

**Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Martin E. Nohe, Chairman
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

Members
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Tom Biesiadny, Chairman
Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

SUBJECT: Endorsement of Revised FY 2010 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program/Regional Surface Transportation Program Recommendations (Agenda Item 4.A.)

DATE: May 8, 2009

Recommendation:

The Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee recommends that the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority endorse the revised list of projects for funding through the FY 2010 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program and the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) to reflect reduced FY 2010 federal funding levels.

Background:

On December 11, 2008, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) approved recommendations for the FY 2010 CMAQ and RSTP programs. These funds were based the initial estimates provided by Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) staff. These estimates were:

- **Initial funding projected for FY 2010 NVTA Program:**
 - CMAQ up to \$24.233 million (depending on projects)
 - RSTP \$36.776 million (including state match)
\$61.009 million

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Subsequently, VDOT received new federal allocations that were significantly lower. These allocations were:

- **Revised funding projected for FY 2010 NVTA Program:**
 - CMAQ up to \$20.891 million (depending on projects)
 - RSTP \$29.473 million (including state match)
\$50.364 million

In addition, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) decided to terminate the Code Red Ride Free Program that it has undertaken to several years using CMAQ funding. NVTC expressed concern about the effectiveness of the Code Red program. Despite several different efforts to quantify the benefits, the results have shown modest air quality benefits. This is due to several reasons, including inconsistent counting by bus drivers and the fact that some transit riders stay home on Code Red days, due to their sensitivity to air pollution. As a result of NVTC's action, an additional \$2.612 million in CMAQ funding became available for reallocation. This funding partially offsets the \$3.342 million in anticipated FY 2010 CMAQ funding reductions. With this additional funding, the final FY 2010 CMAQ and RSTP funding available to NVTA is:

- **Total funding projected for FY 2010 NVTA Program:**
 - CMAQ up to \$23.503 million (depending on projects)
 - RSTP \$29.473 million (including state match)
\$52.976 million

Even with the addition of the Code Red funds, these reductions are significantly greater than NVTA has experienced in the past. These reductions exceeded what the Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (JACC) felt could be accommodated by deferring one or two projects, as has been done in the past when final allocations were lower than the projected allocations. Based on the new numbers, the JACC revised the recommended FY 2010 CMAQ and RSTP project lists. In preparing these revised recommendations, the committee attempted to hold funding for transit, transportation demand management (TDM), bicycle and pedestrian projects approximately equal to the level approved by the NVTA on December 11, 2008, although funds have been shifted between several of the projects.

Following NVTA's endorsement of a recommended project list, it will be submitted to the Commonwealth Transportation Board for final approval.

Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee members and I will be available at the NVTA meeting on May 14, 2009, to answer questions.

Attachment: a/s

Cc: Members, NVTA Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee

FY10 Recommendation - 4/30/09

CMAQ	Total Requested (\$000)	Approved Amount (\$000)	Recommended Amount 4/30/2009
Repayment of Previously Allocated Funds to Vaden Drive Ramp (I-66/Vienna Improvements)	\$715	\$715	\$715
Regional - COG/TPB Commuter Connections Operations Center	\$164	\$164	\$164
Regional - VDOT - Clean Air Partners	\$108	\$108	\$108
Rebuild King Street Metrorail Station Parking Lot and Bus Lanes	\$2,240	\$2,240	\$2,240
Alexandria Transportation Demand Management Advancement	\$600	\$300	\$100
Arlington Commuter Services Program (ACCS)	\$4,000	\$3,700	\$3,700
Fairfax Circle Short Term Intersection Improvements	\$150	\$150	\$0
Lorton VRE Station Platform Extension	\$1,750	\$1,500	\$250
Vaden Drive Ramp (I-66/Vienna Metrorail Accessibility & Capacity Improvements)	\$2,000	\$854	\$1,759
Bike and Pedestrian Access to Dulles Corridor Metrorail Stations	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Franconia-Springfield Mall Transit Store	\$300	\$300	\$300
Hybrid Vehicles - Falls Church	\$300	\$275	\$225
W&OD Trail Crossing Improvements (Bridge Overpass at Crestview Road)	\$300	\$150	\$300
Hybrid Vehicles - Herndon	\$150	\$0	\$100
Leesburg Park-and-Ride Lot	\$100	\$100	\$100
Dulles Parkway Center Park-and-Ride Lot	\$25	\$25	\$25
Purchase and Operate a Wireless Vehicle Management System - Manassas	\$155	\$155	\$0
Purchase Hybrid/Alternative Fuel Vehicles - Manassas	\$72	\$72	\$72
PRTC Commuter Assistance Program	\$300	\$300	\$300
PRTC Western Maintenance & Storage Facility	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,000
I-66/234 Bypass Commuter Parking Lot	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
VRE Broad Run Station Parking Garage	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,420
Extension of Traffic Signal Video Detection Project - Vienna	\$225	\$225	\$225
WMATA Metrobus Replacement	\$6,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
FY10 Total CMAQ = \$23,503,378 (Projected - \$20,890,929) + Code Red Return (\$2,612,449)	\$28,054	\$24,233	\$23,503

RSTP	Total Requested (\$000)	Approved Amount (\$000)	Recommended Amount 4/30/2009
Trans Action 2030 Update	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,100
Preliminary Engineering of Exclusive Transitway Improvements in Alexandria	\$300	\$300	\$150
Holmes Run Pedestrian/Bicycle Tunnel Construction Phase II	\$500	\$200	\$0
Arlington Transportation System Management & Operations	\$2,100	\$800	\$0
Chain Bridge Road (Route 123)/Eaton Place Multi-Modal Intersection Improvements	\$2,500	\$500	\$480
Route 29/Gallows Intersection Improvements	\$10,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
Fairfax County Parkway - Fair Lakes/Monument Drive	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$8,443
Mulligan Road - Phase 2A	\$9,100	\$2,151	\$0
Herndon Parkway Intersections (at Van Buren Street, Sterling Road & Spring Street)	\$500	\$500	\$200
Route 15 (South King Street) Widening	\$5,000	\$950	\$900
Route 659 (Belmont Ridge Road) Improvements	\$7,200	\$5,725	\$5,100
Route 28 Overpass in Manassas	\$2,000	\$700	\$700
Intersection Improvements on Manassas Drive @ Euclid Ave	\$300	\$300	\$275
Route 28 Widening from Route 234 to Fitzwater Drive	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
Purcell Road Widening	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,500
Balls Ford Road Widening	\$2,500	\$1,800	\$0
Main Street & South Maple Avenue (Route 7) Intesection Improvements in Purcellville	\$3,260	\$150	\$125
FY10 Total RSTP (Projected Available - \$29,473,376)	\$59,760	\$36,776	\$29,473
			\$0
FY10 CMAQ and RSTP = \$52,976,754 (Projected \$50,364,305) + (Code Red Return (\$2,612,449))	\$87,814	\$61,009	\$52,976