

BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD
RESOLUTION #25-2**

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2024 – 2027 BALTIMORE REGION
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

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

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its July 27, 2023 meeting, with federal approval on October 25, 2023; 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, Baltimore County has requested approval of two amendments to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

WHEREAS, Baltimore County is requesting to add \$250,000 for construction using Highway Safety Improvement Program funds for the Torrey C. Brown Trail Safety Improvements project to the 2024-2027 TIP. (see attachment); and

WHEREAS, Baltimore County is requesting to add \$104,000 for construction using Highway Safety Improvement Program funds for the Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue Bicycle Facilities project to the 2024-2027 TIP. (see attachment); 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 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs 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 presented to the Technical Committee on July 2, 2024.*

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 2024-2027 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 #25-2 on July 23, 2024.

Date

Anthony Russell, Chair
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

Summary of FY 2024-2027 TIP Changes

Project Title	TIP Change Reason	Description	Type of Change
<p>Torrey C. Brown Trail Safety Improvements 13-2401-03</p>	<p>This amendment adds a new project to the FY 2024-2027 TIP and utilizes Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. This project will include \$250,000 (\$225,000 federal/\$25,000 matching). This project will provide necessary safety improvements to increase driver awareness of pedestrians and bicyclists along the Torrey C. Brown Trail. The Total Estimated Cost is \$250,000.</p>	<p>This project will add raised crosswalks to 9 intersections of the Torrey C. Brown Trail. The trail is located in Baltimore County and connects Baltimore County to New Freedom, PA. Future plans are to connect the trail to Baltimore City's Jones Falls Trail.</p> <p>Conformity Status: Exempt</p>	<p>Amendment Resolution #25-2</p>
<p>Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue Bicycle Facilities 13-2402-03</p>	<p>This amendment adds a new project to the FY 2024-2027 TIP and utilizes Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. This project will include \$104,000 (\$94,000 federal/\$10,000 matching). This project will provide necessary safety improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists along Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue. The Total Estimated Cost is \$104,000.</p>	<p>This project will install bicycle facilities along Wise Avenue from Merritt Boulevard to Pinewood Drive and along Holabird Avenue from Sollers Point Road to Merritt Boulevard.</p> <p>Conformity Status: Exempt</p>	<p>Amendment Resolution #25-2</p>

Torrey C. Brown Trail Safety Improvements

TIP ID	13-2401-03	Year of Operation	2024
Agency	Baltimore County	Project Type	Bicycle/pedestrian facility
Project Category	Emission Reduction Strategy	Functional Class	NA
Conformity Status	Exempt	Physical Data	19.7 mile trail
CIP or CTP ID(s)		Est. Total Cost	\$250,000

Description:

This project will add raised crosswalks to 9 intersections of the Torrey C. Brown Trail. The trail is located in Baltimore County and connects Baltimore County to New Freedom, PA. Future plans are to connect the trail to Baltimore City's Jones Falls Trail.

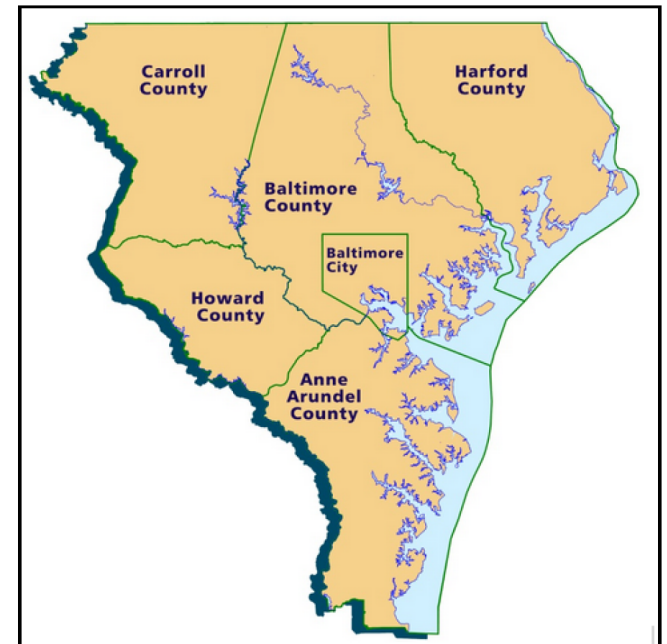
Justification:

Along this trail alignment there have been 21 crashes from 2016-2020, the raised crosswalks will aide in slowing down motorists and making them more aware of the potential for bicyclists and pedestrians crossing at those locations.

