

April 10, 2025

Ms. Valeriya Remezova  
Division Administrator  
Attn: Ms. Jasmine Champion  
Federal Highway Administration  
Maryland Division  
George H. Fallon Federal Building  
31 Hopkins Plaza, Suite 1520  
Baltimore MD 21201

Ms. Terry Garcia Crews  
Regional Administrator  
Attn: Ms. Laura Keeley  
Federal Transit Administration, Region III  
1835 Market Street, Suite 1910  
Philadelphia PA 19103-2968

Dear Ms. Remezova and Ms. Crews:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requests to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2025 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to add one new project in the FY 2023-2026 National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on behalf of the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT).

This action reflects the addition of the North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements project and the associated programmed expenditures from FY 2022 to FY 2025. The project is programmed for \$37.9 million through FY 2030, which includes a \$24.8 million grant award through the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) BUILD program, \$5 million through Congressional Community Project Funding, and \$8.1 million local match. This amendment has been assigned MDOT Control #22-222, and this project does not affect the Air Quality Conformity Determination for Visualize 2045.

Project Name	STIP #	Funding Source	FY22-FY25 Net Federal Change (in 000's)
North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements	13666	BUILD, EMRK-CPF, local	\$29,800

Ms. Valeriya Remezova  
Ms. Terry Garcia Crews  
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The TPB approved the amendment to its TIP on March 7, 2025. The approvals and supporting documentation are attached. Should you have additional questions or concerns, please contact me at 410-865-1305, toll free 888-713-1414 or via e-mail at [ksnyder3@mdot.maryland.gov](mailto:ksnyder3@mdot.maryland.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kari M. Snyder". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Kari Snyder  
Regional Planner  
Office of Planning, Programming, and Project Delivery (OPPPD)

Attachments

cc: Mr. Dan Janousek, Regional Planner, OPPPD, MDOT  
Mr. Shawn Kiernan, Regional Planner, OPPPD, MDOT

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD  
777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, N.E.  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20002

RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT  
PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT  
TO INCLUDE TIP ACTION 23-57.2 WHICH ADDS A NEW PROJECT FOR THE  
NORTH BETHESDA METRO STATION IMPROVEMENTS, AS REQUESTED BY  
THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MCDOT)

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, the TIP is required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2022 the TPB adopted the FY 2023-2026 TIP; and

**WHEREAS**, MCDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-57.2 which adds a new project, **North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements (T13666)**, with \$29.8 million programmed for construction in the 4-year TIP program, with additional funding planned for years beyond 2026 will bring the total project cost to \$37.9 million, as described in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the review and processing of the amendments included in this TIP Action have been conducted in accordance with the procedures detailed in the TPB's Public Participation Plan and the Procedures for Revisions to the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments have been entered into the TPB's Project InfoTrak database under TIP Action 23-57.2 creating the 57th amended version of the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the draft amendments were posted on the TPB's Steering Committee meeting page seven days in advance of the scheduled approval and can also be found for review online at [www.mwcog.org/TIP/FY23-26/Amendments](http://www.mwcog.org/TIP/FY23-26/Amendments); and

**WHEREAS**, this project is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Regulations as of April 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, full funding for this project was included in the Financial Analysis of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the TIP remains fiscally constrained, as demonstrated in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached materials include:

- ATTACHMENT A) Amendment Overview reports showing how the amended project records will appear in the TIP following approval, along with a complete listing of all changes made for this newest approved version of the record.
- ATTACHMENT B) Financial Constraint Summary Table demonstrating financial constraint.
- ATTACHMENT C) Letter from MCDOT dated February 21, 2025, requesting the amendment, and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution and the amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP shall not be considered final until the Transportation Planning Board has had the opportunity to review these materials at its next full meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-57.2 which adds a new project, **North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements (T13666)**, with \$29.8 million programmed for construction in the 4-year TIP program, with additional funding planned for years beyond 2026 will bring the total project cost to \$37.9 million, as described in the attached materials.

# ATTACHMENT A

## T13666 - North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements

Lead Agency  
Montgomery County

Project Type  
Rail/Fixed Guideways -  
Metrorail/Commuter Rail

County  
-

From  
-

Agency Project ID  
-

Municipality  
-

To  
-

Completion Date  
2030

Total Cost  
\$37,915,000

### Project Description

This project proposes a comprehensive suite of investments that facilitate safer, more direct access to the North Bethesda Metrorail station and surrounding destinations. The keystone of this project is a new entrance to the North Bethesda Metro Station, which will improve travel time and safety for station users. A new transit plaza will safely and directly connect the station to two future Bus Rapid Transit ("BRT") lines. The project will leverage a public-private partnership to supplement public funding which will enable significant long term private investment around the station entrance, including an estimated 1.9M square feet of mixed-use development with a life sciences focus. Together, these investments will support the growth and economy of North Bethesda, one of the fastest growing areas of the Washington Metropolitan region.

This project is linked to Montgomery County CIP project P501914 (North Bethesda Metro Station Northern Entrance).

