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May 18, 2011

Ms. Britta Stein
FHWA TN Division
404 BNA Drive
Building 200, Suite 508
Nashville, Tennessee 37217

Re: STIP Amendment #56 to Knoxville RTPO FY 2011-2014 TIP

Dear Ms. Stein:

I am attaching STIP Amendment #56 which includes one amendment to the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization's FY 2011-2014 TIP. The project in question is as follows:

- 1) Add TIP Project # 2011-324 – (CMAQ Cost Overruns). The project is to cover cost overruns on older local CMAQ project phases.

The other project included in the amendment packet (amending TIP project number 2011-035) will be reviewed and submitted to FHWA separately by our Program Development and Scheduling office.

The above amendment to the STIP contains all of the pages reflecting the changes that were made to the Knoxville TIP. TDOT Local Programs office is in concurrence with the amendment to the STIP.

If we need to provide any additional information, please contact Larry McGoogin at 615-532-3160 or larry.mcgoogin@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Teresa Estes".

Teresa Estes
Transportation Coordinator

cc: Bryan Berry, Knoxville TPO
Jeffrey Welch, Knoxville TPO

bl/cc:

Paul Degges
Chris Christianson
Jim Moore
Angie Midgett, w/attachment
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Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Review Checklist

Rural STIP Amendment

MPO STIP Amendment

Metropolitan Planning Organization: Knoxville TPO STIP #56

Or

Rural County(s): _____

Amendment is adding un-programmed Federal Funds?

Yes – proceed with checklist

No

Amendment is adding a new project?

Yes – proceed with checklist

No

Amendment changes an existing project scope?

Yes – proceed with checklist

No

Amendment adds an amount of programmed funds to an existing project that is greater than 30% of the total project cost?

Yes – proceed with checklist

No

Air Quality

Air Quality Status:

Attainment

Non-Attainment/Maintenance

Non-Attainment/Maintenance: Conformity Determination Documentation Provided?

Yes

No – Return for Documentation

Amendment is consistent with approved conformity horizon year?

Yes

No – Return for Conformity Approval

MPO - Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

Project is consistent with or included in adopted MPO's LRTP?

Yes*

No – Return for LRTP Amendment

*Nashville projects with an "x" are not eligible for inclusion in the TIP.

Public Involvement

Amendment meets adopted public involvement plan?

Yes

No – Return for Public Involvement

Amendment Process

Amendment meets the adopted amendment process – for MPOs, the Board resolution is provided?

Yes

No – Return for Process Completion

Rural Counties: RPO Review/Consultation Process

Amendment includes documentation of RPO review/consultation?

N/A Yes

No – Return for RPO Consultation

Fiscal Constraint

Amendment includes documentation of fiscal constraint demonstrating available funds vs. programmed funds?

Yes

No – Return for Documentation

Amendment includes copies of both the original and adjusted project sheets?

Yes

No – Return for Documentation

Project Sheet

Each project included in the amendment must include the following:

Project Sponsor

Project number

Project description/scope

Project termini

Total Project Cost

Source of Fund
(HPP must also include HPP number)

Amount of Federal Funds by year

Amount of matching funds by year

Project phase by year



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May 16, 2011

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SUBJECT: Amendments to the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization TIP Projects #2011-324 (CMAQ Cost Overruns) and #2011-035 (Chapman Highway Improvements).

Dear TDOT,

The Knoxville Regional TPO requests concurrence by TDOT to amend the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program with regards to the following projects approved by the Knoxville TPO Executive Board on April 27, 2011. The following projects come from an approved LRTP.

- Add TIP Project 2011-324 (CMAQ Cost Overruns). This project is to cover cost overruns on older local CMAQ project phases.
- Amend TIP Project 2011-035 (Chapman Highway Improvements). Add a new phase under FY 2011 in the amount of \$1,149,850 for ROW & CONST.

The amendments have been incorporated into our FY 2011-2014 TIP and the project pages and expenditure summary sheets are included in this letter. No comments were received from public involvement. The Interagency Consultation group concurred with the amendments and the original email requesting IAC review is included in this packet. If you have questions please call me at (865) 215-3743.

Sincerely,

Bryan Berry

Cc: Jeff Welch, Knoxville Regional TPO
Larry McGoogin, TDOT
Bob Hayzlett, TDOT

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Transportation Conformity Check List

The Transportation Improvement Program and all Amendments must include a conformity report. The conformity report must address each item below in order for the Federal Highway Administration to provide approval for inclusion of the TIP into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

1. Identify which of the following applies to this TIP amendment:

- a. The report states that the TIP amendment is a subset of the most recently approved, conforming Long Range Transportation Plan, and that the conformity determination made for the Transportation Plan also applies to the TIP.

