

March 1, 2016

Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.
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**RE: Rockingham MPO 2015-2018 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT
 Minor Revisions –February, 2016)**

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced requests to amend two (2) 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 February, 2016 which you provided.

February, 2016 request two (2) projects proposed for administrative modification within the region:

Proj. No./ ID#	Location/ Community	Description	Proposed Change(s)	Approved
16344F	Statewide	Hazmat Statewide. Post construction monitoring of contaminated projects.	This listing is a duplicate of another project (Statewide HAZMAT) and is being removed from TIP document as a technical correction.	Yes
13455	Portsmouth	US 1 Bypass: Replace bridges along US 1 Bypass	Decrease ROW funds from \$55,000 to \$16,500.	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 February 26th, 2016 and asked to respond with any comment by close of business on February 29th, 2016. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cliff Sinnott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Cliff Sinnott
Executive Director

cc: Leigh Levine, FHWA
Nicolas Garcia, FTA
Becky Ohler, NHDES