

May 7, 2009

Mr. Tamrat Kassa  
Project Manager  
Georgia Department of Transportation  
North Georgia Planning Branch  
2 Capitol Square SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Kassa,

I am writing to confirm one adjustment to the Chattanooga-Hamilton County/North Georgia Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) passed by resolution of the Executive Board on March 3, 2009. I have attached the self and Federal Certifications, TIP Conformity Checklist for Air Quality, our Conformity Report, MPO Board resolutions, and old and new TIP pages, and old and new TIP financial summary pages.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, contact me or Patrick Hall, respectively, at 423.757.0077 or 423.668.2283 or by email at [taylor\\_melissa@mail.chattanooga.gov](mailto:taylor_melissa@mail.chattanooga.gov) or [hall\\_p@mail.chattanooga.gov](mailto:hall_p@mail.chattanooga.gov).

Sincerely,

Melissa Taylor, Director of Transportation Planning

Enclosures: (9 total), Cover Letter (1), Self and Federal Certifications (1), Conformity Document (1), Old TIP Page (1) New TIP Pages (1), Original Financial Summary Page (1), and Adjusted Financial Summary Page (1).

## Conformity Document

### Projects Requested

UN-NUMBERED – Local Resurfacing Economic Stimulus Projects – \$44,285 in ES funding for resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation.

### Air Quality Conformity and Federal Requirements

The above projects are exempt as per the Conformity Determination Report dated 6 March, 2008 and also they meet the requirements of 40 CFR 93.122 and a copy of the FHWA/FTA conformity finding is included.

### Resolutions

The Board Resolutions are attached for the two Amendments.

### Public Participation and Interagency Consultation

- The adjustment to this project does not have an attached resolution, as per our Public Participation Plan, there is no need for public notice or ICC approval.

### Fiscal Constraint

The revenues of these projects and changes did not exceed the costs and GDOT indicates fiscal constraint for all projects.

## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS CERTIFICATION

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.334, the Chattanooga Hamilton County North Georgia Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) does hereby certify that the transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

(a) The MPO and state shall certify the metropolitan planning process every 4 years is in accordance with:

X      (1) 23 USC 134, 49 USC 5303 (Highways and Transit)

X      (2) In non-attainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended 942 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d) and 40 CFR part 93

X      (3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21

X      (4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination, on the basis of race, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity

X      (5) Section 1101 (b) of the SAFETEA-LU (Pub. L 109-59) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects

X      (6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts

X      (7) Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et. Seq.

X      (8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance

X      (9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender

X      (10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities



Chair, TPO Executive Board  
Peter Hetzler, Mayor Walden

22 January 2008

Date



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Tennessee Division  
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Nashville, TN 37211

U.S. Department  
of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration  
Region 4  
61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Suite 17T50  
Atlanta, GA 30303

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February 20, 2008

Mr. Gerald Nicely  
Commissioner  
Tennessee Department of Transportation  
Suite 700, James K. Polk Building  
Nashville, TN 37243-0349

Honorable Bebe Heiskell  
Walker County Commissioner  
P.O. Box 445  
Lafayette, GA 30728

Dear Mr. Nicely and Ms. Heiskell:

The Tennessee Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Region 4 of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in coordination with Region 4 of the Environmental Protection Agency, have reviewed the amended Chattanooga Regional Transportation Planning Organization's conformity Determination and the Fiscal year 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), adopted on January 22, 2008. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, the Tennessee Department of Transportation, and the Metro Transit System, also had an opportunity to review and comment on the above-mentioned documents.

The Conformity Determination must be based on a Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) that meets the Federal Planning Regulations listed under 23 CFR 450.322. The FHWA and FTA reviewed the Knoxville Area Transportation Planning Office's (TPO) 2030 for consistency with the Federal requirements, and have determined consistency.

