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July 30, 2025

Ms. Valeriya Remezova Division Administrator Attn: Ms. Jasmine Champion Federal Highway Administration Maryland Division George H. Fallon Federal Building 31 Hopkins Plaza, Suite 1520 Baltimore MD 21201

Ms. Terry Garcia Crews Regional Administrator Attn: Mr. Daniel Koenig Federal Transit Administration, Region III 1835 Market Street, Suite 1910 Philadelphia PA 19103-2968

Dear Ms. Remezova and Ms. Crews:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby requests approval of an amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2028 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for a project that was amended into the FY 2025-2028 Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on July 22, 2025, and on behalf of Harford County, Maryland.

This action reflects the programmed expenditures from FY 2025, and through FY 2027 for the Harford Transit LINK New Operations Center Facility (TIP ID #15-2503-66). The BRTB approved Resolution #26-1 to support this change to the FY 2025-2028 TIP. This project also appears in the new and approved FY 2026-2029 BRTB TIP.

Project Name	STIP#	Funding Source	FY25-FY28 Net Federal Change (in 000's)
Harford Transit LINK New Operations Center Facility	15-2503-66	5339	\$55,832,309

The MDOT has assigned Control #25-24 for this amendment to the STIP, and the supporting documentation is attached.

Mr. Valeriya Remezova Ms. Terry Garcia Crews Page Two

Should you have additional questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Dan Janousek at 410-865-1098, toll free 888-713-1414 or via e-mail at djanousek@mdot.state.md.us, of course, feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Dan Janousek

Regional Planner

Dan Janousek

Office of Planning Programming Project Delivery (OPPPD)

Attachments

cc: Ms. Kari Snyder, Regional Planner, OPPPD, MDOT

Mr. Shawn Keirnan, Regional Planner, OPPPD, MDOT

#### **BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

## BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD RESOLUTION #26-1

# AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2028 BALTIMORE REGION TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urban Area, and includes official representatives of the cities of Annapolis and Baltimore, the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, and Queen Anne's as well as representatives of the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of the Environment, the Maryland Department of Planning, the Maryland Transit Administration, and the RTA of Central Maryland; and

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its July 23, 2024 meeting, with federal approval on August 8, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, federal regulations require that all transportation-related projects must be listed in the approved Transportation Improvement Program with accurate funding schedules in order to be eligible for federal funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Improvement Program consists of projects included in, and in support of, the region's long-range transportation plan and ongoing short-range planning efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Harford County has requested approval of one amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

**WHEREAS**, Harford County is requesting to amend the FY 2025-2028 TIP to add a new project, the Harford Transit LINK New Operations Facility. This project will replace the legacy operations and maintenance center in Abingdon with a new facility in Aberdeen. Harford County is adding \$65.7 million in federal 5339 funds and local matching funds in FY 2025-2027 to support the project. The total estimated cost for the project is \$66.0 million; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Improvement Program, as amended, continues to display financial reasonableness and re-affirms the appropriate project selection criteria whereby all federal requirements are met; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects are consistent with the federal emphasis on performancebased planning and programming, specifically the federal requirements pertaining to transit safety and maintaining transit assets in a state of good repair; and WHEREAS, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined that this project is exempt according to the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93); and

**WHEREAS,** the proposed Transportation Improvement Program amendment was presented to the Technical Committee on July 1, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the attached amendments to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region and finds them to conform to the applicable Maryland State Implementation Plan and requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region approved the aforementioned resolution on July 22, 2025.

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Date	Trey Dickerson, Chair
	Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

