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## **DRAFT RESOLUTION BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)**

### **AMENDING THE FY 2020-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, NEW CASTLE COUNTY ELEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Regulations of Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST), Metropolitan Planning Requirements, require that, in air quality non-attainment areas, the MPO, in cooperation with participants in the planning process, develop and, at least every four years, updates the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

**WHEREAS**, the WILMAPCO TIP format incorporates a four-year period for the listing of priority projects to be implemented, as well as a list of program development projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the FY 2020-2023 TIP has undergone appropriate community and technical reviews; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the TIP has been determined to be air quality conforming in accordance with FAST and Clean Air Act and Amendments (CAAA) of 1990 requirements; and;

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the FY 2020-2023 TIP have been found to be financially constrained, as directed by 23 CFR 450.326, and consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby amend the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to include revised funding for the Christina River Bridge Approaches project.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
John Sisson, Chairperson  
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## TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT FORM

This form must be completed and all questions must be answered in order to process this request.

**Date of Submission:** 7/16/20

**TIP to be Amended:** FY2020-FY2023

**Sponsoring Agency:** DelDOT

**Project Name:** Christina River Bridge Approaches – T200512102

**Project Category:** Road Systems

**Project Description:** This project proposes to establish an urban grid system as part of the Wilmington River Access and Street Grid Design that will connect and access the new bridge crossing over the Christina River from both the east and west banks of the River. The streets will be multi-modal to improve traffic flow, including efforts to provide signal systemization, construct HOV lanes, streamline intersections, add turning lanes, improve transportation systems management and operations that mitigate congestion and improve air quality, and implement ITS and other CMAQ-eligible projects, including efforts to improve incident and emergency response or improve mobility.

**Project Justification:** The success of Wilmington's redevelopment of this area depends on multi-modal transportation improvements. This new street system is needed to properly access the new bridge crossing of the Christina river while maintaining safe connections to development parcels shops, restaurants and riverfront attractions. This Amendment is needed to fund work on various portions of this critical project including, additional hot-mix asphalt paving, bollards for the stadium parking lots, and significant additional work for the added U Road, such as, water pumping, drainage system, and road infrastructure.

**Funding:** Federal \$25,156,793 State \$5,474,198 Other \$0 Total \$30,630,991

Funding	Phase	FY 20 SPEND	FY 21 SPEND	FY 22 SPEND	FY 23 SPEND	Total
80% FHWA	ROW	\$2,608,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,608,000
20% FHWA (TOLL CREDIT)	ROW	\$652,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$652,000
80% FHWA	C	\$15,296,399	\$12,074,592	\$0	\$0	\$27,370,991
Total		\$18,556,399	\$12,074,592	\$0	\$0	\$30,630,991

1. Does this project require a new conformity determination? **No**  
(Section 51.400)(C2) “A TIP amendment requires a new conformity determination for the entire TIP before the amendment is approved by the MPO, unless it merely adds or deletes exempt projects listed in (Section 51.460).”

2. Is this project regionally significant? **Yes**  
(Section 450.324)(f)(3) “The TIP shall include...all regionally significant transportation projects for which an FHWA or the FTA approval is required whether or not the projects are to be funded with title 23, U.S.C., or Federal Transit Act funds, e.g., addition of an interchange to the Interstate System with State, local, and/or private funds, demonstration projects not funded under title 23, U.S.C., or the Federal Transit Act, etc.”

3. Has this project had the opportunity for public comment? **No**  
(Section 450.326) “... Public involvement procedures consistent with Section 450.316 (b)(1) shall be utilized in amending the TIP, except that these procedures are not required for TIP amendments that only involve projects of the type covered in Section 450.324 (I).”

4. Has this project been found to be financially constrained? **Yes**  
(Section 450.324)(e) “The TIP shall be financially constrained by year and include a financial plan that demonstrates which projects can be implemented using current revenue sources (while the existing transportation system is being adequately operated and maintained. The financial plan shall be developed by the MPO in cooperation with the State and transit operator...”

Please indicate funding sources by agency: DeIDOT, FHWA

5. Is this project consistent with the WILMAPCO Metropolitan Transportation Plan? **Yes**  
(Section 450.324)(f)(2) “The TIP shall include...only projects that are consistent with the transportation plan.”

