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November 9, 2010

Mr. Nelson J. Castellanos
Division Administrator
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Ms. Letitia Thompson
Regional Administrator
Attn: Ms. Michele Destra
Mr. Timothy Lidiak
Ms. Gail McFadden-Roberts
Federal Transit Administration
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RE: Administrative Modification to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to Reflect an Administrative Modification to the FY 2011-2014 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program to Reflect the Award of $3,000,000 in FFY 2010 FTA Section 5309 New Starts Funds for the Red Line. MDOT Control #10-31.

Dear Mr. Castellanos and Ms. Thompson:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby administratively modifies the FY 2010 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to reflect an administrative modification to the Baltimore Region FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program to include funding for FY 2010 for preliminary engineering for the Baltimore Red Line. The $3,000,000 in FTA Section 5309 New Starts Funds will be matched with $3,000,000 in State funds. These additional funds supplement previously programmed Red Line preliminary engineering funds. The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board's Executive Committee approved this modification on October 6, 2010. The project information is detailed in the attached Baltimore TIP forms and is summarized here as follows:

Project Name	TIP #	Funding Source Fed%/State%	New Total Project Cost
Baltimore Red Line Preliminary Engineering	40-0602-69	Federal 50% State 50%	$6,000,000

The Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program continues to be fiscally constrained. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-865-1295, toll-free at 888-713-1414 or via email at mnixon@mdot.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Nixon

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

Attachment

cc:

Ms. Lyn Erickson, Manager Regional Planning and Federal Liaison, 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
Ms. Diane Ratcliff, Director Office of Planning, Maryland Transit Administration

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Mr. Don Halligan, Director
Office of Planning and Capital Programming
ATTENTION: Theo Ngongang
Maryland Department of Transportation
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Hanover, Maryland 21076

Dear Mr. Halligan:

The Maryland Department of Transportation, on behalf of the Maryland Transit Administration, has requested an Administrative Modification to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This request is to include funding for Fiscal Year 2010 in a project previously included in a TIP.

In order to meet the intent of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users and the requirements of the Metropolitan Planning Regulations, documentation has been submitted by the requesting agency. As this request is for Project Engineering for the Baltimore Red Line and has already been included in previous TIPs, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined that it is exempt from the requirement to determine conformity according to the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93).

Approval of this administrative modification to the Baltimore Region FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program was given by the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board's Executive Committee on October 6, 2010.

The enclosed summarizes the project, while the attached letter documents justification of prioritization, flexible funding and financial reasonableness for this project. If you have any questions, please contact Regina Aris at 410-732-9572.

Sincerely,

Todd R. Lang, Director
Transportation Planning

Enclosures

cc: BRTB Members

Baltimore Red Line

TIP Id #	40-0602-69	**Year of Operation**	n/a
Agency	MTA - Transit	**Project Type**	Other
Project Category	Transit	**Functional Class**	NA
Conformity Status	Exempt	**Physical Data**	14.5 miles
CTP #	MTA-32		

Description	Justification
Prepare project planning and preliminary engineering of a 14.5 mile Light Rail Transit (LRT) transit line from the Security Square Mall area in Baltimore County to Bayview in Baltimore City. The study involves Alternatives Analysis and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), Preliminary Engineering and Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) related activities including: preliminary engineering and mode feasibility analyses; environmental screening; identification of right-of-way issues; ridership potential; capital and annual operating costs; social, cultural and economic development benefits and impacts; Transit Oriented Development planning, community outreach and local agency coordination and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Starts submittal activities.	The Red Line will improve transit mobility in an east-west corridor of the Baltimore region from the Woodlawn area to Bayview Hospital. This project is intended to help address traffic congestion, provide better connectivity to existing transit service, support new and future transit-oriented economic development and revitalization efforts and help address regional air quality issues.

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program (funding for capital projects)

	Previous Requests		Annual Element		Federal Funding Requests						Project Totals
Phase	**Previous Federal Funds**	**Previous Matching Funds**	**FY 2011 Federal Funds**	**FY 2011 * Matching Funds**	**FY 2012 Federal Funds**	**FY 2012 * Matching Funds**	**FY 2013 Federal Funds**	**FY 2013 Matching Funds**	**FY 2014 Federal Funds**	**FY 2014 Matching Funds**	**Estimated Project Total**
CON											$0
OTH											$0
PE	$3,000	$3,000		14,500		14,785					$35,285
PP	$8,058	$7,919									$15,977
ROW											$0
Totals	$11,058	$10,919	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$51,262

* **MTA plans to utilize $29M in future, competitive 5309NS funds for the Preliminary Engineering phase in FY 2011 and FY 2012. These funds have not yet been authorized. Those federal funds will be matched with 50% State funding, totaling approximately $29M.**

Since the 2011-2014 TIP has not been approved by the FTA & FHWA, we have included this modification to the previous Administrative Modification to the 2010-2013 TIP dated 11/19/2009

Baltimore Red Line

TIP Id #	40-0602-69	**Year of Operation**	n/a
Agency	MTA - Transit	**Project Type**	Other
Project Category	Transit	**Functional Class**	NA
Conformity Status	Exempt	**Physical Data**	10.5 miles
CIP/CTP Page#	MTA-32		

Description	Justification
Prepare project planning study to identify and analyze several potential alternatives for a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) or Light Rail Transit (LRT) 10.5 mile transit line from the Woodlawn area in Baltimore County to Bayview in Baltimore City. The study involves Alternatives Analysis and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), Preliminary Engineering and Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) related activities including: preliminary engineering and mode feasibility analyses; environmental screening; identification of right-of-way issues; ridership potential; capital and annual operating costs; social, cultural and economic development benefits and impacts; Transit Oriented Development planning, community outreach and local agency coordination and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Starts submittal activities.	The Red Line will improve transit mobility in an east-west corridor of the Baltimore region from the Woodlawn area to Bayview Hospital. This project is intended to help address traffic congestion, provide better connectivity to existing transit service, support new and future transit-oriented economic development and revitalization efforts and help address regional air quality issues.

