The Hon. Pete K. Rahn, Maryland Transportation Secretary  
Maryland Department of Transportation  
7201 Corporate Center Drive  
Hanover, Maryland 21076

RE: Allegany County 2015 Transportation Priorities

April 10, 2015

Dear Transportation Secretary Rahn:

The Board of Commissioners of Allegany County, in cooperation with the municipalities of Allegany County is pleased to have the opportunity to present its transportation priorities to your department for the FY 2016 – 2020 Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP). The County’s transportation priorities focus on system preservation, safety and supporting economic development.

To be consistent with the Chapter 725 process, representatives from the County and the municipalities discussed and prioritized the projects at a coordination meeting held Wednesday, March 18, 2015. The Board of Commissioners, as a part of the agenda on Thursday, March 26, 2015 endorsed the 2015 priority projects. On behalf of Allegany County, the Town of Barton, the City of Cumberland, the City of Frostburg, the Town of Lonaconing, the Town of Luke, the Town of Midland, and the Town of Westernport, we would like to submit our projects as follows:

1. Preliminary Engineering for US 220 National Highway System
   Allegany County supports to move forward with preliminary engineering for US 220. This represents Maryland's portion of a larger joint study from I-68 to Corridor H in West Virginia. The Tier II phase is underway consisting of detailed engineering work to determine the number of alternatives that will be considered. Through this process, alternatives will ultimately be narrowed down to one alignment. This corridor is a growing residential area with some strip commercial development. Many vacant buildable lots exist in the corridor that could be developed for residential use. The development of a multilane highway in this area would ease the current conflict between local and through traffic, improve safety and encourage economic vitality in Allegany County.

2. Braddock Road/MD 736 Access and Safety Improvements Project – Phase II
   Phase II improvements will widen, adjust the drainage, and install acceleration and deceleration lanes along Braddock Road from Interstate 68 Exit 33 to the entrance of the ABC at FSU. This project will realign the intersection of Winner’s View Terrace to be directly across from the Braddock Street intersection. Bicycle lanes will be constructed on both sides of the intersection to improve safety for bicyclists. State support is necessary to further progress toward Master Plan goals; the City has identified the need for this project to enhance safety of an existing intersection along the State route. Furthermore, completion of this project establishes the required transportation infrastructure for planned economic development of the properties adjacent to Braddock Road. Design for the entire project in 98% complete; construction of the project is anticipated in 2015.

3. Greene Street Complete Street Project
   The Greene Street Complete Street Plan is underway and is expected to be completed by Spring 2015. The plan provides a vision for a safer, more attractive and economically viable street spanning from Baltimore Street to the end of City Maintenance at I-68 Exit 42. Greene Street, formally US Route 220 and prior to that it was part of the National Road, is in need of significant rehabilitation to handle the traffic on this West Side arterial street. Lack of local funds as well as any funds for road improvements have prevented the City from being able to do anything on this street since the days of Urban Systems Federal Aid sharing through the Maryland SHA. The portion of Greene Street between Baltimore Street and Lee Street has been re-designated as part of the National Road Scenic Byway, as part of its campaign to replace scenic byway signage along the route. The City is looking to implement the Greene Street Complete Street Plan to improve the corridor for all modes of transportation.
4. MD 936, Grant Street Stormwater and Safety Improvements Project

The proposed project would include improvements to 1,300 linear feet of storm sewer to convey separated stormwater from Main Street (US 40) and Grant Street (MD 936) to a proper outfall. Currently, stormwater is collected in 13 inlets on Grant Street and Main Street near Grant Street and enters into a sanitary sewer. The design and construction of a new stormwater system by Maryland State Highway Administration is necessary in order for the City to be successful in eliminating combined sewer overflows, (CSOs). These 13 Maryland State Highway Administration inlets significantly contribute to Frostburg’s CSOs. The City is under an MDE Consent Decree and Court Order to eliminate its CSOs. The project should also improve the safety characteristics for motorists by removing excess sheet flow due to surface runoff during periods of heavy rain or major snow melts, as there is a steep grade from Main Street to the bottom of the hill near Blair Street. Additional safety and pedestrian enhancements such as ADA compliant sidewalks and crosswalks would be part of the project. Maryland SHA and the City are currently reviewing an MOU in which MD SHA will partner with the City of Frostburg in the completion of this project and provide the funding to address the aspects of the project for which MD SHA is responsible.

5. MD 135 Safety Improvements in Luke, Maryland

MD Route 135 spanning from the MD 135 intersection with WV 46 (to Bloomington) to Westernport, is in need of improvements. These improvements include road geometry, drainage, lighting, safety signage, and surface rehabilitation. This portion of roadway is subject to industrial truck traffic from the NewPage Paper Mill. Widening and adjusting the roadway geometry for improved near Grant Street and the filter plant has been a major safety concern. The parts of the roadway which parallel a rock cliff are in need of improved lighting, and stormwater management. These improvements would reduce hazards and collisions to the approximate 6,000 vehicles which travel this portion of State Highway daily. The Town of Luke, Maryland and Allegany County find these improvements necessary to keep all vehicular and pedestrian traffic safe.

6. Allegany County Transit Operating Funding

Allegany County Transit operates fixed route service and ADA Demand Response in Allegany County, Maryland. The Transit's mission is to provide the citizens and visitors of the Allegany County service area with safe, reliable, courteous, efficient and clean transportation. Continued support for operations funds will help us achieve our mission.

7. Allegany County Transit Capital Funding

Allegany County Transit is requesting the following Capital Items in FY 2016 according to their capital planning: Four small replacement buses, one heavy duty replacement bus, Computer Hardware Upgrades, Office Equipment, Shop Equipment, Modern Facility Security System, and Vehicle Parking Addition.

8. Baltimore Street Bridge Rehabilitation

This project remains a priority for Cumberland and we appreciate the SHA’s assistance in obtaining Federal Bridge Replacement Funds through a reallocation of Local Government Funds from jurisdictions outside of Allegany County. The City, County and State have put effort into this project, but unfortunately the City is currently lacking local funds for this project. The project is listed here because the City is hopeful that local funds can be available in the future. The Baltimore Street Bridge over Wills Creek needs a total deck replacement. The bridge connects the main downtown business area with the West Side of Cumberland.