If not, is there a resolution to amend the Metropolitan Transportation Plan? \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide any additional pertinent information below:

# Transportation Improvement Program Submission/Amendment Description of Public Participation

**Project Name:** Christina River Bridge Approaches

**Which techniques were used to seek public comment (please use additional pages if needed).**

Public workshops/meetings  
Number of public workshops/meetings: \_\_\_\_  
Format: Live public workshops  
Location(s):  
Number of attendees:  
Main issue raised:  
Consensus of meeting:

Overall, the public support for the project was (check one):

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strong support, few concerns           | <input type="checkbox"/> Some opposition, many concerns raised        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Some support, but some concerns raised | <input type="checkbox"/> Strong opposition, major problems identified |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed, equal support and opposition    |   |

Unresolved issues identified: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen Advisory/Steering Committee

Survey  
Number surveyed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Results: \_\_\_\_\_

Elected officials briefings -

Other Briefing

**How was the public notified about the project?**

- |   |  |                     |
|---|--|---------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Web page                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Publications        | Distribution: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal notice               | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/brochure |                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Videos                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Flyers              |                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio/television           |  |                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other CTP and MPO Hearings | _____  |                     |

**How has the project changed as a result of public comments?**

**Comment further on the quantity and quality of the public participation:**

Christina River Bridge Approaches  
Updated - 07/16/20

PROJECT AUTHORIZATION SCHEDULE  
IN (\$000)

PROJECT NUMBER	PHASE	FUNDING SOURCE	CURRENT ESTIMATE	FY 2019			FY 2020			FY 2021			FY 2022			STATE TOTAL	FEDERAL TOTAL
				STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE		
T200512102	PD	100% STATE	500.5												-	-	
T200512102	PE	80% FHWA	4,592.3												-	-	
T200512102	PE	20% FHWA (TOLL CREDIT)	1,148.1												-	-	
T200512102	PE	100% STATE	2,709.6												-	-	
T200512102	ROW	80% FHWA	7,296.0		1,160.9	Z230*		1,040.0	Z230*						-	2,200.9	
					1,195.6	Z030									-	1,195.6	
T200512102	ROW	20% FHWA (TOLL CREDIT)	1,824.0		290.2	Z230*		260.0	Z230*						-	550.2	
					298.9	Z030									-	298.9	
T200512102	ROW	100% STATE	4,000.0												-	-	
T200512102	C	80% FHWA	36,661.9		8,963.5	Z230*		4,449.0	Z230		3,000.0	Z230*			-	16,412.5	
T200512102	Maintenance	100% STATE	1,860.0	1,100.0											1,100.0	-	
<b>Total</b>			<b>60,592.4</b>	<b>1,100.0</b>	<b>11,909.1</b>			<b>5,749.0</b>			<b>3,000.0</b>				<b>1,100.0</b>	<b>20,658.1</b>	

Z230 - Surface Transportation Block Grant Program - FAST

\*AC Conversion

PROJECT FUNDING SCHEDULE  
IN (\$000)

PROJECT NUMBER	PHASE	FUNDING SOURCE	BALANCE AS OF July 1, (State Only)	CURRENT ESTIMATE	FY 2019			FY 2020			FY 2021			FY 2022			FY 2023	FY 2024
					STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
T200512102	PD	100% STATE	0.4	500.5														
T200512102	PE	80% FHWA		4,592.3														
T200512102	PE	20% FHWA (TOLL CREDIT)		1,148.1														
T200512102	PE	100% STATE		2,709.6														
T200512102	ROW	80% FHWA		7,296.0		722.1		2,608.0										
T200512102	ROW	20% FHWA (TOLL CREDIT)		1,824.0		180.5		652.0										
T200512102	ROW	100% STATE		4,000.0														
T200512102	C	80% FHWA	5,457.6	36,661.9	840.1	3,360.5		3,059.3	12,237.1		2,414.9	9,659.6						
T200512102	Maintenance	100% STATE	1,104.0	1,860.0	1,104.0													
<b>Total</b>			<b>6,562.0</b>	<b>60,592.4</b>	<b>1,944.1</b>	<b>4,263.1</b>		<b>3,059.3</b>	<b>15,497.1</b>		<b>2,414.9</b>	<b>9,659.6</b>						