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\$10 MILLION FOR BALTIMORE CITY ROAD SURFACING PROJECT OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

BALTIMORE, MD (October 9, 2015) – The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) seeks public comments for [an amendment](#) to the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) until **Wednesday, November 11**.

The BRTB is scheduled to vote on the TIP amendment on **Tuesday, November 24, at 9 a.m.**

The 2016-2019 TIP is the list of regional transportation projects requesting federal funding. It includes more than **\$2.5 billion** in proposed federal, state and local money for highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects during the next four years. The funding goes towards maintaining, operating and expanding the transportation system. The TIP is fiscally constrained.

Amendments occur in the TIP because of changes to project scope and funding or changes to federal documentation policies. Public comment periods and meetings aim to keep communication open regarding these changes. Below the BRTB provides summary information of the project and changes to the TIP:

- Baltimore City proposes adding a project, **Citywide Road Resurfacing**, to the TIP. Roadway resurfacing will eliminate hazardous or substandard conditions and improve system conditions.

Adding this project to the TIP allows Baltimore City to utilize federal Surface Transportation Program funds. The project allocates construction funds in Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of **\$8 million** federal and **\$2 million** matching for a total amount of **\$10 million**. The project had previously been on hold.

The BRTB will host a public meeting for the TIP amendment on Wednesday, November 4, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Baltimore Metropolitan Council, located at the Offices @ McHenry Row, 1500 Whetstone Way, Suite 300, Baltimore, Maryland, 21230.

Comments also are welcome during the Public Comment Opportunity during the BRTB meetings on **Tuesday, October 27 at 4:30 p.m.** or **Tuesday, November 24 at 9 a.m.**

In addition, public comments will be accepted by email at comments@baltometro.org; on Twitter [@BaltoMetroCo](https://twitter.com/BaltoMetroCo) and [@BmoreInvolved](https://twitter.com/BmoreInvolved), or on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/BaltoMetroCo) using the hashtag #BRTBlistens; or by mail at:

Attn: Public Involvement Coordinator
The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board
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