Item #5

MEMORANDUM

March 12, 2015

To: Transportation Planning Board

From: Kanathur Srikanth

Director, Department of Transportation Planning

Re: Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting on March 6, 2015, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolutions:

- SR13-2015: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to include funding for four new highway projects in Frederick, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties, as requested by the Maryland Department Of Transportation (MDOT)
- SR14-2015: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2015-2020 TIP that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to include funding for two road maintenance projects and one intersection improvement project in Fauquier County, as requested by the Virginia Department Of Transportation (VDOT)
- SR15-2015: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2015-2020 TIP that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to include additional funding for the Rail Construction TIP Project Grouping, as requested by 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."

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RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2015-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR FOUR NEW HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN FREDERICK, MONTGOMERY, AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES, AS REQUESTED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT)

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 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) 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 October 15, 2014 the TPB adopted the FY 2015-2020 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of February 25, 2015, MDOT has requested that the FY 2015-2020 TIP be amended to include \$2.657 million in state funding and \$9.095 million in National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funding for the I-495 Inner Loop Resurfacing between I-270 and Seminary Road in Montgomery County; \$5 million in state funding for the US 15/US 40 Frederick Freeway Highway Reconstruction between I-70 and MD 26 in Frederick County; \$5.998 million in state funding for the I-495/I-270 Highway Reconstruction project between the American Legion Bridge and I-370 in Montgomery County; and \$3.214 million in state funding and \$11.664 million in NHPP funding for the I-95 Resurfacing project between I-495 and Old Gunpowder Road in Prince George's County, 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 Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2015-2020 TIP to include \$2.657 million in state funding and \$9.095 million in NHPP funding for the I-495 Inner Loop Resurfacing between I-270 and Seminary Road in Montgomery County; \$5 million in state

funding for the US 15/US 40 Frederick Freeway Highway Reconstruction between I-70 and MD 26 in Frederick County; \$5.998 million in state funding for the I-495/I-270 Highway Reconstruction project between the American Legion Bridge and I-370 in Montgomery County; and \$3.214 million in state funding and \$11.664 million in NHPP funding for the I-95 Resurfacing project between I-495 and Old Gunpowder Road in Prince George's County, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board Steering Committee at its regular meeting on March 6, 2015.



February 25, 2015

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor

Boyd K. Rutherford Lt. Governor

Pete K. Rahn Acting Secretary

The Honorable Phil Mendelson, Chair National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments 777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 300 Washington DC 20002

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requests four amendments to the State Highway Administration (SHA) portion of the FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as described below and in the attached memo. These amendments will reflect the changes made in the MDOT Final Consolidated Transportation Program (the MDOT budget), which was released in January 2015. The amendment details are summarized below. The funding additions are for existing projects that are already included in the currently approved air quality conformity analysis, and for projects that do not impact air quality conformity (resurfacing, planning).

TIP ID#	Project	Phase	Amount of New Funding	Comment
6430	I-495 (Capital Beltway) Inner Loop Resurfacing, I-270 Spur - Seminary Road, Bethesda/North Bethesda/Chevy Chase/Silver Spring/Forest Glen	PE CO	\$383,000 \$11,369,000	This is a resurfacing system preservation project. Due to the project cost, this project has been broken out of the grouped projects section and is now a stand alone project.
6431	US 15/US 40 (Frederick Freeway) Reconstruction, I-70 - MD 26 (Liberty Road), Frederick	PP PE	\$1,000,000 \$4,000,000	This project is a breakout of the larger I-270/US 15 Multi-Modal Corridor Study.
6432	I-270 and I-495 Corridor Planning (I-495, Potomac River - I-270; I-270, I-495 - I-370; and I-270 Spur, I-495 - I-270), Cabin John/Potomac/Bethesda/ North Bethesda/Rockville/Gaithersburg	PP	\$6,000,000	This is a new corridor planning study.
6433	I-95 Resurfacing, I-495 - North of Old Gunpowder Road, Beltsville/Calverton/Konterra	PE CO	\$298,000 \$14,580,000	This is a resurfacing system preservation project. Due to the project cost, this project has been broken out of the grouped projects section and is now a stand alone project.

