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October 9, 2012

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

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

RE: Amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to Reflect an Amendment to the WILMAPCO FY 2012 Transportation Improvement Program to Add Funding for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Recreational Trail. MDOT Control #13-20

Dear Mr. Murrill and Ms. Hynes-Cherin:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby amends the FY 2013 Maryland STIP to reflect an amendment to the WILMAPCO FY 2012 Transportation Improvement Program to add funds to reflect the Public Lands Highway Discretionary Program Grant Award for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Recreational Trail Bicycle and Pedestrian Project. The amendment which was approved by the WILMAPCO Council on September 6, 2012 provides for the addition of \$2,060,000 of Preliminary Engineering and Construction Funding. Project documentation for this amendment 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,

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

**Attachment**

**cc: Mr. Ian Beam, 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**

# Wilmington Area Planning Council

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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

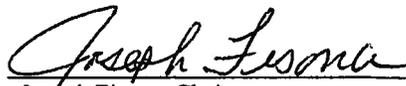
**WHEREAS**, the FY2012-2015 TIP has undergone appropriate community and technical reviews; and

**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 funding for the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal Trail.

September 6, 2012  
Date:

  
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Joseph Fisona, Chairperson  
Wilmington Area Planning Council

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Darrell B. Mobley, *Acting Secretary*  
Melinda B. Peters, *Administrator*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

August 8, 2012

Ms. Tigist Zegeye  
Director  
Wilmington Area Planning Council  
Suite 100  
850 Library Avenue  
Newark DE 19711

RE: Amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-2015 Wilmington Area Planning Commission (WILMAPCO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Recreational Trail.

Dear Ms. Zegeye:

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) is requesting an amendment to the FY 2012-2015 Wilmington Area Planning Commission (WILMAPCO) TIP to reflect the Public Lands Highway Discretionary Program Grant Award for design and construction activities. The TIP forms are attached.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Eric Beckett, Regional Planner for the Eastern Shore, SHA at (410) 545-5666 or via email at [ebeckett@sha.state.md.us](mailto:ebeckett@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Deitz", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mary Deitz, Chief  
Regional and Intermodal Planning Division

cc: Ms. Heather Dunigan, Principal Planner, WILMAPCO  
Mr. Ian Beam, Regional Planner, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. Eric Beckett, Regional Planner, SHA  
Ms. L'Kiesha Markley, Assistant Chief, Regional and Intermodal Planning Division,



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### FY 2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SUBMISSION FORM

This form must be completed and all questions must be answered in order to process this request.

Date of Submission: 8/9/2012  
 TIP to be amended: 2012 - 2015  
 Sponsoring Agency: MDOT/  
 Project Name: Chesapeake and Delaware (C+D) Canal Recreational Trail  
 Project Category: Bicycle and Pedestrian Project

**Project Description:** This project will transform the existing gravel service road on the north side of the C+D canal into a multi-purpose recreation trail with associated features including signage.

**Project Justification:** This trail will link the many historic and environmental resources of Chesapeake City, MD with the communities of Delaware City, DE, and Summit/Middletown, DE. This 1.8 mile segment will complete the 17-mile northern portion of this regional recreational trail which will connect residents and visitors in both states with the unique heritage, extensive environmental resources, and vital waterway operations of the C&D Canal.

**Funding:** Federal 100 State 0 Local 0 Total 100

Funding	Phase	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Total
	PP					
	PE		100			100
	RW					
	CON		400	1,200	360	1,960
Total						2,060

(in 000's)

# MARYLAND STATEWIDE TIP FY 2013-2018

MDOT STIP # 2013-20

**SUMMARY TABLE**

Project	Amendment Criteria (A/B/C)	Conformity Status	Environmental Status			Current Funding Level			Net Change		
			Federal	State	Total	Federal	State	Total	Federal	State	Total
Chesapeake and Delaware (C+D) Canal Recreational Trail and Pedestrian Project	A Administration	N/A	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,060.0	0.0	2,060.0
Description: This project will transform the existing gravel service road on the north side of the C + D canal into a multi-purpose recreation trail with associated features including signage. Justification: This trail will link the many historic and environmental resources of Chesapeake City with the communities of Delaware City, De and Summit/Middletown, DE.											

**INDIVIDUAL REQUEST FORM**

STIP/TIP Amendment Criteria	FY2013			FY2014			FY2015			FY2016			FY2017			FY2018			Total	
	Federal	State	Total																	
A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adds new individual projects to the current STIP/TIP.																				
B <input type="checkbox"/> Increase/decrease, scope change, advance, delay, or phase change																				
C <input type="checkbox"/> Removes or deletes individual listed project from the STIP/TIP.																				
																				

**PHASE DETAIL**

Current PHASE	FY2013			FY2014			FY2015			FY2016			FY2017			FY2018			TOTAL
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October 10, 2012

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Mr. Don Halligan Director,  
Office of Planning and Capital Programming, MDOT  
7201 Corporate Center Drive  
P.O. Box 548  
Hanover, Maryland 21076

Dear Mr. Halligan:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control # 13-20) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and FY 2012-2015 Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Specifically, the STIP/TIP is being amended to add federal funds for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Recreational Trail.

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/TIP amendment please contact Kwame Arhin at (410) 779.7158.

Sincerely yours,

  
for Gregory Murrill  
Division Administrator

cc:  
Heather Murphy, MDOT  
Mike Nixon, MDOT  
Mary Deitz, SHA  
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