(OR)

- b. The report state that projects included in the TIP amendment are consistent with the conforming LRTP and identifies how they meet the requirements of 40 CFR 93.122 (i.e. the project is not regionally significant; does not impact the timing/funding or projects previously included in the conformity determination; project is exempt from conformity).

(OR)

- c. The report states that the TIP amendment is subject to a new conformity finding and that the appropriate documentation to support the requirements of 40 CFR 93.109 is included in the document.

2. The report documents that the TIP conforms with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and complies with the Clean Air Act, the Transportation Conformity Regulation, the Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Regulations, and other applicable Federal and state requirements.

3. The report contains a copy of each of the following:
- Adopting Resolution for the TIP amendment;
 - Adopting Resolution for the Conformity Determination.

4. The report provides cross-references for projects listed in the TIP to those listed in the Transportation Plan. (Cross-reference may be accomplished through numbering system, or consistent project naming).

- 5. The report documents the public participation process of the TIP including any comments raised verbally or in writing and how the MPO addressed raised issues; or the report states that no comments were received.

- 6. The report identifies the interagency consultation process used in the development of the TIP according to CFR 93.105; and includes and comments raised and how the MPO addressed raised issues; or the report states that no comments were received.

**A RESOLUTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF THE KNOXVILLE REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2011 and 2012
UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the US Department of Transportation, Section 450.314 of the Metropolitan Planning Regulations, no planning activities can be funded by federal sources until they have been included in the Unified Planning Work Program; and

WHEREAS, the required planning factors to be considered by TPOs in developing transportation plans and programs, were used in the development of this Unified Planning Work Program; and

WHEREAS, FTA 5303 planning funds shall be designated to the TPO for transit planning purposes as outlined in the Work Program; and

WHEREAS, the TPO has been designated the recipient of FTA 5316 and FTA 5317 funds and will be responsible for administering both grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Board approved the FY 2011 and FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program on July 28, 2010;

WHEREAS, a Consortium of Partners representing the Knoxville Metropolitan Statistical Area was successful in receiving a federal grant to develop a regional plan for livability over the next 36 months;

WHEREAS, staff for the Knoxville TPO will assist in this planning effort and that staff time related to this process will be used as leveraged resources to match other federal funds from HUD;

WHEREAS, the TPO Technical Committee has endorsed this amendment to the FY 2011 and FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program;

WHEREAS, the elements of the transportation planning work program are to receive final approval from the Executive Board Transportation Planning Organization,

WHEREAS, the public was afforded an opportunity to comment on the Unified Planning Work Program,

**A RESOLUTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF THE KNOXVILLE REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
AMENDING THE FY 2011-2014
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the FY 2011-2014 Knoxville Regional Transportation Improvement Program was adopted on September 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation, the elements of the transportation planning process are to receive final approval from the Executive Board of the local Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program must be updated as needed; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project amendments were reviewed with the Knoxville-Area Air Quality Interagency Consultation Group with respect to air quality conformity requirements and are either exempt from, or were demonstrated to conform with the federal transportation air quality conformity regulations from the Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, a short conformity report was prepared for TIP Project 2011-035, which concluded that air quality conformity for that project was demonstrated by relying on a previous regional emissions analysis.

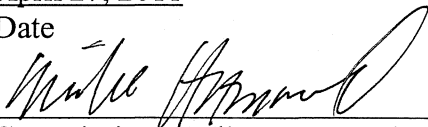
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KNOXVILLE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION EXECUTIVE BOARD;

That the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program be amended to include the following changes and that the Tennessee Department of Transportation include these amendments into the State Transportation Improvement Program:

- a. Add TIP Project 2011-324 (CMAQ Cost Overruns). This project is to cover cost overruns on older local CMAQ project phases.
- b. Amend TIP Project 2011-035 (Chapman Highway Improvements). Add a new phase under FY 2011 in the amount of \$1,149,850 for ROW & CONST.

April 27, 2011

Date



Commissioner Mike Hammond
TPO Executive Board Chair



Jeffrey A. Welch
TPO Director

NEW

Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FY 2011-2014

TIP No. Revision No.

TDOT PIN LRTP No.

Project Name

Lead Agency

Total Project Cost

Project Description

Termini/Intersection

Counties

City/Agency

Length (miles) Conformity Status

Additional Details

Programmed Funds

FY	Type of Work	Funding Type	Total Funds	Federal	State	Local	Other
2011	OVERRUN	L-CMAQ	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
2012	OVERRUN	L-CMAQ	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
2013	OVERRUN	L-CMAQ	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
2014	OVERRUN	L-CMAQ	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total			\$400,000	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Revision Date

Revision Details

Previous TIP No.