9. MD 36 Corridor Management Project

Allegany County, in partnership with the City of Frostburg, and the Towns of Midland, Lonaconing, Barton, and Westernport, are requesting a Corridor Improvement Project for MD 36. The project would include land preservation, environmental improvements, efficient transportation design, sign upgrades and safety enhancements in an effort to revitalize the participating communities along MD 36. An emphasis should be placed on aesthetic and functional improvements to the gateways at each town or city. Furthermore, at these gateways, pedestrian connectivity should be considered. As an example, in Frostburg at the intersection of US 40 and MD 36, a pedestrian disconnect exists between the residential/historic Main Street community and the newer commercial area. Examining opportunities for pedestrian improvements is an important component of the project, especially in this instance, as the regional high school is located at this intersection. The MD 36 Corridor Improvement Project would result in attractive gateways, improved safety, and an increased opportunity for future development, while revitalizing communities and conserving natural resources in Western Maryland.

10. Maryland Avenue Improvements between Short and Lamont Streets

This section of Maryland Avenue is the last section that must be improved to link the Rolling Mill and Virginia Avenue project. Improvement work includes street widening and resurfacing, retaining wall reconstruction and reinforcement, sidewalk improvements, and streetscaping.
11. MD 135 (Pratt Street) Pavement Improvements
   The Town of Luke requests that the State of Maryland, consider MD 135, also known as Pratt Street, for pavement repair. The Town would like to see this area improved for public safety, and to improve quality of service in the area by providing better road surfaces for general and industry-related freight traffic.

12. Park Avenue and Braddock Road Intersection and Approach Project
   A traffic study and conceptual plan was prepared in 2014 by Bennett, Brewer, and Associates, and was funded by Allegany County through the Cumberland Area MPO Unified Planning Work Program. The study examined pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular needs and a conceptual plan for intersection improvements addressing the issues identified. The City of Frostburg plans to seek funding to move forward with the design and construction phase(s) of the intersection improvements, as this intersection serves as a main gateway to the City via Braddock Road (MD 736), the intersection has a substantial amount of pedestrian traffic and all forms of traffic are expected to increase as enrollment at Frostburg State University is expected to grow 10 - 20% by 2020.

13. Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements to Industrial Boulevard
   Building upon previous coordination meetings between the City of Cumberland and SHA officials in 2011, design and implement bicycle and pedestrian improvements along both sides of Industrial Boulevard (MD Highway 51) between Winston Street (Canal Place) on the north and Mesick Road on the south. The improvements evaluated in the feasibility and design assessment would include, but not necessarily be limited to, a combination of dedicated bike lanes, shared lane bikeways, and bike boxes at key intersections as may be warranted and appropriate. This project is part of the City’s Grand Loop bicycling route as recommended in the 2008 Trails and Bikeways Master Plan, which is a component of the City’s Comprehensive Plan. The project is identified and described as an on-road facility that is part of the “Grand Loop.” It is identified as part of Goal A-9 of the plan and is depicted in the master plan map of the bikeway network in Appendix A. The project supports the City’s long-range plans to extend bicycling access for residents and visitors from the two regional bike trails that connect in Downtown Cumberland. The City considers this route to be an essential connection, since it is the only level route that provides a direct link between the downtown area and the other planned neighborhood bikeway routes in South Cumberland. The route is currently used occasionally by the Bicycling community and has been rated as dangerous for bicycling in its current condition.

14. Mechanic Street Access Road Improvements
   Mechanic Street from north of Bedford Street to I-68 (at Howard Street), the block of Bedford Street from North Centre Street to Mechanic Street and Baltimore Street from Mechanic Street to the scenic railroad crossing provide important economic and transportation linkage between the Central Business District of Cumberland and other major transportation routes, including I-68 and MD 51. The route also serves as a critical emergency traffic route for police, fire and ambulance service because the Public Safety Building is located at Bedford and Mechanic Streets. The City is interested in pursuing MPO, State, and/or Federal funding support for the necessary structural and streetscape improvements needed to effectively rehabilitate this corridor and position it to serve its growing traffic role as one of the city's most critical traffic arterials.

15. Mount Savage Road (MD 36) Streetscape
   Allegany County requests streetscape improvements on Mount Savage Road (MD 36) from New School Road to the intersection of Iron Rail Street at the east end of town. Improvements should consider pedestrian accommodations and furnishings, landscaping, and lighting. We feel these improvements will further revitalize the community of Mount Savage. We are aware of the challenges associated with the project, but are hopeful for any improvements that can be made along the state route.

   Thank you for your consideration of these transportation priorities in Allegany County. We look forward to a productive partnership with the Maryland Department of Transportation and to actively participate in the development of the CTP to plan and implement these projects.

   If you need any clarifications about our recommendations please contact us.

   Sincerely,
   The Board of Commissioners of Allegany County

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Enclosures:
Project Questionnaires, for all projects
Braddock Road MD 736 Access & Safety Improvement Project Phase II Map
Greene Street Streetscape Improvement Map
Corridor Management Project for MD 36 Map
Maryland 135 Safety Improvements Luke, Maryland Map
MD 936 - Grant Street Stormwater and Safety Improvements Project Map
Baltimore Street Bridge Rehabilitation Location Map

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Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Preliminary Engineering for US 220 National Highway System
2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County
3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County
4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Between Interstate 68 (I-68) along US 220 to Corridor H.
5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): NA
6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Allegany County supports to move forward with preliminary engineering for US 220. This represents Maryland's portion of a larger joint study from I-68 to Corridor H in West Virginia. The Tier II phase is underway consisting of detailed engineering work to determine the number of alternatives that will be considered. Through this process, alternatives will ultimately be narrowed down to one alignment. This corridor is a growing residential area with some strip commercial development. Many vacant buildable lots exist in the corridor that could be developed for residential use. The development of a multilane highway in this area would ease the current conflict between local and through traffic, and encourage economic vitality in Allegany County.
7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization's fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☒ No ☐ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is within and extended beyond the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.
8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: This project is consistent with the Cumberland Area Long Range Transportation Plan, and Allegany County's Comprehensive Plan.
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐
10) Smart Growth status and explanation: ______
11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☒Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.

