

**K. FY 2021-2024 TIP Amendment Request to Transfer CMAQ Funding: WATA  
UPC T11780 – Purchase Replacements Buses**

Attached is a request from Williamsburg Area Transit Authority (WATA) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to transfer a total of \$50,000 in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds from one project to an eligible CMAQ project to offset increased costs to purchase buses. The specifics of the request are described below:

- **UPC T11780 – Purchase Replacement Buses**
  - Revise Allocations as follows:
    - Receive FY 2015 CMAQ allocation of \$13,904, plus \$3,476 CMAQ match, from T10862 (Mounts Bay Route)
    - Receive FY 2017 CMAQ allocation of \$10,032, plus \$2,508 CMAQ match, from T10862 (Mounts Bay Route)
    - Receive FY 2018 CMAQ allocation of \$16,064, plus \$4,016 CMAQ match, from T10862 (Mounts Bay Route)

UPC T11780 is considered exempt from conformity under the following provision contained in section 93.126 of the conformity rule, Table 2 Exempt Projects under “Mass Transit”, as it is the purchase of new buses to replace existing vehicles.

Should the HRTPO Board approve the funding transfers described above, the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be amended to update the funding information associated with the project. This request is being made available for public review and comment from December 30, 2020 through January 13, 2021.

**Mr. Josh Moore, WATA Deputy Executive Director, will be available to answer questions on this item.**

Attachment 4-K

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Recommend HRTPO Board approval of the proposed project funding transfers and associated TIP amendment.



December 8, 2020

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RE: FY 21-24 TIP Amendment - Transfer CMAQ Funds from UPC T10862 to UPC T11780

Mr. Crum:

The Williamsburg Area Transit Authority (WATA) requests an amendment to transfer Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds in the amount of \$50,000 from UPC T10862, Mounts Bay Demonstration Route, to UPC T11780, Bus Replacements. Due to a reduction in operating costs from COVID, the \$50,000 will not be expended on UPC T10862 and will be used to offset the increased costs of the bus replacements in UPC T11780. WATA requests the transfers below:

- Transfer FY 2015 CMAQ allocation of \$13,904, plus \$3,476 CMAQ match from UPC T10862 to UPC T11780
- Transfer FY 2017 CMAQ allocation of \$10,032, plus \$2,508 CMAQ match from UPC T10862 to UPC T11780
- Transfer FY 2018 CMAQ allocation of \$16,064, plus \$4,016 CMAQ match from UPC T10862 to UPC T11780

Williamsburg Area Transit Authority has coordinated with the Virginia Department of Rail and Transportation (DRPT) and VDOT regarding this amendment. Current cost estimates, allocations, obligations, expenditures, and funds available for transfer have been confirmed with DRPT and VDOT. This amendment will ensure needed consistency between the HRTPO Transportation Improvement Program and the DRPT State Transportation Improvement Program.

Thank you for your assistance with this request. If you have any questions, please call (757) 220-5574 or e-mail Barbara Creel at [bcreel@gowata.org](mailto:bcreel@gowata.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zach Trogon", is positioned above the typed name.

Zach Trogon  
Executive Director

cc: Josh Moore WATA  
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