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February 28, 2014

Mr. Gregory Murrill  
Division Administrator  
Attn: Dr. Kwame Arhin  
Federal Highway Administration  
10 South Howard Street, Suite 2450  
Baltimore MD 21201

Ms. Brigid Hynes-Cherin  
Regional Administrator  
Attn: Ms. Kathleen Zubrzycki  
Federal Transit Administration  
1760 Market Street, Suite 500  
Philadelphia PA 19103

RE: Amendment to the Maryland FY 2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to Increase Preliminary Engineering Funding for the MD 261 Fishing Creek Bridge Project in Calvert County  
MDOT Control #13-129

Dear Mr. Murrill and Ms. Hynes-Cherin:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby amends the FY2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to add \$1,000,000 for the Preliminary Engineering phase of the MD Route 261 Fishing Creek Bridge Replacement Project in Calvert County. The additional funds are needed to accommodate an increase in design costs for this structure. Four FY 2013 STIP amendments (MDOT Control #13-23, #13-53, #13-94 and #13-110) were previously requested and approved for this bridge project. A STIP amendment form showing the revised funding is attached.

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](mailto:mnixon@mdot.state.md.us). Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael W. Nixon".

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

My telephone number is \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Attachments**

cc: Mr. Keith Bounds, Regional Planner, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT  
Ms. Mary Deitz, Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Lyn Erickson, Manager, Federal Liaison, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT  
Ms. Heather Murphy, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT

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**MEMORANDUM**

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

**ATTN:** Mr. Keith Bounds, Regional Planner

**FROM:** Mary Deitz, Chief *MD*  
Regional and Intermodal Planning Division

**DATE:** February 27, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Amendment Request to the Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT)  
FY 2013-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement (STIP)

The Regional and Intermodal Planning Division would like to submit the following amendment to the FY 2013-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):

- The addition of \$1.0 million to fund the design work for the MD 261 over Fishing Creek bridge replacement project. Funding will be flowed as follows: \$1.0 million for PE in FY 2014.

This amendment to the programming is due to an increase in project design costs. The poor existing soil conditions at the project site required extensive redesign to accommodate improvements to the retaining walls, bridge footings, scouring counter-measures, as well as inclusion of the utility relocation in SHA's contract. A copy of the project information form is attached for your use. The STIP remains fiscally constrained.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Roy Gothie, Regional Planner, State Highway Administration (SHA), at 410-545-5654 or via email at [rgothie@sha.state.md.us](mailto:rgothie@sha.state.md.us).

**Attachment**

cc: Mr. Roy Gothie, Regional Planner, SHA  
Ms. L'Kiesha Markley, Assistant Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division, SHA  
Mr. Mike Nixon, Manager, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT  
Mr. Jeff Robert, Project Engineer, Office of Structures, SHA  
Mr. Lee Starkloff, District Engineer, SHA

**MARYLAND STATEWIDE STIP F.Y. 2013-2018**

MDOT STIP # CA		Amendment Criteria (A/B/C)		Confirmity Status		Environmental Status		Current Funding Level (000s)		Net Change (000s)	
		B		Exempt				Federal		Local	
Project		MD 261 Bayside Road over Fishing Creek						\$7,118.00		\$1,811.00	
Description		MD 261 Bayside Road over Fishing Creek - Widening and Bridge Replacement. 5' Shoulders will accommodate bicycle and pedestrians. STIP Reference # CA4801									
Justification		Constructing a new bridge will provide a safe and dependable MD 261 crossing over Fishing Creek that will accommodate both vehicular and marine traffic. The old span is structurally deficient.									

INDIVIDUAL REQUEST FORM															
STIP/TP Amendment Criteria															
<input type="checkbox"/> A. Add new individual projects to the current STIP/TP. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Reallocations, scope change, advance, delay, or phase change. <input type="checkbox"/> C. Revisions or delete individual items project from the STIP/TP.															
<b>Division of Maryland Department of Transportation</b>															
PHASE/DETAIL															
Current PHASE	Thru FY2012		FY2013		FY2014		FY2015		FY2016		FY2017		TOTAL		
	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local			
PP	160	40	1,050	262	236	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,446	393	1,839
R/W	0	0	0	0	1,280	320	2,840	710	1,552	388	0	0	5,672	1,418	7,090
CON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	160	40	1,050	262	1,516	411	2,840	710	1,552	388	0	0	7,118	1,811	8,929
Source: BR/TCB Fed%: 80% Local%: 20%															
Proposed PHASE	Thru FY2012		FY2013		FY2014		FY2015		FY2016		FY2017		TOTAL		
	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local			
PP	160	40	1,050	262	1,036	291	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,246	593	2,839
R/W	0	0	0	0	1,280	320	2,840	710	1,552	388	0	0	5,672	1,418	7,090
CON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	160	40	1,050	262	2,316	611	2,840	710	1,552	388	0	0	7,918	2,011	9,929
Source: BR/TCB Fed%: 80% Local%: 20%															
Change PHASE	Thru FY2012		FY2013		FY2014		FY2015		FY2016		FY2017		TOTAL		
	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local	Federal	Local			
PP	0	0	0	0	800	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	800	200	1,000
R/W	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	800	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	800	200	1,000
Source: BR/TCB Fed%: 80% Local%: 20%															

costs in thousands (000)



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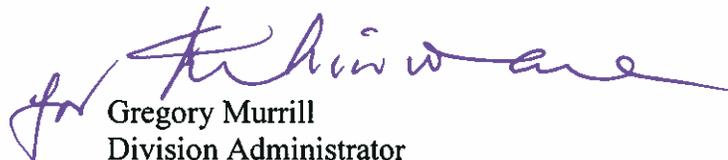
Dear Mr. Halligan:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control # 13-129) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Specifically, the STIP is being amended to increase Preliminary Engineering funding for the MD 261 Fishing Creek project in Calvert County.

We accept this amendment and find that it was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process, in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134, 23 U.S.C. 135 and 49.

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

Sincerely yours,

  
Gregory Murrill  
Division Administrator

cc:  
Heather Murphy, MDOT  
Mike Nixon, MDOT  
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