

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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ITEM # 5

MEMORANDUM

June 6, 2006

TO: Transportation Planning Board

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

RE: Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting of June 2, 2006, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolution:

- TPB SR16-2006: on an Amendment to the FY2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to modify the funding for the Commuter Connection Transportation Emission Reduction Measures (TERMS) as requested by the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) and Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT).

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.”

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO
THE FY 2006-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)
THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT
TO MODIFY THE FUNDING FOR THE COMMUTER CONNECTION TRANSPORTATION
EMISSION REDUCTION MEASURES (TERMS)AS REQUESTED BY THE DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DDOT) AND 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 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2005 the TPB adopted the 2005 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and the FY 2006-2011 TIP; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2006 the TPB adopted the 2007 Commuter Connections Work Program (CCWP); and

WHEREAS, as described in the attached memorandum of May 24, 2006, at the May 9, 2006 meeting of the State Travel Demand Management Work Group for the Commuter Connections Program representatives of DDOT and MDOT requested that an amendment be made to the FY 2006-2011 TIP to align the funding shown for the District of Columbia and Maryland Commuter Connection TERMS with the adopted FY 2007 CCWP budget as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, these funding changes do not affect the air quality conformity determination of the 2005 CLRP and the FY 2006-2011 TIP;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2006-2011 TIP to align the funding shown for the District of Columbia and Maryland Commuter Connection TERMS with the adopted Commuter Connections FY 2007 budget, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Steering Committee of the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on June 2, 2006.

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Ronald F. Kirby
Director, Department of
Transportation Planning

From: Nicholas Ramfos, Director,
Commuter Connections

Date: May 24, 2006

Re: **Request to Amend the FY 2006 – 2011 Transportation
Improvement Program To Modify the Commuter Connections
Program Funding from the District of Columbia and Maryland**

The intent of this memorandum is to request TIP changes for the District of Columbia and Maryland Departments of Transportation in the FY 2006 – 2011 TIP. This item was discussed at the May 9, 2006 State Travel Demand Management Work Group meeting with representatives of DDOT, MDOT and VDOT, and is being forwarded to the TPB's Steering Committee for approval. The request is being made in order to align the FY 2007 Commuter Connections Work Program budget, as adopted by the TPB on April 19, 2006, with the funding shown from the District and Maryland in the FY 2006-2011 TIP.

Should you have further questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Table 2

**COMMUTER CONNECTIONS FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET
BY STATE FUNDING AGENCY AND PROGRAM ELEMENT**

FUNDS SOURCE	Commuter Operations Center*	Guaranteed Ride Home	Marketing	Monitoring & Evaluation	Employer Outreach	Telework	InfoExpress Kiosks	TOTALS
District of Columbia	\$116,450	\$61,675	\$245,766	\$88,920	\$129,372	\$0	\$31,031	\$673,214
State of Maryland	\$452,860	\$239,846	\$955,757	\$345,800	\$503,111	\$81,063	\$0	\$2,578,437
Commonwealth of Virginia	\$425,987	\$225,613	\$899,041	\$325,280	\$563,920	\$81,063	\$124,123	\$2,645,027
Other**	\$49,500							\$49,500
TOTAL	\$1,044,797	\$527,134	\$2,100,564	\$760,000	\$1,196,403	\$162,126	\$155,154	\$5,946,178

* Commuter Operations Center measure shown for FY 2006 for the Commonwealth of Virginia in the amount of \$283,336 is being provided by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

** Local membership fees.

Amendments to the FY 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program

District Department of Transportation

		FY 05	Carry Over	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total	
74	Facility: Regional Alternative Commute Program (TC From: To: Jurisdiction: District of Columbia,			312 a 427 a 54 a	279 a	286 a	337 a	302 a		CMAQ 80 / 20 / Local / / 100	1,516 1,631 54 \$1,570	CE(4) \$1,685
Description:		This program's mission is to reduce mobile source emissions through the reduction in the number of vehicles miles traveled, and support of other Transportation Control Measures. This project provides funding to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Government's Commuter Connections Program for the following projects:										
		a. Employer Outreach b. Guaranteed Ride Home - The Guaranteed Ride Home subsidizes free emergency rides home for commuters who use transit or ridesharing options to work. c. Commuter Operations Center- Provides ride-matching services to commuters through a central toll free number "1-800-645-Ride." d. InfoExpress Kiosk - InfoExpress kiosks located in DC. e. Clean Air Partners - The purpose of the Air Quality Public Education Project is to educate the public about congestion and transportation related air pollution with specific actions and commute alternatives to reduce existing air quality problems. f. Monitoring and Evaluation ** See entry above for Marketing										

Maryland Department of Transportation

		FY 05	Carry Over	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total	
53	Facility: Regional Alternative Commute Program From: To: Jurisdiction: Montgomery County, Prince George's County,	1,845 c		2,128 c 2,578 c	2,000 c	2,027 c	2,227 c	2,090 c		State / 100 /	10,472 10,922 \$10,922	N/A
Description:		This program's mission is to reduce the number of vehicle miles of travel, vehicle trips, and emissions. This project provides funding to the TPB's Commuter Connections program for the following projects:									Completion Year:	2025
		a. Commuter Operations Center b. Guaranteed Ride Home c. Marketing d. Monitoring and Evaluation e. Employee Outreach f. Telework Amended to the FY 2006-2011 TIP by the TPB Steering Committee on 12/2/2005.										