

ITEM #6: FY 2019 HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (HIP) FUNDING AVAILABILITY – HRTPO

The 2018 Federal Appropriations Act includes funding for the Highway Infrastructure Programs. The funds resulting from this apportionment (\$4,884,116) are available for obligation until September 30, 2021. Any amounts not obligated before September 30, 2021, shall lapse.

These funds were made available late in the development of the FY2019-2024 SYIP for FY2019 only. Therefore, the fund component tied to population was programmed to the district RSTP balance entry line items.

These funds are to be obligated before September 2021 and billed/final vouchered by September 2026.

Eligibility:

1. May only be applied to projects under to 23 USC 133(b)(1)(a), which is for highways, bridges, and tunnels.
2. May not be used to fund State Infrastructure Banks
3. Not eligible for local roads or minor collectors.
4. Not eligible for ferry boats, ITS, truck parking facilities, transit, planning, or research.

These are General Funds (not HTF funds), so they are similar to the ARRA program - after the obligation deadline of 9/30/21, adjustments cannot be made (they cannot be de-obligated and re-obligated elsewhere) and after 9/30/26, the funds are cancelled and cannot be expended against any longer.

During the June 2019 TTAC meeting, HRTPO staff provided information on the amount of funds currently available in the HIP balance entry and requested that localities and agencies submit requests for available funding by June 5, 2019. The following table lists the requests for HIP funds received.

HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (HIP) REQUESTS					
<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>UPC</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>RSTP Funded?</i>	<i>HIP Funding Request</i>
Hampton	97715	Wythe Creek Rd Widening	Widen to 3 lanes from Commander Shepard Blvd (Rte 172) to the City of Poquoson	Y	\$4,884,116
James City County	100920	Croaker Rd Widening	Widening from Library to Route 60	Y	\$4,138,000
Virginia Beach	103005	Centerville Turnpike Phase II	Widening from Kempsville Rd to Lynnhaven Pkwy	Y	\$4,884,116
York County	16314	Penniman Rd/Government Rd Improvements	Intersection realignment	Y	\$741,413

Mr. John Mihaly, HRTPO Senior Transportation Planner, will brief the TPS on this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Prepare a recommendation of a list of projects and allocations to the TTAC for the FY 2019 HIP funds.