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**MEMORANDUM**

May 10, 2004

**TO:** Transportation Planning Board

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

**RE:** Program Committee Actions

At its meeting of May 7, 2004, the TPB Program Committee approved the following resolutions:

- ❖ TPB PR17-2004: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to include funding for Virginia Railway Express (VRE) track lease/improvements and Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) bus fleet enhancements as requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT);
- ❖ TPB PR18-2004: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to include funding for six Virginia Railway Express (VRE) projects and two Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) bus projects as requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT);
- ❖ TPB PR19-2004: Resolution on an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to include funding for highway projects in Arlington County, Loudoun County, and the Town of Leesburg as requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT);

The TPB Bylaws provide that the Program 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 PR17- 2004  
May 7, 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 INCLUDE FUNDING FOR VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS (VRE) TRACK  
LEASE/IMPROVEMENTS AND POTOMAC & RAPPAHANNOCK TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION (PRTC) BUS FLEET ENHANCEMENTS  
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 April 29, 2004, VDOT, on behalf of the Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE), has requested an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 TIP to include Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding for VRE track lease/improvements and PRTC bus fleet enhancements, 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 Program Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2004-2009 TIP to include STP and CMAQ funding for VRE track lease/improvements and PRTC bus fleet enhancements, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Program Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on May 7, 2004.





# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Chantilly, VA 20151  
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April 29, 2004

PHILIP A. SHUCET  
COMMISSIONER

THOMAS F. FARLEY  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

National Capital Region  
FY-04 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, on behalf of the Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (per the attached letter), requests two, separate amendments to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The PRTC/VRE is seeking to amend the FY-04 TIP to reflect recently apportioned Federal Formula funds as well as the receipt of New Starts Earmarks, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds, and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds.

The first TIP amendment includes two (2) projects utilizing Flex funds. Amending this TIP amendment into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) will require the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The second TIP amendment includes eight (8) projects utilizing Formula funds. Amending the second TIP amendment into the STIP will require the approval of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

All of the projects within the two amendments are currently in the Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and within the FY-04 TIP. As noted above, the purpose of each amendment is to account for recently apportioned funds. In addition to the two proposed amendments, we have also attached a table (Table 1) to each amendment that describes the individual projects incorporated in the amendment, including the reason(s) each project is a part of this request, its conformity status, and associated funding implications.

VDOT requests that this amendment be approved by the TPB Program Committee at its meeting on May 7, 2004.

The Honorable Christopher Zimmerman

April 29, 2004

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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 cursive script that reads "E. E. Hull".

For/Thomas F. Farley  
attachments

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

PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MAY 7, 2004

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

Facility, Location, Description	Phase	FY 03	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>VRE</b>												
Facility: <b>VRE Track Lease/Improvements</b>	P.E.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$46,987	SSSTP	80%
From/at:	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20%
To:	Const.	6,900	0	7,032	7,810	7,571	7,873	8,187	8,514			
Due to both regular & increased commuter rail service, improvements & maintenance activities on the tracks must occur. As the freight railroads are best equipped to carry out and finance this work, a multi-year agreement was established, allowing the work to be financed & constructed by the freight railroads & reimbursed by VRE over time.												
Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia												
<b>PRTC</b>												
Facility: <b>PRTC Bus Enhancement/Replacement Project</b>	P.E.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$3,634	CMAQ	80%
From/at:	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$1,300	RSSTP	20%
To:	Const.	4,832	0	4,934	0	0	0	0	0			
Enhancement and/or replacement of existing buses within the PRTC fleet, an on-going project.												
Prince William County												

## Table 1

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

Presented to the TPB Program Committee  
May 7, 2004

Facility / Project:	VRE Track Lease/Improvements
Limits / Location:	Systemwide
Project Description:	Capitalized access fees in the form of long-term leases and related capital improvements, as well as, increased maintenance on the railroad tracks, stations and terminals that are owned by CSX, Norfolk Southern, AMTRAK and Commonwealth Atlantic Properties over which VRE operates.
Agency Project ID:	None
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:	To reflect actual amount of lease payments in FY-04 and FY-05.
Conformity Status:	Exempt. "Reconstruction or rehabilitation of track structures, track and trackbed" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are "... exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made."
Financial Implications:	Increase of \$642,000 for FY-04 and FY-05. Allows access to State STP funds.