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Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Currently, US 220 through Allegany County is a two lane road that parallels Dan's Mountain and the Potomac River. Along the road there are several residential communities and major employers for Allegany County. If the road is blocked due to an accident, congestion, or other emergency, there are no alternative routes to reroute traffic and there are only four point of major access to the road. An alternative highway would be beneficial from a safety and security point of view and to separate local and freight traffic.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The current two lane highway’s traffic volumes justify an improvement to the system. The development of a new highway would decrease travel time.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.
Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The development of a new multilane highway in the corridor would benefit the State and Allegany County by providing a safe, high capacity connection for north-south traffic.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The development of the highway would help Allegany to encourage businesses to move to the area and help bring jobs and revitalize Western Maryland’s economy.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Braddock Road/MD 736 Access and Safety Improvements Project - Phase II
2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County on behalf of the City of Frostburg
3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County
4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): The southernmost sector of MD 736 approaching I-68 in Frostburg at Exit 33; map attached.
5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): $1.9 million - ($1.775 million ARC)
6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Phase II improvements will widen, adjust the drainage, and install acceleration and deceleration lanes along Braddock Road from Interstate 68 Exit 33 to the entrance of the ABC at FSU. This project will realign the intersection of Winner’s View Terrace to be directly across from the Braddock Street intersection. Bicycle lanes will be constructed on both sides of the intersection to improve safety for bicyclists. State support is necessary to further progress toward Master Plan goals; the City has identified the need for this project to enhance safety of an exiting intersection along the State route. Furthermore, completion of this project establishes the required transportation infrastructure for planned economic development of the properties adjacent to Braddock Road. Design for the entire project in 98% complete; construction of the project is anticipated in 2015.
7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☑ No ☐
   Project located outside of MPO boundaries: This project is located within the Cumberland Area MPO.
8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☑ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: This project will facilitate commercial development in an area designated in the Frostburg Comprehensive Plan for commercial development.
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☑ No ☐
10) Smart Growth status and explanation: This project would facilitate development in an area with existing infrastructure within City limits and the PFA and thus aligns with Smart Growth goals.
11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security**: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and develop a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

- Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.

- Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This improvement project will create a safer intersection for both vehicles and bicyclists.

**Goal: System Preservation**: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation systems and assets.

- Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state of good repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

**Goal: Quality of Service**: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

- Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and service delivery methods.

- Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

- Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

- Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship**: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic and cultural resources.

- Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

- Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

- Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change and improve air quality.

- Objective: Support broader efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

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Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This project will facilitate commercial development on parcels of land that are currently not meeting their highest and best use. Vacant land that is suited for development is a very limited resource in Allegany County. This construction commercial development of this land will create up to 50 new jobs in the region.

12) Additional Comments/Explanations: This project will improve the safety of the intersection, and provide for a better travel experience for residents that live in the neighborhoods on Braddock Street and for the businesses and organizations that occupy the Allegany Business Center at Frostburg State University.
Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2015 to FY: 2019 CTP

1) Name of Project: Greene Street Rehabilitation & Streetscape Improvements

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: City of Cumberland/Cumberland Area MPO

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Greene Street, from Baltimore Street to the end of City Maintenance at I-68 Exit 42

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): Exact costs are unknown, but it is expected to exceed $5,000,000. A more specific and detailed cost estimate is being developed as part of the 2015 Greene Street Complete Street Plan, which is being financed through the Cumberland Area MPO.

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Greene Street is one of the city's oldest streets and is in need of extensive and long-deferred structural (base and subbase improvements), roadway surface rehabilitation, and pedestrian, bicycle, ADA, and streetscape upgrades. Greene Street, formally US Route 220 and prior to that it was part of the National Road, is in need of significant rehabilitation to handle the traffic on this West Side arterial street. Lack of local funds as well as any funds for road improvements have prevented the City from being able to do anything on this street since the days of Urban Systems Federal Aid sharing through the Maryland SHA. The portion of Greene Street between Baltimore Street and Lee Street has been redesignated as part of the National Road Scenic Byway, as part of its campaign to replace scenic byway signage along the route. The City is looking to implement the Greene Street Complete Street Plan to improve the corridor for all modes of transportation. The Greene Street Complete Street Plan (financed by the Cumberland Area MPO) is underway and is expected to be completed by Spring 2015. The plan provides a vision for a safer, more attractive and economically viable street spanning from Baltimore Street to the end of City Maintenance at I-68 Exit 42.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: Project is within the MPO Urbanized Area Boundaries and the City of Cumberland's Corporate Boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Action Item #7 in the Transportation Chapter of the City-Wide Element of the 2013 Cumberland Comprehensive Plan specifically directs the city to work with MDOT and Allegany County officials to secure and prioritize funding for a Complete Streets reconstruction of Greene Street. The rehabilitation of Greene Street is

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also recommended by the city’s Paremvent Management System, the updating and continuation of which is specifically recommended in Action Item #4 of the Transportation Chapter in the 2013 Cumberland Comprehensive Plan City-Wide Element.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: As one of the city’s most historic and critical traffic arteries, the economic health and sustainability of the city’s downtown business district and overall economic vitality depend upon the proper mainentance and improvement of Greene Street. It serves as one of the most critical gateways into downtown Cumberland and an important emergency traffic relief route for sections of I-68 when it is closed or blocked. The ability of Greene Street to serve these important functions will, to a significant degree, establish and determine the capacity of the central city to safely, effectively, and conveniently accommodate future growth and development.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security:** Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☒ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.

☒ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Greene Street is frequently forced to serve as an emergency traffic relief route for sections of I-68 when they are closed or blocked. The project is necessary to make sure the street can safely and effectively accommodate that role in addition to its independent utility as an important east/west traffic conduit for the city.

**Goal: System Preservation:** Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

☒ Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Bicycle, pedestrian, and ADA traffic demand on Greene Street is currently only marginally or indirectly accommodated. The city receives ongoing and frequent complaints regarding the need for improved travel comfort (pavement conditions), ADA access, and truck traffic and bicycle improvements to Greene Street. The street and streetscape have aged significantly and are in great need of rehabilitation.

