

RE FFY10 STIP Amd #5 Adj #5.txt

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Subject: RE: FFY10 STIP Amd #5 & Adj #5

Information regarding FY2010 STIP amendment #5/adjustment #5 has been reviewed. The request was transmitted via e-mail on December 11, 2009, and a hard copy was received on December 14, 2009. The amendment involves two FHWA-administered projects (UPC #s T8745 and 77600) and changes to the funding of three project groupings ('Preventative Maintenance and System Preservation' in Tri-Cities and 'Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements' and 'Preventative Maintenance and System Preservation' in non-MPO areas). The adjustment includes the movement of funding for one FHWA-administered project (UPC # 93525) from FY2009 to FY2010. With the exception of one project (UPC # 77600), the projects and project groupings covered by this amendment/adjustment include ARRA funding. Finally, two FTA-administered projects are being adjusted (UPC #s T4186 and T4210). None of the projects will be administered jointly by FHWA and FTA.

The amendment involves projects in the Tri-Cities area which is part of the Richmond ozone maintenance area. The projects affected by the amendment are exempt from conformity and will not affect conformity analysis for the region.

Similar to other STIP amendments involving ARRA projects the last couple of months, planned obligations exceed VDOT's projected obligation authority for ARRA funding. Based on previous communications, it is FHWA's understanding that this approach is being taken because some of the estimates on projects previously amended to the STIP for ARRA funding are coming in high and VDOT is considering withdrawing these projects or reducing their scope. Meanwhile, there is a need for VDOT to certify new projects for ARRA funding as quickly as possible before the March 2, 2010 redistribution of unobligated ARRA funds. Accordingly, VDOT has asked FHWA to approve these amendments involving ARRA projects based on a commitment that the total planned obligations will be reconciled with the projected obligation authority for ARRA funding by March 2, 2010, and that any additional coordination that is required with affected MPOs will take place at the appropriate time.

Based on the foregoing and in an effort to be as flexible as possible with respect to ARRA funding, STIP amendment FY 2010-#5 is approved today, December 14, 2009. This amendment is approved with the understanding that VDOT will amend/adjust the STIP and carry out the necessary coordination with affected MPOs to amend/adjust their TIPS so that planned obligations are brought in line with projected obligation authority. Also, the adjustment for the two FHWA-administered project is concurred in.

Finally, this STIP amendment will not affect the FHWA/FTA Planning Finding dated September 22, 2008; accordingly, the planning finding remains valid.

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Ed,

Attached are revised STIP pages for projects included in STIP amendment #5 and adjustment #5. Also attached is a revised Table

<<UPC T4186 ADJ #5.pdf>> <<UPC T4210 ADJ #5.pdf>> <<UPC T8745 AMD #5.pdf>>
<<TRI-CITIES - MAINT - PREVENTIVE MAINT & SYS PRESERV AMD #5.pdf>> <<UPC 77600 AMD #5.pdf>> <<NONMPO BRISTOL - Safety, ITS, Oper Improv AMD #5.pdf>> <<NONMPO STAUNTON - MAINT - PREVENTIVE MAINT & SYS PRESERV AMD #5.pdf>> <<UPC 93525 ADJ #5.pdf>>
<<Table C -- FFY10 -- STIP AMD Amd #5 (12-09-09).xls>> <<Worksheet --FFY10 -- STIP Amd #5 (12-09-09).xls>> <<ARRA Project List.xls>> <<STIP Amendment Letter #5.pdf>>

Grouped Projects:

Tri-Cities – Preventive Maintenance & System Preservation

UPC 95040

UPC 95041

(NonMPO) Bristol – Safety/ITS/ Operational Improvements

UPC 95490

(NonMPO) Staunton – Preventive Maintenance & System Preservation

UPC 93846

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