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**MEMORANDUM**

March 7, 2005

**To:** Transportation Planning Board

**From:** Ron Kirby *RK*  
Director, Department of  
Transportation Planning

**RE:** Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting of March 4, 2005, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolutions:

- ❖ TPB SR17-2005: Resolution on an Amendment to the FY2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to fund the right-of-way phase for widening of a section of I-95 in Fairfax and Prince William Counties and to install a bus bay canopy at the West Falls Church Metrorail Station and fund route maps and boxes at WMATA bus stops as requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).
- ❖ TPB SR18-2005: Resolution on an Amendment to the FY2005-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to fund the right-of-way phase and increase the cost estimate for widening of a section of I-95 in Fairfax and Prince William Counties and to install a bus bay canopy at the West Falls Church Metrorail Station and fund route maps and boxes at WMATA bus stops 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 SR17- 2005

March 4, 2005

**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 THE RIGHT-OF-WAY PHASE FOR WIDENING OF A SECTION OF I-95 IN  
FAIRFAX AND PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTIES AND TO INSTALL A BUS BAY  
CANOPY AT THE WEST FALLS CHURCH METRORAIL STATION AND FUND  
ROUTE MAPS AND BOXES AT WMATA BUS STOPS 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 February 25, 2005, VDOT, has requested an amendment an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 TIP to advance the right-of-way phase for the widening of I-95 between Newington and VA 123, and on behalf of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), has requested an amendment to program CMAQ funding to construct a bus bay canopy at the West Falls Church Metrorail station and to install bus maps at stops in Northern Virginia as described in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, this funding modification and 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 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 advance the right-of-way phase for the widening of I-95 between Newington and VA 123 and to program CMAQ funding to construct a bus bay canopy at the West Falls Church Metrorail station and to install bus maps at stops in Northern Virginia as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Steering Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on March 4, 2005.**



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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DENNIS C. MORRISON  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

PHILIP A. SHUCET  
COMMISSIONER

February 25, 2005

National Capital Region  
Transportation Improvement Program Amendment

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
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 Mendelson:

On behalf of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and itself, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests amendments (attached) to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and to the FY 2005-2010 TIP. Table 1 (also attached) describes the projects included in the TIP amendments, including the reason the project is included in this request, conformity status, and funding implications. Because the region has yet to receive federal approval (although, we believe approval is imminent) of the FY 2005-2010 TIP, we are requesting approval of amendments to both the FY 2004-2009 and FY 2005-2010 TIPs.

These amendments will advance the right-of-way (R/W) phase for the widening of Interstate 95 between Newington and VA 123. The R/W phase is ready to be executed and will be advanced two years into fiscal year 2005. Additionally, this advancement reduces the R/W acquisition cost. The FY-05 TIP amendment also increases the construction (CN) estimate for this project in fiscal 2007 by \$2.5 M. This project was included in the conformity analyses performed for both the FY-04 and FY-05 TIPs.

WMATA requests two projects be amended. Both projects had been amended into the FY2001 TIP which is no longer a valid programming document. At the West Falls Church Metrorail Station, a continuous covered walkway will be constructed over the North Bus Facility. The other project provides funding to install maps and information boxes at WMATA bus stops in Northern Virginia. Neither of these projects is regionally significant; therefore, they do not need to be included in the conformity analyses.

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
February 25, 2005  
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VDOT requests that these amendments be approved by the TPB Steering Committee at its meeting on March 4, 2005.

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 Mr. Ben Mannell of VDOT's Transportation and Mobility Planning Division. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

  
Dennis C. Morrison *Asst. Dist. Engr. for*

attachments



February 18, 2005

Mr. Dennis C. Morrison  
Northern Virginia District Administrator  
Virginia Department of Transportation  
14685 Avion Parkway  
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Dear Mr. Morrison:

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) would like to request that you make an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 and FY 2005 – 2010 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) on our behalf. Funding from the FY 2002 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grants that were allocated to WMATA have not yet been included in the TIP. This funding was specified for two WMATA projects: Bus Bay Canopies (\$1,250,000) and Bus Stop Signage (\$96,000). Once the projects are included in the TIP, the funds can be flexed to the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation so that WMATA can apply for and use the funds.

The Bus Bay Canopy project will enable design and construction of a continuous covered walkway over the bus bays at the North Bus Facility at the West Falls Church Metrorail station. The Bus Stop Signage project will enable WMATA to produce and install bus maps at stops throughout WMATA's service area in Northern Virginia. Neither of these projects will adversely affect the conformity analysis performed for either the FY04-09 or FY05-10 TIPs.

