRA construction funding increases from \$19.8 million to \$24.6 million.

Let me thank TPB staff for their excellent work and cooperation. It was not easy to translate some of our instructions, but they did a great job. And let me again apologize to my fellow TPB members for these last-minute changes. We will do better in the future to make sure that we send out the right information in a timely manner.

Finally, for everyone’s convenience, I am attaching all the projects correctly described in one place on an attachment to this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gabe Klein', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gabe Klein
Acting Director

cc Ron Kirby

TIP Amendments

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 - Total Funding = \$11 million in FY09
- Safe Routes to Schools
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-33
 - Add \$4 million ARRA for construction in FY09
 - Total Funding = \$6.45 million
- Citywide Streetlight Construction
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-35
 - Add \$2.3 million ARRA
 - Total Funding = \$5.858 million for construction in FY09
- Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide
 - FY09-14 STIP, page D-40
 - Add \$1 million ARRA construction in FY09
 - Total Funding = \$17.48 million in FY09

Total ARRA funding for these projects is estimated at \$67.8 million. These projects are estimated to support 1,882 jobs.

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

	Previous Funding	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total	
Bike/Ped										
District-wide Bicycle Management Program										
Agency Project ID: CM023		Title: Bicycle Sharing						Complete:		
Facility:		6,400 a						ARRA/PRP	3,000	
From:								100 / 0 / 0	0	
To:								CMAQ	3,400	
								80 / 20 / 0	0	
								Total Funds:	6,400	

Description: SmartBike is a bicycle rental program similar to car sharing. Educate and communicate the benefits of bike sharing to residents.

5531

Bridge										
Bridge Replacement/Rehabilitation Program										
Agency Project ID: CDT 97		Title: New York Ave. NE (#534) Over RR						Complete: 2012		
Facility:	New York Ave. NE (#534) Over		40,000 c					ARRA/PRP	40,000	
From:								100 / 0 / 0	0	
To:								Total Funds:	40,000	

Description: Remove and replace PCC deck; general structural upgrade.

3189

Agency Project ID: CDTB0A		Title: Eastern Ave Bridge over Kenilworth Ave						Complete: 2010		
Facility:	Eastern Ave Bridge over Kenilworth	500 a	12,000 c					ARRA/PRP	12,000	
From:								100 / 0 / 0	0	
To:								Total Funds:	12,000	

Description: Complete replacement of the bridge, including modifying Kenilworth Ave under the bridge for safe clearance.

2993

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

		Previous Funding	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total
Other										
Roadside Improvements Citywide										
Agency Project ID: SR054		Title: K Street NW from 7th Street to New Jersey							Complete:	
Facility:			11,000 c						ARRA/PRP	5,500
From:									100 / 0 / 0	
To:									STP	5,500
									80 / 20 /	
									Total Funds:	11,000

Description: This project is part of the streetscape of Mount Vernon Triangle. It includes widening L Street, NW and making two-way traffic to better serve the area shopping center being built at 5th and L NW. Also, there is streetscape along 4th Street from L Street to Mass. Avenue.

5329

Safe Routes to School										
Agency Project ID: CM063A		Title: Safe Routes to School							Complete: 2013	
Facility:	Safe Routes to School	1,535 c	100 a	100 a	550 c				ARRA/PRP	4,000
From:		300 d	4,550 c	550 c	200 d				100 / 0 / 0	
To:			200 d	200 d					SRTS	2,450
									100 / 0 / 0	
									Total Funds:	6,450

Description: To enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school, to make walking and bicycling to school safe and more appealing, and to facilitate the planning, development and implementation of projects that will improve safety, and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of schools.

2888

Streetlight Asset Mgmt & Streetlight Construction - Federal										
Agency Project ID:		Title: Citywide Streetlight Construction							Complete: 2030	
Facility:	citywide		5,858 c	3,502 c	3,558 c				ARRA/PRP	2,300
From:	citywide								100 / 0 / 0	
To:									STP	10,618
									80 / 20 / 0	
									Total Funds:	12,918

Description: This project will provide installation/construction of the District's aging streetlight systems to provide safe operations. Work includes upgrading of lighting in tunnels, freeway air rights, overhead signs structures, and obsolete navigational lights on bridges.

5439

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

	Previous Funding	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total	
TERMs										
Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide										
Agency Project ID: SR052		Title: Resurfacing Streets and Freeways Citywide						Complete:		
Facility:	160 a	17,480 c	16,480 c	16,480 c	16,480 c	16,480 c	16,480 c	ARRA/PRP	1,000	
From:	8,240 c							100 / 0 / 0		
To:								STP	98,880	
								80 / 20 / 0		
								Total Funds:	99,880	

Description: Roadway resurfacing improvements prevent extensive deterioration and potholes. Improvements extend the useful life of the original construction and diminishes the frequency of more costly reconstruction. Work includes the restoration and rehabilitation of distressed highway pavements through resurfacing improvements on roads eligible for federal aid. Work includes the removal of existing asphalt wearing surfaces; replacing deteriorated portions of pavement base; rehabilitating curbs, gutters, and sidewalks; installing curb/bicycle ramps; construction asphalt surface overlays, signage, pavement markings, street lights, upgrading traffic signals and new trees as needed.

3215

- a. Federal Aid Resurfacing
- b. Federal-aid Pavement Restoration
- c. Regular Cover
- d. Slurry/Joint Seal
- e. Citywide Resurfacing
- f. Local Pavement Restoration (Potholes)
 - (1) 8th Street, Pennsylvania Avenue South to M Street
 - (2) 7th Street (In front of Eastern Market) between North Carolina and Pennsylvania Avenue
- j. Pavement Marking and Traffic Calming Improvements
- k. Street Repair and Management Equipment
- l. Street Repair Materials
- m. Street Sign Improvements