



NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION  

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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD

Item #5

**MEMORANDUM**

April 9, 2015

To: Transportation Planning Board

From: Kanathur Srikanth  
Director, Department of Transportation Planning

Re: Steering Committee Actions

At its meeting on April 3, 2015, the TPB Steering Committee approved the following resolution:

- SR16-2015: 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 two I-95/I-495 bridge replacement projects in Prince George's County, as requested by the 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 2015-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)  
THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT  
TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR TWO I-95/I-495 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT  
PROJECTS IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 25, 2015, MDOT has requested that the FY 2015-2020 TIP be amended to include \$13.992 million in National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) and matching state funds for the I-95/I-495 Suitland Road Bridges Replacement project; and \$11.44 million in NHPP and matching state funds for the I-95/I-495 Suitland Parkway Bridges Replacement 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 include \$13.992 million in NHPP and state matching funds for the I-95/I-495 Suitland Road Bridges Replacement project; and \$11.44 million in NHPP and matching state funds for the I-95/I-495 Suitland Parkway Bridges Replacement project, as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board Steering Committee at its regular meeting on April 3, 2015.**





**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
The Secretary's Office

**Larry Hogan**  
Governor

**Boyd Rutherford**  
Lt. Governor

**Pete K. Rahn**  
Secretary

March 25, 2015

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 two 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. The additional funds for these projects are available due to an increase in federal aid obligational authority. Both projects are bridge replacement system preservation projects and do not impact air quality conformity.

TIP ID#	Project	Phase	Amount of New Funding	Comment
6437	I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Road Bridges 16062 Replacement, Forestville/Westphalia	PE CO	\$2,552,000 \$11,440,000	This is a bridge replacement 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.
6438	I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Parkway Bridges 16060 Replacement, Morningside	CO	\$11,440,000	This is a bridge replacement 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.

MDOT requests that this amendment be approved by the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Steering Committee at its April 3, 2015 meeting.

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The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
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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](mailto:lerickson@mdot.state.md.us). Of course, please feel free to contact me directly. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Michael W. Nixon, Manager  
Office of Planning and Capital Programming

Attachment

cc: 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

Larry Hogan, Governor  
Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor



Pete K. Rahn, Secretary  
Melinda Peters, Administrator

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Don Halligan  
Director  
Office of Planning and Capital Programming  
Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)

ATTN: Ms. Lyn Erickson  
Mr. Mike Nixon

FROM: Mary Deitz, Chief *MD*  
Regional and Intermodal Planning Division  
State Highway Administration (SHA)

DATE: March 25, 2015

SUBJECT: Request to Amend the Fiscal Years 2015-2020 National Capital Region  
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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The State Highway Administration hereby requests amendment of the FY 2015-2020 National Capital Region Transportation Improvement Program. SHA is programming additional funding for two projects in the National Capital Region as summarized below and detailed in the attached TIP report. This amendment reflects:

- 1) The addition of \$14.0 million in design and construction funding for a new regionally significant system preservation project, I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Road Bridges 16062 Replacement (TIP 6437); and,
- 2) The addition of \$11.5 million in construction funding for a new regionally significant system preservation project, I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Parkway Bridges 16060 Replacement (TIP 6438).

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

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IP	Project	Phase	New Funding	Comments
6437	I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Road Bridges 16062 Replacement, Forestville/Westphalia	PE CO	\$2,552,000 \$11,440,000	Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$921,000 (NHPP) and \$231,000 (State) to FY 2015 and \$1.1M ((NHPP) and \$280,000 (State) to FY 2016. Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017 and \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2018.
6438	I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway) Suitland Parkway Bridges 16060 Replacement, Morningside	CO	\$11,440,000	Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2016 and \$4.6million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017.

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.

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.

Attachment: FY 2015-2020 National Capital Region TIP projects 6437-6438 reports

cc: Ms. Felicia Alexander, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering, SHA  
 Mr. Matt Baker, Assistant Regional Planner, SHA  
 Mr. Eric Beckett, Assistant Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division, SHA  
 Mr. David Rodgers, Regional Planner, SHA  
 Mr. Brian Young, District Engineer, SHA



**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
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**MDOT/State Highway Administration**

**Other**

**System Preservation Projects**

TIP ID: <b>6437</b>	Agency ID: <b>PG6981</b>	Title: <b>I-95/I-495 Suitland Road Bridges Replacement</b>	Complete: <b>2017</b>	Total Cost: <b>\$14,800</b>
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Facility: I 95 /I 495 at Suitland Road	NHPP	100/0/0	570 a	921 a	1,120 a	4,576 c			11,193
From:						4,576 c			
To:	State	0/100/0	1,543 a	231 a	280 a	1,144 c			2,799
					1,144 c				

**Total Funds: 13,992**

Description: Replacement of I-95/I-495 Suitland Road Bridges 16062. The existing bridges are structurally deficient and functionally obsolete.



**Amendment: Additional Design and Construction Funding** **Approved on: 4/3/2015**  
 Adding design funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$921,000 (NHPP) and \$231,000 (State) to FY 2015 and \$1.1 million (NHPP) and \$280,000 (State) to FY 2016. Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2016 and \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017.

TIP ID: <b>6438</b>	Agency ID: <b>PG6982</b>	Title: <b>I-95/I-495 Suitland Parkway Bridges Replacement</b>	Complete: <b>2018</b>	Total Cost: <b>\$11,500</b>
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Facility: I 95 /I 495 at Suitland Parkway	NHPP	100/0/0				4,576 c	4,576 c		9,152
From:									
To:	State	0/100/0				1,144 c	1,144 c		2,288

**Total Funds: 11,440**

Description: Replacement of I-95/I-495 Suitland Parkway Bridges 16060. The existing bridges are structurally deficient and functionally obsolete.



**Amendment: Additional Construction Funding** **Approved on: 4/3/2015**  
 Adding construction funding to reflect new regionally significant system preservation project including \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2017 and \$4.6 million (NHPP) and \$1.1 million (State) to FY 2018.