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Facility / Project:	PRTC Bus Enhancement/Replacement
Limits / Location:	Prince William County, Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park
Project Description:	Replacement of older buses. This project includes fareboxes for the region-wide SmartTrip integration.
Agency Project ID:	T158
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:	Reflect receipt of CMAQ and RSTP funds.
Conformity Status:	Exempt. "Purchase of new buses" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are "... exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made."
Financial Implications:	Allows access to \$1,107 K in FY-04 CMAQ funds and \$1,040 K in FY-04 RSTP, both identified during the FY-05 process and approved by the NVTa in December 2003. (The FY-04 funds are currently identified in the STIP as additional CMAQ and STP funds to be distributed by the local MPO.)



Potomac and Rappahannock  
Transportation Commission

April 29, 2004

Mr. Thomas Farley  
Virginia Department of Transportation  
3975 Fair Ridge Drive  
Fairfax, Virginia 22033

Dear Mr. Farley:

The Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) requests project amendments to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reflect the recently agreed upon apportionment of Federal Formula funds as well as receipt of New Starts Earmarks, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds and Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. These projects are already accounted for in the current conformity analysis, or are ongoing conformity-exempt transit projects in the TIP. We are requesting two separate amendments and have provided tables and description sheets for both. The changes we wish to be made to the FY2004-2009 TIP are indicated in boldface in the attached spreadsheet.

The one TIP amendment, containing two projects which utilize Flex funds, will require Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval to be amended into the State Transportation Program (STIP). The other TIP amendment, containing eight projects which utilize Formula funds, will require the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) approval.

PRTC and VRE request that the 2004-2009 TIP and STIP be amended to reflect the aforementioned changes as project funds must be included in an approved TIP and STIP before PRTC/VRE can access these funds through the Federal Transit Administration grant application process.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Betsy Massie at (703) 580-6113 or at [mlassie@omniride.com](mailto:mlassie@omniride.com). We greatly appreciate Mr. Langley's continuing assistance in facilitating this action.

Sincerely,

Alfred H. Harf  
Executive Director

cc: with attachments: Betsy Massie, PRTC  
Dale Zehner., VRE  
Jennifer Straub, VRE  
Gerald Miller, MWCOG  
Joe Langley, VDOT  
Jack Apostolides, VDRPT

TPB PR18- 2004  
May 7, 2004

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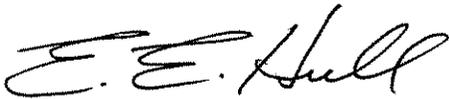
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CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)

