



October 23, 2013

Bill Cass  
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**RE: RPC MPO Approval of FY 2013-2016 STIP Amendment #3**

Dear Mr. Cass,

This letter is to inform you that on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the Rockingham Planning Commission, meeting as the MPO Policy Committee, approved Amendment #3 to the MPO's 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Amendment #3 was approved following appropriate public notice, a 15 day comment period and public hearing as required in our Prospectus. The public notice and project information can be found at the RPC website ([www.rpc-nh.org](http://www.rpc-nh.org)), and these documents detail the changes that Amendment #3 has made to the RPC 2013-2016 TIP.

Based on the information provided regarding the movement of projects in time, changes in project scopes and costs, and taking into account the comments received it has been determined that:

- The fiscal constraint of the TIP/STIP is maintained as indicated in DOT provided fiscal constraint documentation.
- As of July 20, 2013 all of New Hampshire is unclassifiable/attainment for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (the 2008 ozone standard); and the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (the 1997 ozone standard) is revoked for transportation conformity purposes in the Boston-Manchester-Portsmouth (SE), NH area.

Based on these points the MPO voted to approve Amendment#3 to the 2013-2016 TIP inclusive of the project changes included in the attached table.

Sincerely,

Cliff Sinnott  
Executive Director

cc: Patrick Bauer, Division Administrator, FHWA NH Division Office  
Nick Garcia, FTA Region 1  
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