# National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:	TPB Technical Committee
FROM:	Eric Randall Department of Transportation Planning
SUBJECT:	Proposed TPB Project Application for Funding Under the FY 2011 Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Competitive Grant Program
DATE:	September 1, 2011

This memorandum provides a status report on the development of a TPB application for the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) FY 2011 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant Program.

### **Application Concept**

The TPB's grant application concept centers on innovative rail station access projects, including pedestrian, bicycle, streetscape or other circulation improvements that would improve access to the region's commuter and Metro rail stations. The application concept aims to support and promote mixed-use development near rail station areas to reduce distances between housing and employment, thereby reducing VMT and congestion.

#### Status

A total of eight projects were proposed by regional jurisdictions, an overview of which is provided on the following page. The total grant application is currently estimated for approximately \$27 million of Federal funds, leading to an approximate total of 38 million dollars' worth of projects once local match is included. Project costs continued to be refined as the proposers further develop their proposals.

#### Next Steps / Milestones

TPB staff are working with project sponsors to complete data collection for the required benefit cost analysis. This information will also be used in preparing the detailed application for the selected slate of projects. The application preparation schedule is as follows:

September 21:	TPB approval of recommended projects and pre-application package
October 3:	Pre-application deadline to USDOT
October 19:	TPB approval of final application package
October 31:	Final application deadline to USDOT.

#### FY 2011 TIGER Discretionary Grant Program Transportation Planning Board Project List September 1, 2011

Applicant			Funding Request Local Match				
Jurisdiction	Project Title	Project Description	Federal	Match	Percent	1	Project Total
Maryland			-				
City of Bowie	The Bowie Heritage Trail	The project will implement recommendations from two TPB TLC studies. Completion of the remaining 50% engineering plans for Phase 1 in Old Town Bowie and preliminary engineering of a trail underpass of Maryland Route 197, connecting Normal School Road to the MARC train station.	\$67,500	\$40,500	38%	City Capital Improvements Program	\$108,000
Montgomery County	Forest Glen Underpass Project	Construct a pedestrian/bicyclist underpass underneath Georgia Avenue (MD 97) linking Forest Glen Metrorail Station to the sidewalk serving Holy Cross Hospital; construct one elevator to connect the street level directly to the Forest Glen Metrorail Station mezzanine; and establish bikeshare stations.	\$14,400,000	\$3,600,000	20%	Local match	\$18,000,000
Prince George's County	Pedestrian Safety Measures for the New Carrollton Metro Station	This project would include sidewalk and crossing improvements and signal timing changes identified in a 2010 TPB TLC study. These improvements will greatly enhance the pedestrian and bicycle access in and around the New Carrollton Metro Station and make it more suitable for transit oriented development.	\$697,674	\$174,419	20%	Local match for all improvements on County maintained structures in the grant	\$872,093
Prince George's County	West Hyattsville Metro Station/Ager Road Complete/Green Road Access Improvements	The project involves improvements to facilities with sidewalk gaps, a WMATA secure bike parking facility and related identified improvements that connect into the West Hyattsville Station. The Ager Road portion will provide a complete green street that will reconstruct the road itself.	\$4,960,000	\$1,240,000	20%	Local match for all improvements on County maintained structures in the grant	\$6,200,000
City of Rockville	Safer Walkways to Transit: Twinbrook Metro Station	The project will implement recommendations from the 2011 TPB TLC study: Safer Walkways to Transit. The study recommended a variety of bicycle and pedestrian safety and access improvements to the Twinbrook Metro Station.	\$855,360	\$213,840	20%	Rockville's TDM account	\$1,069,200
		Maryland Total	\$20,980,534	\$5,268,759	20.1%		\$26,249,293
Virginia							
Arlington County	Army Navy Drive Multimodal Access Improvement Project	The project re-conceives 3,300 feet of Army Navy Drive, providing a wider, safer sidewalk, a physically-separated two-way cycle track and safer street cross section that will support a future streetcar. The project will also add ten Capital Bikeshare stations along Columbia Pike.	\$3,478,700	\$2,500,000	42%	Local bond funding and a congressional allocation of \$210,000	\$5,978,700
Virginia Railway Express (VRE)	Bicycle Lockers at VRE Stations	The project will add bicycle lockers to VRE stations in Fairfax and Prince William Counties, and the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park.	\$209,600	\$52,400	20%	Funding commitment from each jurisdiction	\$262,000
		Virginia Total:	\$3,688,300	\$2,552,400	40.9%		\$6,240,700
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District of Columbia	Fort Totten / 1st Place- Galloway Road Access Improvement Project	The project rebuilds the two streets serving the Fort Totten Metrorail Station: 1st Place (to Riggs Road) and Galloway Street (to South Dakota Ave). Sidewalks and curbing will be re-built, new lighting installed, and wayfinding signage provided, all improving accessibility and safety for pedestrians at this metro transfer station.	\$2,344,000	\$586,000	20%	Local match	\$2,930,000
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