**Goal: Quality of Service:** Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

☐ Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

☒ Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will greatly improve traffic flow, travel times, and convenience on Greene Street. It will also result in strategic bicycle and pedestrian improvements to encourage alternative modes of travel that would increase the street's utility and capacity to accommodate planned future urban growth and development.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Rehabilitating Greene Street, as proposed, will extend the useful lifespan of the street, thereby avoiding or extending the need for a bypass or alternative route to accommodate traffic growth and congestion relief. The project will improve opportunities for alternative modes of travel within the corridor, thereby minimizing future congestion from increases in local traffic. By making traffic travel more efficiently, the project would help reduce congestion delays, which contribute to greenhouse gas emissions.

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will improve traffic flow between the West Side neighborhoods and downtown Cumberland and will provide better opportunities for alternative transportation modes within the corridor. The project helps reinforce the current urban land use patterns that exist along Greene Street and will promote revitalization of the Greene Street commercial corridor, thereby supporting the founding principles of Smart Growth.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.
☑ Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

☐ Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will help reinforce and revitalize the downtown Central Business District and the historic Greene Street commercial district. By improving travel conditions along the corridor, the project will make delivery truck traffic flow better and more conveniently for essential local freight deliveries.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: MD 936 Grant Street Stormwater and Safety Improvement Project

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County on behalf of the City of Frostburg

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Grant Street (MD 936) - map attached.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): $2 million

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): The proposed project would include improvements to 1,300 linear feet of storm sewer to convey separated stormwater from Main Street (US 40) and Grant Street (MD 936) to a proper outfall. Currently, stormwater is collected in 13 inlets on Grant Street and Main Street near Grant Street and enters into a sanitary sewer. The design and construction of a new stormwater system by Maryland State Highway Administration is necessary in order for the City to be successful in eliminating combined sewer overflows, (CSOs). These 13 Maryland State Highway Administration inlets significantly contribute to Frostburg’s CSOs. The City is under an MDE Consent Decree and Court Order to eliminate its CSOs. The project should also improve the safety characteristics for motorists by removing excess sheet flow due to surface runoff during periods of heavy rain or major snow melts, as there is a steep grade from Main Street to the bottom of the hill near Blair Street. Additional safety and pedestrian enhancements such as ADA compliant sidewalks and crosswalks would be part of the project. Maryland SHA and the City are currently reviewing an MOU in which MD SHA will partner with the City of Frostburg in the completion of this project and provide the funding to address the aspects of the project for which MD SHA is responsible.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒

   Project located outside of MPO boundaries

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: This project will contribute to elimination of combined sewer overflows; the City is under a consent order to eliminate all CSOs by 2022. The City has made significant progress and in the Long-Term Control Plan and the Frostburg Comprehensive Plan identified CSO elimination as a priority that must be completed.
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☐ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: This project is located within the Municipal limits of the City and is within the PFA.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security:** *Enhance the safety of transportation system users and develop a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.*

☐ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
☒ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This project will add new stormwater infrastructure that will enhance road safety and will offer environmental benefits.

**Goal: System Preservation:** *Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation systems and assets.*

☒ Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state of good repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: By reducing stormwater on the roadway, motorist and pedestrian safety will be improved.

**Goal: Quality of Service.** *Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.*

☐ Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and service delivery methods.

☐ Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

☐ Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

☐ Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** *Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic and cultural resources.*

☒ Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

☐ Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This project will remove stormwater collected on Maryland State Highway's from the City's sewer system, which causes raw sewage to overflow into Sand Spring Run in heavy rain fall events.

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: 

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MD 936 - Grant Street Stormwater and Safety Improvements Project

Proposed Project Area

Illegal Storm Inlets (inflow directly to the sanitary sewer system contributing to the combined sewer overflows (CSOs))

1 inch = 200 feet
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: MD Route 135 Safety Improvements in Luke, Maryland

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Luke, Maryland

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Intersection improvements at Wagner Road (CO 0548) and MD 51, in south eastern Allegany County. See attached map.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): NA

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): MD Route 135 spanning from the MD 135 intersection with WV 46 (to Bloomington) to Westernport, is in need of improvements. These improvements include road geometry, drainage, lighting, safety signage, and surface rehabilitation. This portion of roadway is subject to industrial truck traffic from the NewPage Paper Mill. Widening and adjusting the roadway geometry for improved near Grant Street and the filter plant has been a major safety concern. The parts of the roadway which parallel a rock cliff are in need of improved lighting, and stormwater management. These improvements would reduce hazards and collisions to the approximate 6,000 vehicles which travel this portion of State Highway daily. The Town of Luke, Maryland and Allegany County find these improvements necessary to keep all vehicular and pedestrian traffic safe.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is outside of the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☑ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Improving system safety, efficiency of freight and are objectives in the local policies.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☐ No ☒

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: 

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☒Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.

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Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This improvement to the turn would reduce the number of freight and passenger collisions in this area.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers
If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

**Goal: Economic Prosperity:** Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

☑ Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

☐ Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This turn is located near the New Page paper mill, improving the safety of the roadway at this turn would improve the product supply, raw and finished, to and from the paper mill, helping the business continue to provide employment for people in Allegany County.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Allegany County Transit Operating Funding

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County Transit

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Allegany County Transit operates fixed route and demand response service in the Cumberland Urbanized Area and the municipalities along MD 36.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): $1.2 million - Federal Transit Administration 5307 and 5311 funds, and State SSTAP funds.

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Allegany County Transit operates fixed route service and ADA Demand Response in Allegany County, Maryland. The Transit’s mission is to provide the citizens and visitors of the Allegany County service area with safe, reliable, courteous, efficient and clean transportation. Continued support for operations funds will help us achieve our mission.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☒ No ☐ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The service is within the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Transit is a supported in the Cumberland Area Long Range Transportation Plan, the Transportation Element of the Allegany County Comprehensive Plans. The City of Frostburg and the City of Cumberland also recognizes Allegany County Transit’s function is important to both Frostburg State University and Allegany College of Maryland students and the senior and disabled populations. Allegany County Transit has adopted the 2012 Transit Development Plan outlining improvements to transit for the following four years.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: _____

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☐ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.