FY 2004-2009

PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MAY 7, 2004

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Facility, Location, Description	Phase FY 03	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>VRE</b>											
Facility: VRE Storage Yard Improvements											
From/at:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$6,799	Section 5307	20%
To:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$10,753	Section 5309	20%
	3,006	0	3,448	3,017	2,036	1,195	2,428	5,428			
Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia											
Facility: VRE Stations and Facilities											
From/at:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$10,277	Section 5307	20%
To:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$10,996	Section 5309	20%
	2,432	0	6,291	5,417	5,333	2,659	1,998	1,320	\$950	Governor's Congest	100%
									\$795	Homeland Sec	100%
Involves the addition of parking spaces, second platforms, security and communications enhancements and related improvements at VRE Stations, including Fredericksburg, Leeland Road, Manassas Park, Woodbridge, Brooke, Burke, Rippon, and other stations to be determined. Environmental reviews and land acquisition are in progress. VRE has received Department of Homeland Security Funding for projects related to increased security at Stations & Facilities.											
Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia											
Facility: VRE Communications/Fare Collections System											
From/at:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$3,205	Section 5307	20%
To:	1,880	0	544	545	546	547	548	475			
Fare Collections System II. Development and installation of a fare collection system that will replace the current fare collection system, which will become functionally obsolete by 2001. The current system is no longer supported by the manufacturer, Schlumberger Technologies, & parts are increasingly difficult to obtain. The replacement system will continue the operating practice of self-service, automated ticket vending on the platform for credit & debit cards. Application of new technologies such as smart cards is also included in this project, as well as a communications upgrade to the stations.											
Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia											
Facility: VRE Grant and Project Management											
From/at:	1,435	0	1,650	1,759	1,689	1,689	1,689	1,689	\$5,083	Sect. 5307	20%
To:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$5,082	Sect. 5309	20%
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
The costs of grants & project management, as well as staff participation in federal grants management seminars, will be capitalized to the grants, reserving operating funds for service provision. This also includes the Strategic Planning Study, capital project contingency, construction management, accounting software upgrades, studies and training.											
Northern Virginia											

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

**FY 2004-2009**  
Changes to existing entries are noted in **bold**

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MAY 7, 2004**

Facility, Location, Description	Phase	Carry Over	Annual Element	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	Program Total	Funding Source	Funding Shares Fed/st/lo
	FY 03		FY 04					FY 04-09			
Facility: VRE Manassas Station	P.E.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Earmark	80%
From/at: Expand parking/construct parking deck	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20%
To:	Const	2,826	0	2,440	0	0	0	0	0		
<p>As VRE ridership grows, passenger demand for parking continues to increase. As a result, parking expansion and enhancement projects are an important component of the VRE CIP. Current parking capacity will be exhausted within the next year. A 320 space parking deck will be built to serve VRE commuters adjacent to VRE's Manassas station.</p>											
City of Manassas	P.E.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Earmark	80%
Facility: VRE Burke Centre Station	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20%
From/at: Parking Lot Expansion	Const	2,580	0	1,250	0	0	0	0	0		
To:									0		
<p>As VRE ridership grows, passenger demand for parking continues to increase. As a result, parking expansion and enhancement projects, including Burke, are an important component of the VRE CIP. This project would add 1100 spaces to the existing 543 space surface parking lot at the Burke Centre VRE Station</p>											
Fairfax County											
<b>PRTC</b>											
Facility: PRTC Bus Enhancement/Replacement Project	P.E.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Earmark	80%
From/at:	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20%
To:	Const	4,832	0	614	0	0	0	0	0		
<p>Enhancement and/or replacement of existing buses within the PRTC fleet; an on-going project.</p>											
Prince William County	P.E.	1,765	0	2,180	2,180	2,180	2,180	2,180	2,180	Sect. 5307	80%
Facility: PRTC Capital Cost of Contracting	ROW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20%
From/at:	Const	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
To:									0		
<p>PRTC contracts for operation and maintenance of the OmniRide and OmniLink bus services. Under Capital Cost of Contracting, a percentage of the contract is eligible for use of Federal Section 5307 funds.</p>											
Prince William County											

## Table 1

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

Presented to the TPB Program Committee

May 7, 2004

Facility / Project: VRE Storage Yard Improvements  
Limits / Location: Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia  
Project Description: Improvements to VRE tracks and storage yards are necessary to maintain and/or increase existing service levels and to increase safety; thereby, maintaining and/or increasing ridership. Increasing wayside power at the storage yards is part of this project.

Agency Project ID: None  
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: Increase in project budget by \$6,559 K from FY2004-FY2009.

Conformity Status: Exempt. "Rehabilitation or reconstruction of track structures, track, and trackbed in existing rights-of-way" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made.