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MDOT requests that this amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Steering Committee on its March 6, 2015 meeting.

The revised funding status will not impact scheduling or funding availability for other projects in the current TIP, which continues to be fiscally constrained. The cost does not affect the portion of the federal funding which was programmed for transit, or any allocations of state aid in lieu of federal aid to local jurisdictions.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Lyn Erickson, at 410-865-1279, toll-free at 888-713-1414 or via email at lerickson@mdot.state.md.us. Of course, please feel free to contact me directly.

Thank You,

Michael W. Nixon, Manager

Office of Planning and Capital Programming

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Attachment

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Ms. Mary Deitz, Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division, SHA Ms. Lyn Erickson, Manager, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, Maryland Department of Transportation

Ms. Heather Murphy, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Capital Programming Maryland Department of Transportation



Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor

Pete K. Rahn, Acting Secretary
Melinda B. Peters, Administrator

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Don Halligan

Director

Office of Planning and Capital Programming Maryland Department of Transportation

ATTN: Ms. Lyn Erickson

Mr. Mike Nixon

FROM: Mary Deitz, Chief

Regional and Intermodal Planning Division

State Highway Administration

DATE: February 24, 2015

SUBJECT: Request to Amend the Fiscal Years 2015-2020 National Capital Region

Transportation Improvement Program

The State Highway Administration (SHA) hereby requests amendment of the FY 2015-2020 National Capital Region Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). SHA is programming additional funding for four projects in the National Capital Region as summarized below and detailed in the attached TIP sheet. This amendment is needed to reflect:

- The addition of \$11.6 million in design and construction funding for a new project, I-495 (Capital Beltway) Inner Loop Resurfacing, between I-270 Spur and Seminary Road (TIP 6430);
- 2) The addition of \$5.0 million in planning and design funding for a new project, US 15/US 40 (Frederick Freeway) Reconstruction between I-70 and MD 26 (Liberty Road) (TIP 6431);
- 3) The addition of \$6.0 million in planning funding for a new project, I-270 and I-495 Corridor Planning, including I-495 between the Potomac River and I-270, I-270 Spur between I-495 and I-270, and I-270 between I-495 and I-370 (TIP 6432); and
- 4) The addition of \$14.9 million in design and construction funding for a new project, I-95 Resurfacing, from I-495 (Capital Beltway) to north of Old Gunpowder Road (TIP 6433).

IP	Project	Phase	New Funding	Comments
6430	I-495 (Capital Beltway) Inner Loop Resurfacing, I-270 Spur - Seminary Road, Bethesda/North Bethesda/Chevy Chase/Silver Spring/Forest Glen	PE CO	\$383,000 \$11,369,000	
6431	US 15/US 40 (Frederick Freeway) Reconstruction, I-70 - MD 26 (Liberty Road), Frederick	PP PE	\$1,000,000 \$4,000,000	Adding planning funding to reflect new
6432	I-270 and I-495 Corridor Planning (I-495, Potomac River - I-270; I-270, I-495 - I-370; and I-270 Spur, I-495 - I-270), Cabin John/ Potomac/Bethesda/North Bethesda/Rockville/Gaithersburg	PP	\$6,000,000	Adding planning funding to reflect new regionally significant project, including \$508,000 (State) to FY 2015, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2016, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2017, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2018, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2019, and \$610,000 to FY 2020.
6433	I-95 Resurfacing, I-495 - North of Old Gunpowder Road, Beltsville/Calverton/Konterra	PE CO	\$14,580,000	Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project, including \$298,000 (State) to FY 2015. Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project, including \$7.4 million (NHPP) and \$1.9 million (State) to FY 2016 and \$4.2 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017.

The additional funds for this project are available due to an increase in federal aid obligational authority.

The proposed action will not impact scheduling or funding availability for other projects in the current TIP, which continues to be fiscally constrained. The amended funding does not affect the portion of federal funding programmed for transit or allocations of state aid to local jurisdictions in lieu of federal aid.

