

April 22, 2015

Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.  
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 New Hampshire Department of Transportation  
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**RE: Rockingham MPO 2015-2018 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT  
 Minor Revisions -April, 2015)**

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced requests to amend nine (9) projects in the Rockingham MPO FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program under our Administrative Modifications procedures. The modifications proposed are summarized as follows and are more fully described in the "2013-2016 STIP Revision Report" for April, 2015 which you provided.

**April, 2015 request nine (9) projects proposed for administrative modification within the region:**

Proj. No./ ID#	Location/ Community	Description	Proposed Change(s)	Approved
5670	COAST	Operating Assistance	Increase operating assistance from \$980,000 to \$3,100,000 for 2015 to reflect FTA Appropriations.	Yes
2691	COAST	Preventive Maintenance	Increase funding from \$440,000 to \$1,000,000 for 2015 to reflect FTA Appropriations	Yes
3067	COAST	Support Equipment	Reduce 2015 funding from \$67,200 to \$40,366 to reflect FTA Appropriations	Yes
3069	COAST	General & Comprehensive Planning	Increase 2015 funding from \$80,000 to \$100,000 to reflect FTA Appropriations	Yes
3070	COAST	ADA Operations	Increase 2015 funding from \$195,000 to \$332,994 to reflect FTA Appropriations	Yes
3503	COAST	Capital Program	Increase 2015 funding from \$209,398 to \$490,485 to reflect FTA Appropriations	Yes
23821	Hampton	Hampton Master Plan [Transportation and Community and System Preservation funds]	Planning projects using funding other than MPO Planning funds must now be included in the TIP	Yes

13903	Portsmouth	Daniel Street Riverwalk & Wharf/Pier construction adjacent to Memorial Bridge [02-53TE]	A minor revision in February moved this project into the 2015-2018 TIP from the 2013-2016 TIP. No change in cost.	<b>Yes</b>
14633Z	Salem to Manchester	I-93 Corridor Smart Work Zone	Decrease funding for 2016 from \$454,080 to \$440,000. Increase funding for 2017 from \$468,611 to \$553,122.	<b>Yes</b>

We concur that these projects changes are eligible for amendment through the Administrative Modification process.

Our TIP Amendment procedures (Section 6.5, MPO Prospectus) allow such modifications by action of the Executive Director provided that no exceptions are raised by MPO members. MPO TAC and Policy members were notified by email of the proposed modifications on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and asked to respond with any comment by the close of business on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015. As of that date I received no requests from MPO members that the changes be handled as a full amendment.

It was determined through Interagency Consultation (IAC) that the revisions do not impact the air quality conformity determination or change the financial constraint of the STIP. Based on this information the administrative modifications are approved. By copy of this letter I am informing the New Hampshire office of the FHWA, Region 1 of FTA and NHDES – Air Resources Division of this action.

Please contact me should you have any questions about our actions.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

cc: Leigh Levine, FHWA  
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