Financial Implications: Allows access to \$1,863 K in Section 5309 Formula funds and \$1,585 K in Section 5307 Formula funds.

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Facility / Project: VRE Stations and Facilities  
Limits / Location: Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia  
Project Description: Addition of second platforms, canopy extensions, security and communications enhancements, parking & other related improvements at VRE Stations, including Fredericksburg, Leland Road, Manassas, Manassas Park, Woodbridge, Brooke, Burke, Rippon, and other stations as needed. VRE has received Department of Homeland Security funds for projects related to increased security at Stations and Facilities.

Agency Project ID: None  
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: Reflect receipt of Department of Homeland Security Grant and redistribution of project budget from FY-04 through FY-09.

Conformity Status: Included in FY-04's conformity inputs.  
Financial Implications: Access Homeland Security grant & Urbanized Area Formula Funds.

**Table 1**  
(Cont.)

<p>Facility / Project: Limits / Location: Project Description:</p>	<p>VRE Communications/Fare Collections System Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia Development and installation of a new fare collection system that will replace the old fare collection system (Schlumberger Technologies) which has become functionally obsolete. The new Scheidt &amp; Bachmann equipment installation is complete. These funds are for the debt service on the purchase of the new equipment and yearly maintenance contract.</p>
<p>Agency Project ID: New CLRP Description Sheet required? New TIP Description Sheet required? Reason(s) for Amendment: Conformity Status:</p>	<p>None No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet. No, existing project in TIP. Inclusion of preventative maintenance contract. Exempt. "Purchase of operating equipment" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as an activity that is exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made.</p>
<p>Financial Implications:</p>	<p>Access to Urbanized Area Formula funds.</p>

<p>Facility / Project: Limits / Location: Project Description:</p>	<p>VRE Grant and Project Management Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia Effective planning, service provision and grants management rely on well-trained staff with good information. These funds will be used for staff attendance at Federal seminars on grant management, Federal procurement regulations and other grant related topics. Grant and project management costs are capitalized, reserving operating funds for provision of service. This project also includes Capital Needs Assessment Study, construction management, accounting software upgrade and project contingency.</p>
<p>Agency Project ID: New CLRP Description Sheet required? New TIP Description Sheet required? Reason(s) for Amendment:</p>	<p>None No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet. No, existing project in TIP. Increase in project budget by \$3,020 K from FY2004-FY2009.</p>
<p>Conformity Status:</p>	<p>Exempt. "Specific activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made.</p>
<p>Financial Implications:</p>	<p>Allows access to \$5,083 K in Section 5307 and \$5,082 K in Section 5309 formula funds.</p>

**Table 1**  
(Cont.)

Facility / Project:	VRE Manassas Station
Limits / Location:	City of Manassas
Project Description:	Expand parking by about 320 parking spaces with construction of a parking deck.
Agency Project ID:	None
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:	Receipt of Congressional FY-04 Earmark.
Conformity Status:	Included in conformity inputs.
Financial Implications:	Access Federal earmark of \$1,953 K.

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Facility / Project:	VRE Burke Centre Station
Limits / Location:	Fairfax County
Project Description:	Expand parking with construction of a parking deck.
Agency Project ID:	None
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:	Receipt of Congressional FY-04 Earmark.
Conformity Status:	Included in conformity inputs.
Financial Implications:	Access Federal earmark of \$1,000 K.

**Table 1**  
(Cont.)

Facility / Project:	PRTC Bus Enhancement/Replacement
Limits / Location:	Prince William County, Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park
Project Description:	Replacement of older buses. This project includes fareboxes for the region-wide SmartTrip integration.
Agency Project ID:	T158
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:	Receipt of FY-04 Congressional Earmark.
Conformity Status:	Exempt. "Purchase of new buses" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are "... exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made."
Financial Implications:	Access \$491 K FY-04 Earmark.

