



**HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTION 2010-06**

A RESOLUTION OF THE HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION ENDORSING A THREE-STEP STRATEGY FOR RE-OBLIGATION OF ARRA RESIDUAL FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, signed into law on February 17, 2009, provided \$27.5 billion nationwide for highway infrastructure improvements;

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia received an ARRA apportionment of \$694 million for highway infrastructure improvements, of which the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Planning Area received \$41 million;

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia obligated 100% of the ARRA funds by the March 2, 2010 federal deadline;

WHEREAS, as current ARRA projects are being advertised, awarded and completed, residual funds may become available due to a more competitive market for re-obligation to other ARRA projects if the projected or actual costs is less than the obligated amount;

WHEREAS, should any residual funds become available, the unused obligated funds can be assigned to other ARRA projects until September 30, 2010, after which time any residual funds will be withdrawn by the Federal Highway Administration;

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends significant coordination between localities administering ARRA projects, metropolitan planning organizations managing the planning and programming process, and VDOT in order to ensure that the Commonwealth of Virginia maintains all of its ARRA funds and the HRTPO retain all of its allocated ARRA funds; and

WHEREAS, the HRTPO Transportation Technical Advisory Committee recommends the following three-step strategy plan for the re-obligation of residual ARRA funds:

Step 1. Redistribute funds to another ARRA project within the same locality

Step 2. Identify a single ARRA project within the region to receive residual funds

- Recommended Project: Princess Anne Road widen to 4 lanes from Dam Neck Road to Holland Road in Virginia Beach (UPC #93522)

Step 3. Identify a small number of additional ARRA eligible projects

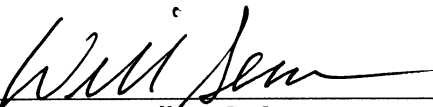
Recommended Projects (in priority order):

- I-264/Lynnhaven Parkway interchange/ramp improvements (UPC #94544/95554): Ramps to and from London Bridge Road
- Norfolk Light Rail Transit – The Tide (UPC #T1822)
- I-64/Norview Avenue interchange ramp improvements (UPC #17824)
- I-64 pavement repairs between Mercury Boulevard and Jefferson Avenue (UPC #89476)
- Princess Anne Road/Kempsville Road intersection improvements (UPC #51866)




NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization endorses the three-step strategy above for re-obligating ARRA funds should such re-obligation become necessary.

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization Board at its meeting on the 19th day of May, 2010.



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