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FUTURE	TOTAL
Construction	BUILD	-	-	-	\$24,800,000	-	-	\$24,800,000
Construction	Earmark - CPF	-	-	-	\$5,000,000	-	-	\$5,000,000
Construction	LOCAL	-	-	-	-	-	\$8,115,000	\$8,115,000
Total Construction		-	-	-	\$29,800,000	-	\$8,115,000	\$37,915,000
<b>Total Future Costs</b>		-	-	-	-	-	<b>\$8,115,000</b>	<b>\$8,115,000</b>
<b>Total Programmed</b>		-	-	-	<b>\$29,800,000</b>	-	<b>\$8,115,000</b>	<b>\$37,915,000</b>

### CURRENT CHANGE REASON

New Project

### FEDERAL PROJECT COST

Stays the same \$24,800,000

### TOTAL PROJECT COST

Stays the same \$37,915,000



# MARYLAND STATEWIDE TIP FY 2022-2025

TIP ID 13666

## SUMMARY TABLE

Project	Amendment Criteria	Conformity Status	Environmental Status	Current Funding Level (000s)		
				Federal	State/Local	Total
North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements	A	Exempt	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Administration	Area/MPO		Net Funding Change (000s)		
				Federal	State/Local	Total
	Montgomery County	TPB		\$ 29,800	\$ -	\$ 29,800
Description	This project proposes a comprehensive suite of investments that facilitate safer, more direct access to the North Bethesda Metrorail station and surrounding destinations. The keystone of this project is a new entrance to the North Bethesda Metro Station, which will improve travel time and safety for station users. A new transit plaza will safely and directly connect the station to two future Bus Rapid Transit ("BRT") lines. The project will leverage a public-private partnership to supplement public funding which will enable significant long term private investment around the station entrance, including an estimated 1.9M square feet of mixed-use development with a life sciences focus. Together, these investments will support the growth and economy of North Bethesda, one of the fastest growing areas of the Washington Metropolitan region.					
Justification	Received federal earmark community project funding award and BUILD grant.					

## INDIVIDUAL REQUEST FORM

STIP/TIP Amendment Criteria			Funding	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A) Adds new individual projects to the current STIP <input type="checkbox"/> B) Increase/decrease, scope change, advance, delay, or phase change <input type="checkbox"/> C) Removes or deletes individual listed project from the STIP <input type="checkbox"/> D) Other	Current (000s)	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		Federal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		State/Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Proposed (000s)	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ 29,800
		Federal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ 29,800
		State/Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Change (000s)	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ 29,800
		Federal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ 29,800
		State/Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

## PHASE DETAIL

Current		FY 2022		FY 2023		FY 2024		FY 2025		TOTAL		
Phase	Funding	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Total
CON	ERMK-CPF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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Total		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Proposed		FY 2022		FY 2023		FY 2024		FY 2025		TOTAL		
Phase	Funding	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Total
CON	ERMK-CPF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000
	Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	BUILD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,800	\$ -	\$ 24,800	\$ -	\$ 24,800
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Total		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ -	\$ 29,800

Change		FY 2022		FY 2023		FY 2024		FY 2025		TOTAL		
Phase	Funding	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Federal	State/Local	Total
CON	ERMK-CPF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000
	Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	BUILD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,800	\$ -	\$ 24,800	\$ -	\$ 24,800
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Total		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ -	\$ 29,800	\$ -	\$ 29,800

## TOTAL PROJECT COST

Prior Cost (≤ FY 2021)		STIP Cost (FY 2022-2025)		Balance to Complete (≥ FY 2026)		Total Project Cost	
Federal	\$ -	Federal	\$ 29,800	Federal	\$ -	Federal	\$ 29,800
State/Local	\$ -	State/Local	\$ -	State/Local	\$ 8,115	State/Local	\$ 8,115
Total	\$ -	Total	\$ 29,800	Total	\$ 8,115	Total	\$ 37,915



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Marc Elrich  
*County Executive*

Christopher R. Conklin  
*Director*

February 21, 2025

The Honorable James Walkinshaw, Chair  
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board  
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E. , Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Chair Walkinshaw:

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is proposing a new project, North Bethesda Metro Station Improvements (T13666), to amend the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The project will provide a comprehensive suite of investments that facilitate safer, more direct access to the North Bethesda Metrorail station. The keystone of this project is a new northern entrance to the station, which will improve travel time and safety for station users. The project will leverage a public-private partnership to supplement public funding which will enable significant long term private investment around the station entrance, including an estimated 1.9M square feet of mixed-use development with a life sciences focus. Together, these investments will support the growth and economy of North Bethesda, one of the fastest growing areas of the Washington Metropolitan region.

The amendment is necessary to obligate federal funding. The project is programmed for \$37.9 million through FY 2030. It will be funded through a \$24.8 million grant award through the FTA BUILD program, \$5 million through Congressional Community Project Funding, and \$8.1 million local match (35%). Additional funding is anticipated through joint efforts with WMATA in the near future.

Montgomery County requests this amendment be approved by the TPB Steering Committee at its March 7, 2025 meeting. Following approval of this TIP amendment, we will send a copy of the approval and request that the Maryland Department of Transportation amend its Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) so that we may begin to obligate the federal funding.

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**Office of the Director**

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We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact Christopher Van Alstyne at [chris.vanalstyne@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:chris.vanalstyne@montgomerycountymd.gov) or Corey Pitts [corey.pitts@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:corey.pitts@montgomerycountymd.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Haley Peckett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Haley Peckett  
Deputy Director of Transportation Policy

cc: Kanti Srikanth, Director of Transportation Planning, WMCOG  
Kari Synder, Regional Planner, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Corey Pitts, MCDOT  
Chris Van Alstyne, MCDOT