

BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD
RESOLUTION #25-24**

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2028 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 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its July 23, 2024 meeting, with federal approval on August 8, 2024; 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 Transportation Administration (MDTA) has requested approval of one amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

WHEREAS, MDTA is requesting to amend the FY 2025-2028 TIP to add the Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency project. This project will keep the Curtis Creek Drawbridge in a state of good repair and maintain waterway access to the U.S. Coast Guard Yard. This amendment will add \$18.948M in INFRA funds for engineering and construction in FY 2025-2028. The total estimated cost for the project is \$19.5 million; 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 and Investment Jobs Act are met; and

WHEREAS, these projects are consistent with the federal emphasis on performance-based planning and programming, specifically the federal requirements pertaining to transit safety and maintaining transit assets in a state of good repair; and

***WHEREAS**, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined this project to be 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 March 4, 2025.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the attached amendments to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region and finds them 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 March 25, 2025.

Date

Anthony Russell, Chair
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

Summary of FY 2025-2028 TIP Changes

Project Title	TIP Change Reason	Description	Type of Change
<p>Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency 20-2502-13</p>	<p>This amendment will add a new project to the FY 2025-2028 TIP, the Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency project. This amendment will add \$18.948M in INFRA funds (\$11.448M federal/\$7.5M state match) for engineering and construction in FY 2025-2028. The total estimated cost for the project is \$18.948 million.</p>	<p>The Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency project is part of the MDTA's ongoing efforts to ensure the safety and continued operation of the two drawbridges that carry the Inner and Outer Loops of I-695 over Curtis Creek. The project includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of maintenance of traffic operations • Replacement of portions of the concrete decks and parapets • Repair and strengthening of the steel cantilever girders • Removal and replacement of lower-level lights and traffic signals <p>This project will be completed in two primary stages in order to maintain traffic on I-695. In each stage, one bridge will be closed and one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained on the parallel bridge.</p>	<p>Amendment</p>

20-2502-13 - Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency

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- Establishment of maintenance of traffic operations
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This project will be completed in two primary stages in order to maintain traffic on I-695. In each stage, one bridge will be closed and one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained on the parallel bridge.

Agency	Maryland Transportation Authority
Year of Operation	2027
Project Category	Highway Preservation
Project Type	Bridge repair/deck replacement (HP)
Conformity	Not Exempt
Functional Classification	Interstate
CIP ID	N/A
CTP ID	N/A
Route/Road Name	N/A
Length	0.7 miles
Existing Lanes	4
Proposed Lanes	4
Estimated Total Cost	\$18,948,000
Vulnerable Population Goals	Not Applicable
Project Benefits	Ensuring the Curtis Creek Drawbridge remains in a good state of repair and is critical for maintaining I-695 over Curtis Creek and maintaining waterway access to the U.S. Coast Guard Yard. The project has been accelerated to allow work to be completed concurrently with the Key Bridge Rebuild to minimize impacts to the traveling public.
Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals	2.B Improve and Maintain the Existing Infrastructure -- Maintain traffic signals and ITS elements., 1.B Improve System Safety -- Adopt relevant state and local plans that seek to reduce transportation related injuries and fatalities, 1.A Improve System Safety -- Improve rdwy. & transit safety through perf. based planning & programming
Project Changes	This amendment will add a new project to the FY 2025-2028 TIP, the Curtis Creek Drawbridge Deck Rehabilitation and Resiliency project. This amendment will add \$18.948M in INFRA funds (\$11.448M federal/\$7.5M state match) for engineering and construction in FY 2025-2028. The total estimated cost for the project is \$18.948 million.



Phase	Fund Source	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Total
ENG	State	\$500,000	\$148,400	-	-	\$648,400
Total ENG		\$500,000	\$148,400	-	-	\$648,400
CON	INFRA	-	\$3,250,000	\$4,150,000	\$100,000	\$7,500,000
CON	State	-	\$4,875,200	\$5,677,100	\$247,700	\$10,800,000
Total CON		-	\$8,125,200	\$9,827,100	\$347,700	\$18,300,000
Total Pro-grammed		\$500,000	\$8,273,600	\$9,827,100	\$347,700	\$18,948,400