

December 18, 2015

Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.
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**RE: Rockingham MPO 2015-2018 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT
 Minor Revisions –December, 2015)**

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced requests to amend ten (10) 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 “2015-2018 STIP Revision Report” for December, 2015 which you provided.

December, 2015 request ten (10) projects proposed for administrative modification within the region:

Proj. No./ ID#	Location/ Community	Description	Proposed Change(s)	Approved
26942	East Kingston	NH 107A over B&M Railroad and Road, deck replacement and rehabilitation, Br No. 061/064	Decrease PE funds by \$232,320 as the project shifts focus from a bridge replacement to a rehabilitation	Yes
16031	Salem	Multi-use trail improvements in Windham and Salem [09-47TE]	Construction cost increase of \$200,000 as bid prices were higher than expected.	Yes
10418W	Salem to Manchester	Chloride reduction efforts	Move 2015 funds to 2016. Inflation removed.	Yes
MOBRR	Statewide	Municipal Owned Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement projects (MOBRR Program)	Shifting \$150,000 in ROW from 2015 to 2016	Yes
PVMRK	Statewide	Statewide Pavement Marking annual project	Administrative correction by NHDOT – no change to project.	Yes
RCTRL	Statewide	Recreational Trails Fund Act – Projects Selected Annually	Change in funding source description.	Yes

TA	Statewide	Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)	Funding shifted and reduced to match current estimates for TA projects. Overall cost reduced by \$538,000	Yes
LTAP	Statewide	Local Technology Assistance Program (LTAP) administered by the Technology Transfer Center @ UNH	\$130,000 of 2017 funding shifted to 2016.	Yes
TRAC	Statewide	Implement and participate in AASHTO TRAC program in local high schools	Removed inflation and indirect charges from estimated cost. Cost decrease by \$4,315	Yes
USSS	Statewide	Project to update signing of state system	Removed inflation and indirect charges from estimated cost. Cost decrease by \$326,343.	Yes

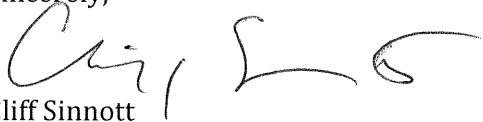
We concur that these projects changes are eligible for amendment through the Administrative Modification process.

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 December 15th, 2015 and asked to respond with any comment by close of business on December 17th, 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

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