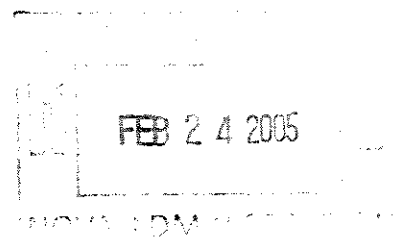
WMATA requests that this amendment be brought to the TPB Steering Committee at its meeting on March 4, 2005.

Please contact Lora Byala at (202) 962-1749 if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Joel Washington  
Acting Director  
Office of Business Planning and Project Development

cc: Bob McDonald  
Joe Langley



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**Table 1****Background Information on NoVA Projects  
Proposed for Amendment into the FY-04 TIP**

Presented to the TPB Steering Committee  
March 4, 2005

Facility / Project:	I-95
Jurisdiction:	Fairfax and Prince William Counties
Limits / Location:	Newington to VA 123
Project Description:	Add a fourth lane in each direction.
Agency Project ID:	57017
Agency Project Number:	0095-96A-104
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, existing project in TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	R/W phase ready to be executed early.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04 conformity analyses.
Financial Implications:	R/W costs are \$333 K less than current entry in TIP.

Facility / Project:	Metrorail Stations
Jurisdiction:	Districtwide.
Limits / Location:	N/A
Project Description:	Install canopy over North Bus Facility at the West Falls Church Metrorail Station.
Agency Project ID:	TBD
Agency Project Number:	TBD
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, existing project in previous TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	WMATA staff has determined that the West Falls Church Metrorail Station is the most critical need.
Conformity Status:	Exempt from regional emissions analyses. "Construction of small passenger shelters and information kiosks" are listed in Table 3 of 40 CFR §93.127 as activities that are "... exempt from regional emissions analysis requirements."
Financial Implications:	None, total project cost is unchanged.

Facility / Project:	WMATA Bus Stops
Jurisdiction:	Districtwide.
Limits / Location:	N/A
Project Description:	Install 600 bus maps and boxes at WMATA bus stops throughout Northern Virginia.
Agency Project ID:	TBD
Agency Project Number:	TBD
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, existing project in previous TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	Project was delayed from previous year.
Conformity Status:	Exempt from regional emissions analyses. "Informational and directional signs" are listed in Table 3 of 40 CFR §93.127 as activities that are "... exempt from regional emissions analysis requirements."
Financial Implications:	None, total project cost is unchanged.

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

PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT - 03/04/2005

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/st/lo
<b>VDOT INTERSTATE</b>													
57017	Facility: I-95 (Provide 4th lane) From: Newington To: VA 123	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 464 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$464 \$0 \$0	NHS	90% 10%
	Jurisdiction: Fairfax and Prince William Counties Widen from 6 to 8 lanes.												
<b>VDOT TRANSIT</b>													
T233	Facility: Metrorail Stations From: Bus Bay Canopies To:	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	450 0 1,113	0 0 0	450 0 0	0 0 1,113	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$1,563 \$0 \$0	CMAQ	80% 20%
	Jurisdiction: Districtwide Install canopy over North Bus Facility at the West Falls Church Metrorail Station.												
T236	Facility: WMATA Bus Stops From: Bus Stop Signage To:	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 0	0 0 120	0 0 0	0 0 120	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$120 \$0 \$0	CMAQ	80% 20%
	Jurisdiction: Districtwide Install maps and information boxes at WMATA bus stops throughout Northern Virginia.												



TPB SR18- 2005  
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**WHEREAS**, in the attached letter of February 25, 2005, VDOT, has requested an amendment an amendment to the FY 2005-2010 TIP to advance the right-of-way phase and increase the construction estimate by \$2.5 million for the widening of I-95 between Newington and VA 123, and on behalf of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), has requested an amendment to program CMAQ funding to construct a bus bay canopy at the West Falls Church Metrorail station and to install bus maps at stops in Northern Virginia as described in the attached materials; and

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Financial Implications:	R/W costs are \$171 K less than current entry in TIP. CN costs have increased by \$2,520 K (Construction is currently scheduled to begin in fiscal 2007.)

Facility / Project:	Metrorail Stations
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**NORTHERN VIRGINIA  
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PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT - 3/04/2005

FY 2005-2010

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