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January 26, 2012

Mr. Gregory Murrill
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Ms. Brigid Hynes-Cherin
Regional Administrator
Attn: Ms. Michele Destra
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Federal Transit Administration
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RE: Amendment to the to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as amended to include the Maryland portion, for the Wilmington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). MDOT Control #64

Dear Mr. Murrill and Ms. Hynes-Cherin:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby amends the FY 2011 Maryland Statewide Transportation improvement Plan (STIP) to include the FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as amended to include the Maryland/Cecil County portion, for the Wilmington Area MPO. The TIP was approved by WILMAPCO on January 12, 2012, as shown in the attached resolutions. A copy of the TIP document can be found at this link: http://wilmapco.org/Tip/fy2012/6.FY2012-15TIP-Cecil%20Projects-Jan2012Amendments.pdf

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. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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

cc: Mr. Tyson Byrne, Regional Planner, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT
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RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)

AMENDING THE FY2012-FY2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CECIL COUNTY ELEMENT

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Regulations of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), Metropolitan Planning Requirements, require that, in air quality non-attainment areas, the MPO, in cooperation with participants in the planning process, develop and, at least every four years, updates the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the WILMAPCO TIP format incorporates a four-year period for the listing of priority projects to be implemented, as well as a list of program development projects; and

WHEREAS, the FY2012-2015 TIP has undergone appropriate community and technical reviews; and

WHEREAS, the TIP must be determined to be air quality conforming in accordance with SAFETEA-LU and Clean Air Act and Amendments (CAAA) of 1990 requirements; and;

WHEREAS, the FY2012-2015 TIP have been found to be financially constrained, as directed by 23 CFR 450.324 (e), and consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby amend the FY2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program to include the updated funding amounts for projects in Cecil County.

January 12, 2012
Date:

Joseph Fisona
Joseph Fisona, Acting Chairperson
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WHEREAS, the FY2012-2015 TIP have been found to be financially constrained, as directed by 23 CFR 450.324 (e), and consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby amend the FY2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program to include the replacement of Bridge CE0097 Baron Road over CSX.

January 12, 2012
Date:

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Joseph Fisona, Acting Chairperson
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Mr. Don Halligan Director,
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Dear Mr. Halligan:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control # 11-64) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO). On October 20, 2011, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) completed our review of the Air Quality Conformity Determination of the FY 2012-2015 TIP. We find the FY 2012-2015 TIP conform to the region's State Implementation Plans and that the conformity determination has been performed in accordance with the Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Part 93) as amended. Furthermore, the FY 2012-2015 TIP was amended to include the updated funding amounts for projects in Cecil County, on January 12, 2012.

Therefore, based on the above, and in accordance with 23 CFR450.326, the FY 2011 STIP is hereby amended to include all Cecil County projects in FY 2012-201 TIP for the Wilmington Area Planning Council.

If you have any questions, regarding this STIP amendment please contact Kwame Arhin at (410) 779.7158.

Sincerely yours,

for Kwame Arhin
Gregory Murrill
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