

WILMAPCO Council

Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: July 17, 2025

Action Item #12: To Amend the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Description/Summary of Item:

Cecil County has requested that the TIP be amended to include funding for the Mechanics Valley Road Bridge Replacement over CSX Railroad.

Current Funding

\$sx1000	PHASE	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	Total
Local	Construction	\$520.00				
FHWA	Construction	\$2,080.00				
Total		\$2,600.00				

Amended Funding

\$sx1000	PHASE	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	Total
Local	Construction		\$2,961.00			
FHWA	Construction		\$11,844.00			
Total			\$14,805.00			\$14,805.00

Summary of Action Taken by PAC: The WILMAPCO PAC did not take action on this item.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC:

The TAC recommended that the Council approve this amendment at their June 12 meeting.

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):

The Air Quality Subcommittee reviewed the amendment via email and found that this would not trigger a revised air quality conformity analysis.

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:

The WILMAPCO staff recommends that the Council amend the TIP to include revised funding for this project.

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DRAFT RESOLUTION
BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)

**AMENDING THE FY 2025-2028
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM,
CECIL 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 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), 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 2025-2028 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 IIJA and Clean Air Act and Amendments (CAAA) of 1990 requirements; and;

WHEREAS, the amendment to the FY 2025-2028 TIP has 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 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program to include funds for the Replacement of Mechanics Valley Road Bridge CE0042 project.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council





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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SUBMISSION/AMENDMENT FORM

Please complete all form questions. Contact WILMAPCO at 302-737-6205 for more information.

Project Name:

Replacement of Bridge CE0042

TIP to be Amended:**Sponsoring Agency:**

Cecil County

Date of Submission: 05/23/2025

Project Category:

☒ System Preservation ☐ System Management ☐ System Expansion

PROJECT INFORMATION**Project Description:**

This project is to replace the existing bridge with a new modern bridge with a new alignment that also improves the intersection of Mechanics Valley and Bouchelle Road(s).

Project Justification:

The bridge is in poor condition and is functionally obsolete

Safe Streets Elements:

Guardrails on the approaches and concrete parapet barriers on the bridge are being provided to enhance vehicular safety. Chain-link fence on the parapets protects the railroad below the bridge

Project Website or Planned Public Outreach:

The public meeting information and request for public comment can be found at this link:

<https://www.ccgov.org/government/public-works/public-works-divisions/engineering-construction-division/current-capital-improvement-program-projects>

Complete Streets Elements (select all that apply):

☐ Sidewalk ☐ Pathway ☐ Bike Lanes ☒ Transit ☒ Freight

AMENDMENT INFORMATION**Type of Change (select all that apply):**

☐ New Project ☒ Increased Funds ☐ Decreased Funds ☐ Scope ☐ Accelerated Schedule ☒ Delayed Schedule

Summary / Justification of Change:

This project was inadvertently not included in the most recent version of the adopted TIP. Construction is planned for FY26 with \$2,271,614 already expended in P/E and Land Acquisition from all funding sources.

FUNDING INFORMATION**EXISTING FUNDS - Please show all funding amounts as \$s x 1,000**

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2032	
FHWA		N/A							N/A
Local		N/A							N/A
Total		N/A							N/A

PROPOSED FUNDS - Please show all funding amounts as \$s x 1,000

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2032	
FHWA		11844							11844
Local		2961							2961
Total		14805							14805

Federal Funding Programs:

Cecil County, Federal Aid Bridge Replacement Program

Describe How Amendment is Financially Constrained:

The project is financially constrained by the Regional Transportation Plan's allocation for Systems Preservation, and the Federal Aid Bridge Replacement Program requirements.