The FHWA and FTA found that the Conformity Document for the Chattanooga Area TPO meets the five primary criteria of the Transportation Conformity Rule (69 FR 40004, July 1, 2004):

- Use of the latest planning assumptions;
- Use of the latest emissions model;
- Use of appropriate consultation procedures; -
- Consistency with the mobile source emission budgets in the State Implementation Plan (SIP); and
- Provisions for timely implementation of transportation control measures in the SIP.

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We also found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the Transportation Conformity Rule for the 8-hour ozone and PM 2.5 standards.

Therefore, the FHWA and the FTA approve the Conformity Determination for the 8-hour ozone and PM 2.5 standards for the adopted Chattanooga 2008-2011 TIP and the amended 2030 LRTP.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Victor Otero (FHWA) at 615-781-5761 or Tony Dittmeier (FTA) at 404-562-3512. Again, thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,



Bobby W. Blackmon  
Division Administrator  
Federal Highway Administration  
Tennessee Division

cc: Ed Cole, Chief of Environment and Planning, TDOT  
Jeanne Stevens, Director of Long Range Planning, TDOT  
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Tamrat Kassa Jr., Transportation Planner, GDOT  
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CHATTANOOGA HAMILTON COUNTY NORTH GEORGIA TPO  
 FISCAL YEARS 2008-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES

**OLD**

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			TOTAL EXPECTED HIGHWAY				chattanooga_tip
			STIP FUNDS				
			(MATCHED)				
			FY 2008 - FY 2011				
FUND	CODE	LUMP DESCRIPTION	2008	2009	2010	2011	TOTAL
NHS	L050		\$ 674,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 674,000
Bridge	L1C0		\$ 600,000	\$ 679,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,279,000
Bridge	L110		\$ -	\$ 1,238,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,238,000
STP	L230		\$ 6,922,116	\$ 1,563,477	\$ 1,594,956	\$ 1,626,435	\$ 11,706,984
STP	L240		\$ 49,816,000	\$ 3,829,350	\$ -	\$ 13,191,000	\$ 66,836,350
CMAQ	L400		\$ 4,033,577	\$ 1,626,937	\$ 1,657,773	\$ 1,688,609	\$ 9,006,896
HPP	LY30		\$ -	\$ 2,621,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,621,250
IM	L010	ROAD MAINT	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 320,000
IM	L010	BRIDGE PAINT	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 240,000
NHS	L050	ROAD MAINT	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 320,000	\$ 320,000	\$ 720,000
NHS	L050	RDWY LIGHT	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 32,000
SRS	LU10	SAFE RT SCH PROG	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 8,000
SRS	LU20	SAFE RT SCH INFR	\$ 15,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 72,000
SFT	LS30	SAFETY LUMP	\$ 480,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 1,200,000
STP	L220	ENHANCE LUMP	\$ 208,000	\$ 208,000	\$ 208,000	\$ 208,000	\$ 832,000
STP	L230	ROAD MAINT	\$ 78,000	\$ 117,000	\$ 117,000	\$ 117,000	\$ 429,000
STP	L240	OPERATIONAL	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 160,000
STP	L240	ROAD MAINT	\$ 640,000	\$ 640,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 2,880,000
STP	L240	BRIDGE PAINT	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 160,000
STP	L240	SIGNALS	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 400,000
STP	L240	PLAN/MGT	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 64,000
STP	L240	FA MAINT	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 480,000
STP	L240	WETLAND MITIG	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 64,000
STP	L240	RW PROTECTIVE BUY	\$ 120,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 180,000
STP	LS40	RRX HAZ	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 128,000
STP	LS50	RRX PROT	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 128,000
STP	LZ20	CST MGMT	\$ 192,000	\$ 124,000	\$ 244,000	\$ 232,000	\$ 792,000
DNR	L940	DNR REC TRAILS	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 40,000
NPS			\$ 87,000				
Local ES - Alternative Transportation				\$ 1,600,000			
Local ES - Resurfacing, Signalization				\$ 600,000			
STM09				\$ 1,441,650			
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 64,429,693</b>	<b>\$ 15,690,014</b>	<b>\$ 5,808,729</b>	<b>\$ 19,050,044</b>	<b>\$ 102,691,480</b>

**NEW**

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