

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD

777 North Capitol Street, N.E.

Washington, D.C. 20002

RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT MEETS THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE TIP ACTION 26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP) WHICH ADDS FUNDING TO THE L'ENFANT STATION AND FOURTH TRACK PROJECT AS REQUESTED BY THE VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS (VRE)

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the TIP is required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2025 the TPB adopted the FY 2026-2029 TIP; and

WHEREAS, VRE has requested an amendment to the FY 2026-2029 TIP to include TIP Action 26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP), which adds \$25,006,239 to the total project cost increasing the cost to \$175,665,721 for the **L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track (T11581)** project. This project adds \$37,852,998 in state funding, identified the unfunded \$25,000,000 in funding as BUILD grant funding, removes \$12,235,009 in S. 5337 funding and removes \$611,750 in state funding all for the construction phase in FY 2027; and

WHEREAS, the review and processing of the amendments included in this TIP Action has been conducted in accordance with the procedures detailed in the TPB's Public Participation Plan and the National Capital Region Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program Amendment and Administrative Modification Procedures; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments have been entered into the TPB's Project InfoTrak database under TIP Action 26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP) creating the 16th amended version of the FY 2026-2029 TIP, and the draft amendment was posted on the TPB's Steering Committee meeting page in advance of the scheduled approval and can also be found for review online at www.mwcog.org/TIP/FY26-29/Amendments; and

WHEREAS, full funding for the projects in this TIP Action was included in the Financial Analysis of the National Capital Region Transportation Plan Visualize 2050 and the FY 2026-2029 TIP, and the TIP remains fiscally constrained, as demonstrated in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, the attached materials include:

- ATTACHMENT A) Letter from the Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) dated September 16, 2026, requesting the amendments,
- ATTACHMENT B) Project or Program Report(s) showing how the amended record(s) will appear in the TIP following approval, along with complete documentation of every change made for this newest approved version of the record,
- ATTACHMENT C) Fiscal Constraint Summary Table demonstrating that the TIP remains fiscally constrained; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the amendments to the FY 2026-2029 TIP shall not be considered final until the Transportation Planning Board has had the opportunity to review these materials at its next full meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2026-2029 TIP to include TIP Action 26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP), which adds \$25,006,239 to the total project cost increasing the cost to \$175,665,721 for the **L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track (T11581)** project. This project adds \$37,852,998 in state funding, identified the unfunded \$25,000,000 in funding as BUILD grant funding, removes \$12,235,009 in S. 5337 funding and removes \$611,750 in state funding all for the construction phase in FY 2027.



September 16, 2026

The Honorable Neil Harris, TPB Chair
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Transportation Planning Board (TPB)
777 North Capital Street NE, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20002

Subject: TIP Action No. 26-16 for Amendments (FY 2026-2029 TIP)

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) are requesting an amendment to add funding to the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board's FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reflect the following project funding amendment and additions as provided below:

Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Project:

L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track (TIP ID: T11581)

This amendment adds DRPT I-66 Outside the Beltway (OTB) funds and reprograms U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) funds awarded to PRTC/VRE in July 2026 for the VRE L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track Project. These additional funds will support an expanded station that will support simultaneous boarding of two full length trains. The project will improve station access and customer convenience while also improving service reliability.

- Add \$25,000,000 (Federal BUILD) FFY27 for CON Phase
- Deduct \$12,235,009 (Section 5337) FFY27 for CON Phase
- Add \$37,852,998 (DC/State) FFY27 for CON Phase
- Deduct \$611,750 (Local) FFY27 for CON Phase
- Deduct \$25,000,000 (Unfunded) FFY30 for CON Phase
- Add \$25,006,239 to project cost for \$175,665,721 new total project cost and FY24-27 cost of \$145,539,721.