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After your review, please forward this request to the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board. Upon approval of the requested TIP amendment, please amend the FY 2014 Statewide TIP (STIP) using the funding information provided in the attachment. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact SHA Assistant Regional Planner, Matt Baker, at 410-545-5668 or via email at mbaker4@sha.state.md.us.

Attachments: FY 2015-2020 National Capital Region TIP projects 6430-6433 reports Ms. Felicia Alexander, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering, cc:

SHA

Mr. Matt Baker, Assistant Regional Planner, SHA

Mr. Eric Beckett, Assistant Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division, SHA

Ms. Samantha Biddle, Regional Planner, SHA

Mr. Mark Crampton, District Engineer, SHA

Mr. David Rodgers, Regional Planner, SHA

Mr. Brian Young, District Engineer, SHA

To: 1370

To: MD 26

Approved on: 3/6/2015

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

Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	Source
		Funding	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total

MDOT/State Highway Administration

Interstate I-270/I-495 Operational Improvements

TIP ID: 6432 Agency ID: MO8382 Title: I-495/I-270 Highway Reconstruction Complete: 2030 Total Cost: Facility: I 495 /I 270Y /I 270 State 0/100/0 508 a 1,220 a 1,220 a 1,220 a 1,220 a 610 a 5,998 From: Potomac River (American Legion Bridge) 5,998 Total Funds:

Description: I-495 reconstruction between the Potomac River and I-270, I-270 Spur reconstruction between I-495 and I-270, and I-270 reconstruction between I-495 and I-370.

Amendment: Additional Planning Funding

Adding planning funding to reflect new regionally significant project including \$508,000 (State) to FY 2015, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2016, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2017, \$1.2 million (State) to FY 2019, and \$610,000 to FY 2020.

I-270/US 15 Corridor Study

TIP ID: 6431	Agency ID: FR1881	Title: US 1	5/US 40 Frederick Free	way Highway Recons	struction	(Complete: 2	030 Total Cost:	
Facility: US 15	/US 40	State	0/100/0	643 a	1,543 a	1,282 a	1,021 a	511 a	5,000
From: 170						<u> </u>		Total Funds:	5,000

Description: Reconstruction of US 15 and US 40 between I-70 and MD 26.

Amendment: Additional Planning and Design Funding

Adding planning funding to reflect new regionally significant capital project including \$217,000 (State) to FY 2015, \$522,000 (State) to FY 2016, and \$261,000 (State) to FY 2017. Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant capital project including \$426,000 (State) to FY 2015, \$1.0 million (State) to FY 2016, \$1.0 million (State) to FY 2017, \$1.0 million (State) to FY 2019.

Other

System Preservation Projects

System	i i reservation i rojects							
TIP ID: 64 3	30 Agency ID: MO1881	Title: I-495	Inner Loop Resurfacing			C	omplete: 2018 Total Cost:	\$11,800
Facility: 14		NHPP	100/0/0		6,949 c	2,146 c		9,095
From: 12 To: S	eminary Road	State	0/100/0	383 a	1,737 c	537 c		2,657

Total Funds: 11,752

Description: Resurfacing of I-495 inner loop between I-270 and Seminary Road.

Amendment: Additional Design and Construction Funding

Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$383,000 (State) to FY 2015. Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$6.9 million (NHPP) and \$1.7 million (State) to FY 2016 and \$2.1 million (NHPP) and \$537,000 (State) to FY 2017.

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

		Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Source Total
TIP ID: 6433	Agency ID: PG8231	Title: I-95 Re	esurfacing					Complete:	2018 Total	Cost:	\$14,900
Facility: 195 From: 1495		NHPP	100/0/0			7,417 c	4,247 c				11,664
	Old Gunpowder Road	State	0/100/0		298 a	1,854 c	1,062 c				3,214

Total Funds: 14,878

Approved on: 3/6/2015

Description: Resurfacing of I-95 from I-495 to north of Old Gunpowder Road.

Amendment: Additional Design and Construction Funding

Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$298,000 (State) to FY 2015. Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$298,000 (State) to FY 2015. preservation project including \$7.4 million (NHPP) and \$1.9 million (State) to FY 2016 and \$4.2 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017.