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CON											$0
OTH											$0
PE			$3,000	$3,000							$6,000
PP	$2,623	$6,560	$5,435	$1,359							$15,977
ROW											$0
Totals	$2,623	$6,560	$8,435	$4,359	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$21,977

Section 5309 Capital Program (capital funding for new system projects)

	Previous Requests		Annual Element		Federal Funding Requests						Project Totals
Phase	Previous Federal Funds	Previous Matching Funds	FY 2010 Federal Funds	FY 2010 Matching Funds	FY 2011 Federal Funds	FY 2011 Matching Funds	FY 2012 Federal Funds	FY 2012 Matching Funds	FY 2013 Federal Funds	FY 2013 Matching Funds	Estimated Project Total
CON											$0
OTH											$0
PE							$10,000	$2,500	$10,000	$2,500	$25,000
PP											$0
ROW											$0
Totals	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$10,000	$2,500	$10,000	$2,500	$25,000

Summary of TIP Amendments
2011-2014 TIP

Project Name	Reason For Amendment	Requesting Agency	Project Description	Conformity Status	Date Approved	Resolution
Baltimore Red Line	▪ Addition of federal and local funding to Preliminary Engineering for this fixed guideway project.	MDOT - MTA	Prepare project planning study to identify and analyze several potential alternatives for a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) or Light Rail Transit (LRT) 10.5 mile transit line from the Woodlawn area in Baltimore County to Bayview in Baltimore City. The study involves Alternatives Analysis and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), Preliminary Engineering and Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) related activities including: preliminary engineering and mode feasibility analyses; environmental screening; identification of right-of-way issues; ridership potential; capital and annual operating costs; social, cultural and economic development benefits and impacts; Transit Oriented Development planning, community outreach and local agency coordination and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Starts submittal activities.	Exempt	10/6/2009	Administrative Modification

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September 24, 2010

Mr. Todd Lang, Director
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Re: Administrative Modification to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend the Red Line Project and Reflect the Award of $3,000,000 in FY 2010 Section 5309 New Starts Funds.

Dear Mr. Lang:

The Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) is requesting an modification of the FY 2011 TIP to reflect the past amount of $3 Million awarded to the Red Line project in FY2010 TIP Section 5309 New Starts Funds.

Please take the appropriate action to administratively modify the FY 2011 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program to reflect this change.

The TIP sheet showing the cost change is attached. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at 410-865-1295 or via email at mnixon@mdot.state.md.us

Sincerely,

Michael W. Nixon

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

Attachments
Cc: Mr. Theo Ngongang, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Don Halligan, Director
Office of Planning and Capital Programming

ATTN: Mr. Theo Ngongang

FROM: Ms. Diane Ratcliff, Director
MTA Office of Planning

DATE: September 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Amendment to FY 2011 TIP
To amend the Baltimore Red Line project with $3 Million of FFY 2010 New Starts money.

We are requesting an amendment to the Baltimore Region FY 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend the Baltimore Red Line project in the Baltimore Region. We are requesting the TIP amendment to reflect the award of $3,000,000 in FFY 2010 Section 5309 New Starts Funds.

These funds were awarded to the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) for Preliminary Engineering on the Baltimore Red Line.

After your review, please process the requested amendment with the Baltimore Metropolitan Council for inclusion in the FY 2011-2014 TIP. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. John Gasparine, MTA Transit Analyst at (410) 767-3760 or via email at jgasparine@mta.maryland.gov.

cc: Mr. John Gasparine, Transit Analyst, Office of Planning, MTA
Mr. Robert Schleigh, Deputy Director, Office of Planning, MTA
Ms. Tawanda Carter, Manager, Capital Programming, MTA
Mr. Stephen Silva, Assistant Deputy Administrator/Chief Engineer, MTA

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Re: Amendments to the FY 2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Washington, DC Metropolitan Area Amendment MDOT control #10-30 and Baltimore Metropolitan Area Amendment MDOT control #10-31

Dear Mr. Halligan:

In letters dated November 9, 2010, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of two amendments to the FY 2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). These STIP amendments add ARRA funded projects, the Takoma Langley Park Transit Center and the Real Time Information projects, and the addition of New Starts funds for the Baltimore Red Line project.

Since the advancement of these projects does not alter any conformity findings nor interfere with any State Implementation Plan projects, a joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of these STIP amendments is not required. In accordance with your procedures to incorporate the MTIPs into the STIP by reference, these projects are part of an approved amendment to the approved FY 2010 STIP. We hereby approve the inclusion of these projects as amendments to the STIP. This approval does not constitute an obligation of federal funds. FTA finalizes federal funding for projects included in the STIP upon approval of a grant application.

Gail McFadden-Roberts, of my staff, is available if you have any questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,

Michele Destra

Michele Destra, Director
Office of Planning and Program Development

cc: Mary Deitz, SHA, Office of Planning & Preliminary Engineering
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