Facility / Project:	PRTC- Capital Cost of Contracting
Limits / Location:	Northern Virginia, Prince William County, the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park and DC
Project Description:	PRTC contracts for the operation and maintenance of the OmniRide and OmniLink bus services. Under Capital Cost of Contracting, a percentage of the contract cost is eligible for use of Federal Section 5307 Transit funds.
Agency Project ID:	None
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:	Increase in funding of \$2,490 K from 2004-2009
Conformity Status:	Exempt. "Operating assistance to transit agencies" is listed in Table 2 of 40 CFR §93.126 as activities that are "... exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be made."
Financial Implications:	Access to additional 5307 funds.



Potomac and Rappahannock  
Transportation Commission

April 29, 2004

Mr. Thomas Farley  
Virginia Department of Transportation  
3975 Fair Ridge Drive  
Fairfax, Virginia 22033

Dear Mr. Farley:

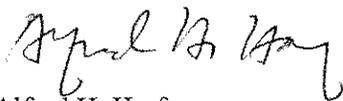
The Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) requests project amendments to the FY 2004-2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reflect the recently agreed upon apportionment of Federal Formula funds as well as receipt of New Starts Earmarks, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds and Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. These projects are already accounted for in the current conformity analysis, or are ongoing conformity-exempt transit projects in the TIP. We are requesting two separate amendments and have provided tables and description sheets for both. The changes we wish to be made to the FY2004-2009 TIP are indicated in boldface in the attached spreadsheet.

The one TIP amendment, containing two projects which utilize Flex funds, will require Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval to be amended into the State Transportation Program (STIP). The other TIP amendment, containing eight projects which utilize Formula funds, will require the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) approval.

PRTC and VRE request that the 2004-2009 TIP and STIP be amended to reflect the aforementioned changes as project funds must be included in an approved TIP and STIP before PRTC/VRE can access these funds through the Federal Transit Administration grant application process.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Betsy Massie at (703) 580-6113 or at [mmassie@omniride.com](mailto:mmassie@omniride.com). We greatly appreciate Mr. Langley's continuing assistance in facilitating this action.

Sincerely,



Alfred H. Harf  
Executive Director

cc: with attachments: Betsy Massie, PRTC  
Dale Zehner., VRE  
Jennifer Straub, VRE  
Gerald Miller, MWCOG  
Joe Langley, VDOT  
Jack Apostolides, VDRPT

TPB PR19- 2004  
May 7, 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 INCLUDE FUNDING FOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN ARLINGTON COUNTY,  
LOUDOUN COUNTY, AND THE TOWN OF LEESBURG  
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 April 30, 2004, VDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2004-2009 TIP to include funding for highway projects located in Arlington County, Loudoun County, and the Town of Leesburg, 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 Program Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2004-2009 TIP to include funding for highway projects located in Arlington County, Loudoun County, and the Town of Leesburg, as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Program Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on May 7, 2004.**





# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

14685 Avion Parkway  
Chantilly, VA 20151  
(703) 383-VDOT (8368)  
April 30, 2004

PHILIP A. SHUCET  
COMMISSIONER

THOMAS F. FARLEY  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

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 a part of this request, its conformity status, and associated funding implications. In summary, this amendment requests funding increases for the PE phases for US 15 (South King Street) in Leesburg and for VA 636 (Hooes Road) in Fairfax County (PE has previously been authorized for both of these projects), and allocates Revenue Sharing and Federal Aid Secondary funds that Arlington County has been accruing to two roadway redesign / streetscape projects on VA 244 (Columbia Pike).