#### MARYLAND STATEWIDE TIP FY 2025-2028 MDOT STIP # SUMMARY TABLE Current Funding Level (000s) Amendment Criteria Conformity Status **Environmental Status** Harford Transit LINK New Operations Center Facility Exempt N/A - \$ Net Funding Change (000s) Administration Harford County, Maryland BRTB N/A 55,832,309 \$ 9,852,761 \$ Harford Transit LINK, the direct operator in the Bel Air-Aberdeen, MD UZA is replacing the legacy operations and maintenance center in Abingdon with a new facility on property Harford County Maryland has acquired in Aberdeen, Maryland. Justification The existing Operations and Maintenance Facility is no longer meeting current needs or is prepared for the future. FY 2025 FY 2026 FY 2027 FY 2028 STIP/TIP Amendment Criteria Total Current \$ \$ \$ \$ A) Adds new individual projects to the current STIP (000s)Federa B) Increase/decrease, scope change, advance, delay, or phase change State/Local C) Removes or deletes individual listed project from the STIP Proposed Total \$ 5,641,145 \$ 2,932,744 \$ 57.111.181 \$ 65.685.070 □ D) Other (000s)Federal 4,794,973 \$ 2,492,832 48,544,504 \$ 55,832,309 State/Local 846,172 439,912 8,566,677 \$ 9,852,761 MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Change Total \$ 5.641.145 \$ 2,932,744 \$ 57,111,181 \$ 65,685,070 (000s)Federal 4,794,973 \$ 2,492,832 48,544,504 \$ 55,832,309 State/Local 846,172 \$ 439.912 8.566.677 \$ 9.852.761 FY 2025 FY 2026 FY 2027 TOTAL Current FY 2028 Phase State/Local State/Local State/Local Funding State/Local Total State \$ \$ Federal \$ \$ PΕ State \$ \$ Federal \$ RW State Federal \$ CO State \$ \$ Federal \$ \$ \$ Total FY 2027 FY 2028 TOTAL Proposed FY 2025 FY 2026 Phase Funding State/Local Federal State/Local Federa State/Local Federal State/Local ederal State/Local Tota State \$ Federal PE 846,172 846.172 846,172 State \$ \$ \$ \$ 5339 4.794.973 4.794.973 \$ 4.794.973 \$ \$ RW/OTH State 439,912 439,912 \$ 439,912 \$ 5339 2,492,832 2,492,832 2,492,832 \$ CO State \$ \$ 8,566,677 \$ \$ 8,566,677 \$ 8,566,677 5339 48.544.504 \$ 48.544.504 48 544 504 \$ \$ Total 4,794,973 \$ 846,172 \$ 2,492,832 \$ 439,912 48,544,504 \$ 8,566,677 55,832,309 \$ 9,852,761 \$ 65,685,070 FY 2027 FY 2028 TOTAL Change FY 2025 FY 2026 State/Local Phase State/Local State/Local State/Local Federal State/Local Total Fundina Federal Federal Federal Federal State \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ Federal PΕ 846,172 State \$ 846,172 846,172 5339 4,794,973 4,794,973 4,794,973 \$ \$ 439.912 RW/OTH State \$ \$ 439.912 \$ 439.912 5339 \$ 2,492,832 \$ \$ 2,492,832 \$ 2,492,832 8,566,677 \$ CO State 8,566,677 8,566,677 5339 48.544.504 \$ 48,544,504 \$ \$ \$ 48.544.504 4.794.973 \$ 846.172 \$ 2.492.832 \$ 439.912 \$ 48.544.504 8.566.677 \$ 55.832.309 \$ 9.852.761 \$ 65.685.070 Total TOTAL PROJECT COST Prior Cost (≤ FY 2024) STIP Cost (FY 2025-2028) Balance to Complete (≥ FY 2029) **Total Project Cost** 55,832,309 Federal 55,832,309 ederal Federal \$ \$ Federal \$ State/Loca State/Local 9,852,761 State/Local State/Local 9,852,761 65,685,070 Total 65,685,070 Total Total Total



July 23, 2025

Mr. Geoff Anderson, Chief Office of Planning, Programming, and Delivery Attn: Mr. Dan Janousek Maryland Department of Transportation 7201 Corporate Center Drive Hanover, MD 21076-1415

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Enclosed is one amendment to the 2025-2028 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as approved by the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) on July 22, 2025. The documentation enclosed support changes to the 2025-2028 TIP for one Harford County project.

#### Harford Transit LINK New Operations Center Facility: 15-2503-66

This amendment was presented to the Technical Committee and the Interagency Consultation Group (ICG) on July 1, 2025. The ICG has determined this project to be exempt according to the conformity rule.

Harford County has affirmed that fiscal constraint for their program of projects remains intact and have made a commitment to the match required.

Pursuant to the prescribed TIP amendment process MOU signed in 2014, the BRTB approved Resolution #26-1 to support this change to the 2025-2028 TIP.



If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Todd R. Lang, Director Transportation Planning

#### **Enclosures**

cc: Mr. Gary Blazinsky, Harford Transit LINK

Mr. Tim Bouchier, Harford County DP&Z

Ms. Erika Falk, MDOT MTA

Ms. Jodi Glock, Harford Transit LINK

Mr. Albert Guiney Engel, MDOT MTA

Ms. Kisha Joyner, MDOT MTA

Mr. Matt Kropp, Harford County

Mr. Alex Rawls, Harford County DP&Z

Ms. Jamie Richardson, MDOT MTA

Ms. Kari Snyder, MDOT



#### Summary of FY 2025-2028 TIP Changes

	This amendment to the FY 2025-		Change
LINK New Operations Center Facility: 15-2505-66	2028 TIP will add the Harford Transit LINK New Operations Facility project. This amendment will add \$5.64M (\$4.79M federal/\$0.85M matching) in Engineering funds in FY 2025, \$2.93M (\$2.49M federal/\$0.44M matching) in Other funds in FY 2026, and \$57.11M (\$48.54M federal/\$8.57 matching) in Construction funds in FY 2027. The total estimated cost is \$65.69M.	Harford Transit LINK, the direct operator in the Bel Air-Aberdeen, MD UZA is seeking support to replace the legacy operations and maintenance center in Abingdon with a new facility on property Harford County Maryland has acquired in Aberdeen. The purchase of this property in the amount of \$32 million is the demonstrated commitment and portion of matching funds required for this design, engineer and build project. Additionally, matching funds will be appropriated annually through the budget process.  This application builds on the initial County investment of land acquisition and \$9.8 million future matching funds and multi-departmental in-kind support.	Amendment Resolution #26-1

