

BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD
RESOLUTION #15-15**

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2014 – 2017 BALTIMORE REGION
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urbanized Area, and includes official representatives of the cities of Annapolis and Baltimore, the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard, as well as representatives of the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of the Environment, the Maryland Department of Planning, and the Maryland Transit Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its November 26, 2013 meeting, with federal approval on May 19, 2014; and

WHEREAS, federal regulations require that all transportation-related projects must be listed in the approved Transportation Improvement Program with accurate funding schedules in order to be eligible for federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program consists of projects included in, and in support of, the region's long-range transportation plan and ongoing short-range planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Transportation has requested approval of an amendment to the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Transportation is requesting that this project be added to the TIP with \$1.6 million in federal and state funding for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016. The purpose of this project is to make transit safer (see Attachment 1) through data collection, risk analysis, policy development, hazard investigation, and effective oversight by various agencies. Funds will be used for staffing, training, consultant services, and miscellaneous equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program, as amended, continues to display financial reasonableness and re-affirms the appropriate project selection criteria whereby all requirements for a Transportation Improvement Program in the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act are met; and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined that this project is exempt according to the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93); and

***WHEREAS**, the proposed Transportation Improvement Program amendment was publicized for a 30-day review from November 6, 2014 to December 5, 2014 with public webinars on November 18 and 19, 2014 to allow for comments. XX comments were received on this project.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the attached amendment to the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region and finds it to conform to the applicable Maryland State Implementation Plan and requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region approved the aforementioned resolution on December 16, 2014.

Date

George Cardwell, Chairman
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

MDOT

2014 - 2017 Transportation Improvement Program

Environmental/Safety

State Safety Oversight

TIP ID	90-1401-39	Year of Operation	Ongoing
Agency	MDOT	Project Type	Other
Project Category	Environmental/Safety	Functional Class	
Conformity Status	Exempt	Physical Data	
CIP or CTP ID(s)		Est. Total Cost	\$1,581,000

Description:

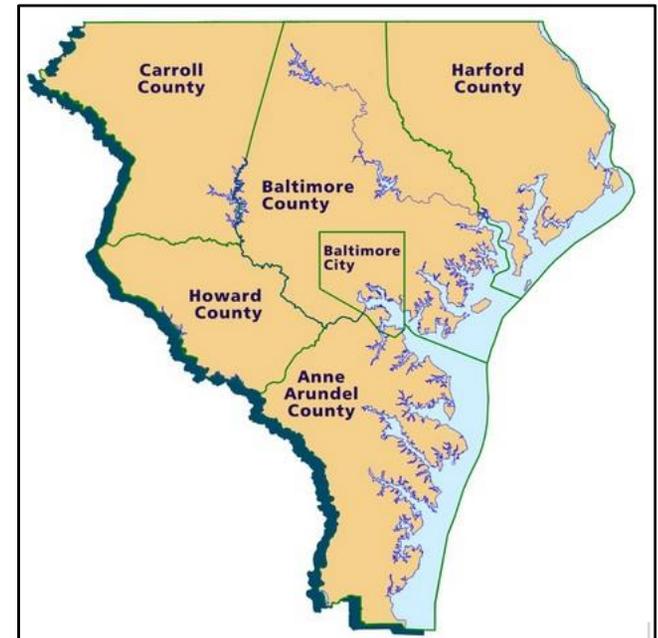
This is a national transit safety initiative to establish a process for oversight of program compliance. The process will advance the provision of safe, reliable and equitable transit service through adherence to legislative, policy and regulatory requirements as established by FTA. It will provide an unbiased source of integrated information to promote transit safety and effective grant management.

Justification:

To make transit safer through policy development, hazard investigation, data collection, risk analysis, effective oversight programs and information sharing.

Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals:

1.B Improve Transportation System Safety -- Improve traveler safety in all modes through traffic and transit system management and operations techniques





State Safety Oversight

(Funding in Thousands)

Section 5329 (State Safety Oversight)

Phase	FY 2014 Federal Funds	FY 2014 Matching Funds	FY 2015 Federal Funds	FY 2015 Matching Funds	FY 2016 Federal Funds	FY 2016 Matching Funds	FY 2017 Federal Funds	FY 2017 Matching Funds	Total	Four-Year Funding Request
CON	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTH	\$0	\$0	\$603	\$170	\$608	\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,581
PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$603	\$170	\$608	\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,581
Total	\$0	\$0	\$603	\$170	\$608	\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,581