All four projects are in the FY-04 TIP, and all four were taken into consideration as part of the conformity analysis performed for the FY-04 TIP. VDOT requests that this amendment be approved by the TPB Program Committee at its meeting on May 7, 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,

  
For Thomas F. Farley

attachments



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

PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT - 5/7/2004

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/st/lo
<b>VDOT URBAN</b>													
17687	Facility: US 15 (South King Street) From: Evergreen Mill Road To: SCL of Leesburg	P.E. ROW Const	0 3,015 0	0 3,015 0	275 1,240 0	0 0 0	0 0 4,714	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$6,229	STP	80% 20%
Widen to 4 lanes. \$300 K previously authorized for PE; requesting an additional \$275 K for PE. Source - funds previously allocated to R/W. R/W costs have decreased.													
<b>VDOT SECONDARY</b>													
60643	Facility: VA 636 (Hooes Road) From: @ VA 6100 (Newington Forest Avenue) To:	P.E. ROW Const	59 0 0	0 0 0	81 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$81	HES/STP	90% 10%
VA 636 - Superlevate curve in the vicinity of VA 6100 & relocate utilities. \$59 K previously authorized for PE; requesting an additional \$81 K for PE from HES funds previously allocated, but unauthorized.													
52459	Fairfax County Facility: VA 244 (Columbia Pike) From: Wakefield Street To: Four Mile Run Arlington County	P.E. ROW Const	17 0 0	0 0 0	441 160 0	0 0 0	0 0 2,747	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$1,733	Rev. Shar. FAS* RSTP	50% 80% 20%
Roadway / Streetscape improvements.													
None	Facility: VA 244 (Columbia Pike) From: Oakland Street To: Garfield Street Arlington County	P.E. ROW Const	0 0 5,000	0 0 0	385 110 0	0 0 9,261	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	\$7,000	Rev. Shar. FAS* Bond RSTP	50% 80% 100% 20%
Redesign and rebuild all street infrastructure to make them compatible with redevelopment plans for the corridor.													

FAS\* = Federal Aid Secondary funds

## Table 1

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

Presented to the TPB Program Committee  
May 7, 2004

Facility / Project:	US 15 (South King Street)
Jurisdiction:	Town of Leesburg
Limits / Location:	Evergreen Mill Road to SCL of Leesburg
Project Description:	Widen to 4 lanes.
Agency Project ID:	17687
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:	Reintroduce PE phase into TIP to allow for supplemental authorization to cover increase in PE cost, reduce RW cost, and increase cost and delay start of CN phase.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04's conformity input, first appears in 2015 network.
Financial Implications:	Total funds less than previous total.
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Facility / Project:	VA 636 (Hooes Road)
Jurisdiction:	Fairfax County
Limits / Location:	@ VA 6100 (Newington Forest Avenue)
Project Description:	Superelevate curve near VA 6100 & relocate utilities.
Agency Project ID:	60643
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:	Increase PE entry to reflect increase in PE cost estimate.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04's conformity input.
Financial Implications:	Proposes use of HES funds that were previously allocated to this project, but which were not authorized.

**Table 1**  
(Cont.)

Facility / Project:	VA 244 (Columbia Pike)
Jurisdiction:	Arlington County
Limits / Location:	Wakefield Street to Four Mile Run
Project Description:	Roadway / Streetscape improvements.
Agency Project ID:	52459
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, existing entry in TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	Allocate Revenue Sharing and Federal Aid Secondary funds, which have been accruing to Arlington County, to this project.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04's conformity input.
Financial Implications:	Allocate funds, which have been accruing to Arlington County, to this project.

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Facility / Project:	VA 244 (Columbia Pike)
Jurisdiction:	Arlington County
Limits / Location:	Oakland Street to Garfield Street
Project Description:	Redesign and rebuild all street infrastructure to make them compatible with redevelopment plans for the corridor.
Agency Project ID:	None
New CLRP Description Sheet required?	No, covered by existing CLRP description sheet.
New TIP Description Sheet required?	No, existing entry in TIP.
Reason(s) for Amendment:	Allocate Revenue Sharing and Federal Aid Secondary funds, which have been accruing to Arlington County, to this project.
Conformity Status:	Included in FY-04's conformity input.
Financial Implications:	Allocate funds, which have been accruing to Arlington County, to this project.