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April 26, 2013

Secretary Tony Tata
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Attention: Mike Bruff, PE
1554 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1554

Dear Secretary Tata:

**SUBJECT: Mecklenburg-Union MPO Transportation Improvement Program
TIP Amendments: Locally-Administered Projects.**

The Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MUMPO) recently completed an assessment of Transportation Improvement Program projects administered by local governments. The assessment's purpose was to ensure that the proposed projects were still supported by the responsible jurisdictions and were being implemented in a timely manner. This process resulted in a number of TIP amendments, as shown on the attached documents.

Please find enclosed an amendment resolution and supporting material for the FY 2012-2018 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program dated July 20, 2011. The amendments were adopted by the MPO on April 17, 2013.

Sincerely:

Sarah McAulay
Chairwoman
Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization

cc: John Collett, Board of Transportation, w/enclosure
Jack Flaherty, Public Transportation Division, w/enclosure
Lauren Blackburn, AICP, Division of Bicycle & Pedestrian Transportation, w/enclosure
Calvin Leggett, PE, Program Development Branch, w/enclosure
Van Argabright, PE, Program Development Branch, w/enclosure
Jamal Alavi, PE, Transportation Planning Branch, w/enclosure
Terry Arellano, PE, Transportation Planning Branch, w/enclosure
Anil Panicker, Transportation Planning Branch, w/enclosure



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TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO Delegates & Alternates
FROM: Robert Cook, AICP
MUMPO Secretary
DATE: April 9, 2013
SUBJECT: **2012-2018 TIP Amendments**
Locally-Administered Projects

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve amendments to the 2012-2018 TIP to reallocate Surface Transportation Program-Direct Attributable (STP-DA) and Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

At its April 4, 2013 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO approve the TIP amendments as presented.

BACKGROUND

Staff and the TCC began a process in October 2012 to assess the viability of locally-administered projects funded with Surface Transportation Program-Direct Attributable (STP-DA) and Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. The process began with asking project sponsors to complete a project status form. Following the November 16 status form submittal deadline, a series of Wednesday Transportation Staff meeting discussions was held to further examine the status of individual projects and to determine if they should remain funded projects or be removed from the TIP. The following determinations were made at the March 13, 2013 meeting:

Increase Project Funding Due to Cost Increases

- U-5108: Northcross Drive Extension
This project is currently funded for construction only. Cornelius has requested that the TIP amendment allow for funding to be allocated for right-of-way (ROW) acquisition also.
- U-5114: US 21/Gilead Road intersection improvements
- U-5115: NC 51/Idlewild Road intersection improvements
This project is currently funded for construction only. Matthews has requested that the TIP amendment allow for funding to be allocated for right-of-way (ROW) acquisition also.
- C-4957: Indian Trail Sidewalk Projects

Fully Fund Projects

- C-5538: Construct roundabout at Tuckaseegee & Berryhill Roads

This project was only partially funded during the 2010 Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) funding cycle. The recommendation is to fully fund the project using funds from CMAQ project C-5535 (listed below) that is proposed to be deleted from the TIP.

Remove Project from TIP Due to Lack of Sponsor Support or Lack of Immediate Need

- U-5113: Multi-use parking deck
- U-5110: Construct new road, US 74 to Stevens Mill Road
This project has been incorporated into the design of the Monroe Parkway.
- U-5111: Widen Wilgrove-Mint Hill Road, NC 51 to Nelson Road
- C-5535: Intersection improvements, Brookshire Blvd and Lawton Road
- C-5109: Clean School Bus Initiative

The attached spreadsheet provides additional information.

ATTACHMENTS

Recommended TIP amendments.

Proposed TIP Amendments
Locally-Administered Projects
Recommended for MPO by the TCC, April 4, 2013

TIP #	Project Description	Jurisdiction	Funding Source	Recommended Action	Current Funding	Proposed Additional Funding	Proposed Total Funding
U-5113	Multi-use parking deck	Davidson	STP-DA	Remove from TIP, project no longer supported by town	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0
U-5108	Northcross Drive Extension	Cornelius	STP-DA	Increase funding; allow funds to be used for ROW and construction	\$3,600,000	\$2,120,000	\$5,720,000
U-5114	US 21/Gilead Road intersection improvements	Huntersville	STP-DA	Increase funding	\$2,500,000	\$1,100,000	\$3,600,000
U-5110	Construct new road, US 74 to Stevens Mill Road	Stallings	STP-DA	Remove from TIP, project no longer needed as separate project	\$1,600,000	\$0	\$0
U-5115	NC 51/Idlewild Road intersection improvements	Matthews & Mint Hill	STP-DA	Increase funding; allow funds to be used for ROW and construction	\$400,000	\$900,000	\$1,300,000
U-5111	Widen Wilgrove-Mint Hill Road, NC 51 to Nelson Road	Mint Hill	STP-DA	Remove from TIP, project no longer supported by town	\$520,000	\$0	\$0
C-5538	Construct roundabout, Tuckasegee & Berryhill Roads	Charlotte	CMAQ	Increase funding	\$729,000	\$1,118,000	\$1,847,000
C-5535	Intersection improvements, Brookshire Blvd and Lawton Road	Charlotte	CMAQ	Remove from TIP, project no longer supported by city	\$1,118,000	\$0	\$0
C-5109*	Clean School Bus Initiative	CMS & Union County	CMAQ	Remove from TIP, project not supported by CMS	\$286,666	\$0	\$0
C-4957	Indian Trail Sidewalk Projects	Indian Trail	CMAQ	Increase funding	\$1,327,000	\$286,666	\$1,613,666
*The original funding level was \$436,666, of which only \$150,000 was used for the original project.							

RESOLUTION
ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE MECKLENBURG-UNION URBAN AREA
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR FY 2012- FY 2018

A motion was made by James Taylor and seconded by Chuck Travis for the adoption of the resolution and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MUMPO) has reviewed the current FY 2012-FY 2018 Transportation Improvement Program and found the need to amend it; and

WHEREAS, the amendments to the North Carolina Transportation Improvement Program are listed on the attached sheet identified as Attachment A; and

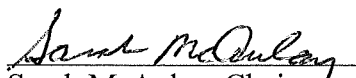
WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee voted to recommend that the MPO approve the TIP amendments; and

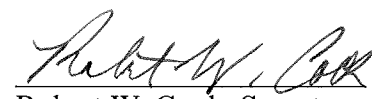
WHEREAS, the MPO finds that the proposed amendment conforms to the purpose of the North Carolina State Implementation Plan for maintaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in accordance with 40 CFR 51 and 93; and

WHEREAS, the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan has a planning horizon year of 2035 and meets all requirements of 23 CFR 450.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization that the FY 2012-FY 2018 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program for the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area be amended as listed above on this the 17th day of April, 2013.

I, Sarah McAulay, Chairman of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, duly held on this the 17th day of April, 2013.


Sarah McAulay, Chair


Robert W. Cook, Secretary

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