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Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The current system relies on the support of the State.

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Allegany County’s low-income, elderly and disabled population rely on our services to get to work, medical appointments (in the case of dialysis, it is life-saving), pharmacies, grocery shopping and many other activities. In most instances, they have no other affordable means of travel. Allegany County needs the operating funds to continue to maintain these quality-of-life services for its' citizens.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.
Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Allegany County Transit is in touch with the changes in Allegany County and adjust service, to support environmental, social and economic sustainability.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: ____

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1) Name of Project: Allegany County Transit Capital Funding
2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County Transit
3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County
4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Allegany County Transit operates fixed route and demand response service in the Cumberland Urbanized Area and the municipalities along MD 36.
5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): $826,000 Federal Transit Administration 5307 Capital funds, and State matching funds.
6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Allegany County Transit is requesting the following Capital Items in FY 2016 according to their capital planning: Four small replacement buses, one heavy duty replacement bus, Computer Hardware Upgrades, Office Equipment, Shop Equipment, Modern Facility Security System, and Vehicle Parking Addition.
7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The service is within the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.
8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: 
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐
10) Smart Growth status and explanation: 
11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☐ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
☒ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Allegany County Transit’s aging fleet is in need of replacement to continue providing reliable service to the passengers.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

☒ Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.
If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Allegany County Transit's aging fleet is in need of replacement to continue providing reliable service to the passengers.

**Goal: Quality of Service:** *Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland's transportation system.*

- [ ] Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
- [x] Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
- [ ] Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
- [ ] Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The capital items the transit is requesting will help us maintain our facility, fleet and quality of service.

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** *Ensure that the delivery of the State's transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland's natural, historic, and cultural resources.*

- [ ] Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.
- [ ] Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
- [ ] Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.
- [ ] Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____

**Goal: Community Vitality:** *Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.***

- [ ] Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.
- [ ] Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.
- [ ] Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____

**Goal: Economic Prosperity:** *Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.***

- [ ] Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.
- [ ] Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ____
12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Baltimore Street Bridge Rehabilitation

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: City of Cumberland/Cumberland Area MPO

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Baltimore Street Bridge over Wills Creek

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): $1,700,000 - SHA has assisted Cumberland in obtaining Federal Bridge Replacement Funds through a reallocation of local government funds from jurisdictions outside of Allegany County.

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): The City, County, and State have put effort into this project, but unfortunately the City is currently lacking the necessary local funds. The project is requested because the City is hopeful that local funds can be available in the future. The Baltimore Street Bridge over Wills Creek needs a total deck replacement. The bridge is a vital transportation link between the main downtown business district, the West Side residential area, suburban areas along U.S. Route 220 south in Allegany County. The bridge also handles relief traffic when sections of I-68 west of downtown Cumberland are closed or blocked.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☒ No ☐ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: Project is within the MPO Urbanized Area Boundaries and the City of Cumberland’s Corporate Boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Page 86 (Transportation Chapter) of the City-Wide Element of the 2013 Comprehensive Plan specifically notes that the Baltimore Street Bridge Deck was rated poor due to the 2009 Inspection Report due primarily to surface wear, cracks, and numerous patches, some of which have failed. The plan notes that the City has scheduled the bridge for deck, street surface, and sidewalk rehabilitation to correct the noted deficiencies.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: The project is located within the City’s Priority Funding Area. Cumberland is a Sustainable Community. Finally, the project serves a vital traffic role serving the city’s historic downtown business district.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

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Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☑ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
☑ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project is to rehabilitate an essential bridge crossing that serve regional traffic flows and is deteriorating.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

☑ Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Project will rehabilitate a critical bridge that is deteriorating.

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

☑ Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
☑ Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
☑ Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
☐ Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The Baltimore Street Bridge deck is deteriorating and is in need of rehabilitation. The bridge serves a critical emergency transportation relief role when sections of I-68 are closed or blocked.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

☑ Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.
☑ Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
☑ Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.
☑ Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: If the bridge is not rehabilitated, it will eventually (although not immediately) collapse into Wills Creek resulting in a direct impact on the environment (the Wills Creek habitat and the nearby North Branch of the Potomac River), potential loss of human life, and the need for a bypass route, which may lengthen average trip lengths (vehicle miles traveled)
and result in increased greenhouse gas emissions. The smart solution (which would ultimately conserve energy) would be to rehabilitate (properly maintain) the bridge, which is essential to serve an existing compact and historic urban development pattern (downtown Cumberland).

**Goal: Community Vitality:** *Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.*

- **Objective:** Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.
- **Objective:** Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.
- **Objective:** Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: As noted elsewhere in this project justification, the affected bridge is a critical regional and local transportation link and supports access to an existing urban and historic downtown area.

**Goal: Economic Prosperity:** *Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.*

- **Objective:** Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.
- **Objective:** Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: In fulfilling a critical traffic link with an existing urban and historic downtown area, the project represents a transportation investment that is consistent with PlanMaryland and will provide essential and continued traffic capacity in support of PlanMaryland's state objectives to concentrate future population and employment growth within existing urban communities.

12) **Additional Comments/Explanation:** _____
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: MD 36 Corridor Improvements

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County in partnership with the City of Frostburg, the Town of Midland, the Town of Lonaconing, the Town of Barton, and the Town of Westernport

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): The project corridor spans from the City of Frostburg's I-68 interchanges, exits #33 and #34, Frostburg's US 40 East and West Entrances, and MD 36 (New Georges Creek Road), in the vicinity of the US 40 alternate intersection near Mountain Ridge High School, to the intersection of MD 135 in Westernport. See attached map.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): NA

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Allegany County, in partnership with the City of Frostburg, and the Towns of Midland, Lonaconing, Barton, and Westernport, are requesting a Corridor Improvement Project for MD 36. The project would include land preservation, environmental improvements, efficient transportation design, signage and safety enhancements in an effort to revitalize the participating communities along MD 36. An emphasis is placed on enhanced pedestrian connectivity at each town and city. The secondary element of this project is on aesthetic and functional improvements to the gateways at each town or city. The MD 36 Corridor Improvement Project would result in safe pedestrian connectivity, attractive gateways, improved safety, and an increased opportunity for future development, and revitalizing communities in Western Maryland.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☒ No ☐ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is within and extended beyond the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: This transportation planning project would feature a future ‘growth area’ under the Municipal Growth Element of the Frostburg Comprehensive Plan, approved in August 2011. In an effort to revitalize the towns along MD 36 through the Georges Creek Basin, the adopted 2012 Georges Creek Regional Comprehensive Plan recommends to make gateway improvements, such as signage, along the main corridor at each town: Midland, Lonaconing, Barton, and Westernport.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: ______

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)
Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☐ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland's transportation system.
☐ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Safety improvements for pedestrian and other modes of transportation to the MD 36 corridor are would reduce the occurrence of accidents and improve the movement of people and goods.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State's existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

☐ Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland's transportation system.