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VRE L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track									
Phase	Funding Source	FFY2023	FFY2024	FFY2025	FFY2026	FFY2027	FFY2028	Total Project Cost	FY24-27 STIP Cost
PE	Federal			17,500,000				17,500,000	17,500,000
	DC/State			3,500,000				3,500,000	3,500,000
	State (NM)	2,226,000						2,226,000	-
	LOCAL	1,000,000		875,000				1,875,000	875,000
CON	Federal 5307				5,891,777	10,000,000	10,000,000	25,891,777	15,891,777
	Federal BUILD					25,000,000		25,000,000	25,000,000
	Federal 5337					-		-	-
	DC/State				1,178,355	42,300,000	2,000,000	45,478,355	43,478,355
	Local				294,589	500,000	500,000	1,294,589	794,589
	State (NM)	300,000		2,100,000	18,200,000	18,200,000	14,100,000	52,900,000	38,500,000
	Unfunded							-	-
Total								175,665,721	145,539,721

The TIP will remain fiscally constrained. The VRE L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track Project (TIP ID: T11581) is already included in the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Visualize 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan Update and the FY 2026-2029 TIP, which was approved on December 17, 2025. Furthermore, since this amendment only adds funds to the project and there is no scope change, an additional conformity analysis is not required for this project. No public review and comment are required although VRE solicits public comment at all Operations Board meetings, including the December 19, 2025, meeting where the VRE FY 2027-2032 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) was adopted.

PRTC and VRE request approval of the VRE L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track Project to the TIP by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on Friday, October 2, 2026, so that the funding for this project can also be updated in the DRPT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). PRTC and VRE representatives will be available to answer any questions about this amendment request. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Brittany Sumpter at 571-970-7023 or bsumpter@vre.org.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

Robert A. Schneider, PhD

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Executive Director

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T11581 - L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track

This project includes planning, design, permitting, and construction for an expanded VRE L'Enfant Station and an additional mainline track between L'Enfant (LE) and Virginia (VA) interlockings in Washington DC.

Plan Revision:	26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP)
Record Type:	Discrete
Lead Agency:	VRE
Project Type:	Rail/Fixed Guideways - Metrorail/Commuter Rail
Agency Project ID:	-
Facility:	VRE L'Enfant Station
From:	-
To:	-
County:	Washington
Municipality:	District of Columbia
Estimated Completion Year:	2028
Total Cost:	\$175,665,721

Phase	Fund Source	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Total
Construction	BUILD	\$0	\$25,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000,000
Construction	DC/STATE	\$1,178,355	\$42,300,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$45,478,355
Construction	LOCAL	\$294,589	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$1,294,589
Construction	S. 5307	\$5,891,777	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$25,891,777
Construction	State (NM)	\$18,200,000	\$18,200,000	\$14,100,000	\$0	\$50,500,000
Total Construction		\$25,564,721	\$96,000,000	\$26,600,000	\$0	\$148,164,721
TIP Total		\$25,564,721	\$96,000,000	\$26,600,000	\$0	\$148,164,721
Total Prior Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$27,501,000
Total Programmed		\$25,564,721	\$96,000,000	\$26,600,000	\$0	\$175,665,721

Current Change Reason:	Schedule / Funding / Scope- Update:
	Programming Change
Project Changes:	Plan Revision Name changed from "26-07" to "26-16.4 (VDRPT STIP)"
Funding Changes:	LOCAL
	- Decrease funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$1,111,750 to \$500,000
	DC/STATE
	+ Increase funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$4,447,002 to \$42,300,000
	S. 5337-SGR
	- Decrease funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$12,235,009 to \$0
	TBD
	- Decrease funds in FY 2030 in CON from \$25,000,000 to \$0
Federal Project Cost:	BUILD
	+ Increase funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$0 to \$25,000,000
Federal Project Cost:	Increased from \$55,626,786 to \$68,391,777 (22.95%)
Total Project Cost:	Increased from \$150,659,482 to \$175,665,721 (16.60%)

VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS (VRE) FISCAL CONSTRAINT SUMMARY REPORT FY 2026 - 2029												
FUND SOURCE	2026			2027			2028			2029		
	Revenue	Programmed	Balance	Revenue	Programmed	Balance	Revenue	Programmed	Balance	Revenue	Programmed	Balance
BUILD	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S. 5307	\$5,891,777	\$5,891,777	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$5,891,777	\$5,891,777	\$0	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0