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RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2015-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR TWO ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECTS AND ONE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN FAUQUIER COUNTY, 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 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) 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 October 15, 2014 the TPB adopted the FY 2015-2020 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of February 26, 2015, VDOT has requested that the FY 2015-2020 TIP be amended to include \$103,000 in state and local funding for the Bear Wallow Road Paving and Milling project; \$281,000 in state and local funding for the North Broadview Avenue Paving and Milling project; and \$1.189 million in state and local funding for the Route 15/29/838 Lee Highway Intersection Improvements project, 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 Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2015-2020 TIP to \$103,000 in state and local funding for the Bear Wallow Road Paving and Milling project; \$281,000 in state and local funding for the North Broadview Avenue Paving and Milling project; and \$1.189 million in state and local funding for the Route 15/29/838 Lee Highway Intersection Improvements project, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board Steering Committee at its regular meeting on February 6, 2015.



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CHARLES A. KILPATRICK, P.E. COMMISSIONER

4975 Alliance Drive Fairfax, VA 22030

February 26, 2015

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

RE: National Capital Region FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendments for Fauquier County Projects Pursuant to MPO Boundary Expansion

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests the following amendments to the FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add funding for improvements in the portion of Fauquier County recently added to the MWCOG-TPB Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) planning area:

- Add UPC #104766, Bear Wallow Road Paving and Milling (Maintenance), to the 2015-2020 TPB TIP. This project consists of the milling and paving of a 0.5 mile segment of Bear Wallow Road from the western corporate limits of Warrenton to Broadview Avenue. The estimated total project cost is approximately \$103,000. The amendment adds approximately \$103,000 in State matching and other funds for construction to the TIP.
- Add UPC #105805, North Broadview Avenue Paving and Milling RSFY15, to the 2015-2020 TPB TIP. This project consists of the milling and paving of a 0.56 mile segment of North Broadview Avenue from the northern corporate limits of Warrenton to Lee Highway/Winchester Street. The estimated total project cost is approximately \$281,000. The amendment adds approximately \$281,000 in State matching and other funds for construction to the TIP.

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Add UPC #105807, Intersection Improvements at Route 15/29/838 Lee Highway RSFY15, to the 2015-2020 TPB TIP. This project consists of improvements at the intersection of U.S. 15/29 and Route 838 (400 feet east of the intersection to 400 feet west of the intersection) without adding traffic capacity. The estimated total project cost is approximately \$1.189 million. The amendment adds approximately \$1.189 million in State matching and other funds for preliminary engineering, right of way acquisition, and construction to the TIP.

The amendments will have no impact on the financial constraint determination in the 2014 CLRP. Funding for the Fauquier County projects is being moved into the TIP along with the projects. This amendment will not impact the regional air quality conformity analysis because the projects are not significant for air quality conformity purposes.

The projects have been entered into the iTIP database. VDOT requests that this TIP Amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on March 6, 2015. VDOT's representative will attend the meeting and will be available to answer any questions about the amendments.

Please contact Norman Whitaker, our Transportation Planning Manager, at 703-259-2799 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Helen L. Cuervo, P.E.

District Engineer

Northern Virginia District

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cc: Ms. Dianne Mitchell, VDOT