☐ Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
☒ Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
☒ Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
☐ Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Gateway enhancements would improve customer experience and improvements to the corridor would improve reliability in the area.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State's transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland's natural, historic, and cultural resources.

☐ Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.
☐ Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
☐ Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.
☐ Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: 

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

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Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This project's goal is to support future growth in the corridor, as well as adding connectivity of pedestrians to improve mobility and integrated use.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Providing safe and reliable access for pedestrians, freight and other traffic is this project's goal. Which will also draw visitors and businesses to Allegany County bringing much needed job to Western Maryland.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: ______
MD 36 Corridor Improvements
Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Maryland Avenue between Short & Lamont Streets

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: City of Cumberland/Cumberland Area MPO

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Maryland Avenue between Short & Lamont Streets within the Cumberland City Limits

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): Exact costs are unknown, but expected to be in the range of $2,000,000

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): This section of Maryland Avenue represents the essential traffic link between the recently completed Rolling Mill (Maryland Avenue) and Virginia Avenue Corridor projects. Planned improvement work includes street widening and resurfacing, retaining wall reconstruction and reinforcement, ADA and sidewalk improvements, and streetscaping.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☒ No ☐ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: Project is within the MPO Urbanized Area Boundaries and the City of Cumberland’s Corporate Boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: The need for the project is specifically noted on page 84 of the Transportation Chapter in the City-Wide Element of the 2013 Cumberland Comprehensive Plan. The project is part of the city’s Pavement Management System program, the updating and continuation of which is specifically recommended in Action Item 4 of the Transportation Chapter.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: The city has made considerable infrastructure and corridor revitalization investments in the Rolling Mill and Virginia Avenue neighborhoods over the past decade. This section of Maryland Avenue is the final remaining street section that connects the two major corridor projects. Completing the project will result in an improved local transportation corridor between the downtown Cumberland Business District (at I-68) and the Virginia Avenue Business District (terminating at Industrial Boulevard). SHA is currently working on design plans to improve traffic circulation and flows at the Virginia Avenue/Industrial Boulevard intersection. This project will improve traffic circulation between the downtown area and South Cumberland business and residential communities, thereby reinforcing the established and historic urban development patterns of the city.

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11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security:** *Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.*

- Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
- Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Planned sidewalk and ADA improvements will improve pedestrian safety and the project will provide improved traffic circulation to and through the South Cumberland business and residential neighborhoods. The project will also provide improved local traffic connections to I-68 in the north and Industrial Boulevard (MD Route 51) in the south.

**Goal: System Preservation:** *Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.*

- Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This section of the corridor is the only remaining section that lacks street and pedestrian improvements.

**Goal: Quality of Service:** *Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.*

- Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
- Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
- Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
- Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will improve local traffic connectivity between the downtown Cumberland Central Business District and the Virginia Avenue business and residential neighborhoods. The project also complements and builds upon prior and ongoing highway transportation investments by the City and SHA. In so doing the project will improve traffic flows and circulation for all modes.

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** *Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.*

- Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.
- Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will expand transportation options within the corridor, reduce travel times and increase traffic efficiency, and help reduce traffic congestion by affording local traffic with alternative routes of travel to MD Route 51. As such, the project will help reduce congestion-related greenhouse gas emissions.

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will help improve access to and between the city's two main commercial districts, thereby improving connectivity for local business deliveries and reinforcing the city's established urban neighborhood pattern. The project will also complement recent revitalization efforts in South Cumberland. Finally, the project will reinforce recent and ongoing urban highway transportation investments within the corridor by the city and SHA.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: To the extent that the project provides improved local traffic circulation between the city's two main commercial districts and complements recent revitalization efforts in the Virginia Avenue Business District, it will contribute to the overall revitalization of the city and provide capacity for future growth and development of an established and historic urban development pattern in Cumberland.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: MD 135 (Pratt Street) Pavement Improvements
2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Luke, Maryland
3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County
4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): MD Route 135, also known as Pratt Street, the main corridor of Luke, Maryland. See attached map.
5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): NA
6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): The Town of Luke requests that the State of Maryland, consider MD Route 135, also known as Pratt Street, for pavement repair. The Town would like to see this area improved for public safety, and to improve quality of service in the area by providing better road surfaces for general passenger vehicles and industry related freight.
7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is outside of the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.
8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Transportation safety is a top priority in local transportation plans and policies.
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐
10) Smart Growth status and explanation: ______
11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☒Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
☒Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Improvements to the road surface will reduce the occurrence of accidents and improve customer service.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

☒Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Resurfacing this road will keep the existing infrastructure in a state-of-good repair.

Goal: Quality of Service: Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

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Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Improvements to road surface will help industry related traffic move through Luke.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
Project Questionnaire: Annual Request to Maryland DOT for Project Funding

Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Park Avenue and Braddock Road Intersection and Approach Project

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County on behalf of the City of Frostburg

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): The intersection of Braddock Road, Park Avenue, Bowery and Center Streets, and the adjacent blocks of these streets.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): unknown

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): A traffic study and conceptual plan was prepared in 2014 by Bennett, Brewer, and Associates, and was funded by Allegany County through the Cumberland Area MPO Unified Planning Work Program. The study examined pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular needs and a conceptual plan for intersection improvements addressing the issues identified. The City of Frostburg plans to seek funding to move forward with the design and construction phase(s) of the intersection improvements, as this intersection serves as a main gateway to the City via Braddock Road (MD 736), the intersection has a substantial amount of pedestrian traffic and all forms of traffic are expected to increase as enrollment at Frostburg State University is expected to grow 10 - 20% by 2020.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒

   Project located outside of MPO boundaries: Project is located within the MPO Boundaries

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: _____

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: This project aligns with the principles of smart growth as the final project outcome should result in a pedestrian friendly intersection, enhancing the walkability in the area. This project is located within the City of Frostburg and is within the PFA.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

   Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and develop a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

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Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland's transportation system.

Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: This intersection is heavily used and is in need of maintenance. Additional design improvements should be made to ensure pedestrian and vehicular safety.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State's existing transportation systems and assets.

Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state of good repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Braddock Road is a Maryland State Highway and improvements to Braddock Road at this intersection will ensure that this State-owned roadway is kept in good repair.

Goal: Quality of Service. Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland's transportation system.

Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: As students, City residents, and visitors pass through this intersection, ensuring safety and ease of use will lead to customer satisfaction.

Goal: Environmental Stewardship: Ensure that the delivery of the State's transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland's natural, historic and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.
Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: Maryland State Highway Administration, District 6, Frostburg State University, and the City of Frostburg provided input to the Braddock Road and Park Ave Intersection Approach Study. There is a large body of students that use this intersection to travel from off-campus housing to the University. Frostburg State University has a master plan that will affect traffic patterns in this area. The City, in response to State Planning initiatives, permit more mixed-use type development in the general vicinity, promoting economic development, but will also increase traffic movement within the area.
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Industrial Boulevard Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: City of Cumberland/Cumberland Area MPO

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Both Sides of Industrial Boulevard (MD Highway 51) between Winston Street (Canal Place) on the north and Messick Road on the south within the Cumberland City Limits

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): Unknown. A feasibility study was completed in 2013 by SHA which identified alternative improvement options that are ready for more detailed engineering.

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Sections of Industrial Boulevard in Cumberland currently have a level of service of F for bicycles, which are legally entitled to use the highway. Sidewalk and crosswalk facilities are provided in part, but may not be complete. In order to more properly comply with current Complete Streets standards and to ensure public safety for pedestrians and bicyclists seeking to utilize the corridor, additional improvements are needed.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☑ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is located within the City of Cumberland and the Urbanized Area for the Cumberland Area MPO. Although the project is specifically contained in the MPO’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan, it is a key bicycle link that is contained in the 2008 Cumberland Trails and Bikeways Master Plan, which is cross referenced in the 2012 Allegany County Bike Plan, which was financed through MPO Planning Funds.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☑ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: The project is specifically identified as a key element of the 2008 Cumberland Trails and Bikeways Master Plan, which is an adopted supporting document of the 2013 Cumberland Comprehensive Plan.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☑ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: Implementing a Complete Streets program to support alternative transportation modes (walking and biking) that promote healthy lifestyles, reduce vehicle trip lengths (vehicle miles traveled), reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and provide additional transportation capacity to support existing compact urban development patterns within the City of Cumberland is a

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fundamental principle of smart growth planning and is consistent with the stated objectives of PlanMaryland.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security:** Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

- Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland's transportation system.
- Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Sections of Industrial Boulevard (Maryland Route 51) are currently rated F for Bicycle Level of Service. Providing expanded options for alternative modes of transportation will increase the utility of the existing transportation investment as well as free up capacity for future safe traffic operations.

**Goal: System Preservation:** Preserve and maintain the State's existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

- Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will provide new capacity for bicycle traffic on Industrial Boulevard that currently is not adequately served and will help bring the facility into compliance with Complete Streets standards.

**Goal: Quality of Service:** Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland's transportation system.

- Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
- Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
- Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
- Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: By better serving alternative modes of travel, the project will provide greater transportation satisfaction for pedestrians and bicyclists as well as provide transportation options that may help relieve traffic congestion.

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** Ensure that the delivery of the State's transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland's natural, historic, and cultural resources.

- Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland's natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.
Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: By providing capacity for healthier modes of travel that do not contribute greenhouse gas emissions and lower vehicle miles traveled, the project will enhance the overall environment and promote improved health for the traveling public.

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland's existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Industrial Boulevard was identified as a critical transportation link between the South Cumberland neighborhoods and downtown Cumberland for alternative modes of travel in the 2008 Cumberland Trails and Bikeways Master Plan.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: By providing critical safe transportation facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists, the project will promote a safer and more efficient flow of traffic along Industrial Boulevard.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: _____
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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

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1) Name of Project: Mechanic Street Access Road Improvements

2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: City of Cumberland/Cumberland Area MPO

3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County

4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Mechanic Street from north of Bedford Street to I-68 (at Howard Street), the block of Bedford Street from North Centre Street to Mechanic Street and Baltimore Street from Mechanic Street to the scenic railroad crossing provide important economic and transportation linkage between the Central Business District of Cumberland and other major transportation routes, including I-68 and MD 51.

5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): Total Estimate is $917,670.00 of which $640,000 is anticipated from ARC.

6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): The roads that are part of this project provide important economic and transportation linkage between the Central Business District of Cumberland and other major transportation paths, including Interstate 68, route 51. The route also serves as a critical emergency traffic route for police, fire and ambulance service because the Public Safety Building is located at Bedford and Mechanic Streets. The City is interested in pursuing MPO, State, and/or Federal funding support for the necessary structural and streetscape improvements needed to effectively rehabilitate this corridor and position it to serve its growing traffic role as one of the city’s most critical traffic arterials.

7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: Project is within the MPO Urbanized Area Boundaries and the City of Cumberland’s Corporate Boundaries.

8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: The rehabilitation of Mechanic Street is recommended by the city’s Paremvent Mangeement System, the updating and continuation of which is specifically recommended in Action Item #4 of the Transportation Chapter in the 2013 Cumberland Comprehensive Plan City-Wide Element.

9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐

10) Smart Growth status and explanation: As one of the City’s most critical traffic arteries, the economic health and sustainability of the City’s downtown business district and overall economic vitality depend upon the proper mainentance and improvement of Mechanic Street. It serves as one of the most critical gateways into downtown Cumberland from Route 51 and Route I 68. This road provides vital access to

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the Central Business District and to the Canal Preservation Authority, the Western Maryland Senic Railroad and the C&O Canal.