KNOXVILLE REGIONAL TPO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FY 2011-2014

Table 1. Summary of Programmed Revenues

Funding Source	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	Total	Share (%)
BRR-L	\$510,000	\$760,000	\$760,000	\$5,081,500	\$7,111,500	1.49
BRR-S	\$3,050,000	\$3,050,000	\$3,050,000	\$3,050,000	\$12,200,000	2.56
CMAQ	\$4,659,600	\$2,185,000	\$2,429,000	\$0	\$9,273,600	1.95
CMAQ-ST	\$157,368	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$157,368	0.03
ENHANCE	\$8,172,218	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$17,172,218	3.61
ES - LOCAL	\$810,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$810,000	0.17
HPP	\$16,155,952	\$3,461,260	\$3,624,375	\$9,290,163	\$32,531,750	6.83
HPP-TN157	\$620,073	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$620,073	0.13
HSIP	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$8,000,000	1.68
IM	\$5,800,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$10,300,000	2.16
LOCAL	\$1,241,608	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$1,261,608	0.26
L-STP	\$20,672,956	\$30,624,485	\$6,216,250	\$18,701,250	\$76,214,941	16.00
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From: Mike Conger
To: Interagency Consultation
Date: 4/18/2011 4:42:10 PM
Subject: Knoxville IAC - Additional TIP Amendment Information

All,

There is one additional TIP Amendment to be heard at the April 27, 2011 TPO Executive Board meeting that I wanted to inform the IAC of as follows:

- TIP Project ID#2011-0324 (CMAQ Cost Overruns) - This is a new "bucket" being set up in the amount of \$100,000 each fiscal year to cover potential cost overruns from existing CMAQ projects. See attached for the TIP Profile Page and financial constraint information.

It is the TPO staff's opinion that this amendment is exempt from the requirement to determine air quality conformity since it only involves funding of cost overruns and the current CMAQ projects are all exempt as well.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding the conformity status of this amendment please let me know as soon as possible since the Executive Board meeting occurs prior to the end of the normal 14-day IAC review period. If I do not hear anything prior to April 26, 2011 then we will plan to recommend to have the Executive Board approve the amendment subject to no objections from the IAC and we can discuss this further during the conference call planned for April 28th at 2:00 ET.

The other two TIP amendments that I have sent information on previously are more complicated and may be postponed to a future Executive Board meeting to allow for more time for IAC input. Again, they are:

1.) Amend Project 2011-035 (Chapman Hwy Improvements) adding FY 2011 design, right-of-way and construction funding. I have prepared a "short conformity report" (attached) for this amendment since it involves a non-exempt project. I did not realize at first that this type of action would necessitate a short conformity report, but after further reflection I believe that it probably does.

2.) Add Project 2011-079 (Marynardville Hwy Widening) - widen to 4/5 lanes. I have prepared an updated regional emissions analysis and conformity determination report that was previously sent for review by IAC.

I will be sending an agenda and more information in advance of the conference call on April 28th. Please bear with me as we get all this sorted out, thanks,

Mike

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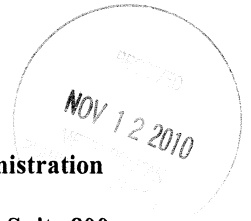
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Ms. Jeanne Stevens, Director, Long Range Planning
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Subject: Knoxville & Lakeway TPO's Conformity Determination

Dear Ms. Stevens:

The Tennessee Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Region 4 of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in coordination with Region IV of the Environmental Protection Agency, have reviewed the 2034 Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization's and Lakeway Area Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization's Long Range Transportation Plan amendments, 2011-2014 TIPs and Conformity Determination, adopted by the Executive Boards on September 22, 2010. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, the Tennessee Department of Transportation, and the Metro Transit System, also had an opportunity to review and comment on the above-mentioned documents.

The Conformity Determination must be based on a Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) that meets the Federal Planning Regulations listed under 23 CFR 450.322. The FHWA and FTA reviewed Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization and Lakeway Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's 2034 Long Range Transportation Plans for consistency with the Federal requirements and have determined consistency.

The FHWA and FTA found that the Conformity Document for the Knoxville Area TPO and the Lakeway Area TPO meet the five primary criteria of the Transportation Conformity Rule (69 FR 40004, March 2010):

- use of the latest planning assumptions;
- use of the latest emissions model;



- use of appropriate consultation procedures;
- consistency with the mobile source emission budgets in the State Implementation Plan (SIP); and
- provisions for timely implementation of transportation control measures in the SIP.

We also found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the Transportation Conformity Rule for the 8-hour ozone and PM 2.5 standards.

Therefore, the FHWA and the FTA approve the Conformity Determination for the 8-hour ozone and PM 2.5 standards for the 2034 Knoxville TPO and Lakeway MPO Long Range Transportation Plans.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Tameka Macon (FHWA) at 615-781-5767 or Valencia Williams (FTA) at 440-865-5634.

Sincerely,



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