

TPB R31-2009
May 20, 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 \$457,000
IN AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FUNDING FOR THREE
ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND PAVEMENT RESURFACING PROJECTS, AS
REQUESTED BY CHARLES COUNTY**

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 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 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, Charles County has developed a list of transportation projects for ARRA funding in consultation with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT); and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of May 13, 2009, the County Commissioners of Charles County has requested an amendment to the FY 2009-2014 TIP to add \$475,000 in ARRA funding for improvements on Smallwood Drive West and St Charles Parkway and resurfacing of the Western Parkway from MD 228 to Plaza Drive, 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 \$475,000 in ARRA funding for improvements on Smallwood Drive West and St Charles Parkway and resurfacing of Western Parkway from MD 228 to Plaza Drive, as described in the attached materials .

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on May 20, 2009.

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May 13, 2009

The Honorable Charles A. Jenkins
Chairman, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 300
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Dear Chairman Jenkins:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) has distributed transportation funding to the State of Maryland. Through a Phase II allocation of highway funds, \$7.397 million has been designated for Charles County.

We have reviewed the map of federally eligible County roads that fall within the St. Charles Urbanized Area of Charles County, and developed a list of roadway safety and enhancement projects. These projects include resurfacing, installation of traffic loop sensors, and reflective pavement markers. Therefore, Charles County requests that the attached ARRA projects be added as an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2009-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

As with projects of this nature, the subject projects listed in this requested amendment are exempt from air quality conformity analysis. The Commissioners of Charles County request this amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board at its meeting on May 20, 2009. Thank you for your consideration of our requested amendment.

Sincerely,

Gary V. Hodge
County Commissioner



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Attachments (3 Forms)

Cc: Ronald F. Kirby, MWCOG
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**SUBURBAN MARYLAND
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
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Charles County

Secondary

Agency Project ID: _____ Title: **Smallwood Drive West Improvements** Complete: **2009**

Facility: Smallwood Drive West		145 c						ARRA	145
From: US 301 Crain Highway								100/ 0/ 0	
To: Middletown Road								Total Funds:	145

Description: Replacement of traffic loop detectors at select intersections, the installation of needed recessed reflective pavement markers, and the installation of new pavement markings. 5666
 - Replace traffic loop sensors \$ 100,000
 - Install recessed reflective pavement markers \$ 25,000
 - Pavement markings \$20,000

ARRA Amendment Proposed for Amendment on: 5/20/2009
 Add project to FY 2009-2014 TIP with \$145,000 of ARRA funding in FY 2009.

Agency Project ID: _____ Title: **St. Charles Parkway Improvements** Complete: **2009**

Facility: St. Charles Parkway		165 c						ARRA	165
From: Leonardtown Road								100/ 0/ 0	
To: Billingsley Road								Total Funds:	165

Description: Replacement of traffic loop detectors at select intersections, the installation of needed recessed reflective pavement markers, and the installation of new pavement markings. 5665
 - Replace traffic loop sensors \$100,000
 - Install recessed reflective pavement markers \$40,000
 - Pavement markings \$25,000

ARRA Amendment Proposed for Amendment on: 5/20/2009
 Add project to FY 2009-2014 TIP with \$165,000 of ARRA funding in FY 2009.

Agency Project ID: _____ Title: **Western Parkway Resurfacing** Complete: **2009**

Facility: Western Parkway		165 c						ARRA	165
From: MD 228 Berry Road								100/ 0/ 0	
To: Plaza Drive								Total Funds:	165

Description: Resurfacing and patching from MD 228 to Plaza Drive, replacement of the traffic loop detectors at select intersections, and installation of needed pavement markings. 5664
 - Pavement resurfacing \$135,000
 - Replace traffic loop sensors \$25,000
 - Pavement markings \$5000

ARRA Amendment Proposed for Amendment on: 5/20/2009
 Add project to FY 2009-2014 TIP with \$165,000 of ARRA funding in FY 2009.