

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

**RESOLUTION ON AMENDMENTS TO
THE FY 2007- 2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT ARE
EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO FUND
THE 9TH STREET BRIDGE REPAIR PROJECT AND TO MODIFY THE FUNDING OF
THE 11TH STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND RECONFIGURATION PROJECT, AS
REQUESTED BY THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DDOT)**

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 20, 2006 the TPB adopted the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of June 19, 2007, DDOT has requested amendments to the FY 2007-2012 TIP to add \$7 million in construction funds for the 9th Street Bridge SW over I-395 repair project and to remove \$7 million in construction funds from the 11th Street Bridge SE replacement and reconfiguration project, as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, these project 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 2007-2012 TIP to add \$7 million in construction funds for the 9th Street Bridge SW over I-395 repair project and to remove \$7 million in construction funds from the 11th Street Bridge SE replacement and reconfiguration project, as described in the attached materials.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on June 20, 2007.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Transportation Policy & Planning Administration

June 19, 2007

The Honorable Catherine Hudgins, Chairperson
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 300
Washington DC 20002-4290

Dear Chairperson Hudgins:

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) requests that the FY 2007-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be amended to include funding for a project to repair the 9th Street Bridge, SW and to remove equivalent funding from another project. A copy of the TIP Project Description Form for the 9th Street Bridge, SW project is attached.

The 9th Street Bridge, SW repair project was included in the FY 2004-2009 TIP, a conforming TIP that was approved by the TPB on 12/17/03. (See FY04-FY09 TIP, project 20 on page 22.) Furthermore, as a repair of an existing bridge, it does not add capacity and therefore should have no negative air quality impacts.

Although the FY 2004-2009 TIP allocated \$7 million for project construction, those funds were subsequently removed from the TIP. DDOT is now ready to obligate \$7 million for project construction. However, to do so, DDOT must reestablish project funding in the FY 2007 portion of the FY07-FY12 TIP. Additionally, DDOT must remove an equivalent amount of obligations from one or more other projects to maintain the fiscal constraint of the TIP. The following project will not be ready to obligate its construction funds in FY07 as originally planned:

- 1) TIP Project # 13 (FY 2007 – FY 2012 TIP, page 39): 11th Street Bridges SE Replacement and Reconfiguration. DDOT's TIP amendment seeks to remove \$7,000,000 in construction funds from this project in FY07.

At a June 5, 2007 meeting with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), and Federal Highway Administration staff, we became aware that FHWA will not approve any CLRP and TIP amendments after July 1, 2007 that do not comply with all of the SAFETEA-LU planning regulations published February 14, 2007. If this amendment is not approved in June, this project cannot move forward until after

TPB actions on the 2007 CLRP scheduled for December, which would delay construction until next spring.

This project was part of a conforming TIP. It is not adding additional capacity. The funding source has been identified, and the TIP will remain fiscally constrained. Therefore, DDOT recommends that the TPB approve this amendment at its June 20, 2007 meeting. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Should you have questions regarding this amendment, please contact me at (202) 671-2325 or by e-mail at rick.rybeck@dc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Rybeck". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" at the beginning.

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Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Proposed Project or Action Description Form

FY 2007-2012

1. Agency: **DDOT** Last Modified On: 21 March 2007

2. Location and Jurisdiction: Ward 2

9th Street Bridge SW over I-395

Facility: **BRIDGE # 1107**

From: **I-395 on-ramp**

To: **G Street SW**

Jurisdiction: **District of Columbia**

3. Description of Project or Action:

Remove and replace bridge deck carrying 9th Street SW over I-395, remove and replace bridge bearings, clean and paint structural steel. Includes painting and isolated structural repair of the adjacent 10th Street Bridge SW.

4. Project Status: **Ready for construction**

5. Environmental Review: Catex 1994; 2004

6. Funding and Schedule Information:

FY2004 – FY2009 TIP, Project # 20, page 22

Bridge Program; Design completed.

Date of completion or implementation:

FY	Amount	Phase	Source	Federal	State	Local
2007	\$7,000,000	Construction	Bridge Program	\$5,600,000	\$1,400,000	
2011						

Cost and schedule remarks:

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)**

	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12	Source Fed/St/Loc	Source Total	Environ. Review
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Bridge

1	Title: 11th Street Bridges SE Replacement and Reconfiguration								Agency Project ID: CDT 45		
Facility:	11th Street SE Bridge and Interchange Reco	3,000 a	16,000 a	15,000 a					Local - EWTRP	30,000	DEIS
From:	Anacostia Freeway (Pennsylvania Avenue to	17,000 c	10,560 c	133,520 c					/ 100 /	23,000	Under
To:	Southeast Freeway (6th Street)								NHS	131,000	preparation
Jurisdiction:	District of Columbia								80 / 20 /		
									SAFETEA-LU E	14,080	
									80 / 20 /		
									Total Funds:	\$175,080	

Description: Replacement and reconfiguration of the existing deteriorating bridges and ramps at the Anacostia River crossings near 11th Street SE, connecting the Anacostia Freeway and the Southeast Freeway. New freeway ramps east of the river will connect both directions of the Anacostia Freeway with eight freeway lanes across the river to the Southeast Freeway.

These lanes are configured as four through freeway lanes and one auxiliary lane in each direction. Additionally, two lanes in each direction of local roadway will connect surface streets east and west of the river. All improvements are consistent with the goals of the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative.

2	Title: 9th Street Bridge SW over I-395								Agency Project ID:		
Facility:	9th Street SW Bridge #1107		7,000 c						BR	7,000	CE(1)
From:	I-395 on-ramp								80 / 20 /		
To:	G Street SW										
Jurisdiction:	District of Columbia								Total Funds:	\$7,000	

Description: Remove and replace bridge deck carrying 9th Street SW over I-395, remove and replace bridge bearings, clean and paint structural steel. Includes painting and isolated structural repair of the adjacent 10th Street Bridge SW.