### 15-2503-66 - Harford Transit LINK New Operations Center Facility

Agency	Harford County
Year of Operation	2030
Project Category	Environmental/Safety
Project Type	Safety other (E/S)
Conformity	Exempt
Functional Classification	NA
CIP ID	-
CTP ID	-
Route/Road Name	NA
Length	NA
Existing Lanes	NA
Proposed Lanes	NA
Estimated Total Cost	\$66,000,000



Project Description	Harford Transit LINK, the direct operator in the Bel Air-Aberdeen, MD UZA is seeking support to replace the legacy operations and maintenance center in Abingdon with a new facility on property Harford County Maryland has acquired in Aberdeen. The purchase of this property in the amount of \$32 million is the demonstrated commitment and portion of matching funds required for this design, engineer and build project. Additionally, matching funds will be appropriated annually through the budget process.  This application builds on the initial County investment of land acquisition and \$9.8 million future matching funds and multidepartmental in-kind support.
Project Benefits	The existing Operations and Maintenance Facility is no longer meeting current needs or is prepared for the future. The current location and facilities lack resources and infrastructure to continue to support the growth of transit services in Harford County. This facility operates on a septic system which has malfunctioned and failed, the parking lot can only accommodate the revenue vehicle fleet and not employee parking and visitor parking challenges are also present. The age of the system is making finding parts almost impossible. A new roof is required to remain in the current location.
Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals	6.A Improve System Security Provide security-related features at transit facilities or on transit vehicles 2.C Improve and Maintain the Existing Infrastructure Maintain/replace transit vehicles 7.A Promote Prosperity and Economic Opportunity Coordinate land use decisions and transportation planning with cost of transportation

#### **NEW**

Phase	Fund Source	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Total
ENG	5339	\$4,794,973	-	-	-	\$4,794,973
ENG	Local	\$846,172	-	-	-	\$846,172
Total ENG		\$5,641,145	-	-	-	\$5,641,145
ОТН	5339	-	\$2,492,832	-	-	\$2,492,832
ОТН	Local	-	\$439,912	-	-	\$439,912
Total OTH		-	\$2,932,744	-	-	\$2,932,744
CON	5339	-	-	\$48,544,504	-	\$48,544,504
CON	Local	-	-	\$8,566,677	-	\$8,566,677
Total CON		-	-	\$57,111,181	-	\$57,111,181
Active TIP Years		\$5,641,145	\$2,932,744	\$57,111,181	-	\$65,685,070
Total Programmed		\$5,641,145	\$2,932,744	\$57,111,181	-	\$65,685,070

#### ROBERT G. CASSILLY Harford County Executive

ROBERT S. McCORD Director of Administration



### MATTHEW KROPP Acting Director of Planning & Zoning

June 12, 2025

Mr. Todd Lang Director, Transportation Division Baltimore Metropolitan Council 1500 Whetstone Way, Suite 300 Baltimore, Maryland 21230 Attention: Ms. Ndemazea Fonkem

Amendment to the FY 2025-2028 TIP for Harford Transit LINK Operations Center Facility RE:

Dear Mr. Lang:

Harford County is requesting an amendment to the FY 2025-2028 TIP for the Harford Transit LINK Operations, Maintenance and Fueling Facility Replacement Project. Engineering/design funds for this project are being included for FY 2025, other funds are being included in FY 2026, and construction funds are being included in FY 2027. Harford County is requesting an update to the TIP because we are applying for FY 2025 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Grant. Without the project being the TIP, it reduces the likelihood of receiving federal funds. This requested TIP amendment is being made to accurately reflect the current funding for this project.

The Transportation Improvement Program continues to be fiscally constrained. If you have any questions, please contact Alex Rawls, (410) 638-3136 or Jodi Glock, Transit Manager, Harford Transit LINK (410) 612-1620, extension 7473.

Sincerely

Matt Kropp

Acting Director of Planning and Zoning

ON SEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR

AR/jf Attach:

CC:

Gary Blazinsky, Administrator, Harford Transit LINK Jodi Glock, Transit Manager, Harford Transit LINK

Tim Bouchier, Chief of Current Planning, Department of Planning and Zoning

Alex Rawls, Chief of Long-Range Planning, Department of Planning and Zoning