11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

**Goal: Safety and Security:** *Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.*

- Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
- Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Mechanic Street provides a critical link between both direction of I 68, Route 51 and the downtown area. It is also a critical link to the Cumberland Central Fire Station located at Bedford Street.

**Goal: System Preservation:** *Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.*

- Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Bicycle, pedestrian, and ADA traffic demand on Mechanic Street is currently only marginally or indirectly accommodated. Mechanic Street and Baltimore Street provide linkage with Western Maryland Railroad Station and the Great Allegheny Passage and other transportation facilities including Amtrak and the Greater Cumberland Airport via Route 51 and Route 61.

**Goal: Quality of Service:** *Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.*

- Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.
- Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.
- Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.
- Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will greatly improve traffic flow, travel times, and convenience in downtown Cumberland. It will also result in strategic bicycle and pedestrian improvements to encourage alternative modes of travel that would increase the street’s utility and capacity to accommodate planned future urban growth and development.

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** *Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.*

- Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

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Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Rehabilitating Mechanic Street as proposed, will extend the useful lifespan of the street, thereby avoiding or extending the need for a bypass or alternative route to accommodate traffic growth and congestion relief. The project will improve opportunities for alternative modes of travel within the corridor, thereby minimizing future congestion from increases in local traffic. By making traffic travel more efficiently, the project would help reduce congestion delays, which contribute to greenhouse gas emissions.

Goal: Community Vitality: Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will improve traffic flow between the South End, West Side and North End neighborhoods and downtown Cumberland and will provide better opportunities for alternative transportation modes within the corridor.

Goal: Economic Prosperity: Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.

Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will help reinforce and revitalize the downtown Central Business District and the Canal Preservation Authority. By improving travel conditions along the corridor, the project will make delivery truck traffic flow better and more conveniently for essential local freight deliveries. In addition, by enhancing the vehicular access capabilities within the Central Business District of Cumberland, this project will provide more efficient connections between existing attractions/assets along Baltimore Street and within Canal Place. This improved connectivity and enhancement of the transportation routes will enable and encourage further development of Canal Place and in particular the Footers Dye Works building.

12) Additional Comments/Explanation:______

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Please provide the following information for each major capital project priority identified

FY: 2016 to FY: 2020 CTP

1) Name of Project: Mount Savage Road (MD 36) Streetscape
2) Submitting Jurisdiction/Modal Agency: Allegany County
3) Project Jurisdiction/County: Allegany County
4) Project limits (attach map if available and applicable): Streetscape improvements on Mount Savage Road (MD 36) from New School Road to the eastern entrance of Iron Rail Street, in western Allegany County. See attached map.
5) Anticipated cost and funding source (approximate if available): NA
6) Description of project purpose and need (up to one paragraph): Allegany County requests streetscape improvements on Mount Savage Road (MD 36) from New School Road to the intersection of Iron Rail Street at the east end of town. Improvements should consider pedestrian accommodations and furnishings, landscaping, and lighting. We feel these improvements will further revitalize the community of Mount Savage. We are aware of the challenges associated with the project, but are hopeful for any improvements that can be made along the state route.
7) Is the project contained within the local Metropolitan Planning Organization’s fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒ Project located outside of MPO boundaries: The project is outside of the Cumberland Area MPO boundaries.
8) Is the project consistent with the local land use plans? Yes ☒ No ☐ Describe specifics on how the project supports the local land use plan goals, objectives and/or policies: Allegany County transportation goals and objectives rely on a safe and secure transportation network.
9) In county priority letter? Yes ☒ No ☐
10) Smart Growth status and explanation: ____
11) Please indicate which of the following Maryland Transportation Plan goals and objectives are served by the requested project investment (mark each goal served by the project and relevant objectives within each goal)

Goal: Safety and Security: Enhance the safety of transportation system users and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

☐ Objective: Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland’s transportation system.
☒ Objective: Provide secure transportation infrastructure, assets and operations for the safe movement of people and goods.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: The project will examine the safety of pedestrians at crossings in this narrow corridor.

Goal: System Preservation: Preserve and maintain the State’s existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

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Objective: Preserve and maintain State-owned or supported roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state-of-good-repair.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: _____

**Goal: Quality of Service:** Maintain and enhance the quality of service experienced by users of Maryland’s transportation system.

Objective: Increase the efficiency of transportation service delivery through the use of systems, processes, partnerships, technologies and improved service delivery methods.

Objective: Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across modes.

Objective: Seek to maintain or improve travel time reliability for key transportation corridors and services.

Objective: Continue to apply enhanced technologies to improve the transportation system and to communicate with the traveling public.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Provides community revitalization with streetscape features and pedestrian safety.

**Goal: Environmental Stewardship:** Ensure that the delivery of the State’s transportation infrastructure program conserves and enhances Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

Objective: Limit the impacts of transportation on Maryland’s natural environment through impact avoidance, minimization and mitigation.

Objective: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

Objective: Implement transportation initiatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, and improve air quality.

Objective: Support broader efforts to improve health of Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy, and address the impacts of climate change.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Water quality technies will be used in the development of streetscape project.

**Goal: Community Vitality:** Provide options for the movement of people and goods that support communities and quality of life.

Objective: Better coordinate transportation investments and land use planning to support the environmental, social and economic sustainability of Maryland’s existing communities and planned growth areas.

Objective: Enhance transportation networks and choices to improve mobility and accessibility, and to better integrate with land use.

Objective: Increase and enhance transportation connections to move people and goods within and between activity centers.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: Project will accommodate pedestrian movement in the corridor to enhance the community.

**Goal: Economic Prosperity:** Support a healthy and competitive Maryland economy.
☐ Objective: Improve the movement of freight and support growth in the flow of goods within and through Maryland.

☐ Objective: Facilitate opportunities for growth in jobs and business across the State.

If checked, please describe how the project supports the goal and objectives: ______

12) Additional Comments/Explanation: ______
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Map Features
- US Interstates
- US Highways
- Maryland Highways
- Local Roads
- Streams, Rivers, and Lakes
- Project Area
- Municipalities
- Cumberland Urbanized Area
- Area of Concern

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