

July 10, 2014

Bill Cass
Director of Project Development
NH Department of Transportation
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RE: RPC MPO Approval of FY 2013-2016 STIP Amendment #6

Dear Mr. Cass,

This letter is to inform you that on July 9th, 2014, the Rockingham Planning Commission, meeting as the MPO Policy Committee, approved Amendment #6 to the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Amendment #6 was approved following appropriate public notice, a 15 day comment period and public hearing as required in our Prospectus. The public notice and project information can be found at the RPC website (www.rpc-nh.org), and these documents detail the changes that Amendment #6 has made to the RPC 2013-2016 TIP.

Based on the information provided regarding the movement of projects in time, changes in project scopes and costs, and taking into account the comments received it has been determined that:

- The fiscal constraint of the TIP/STIP is maintained according to the DOT fiscal constraint documentation which is included in the informational packet on the RPC website.
- As of July 20, 2013 all of New Hampshire is unclassifiable/attainment for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (the 2008 ozone standard); and the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (the 1997 ozone standard) is revoked for transportation conformity purposes in the Boston-Manchester-Portsmouth (SE), NH area.
- Consistent with the RPC's Public Participation Process, this notice and comment period is also intended to meet FTA requirements for public comment on the programs of transit projects put forward by NHDOT, UNH and the COAST and CART transit systems.

Based on these points the MPO voted to approve Amendment#6 to the 2013-2016 TIP inclusive of the project changes listed on the following pages.

Sincerely,



Cliff Sinnott
Executive Director

cc: Patrick Bauer, Division Administrator, FHWA NH Division Office
Nick Garcia, FTA Region 1
Don Cooke, EPA Region 1
Paul Lockwood, NH DES Air Resources Division
MPO TAC/Policy members

Location: Exeter	Project ID: 16045	Facility: Lincoln Street
<u>Description:</u> Restoration of baggage building [09-14TE]		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> Right-of-Way and Construction phases of project removed		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$94,000		
Location: New Castle – Rye	Project ID: 16127	Facility: NH 1B
<u>Description:</u> Rehabilitate single leaf bascule moveable bridge over Little Harbor – 066/071 {Red List}		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> Added PE for fiscal year 2016 at \$59,000 and added Right-of-Way phase for fiscal years 2014, 2015, and 2016 for \$57,000.		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$14,543,000		
Location: North Hampton	Project ID: 24457	Facility: US 1
<u>Description:</u> Replace bridge over Boston & Maine Railroad – 148/132 {Red List}		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> Funding for PE and Right-of-Way decreased (\$297,000 and \$195,000 respectively) and fiscal year 2014 funds for each moved to 2015 and 2016.		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$338,000		
Location: NSTI	Project ID: NSTI	Facility: Statewide Annual
<u>Description:</u> Cooperative project agreement with the University of New Hampshire for outreach program to introduce students to engineering and technology, National Summer Transportation Institute (NSTI)		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> New Project		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$80,000		
Location: Salem to Manchester	Project ID: 10418	Facility: I-93
<u>Description:</u> Programmatic Mitigation (CTAP, NHDES Land Protection Program) (PE & ROW Only) [Section 117 – Designated Project; Demo ID NH032, See 13933K]		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> PE funds for fiscal years 2014 and 2015 shifted to 2015 and 2016 and decreased by \$55,000. ROW funds decreased by \$5,000		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$2,267,000		
Location: Statewide	Project ID: 14899	Facility: Miscellaneous
<u>Description:</u> Maintenance and Upgrades for Rest Areas (Annually)		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> Project Removed		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$0		
Location: Statewide	Project ID: HSIP	Facility: Various
<u>Description:</u> Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) [Parent]		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> PE (+\$800,000) and Right-of-Way (+\$900,000) increased for FY 15 and FY 16 and Construction decreased for FY 15 and 16 by \$4,092,000.		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$37,166,000		
Location: Statewide	Project ID: MOBRR	Facility: Municipal
<u>Description:</u> Municipal owned bridge rehabilitation and replacement projects (Federal, State, Local Funds)(Annual Project)		
<u>Proposed Amendment:</u> PE increased by \$30,000 and funds shifted from FY14 to FY15 and 16. Right-of-Way funds decreased for FY 14 by \$80,000. Construction funds decreased by \$2,900,000 and shifted from FY 14 to FY 15. Total cost decrease of \$2,950,000.		
<u>Total Proposed 2013-2016 TIP Funding:</u> \$21,140,000		