Ms. Maria Sinner, P.E., VDOT-NOVA

Ms. Jan Vaughn, VDOT

Mr. Dan Painter, VDOT, Culpepper District

Mr. Norman Whitaker, AICP, VDOT-NOVA

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

		CAPIT	AL COSTS	in \$1,00 (in	0)					
	Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Source Tota
Primary				2013	2010	2017	2010	2013	2020	
Intersection Improvements RTE 1	5/29/838 Le	e Hwv RSF	Y15							
TIP ID: 6435 Agency ID: 105807		Intersection Imp		RTE 15/29/8:	38 Lee Hwy I	RSFY15			Complete	2018
Facility: US 29 Lee Highway From: 400' East of the intersection with Rte 838	Local	0/0/100			60 b 994 c				,	1,054
To: 400' West of the intersection with Rte 838	State/Local	0/50/50		135 a						135
								7	Total Funds:	1,189
Amendment: New Project Amend project into the FY 2015-2020 TIP with \$1.18	9 million in state a	and local funding in	FY 2015.					Approved	on: 3/6/2015	
North Broadview Ave Paving and	Milling RSI	FY15								
TIP ID: 6436 Agency ID: 105805	Title:	North Broadviev	v Ave Paving	g and Milling	RSFY15				Complete	2015
Facility: US 17 North Broadview Ave	State/Local	0/50/50		281 c						281
From: North Corp. Limits To: Lee Hwy/Winchester Street								7	Total Funds:	281
Description: This project consists of the milling and p Street.	paving of a 0.56 m	ile segment of Nort	th Broadview A	venue from th	e northern corp	oorate limits of	f Warrenton to	Lee Highway/\	Vinchester	
Amendment: New Project								Approved	on: 3/6/2015	
Amend project into the FY 2015-2020 TIP with \$281,	000 in state and I	ocal funding in FY	2015.							
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Bear Wallow Road - Paving and Milling (Maintenance)

TIP ID: 6434 Agency ID: 104766	Title: B	ear Wallow Ro	ad - Paving and Milling (Maintenance)	Complete:
Facility: Bear Wallow Road	State/Local	0/50/50	103 c	103
From: Western Corporate Limits	-			Total Funds: 10:

To: Broadview Avenue

Description: This project consists of the milling and paving of a 0.5 mile segment of Bear Wallow Road from the western corporate limits of Warrenton to Broadview Avenue.

Amendment: New Project **Approved on:** 3/6/2015

Amend project into the FY 2015-2020 TIP with \$103,000 in state and local funding across FY 2015 and FY 2016.

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RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2015-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE RAIL CONSTRUCTION TIP PROJECT GROUPING, AS REQUESTED BY THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT JOF 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 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) 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 October 15, 2014 the TPB adopted the FY 2015-2020 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of March 4, 2015, VDOT has requested that the FY 2015-2020 TIP be amended to include \$547,000 in Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds in FY 2015 for the Rail Construction TIP project grouping, 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 Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2015-2020 TIP to \$547,000 in STP funds in FY 2015 for the Rail Construction TIP project grouping, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board Steering Committee at its regular meeting on March 6, 2015.



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CHARLES A. KILPATRICK, P.E. COMMISSIONER

4975 Alliance Drive Fairfax, VA 22030

March 6, 2015

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

RE:

National Capital Region FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments for Northern Virginia VDOT TIP Grouping for Construction of Rail

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requests an amendment to the FY 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add funding to the TIP Project Grouping for rail. This amendment adds approximately \$547,000 in federal funding and state matching to the TIP and is needed to reflect VDOT's latest planned funding obligations. VDOT staff has made appropriate revisions to the TPB's iTIP online database.

The amendment will provide funding for two highway/rail safety projects in Prince William County. These projects are Virginia UPC numbers 105537 and 105546. This amendment will not impact the regional air quality conformity analysis because the projects are not significant for air quality conformity purposes. While the proposed funding changes are new to the TIP, they are part of the total federal and state funding estimates included in the current CLRP Financial Plan.

VDOT requests that this TIP Amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on March 6, 2015. VDOT's representative will attend the meeting and be available to answer any questions about the amendments.

Please contact Norman Whitaker, our Transportation Planning Manager, at (703) 259-2799 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Helen L. Cuervo, P.E. District Engineer

Northern Virginia District

cc: Ms. Dianne Mitchell, VDOT

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

Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Source Total	
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TIP Crouping project for Construction, Boil										

TIP Grouping project for Construction: Rail

TIP ID: 6306	Agency ID:	Title	: Rail Construction	Complete:			
Facility: From:		AC	90/10/0	4 c	4		
To:		STP	95/5/0	547 c	547		
					Total Funds: 551		

Description: Grouped Rail Construction Projects

Amendment: Add Funding Approved on: 3/6/2015

Add \$547,000 in STP funding to FY 2015, reduce AC funding by \$1,000.

VDOT