Amendment: This amendment adds a new project to the FY 2024-2027 TIP and utilizes Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. This project will include \$250,000 (\$225,000 federal/\$25,000 matching). This project will provide necessary safety improvements to increase driver awareness of pedestrians and bicyclists along the Torrey C. Brown Trail. The Total Estimated Cost is \$250,000.

Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals:

- 1.D Improve System Safety -- Eliminate hazardous conditions in high crash locations for all modes using best practices and proven countermeasures.
- 1.E Improve System Safety -- Improve conditions for non-motorists to travel safely, have safer interactions with other modes, & safe access to transit amenities.
- 2.F Improve and Maintain the Existing Infrastructure -- Improve the condition of bike/ped facilities.





Torrey C. Brown Trail Safety Improvements

(Funding in Thousands)

Highway Safety Improvement Program -NEW

Phase	FY 2024 Federal Funds	FY 2024 Matching Funds	FY 2025 Federal Funds	FY 2025 Matching Funds	FY 2026 Federal Funds	FY 2026 Matching Funds	FY 2027 Federal Funds	FY 2027 Matching Funds	Total Four-Year Funding Request
CON	\$225	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250
OTH	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ENG	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$225	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250
Total	\$225	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250

Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue Bicycle Facilities

TIP ID	13-2402-03	Year of Operation	2024
Agency	Baltimore County	Project Type	Bicycle/pedestrian facilities
Project Category	Emission Reduction Strategy	Functional Class	Other Principal Arterial
Conformity Status	Exempt	Physical Data	4 lanes to 4 lanes, 1.80 miles
CIP or CTP ID(s)		Est. Total Cost	\$104,000

Description:

This project will install bicycle facilities along Wise Avenue from Merritt Boulevard to Pinewood Drive and along Holabird Avenue from Sollers Point Road to Merritt Boulevard.

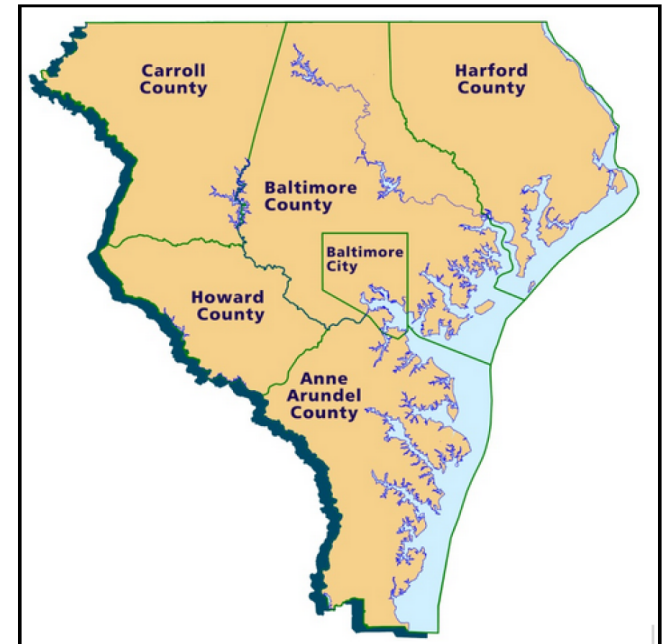
Justification:

There have been two pedestrian fatalities along this stretch of Wise Avenue and one pedestrian fatality along the Holabird section. There have also been two motorcycle fatalities along this section of Holabird Avenue. This project will provide improved safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

Amendment: This amendment adds a new project to the FY 2024-2027 TIP and utilizes Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. This project will include \$104,000 (\$94,000 federal/\$10,000 matching). This project will provide necessary safety improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists along Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue. The Total Estimated Cost is \$104,000.

Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals:

1.E Improve System Safety -- Improve conditions for non-motorists to travel safely, have safer interactions with other modes, & safe access to transit amenities.





Wise Avenue and Holabird Avenue Bicycle Facilities

(Funding in Thousands)

Highway Safety Improvement Program **-NEW**

Phase	FY 2024 Federal Funds	FY 2024 Matching Funds	FY 2025 Federal Funds	FY 2025 Matching Funds	FY 2026 Federal Funds	FY 2026 Matching Funds	FY 2027 Federal Funds	FY 2027 Matching Funds	Total Four-Year Funding Request
CON	\$94	\$10	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$104
OTH	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ENG	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$94	\$10	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$104
Total	\$94	\$10	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$104