

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO
INCLUDE TIP ACTION 23-69.2 WHICH ADDS A NEW PROJECT FOR WEST GUDE DRIVE BRIDGE
REPAIR AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF ROCKVILLE**

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 June 15, 2022 the TPB adopted the FY 2023-2026 TIP; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville has requested an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-69.3, which programs \$1.6 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and local funding in FY 2026 for the new **West Gude Drive Bridge Repair (T13877)** project; and

WHEREAS, the review and processing of the amendment included in this TIP Action has been conducted in accordance with the procedures detailed in the TPB's Public Participation Plan and the Procedures for Revisions to the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment have been entered into the TPB's Project InfoTrak database under TIP Action 23-69.2 creating the 69th amended version of the FY 2023-2026 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/FY23-26/Amendments; and

WHEREAS, the project is exempt in the Air Quality Conformity Analysis requirement, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Regulations as of April 2012; and

WHEREAS, full funding for the project in this TIP Action was included in the Financial Analysis of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the TIP remains fiscally constrained, as demonstrated in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, the attached materials include:

ATTACHMENT A) Amendment Overview report showing how the new project will appear in the TIP following approval,

ATTACHMENT B) Financial Constraint Summary Table demonstrating that the TIP remains fiscally constrained.

ATTACHMENT C) Letter from the City of Rockville dated September 17, 2025, requesting the amendment; and

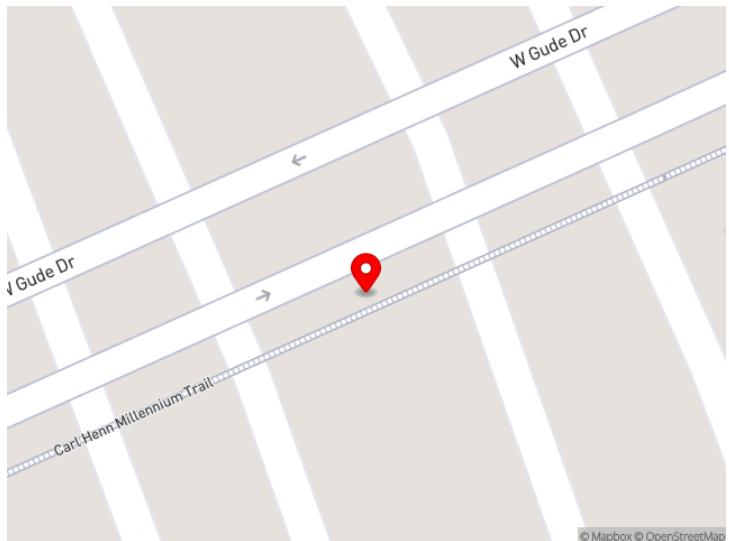
WHEREAS, this resolution and the amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP shall not be considered final until the Transportation Planning Board has had the opportunity to review these materials at its next full meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-69.3, which creates and adds STBG and local funding for FY 2026 to a new a project **West Gude Drive Bridge Repair (T13877)**, increasing the total project cost to \$1.6 million.

T13877 - West Gude Drive Bridge Repair

This project repairs the West Gude Drive bridge over I-270. These improvements will restore carrying capacity and remove load restrictions that were posted in May 2024.

Cycle-Revision ID:	23-69.2
Lead Agency:	Rockville Public Works Department
Project Type:	Bridge - Rehab
Agency Project ID:	-
Facility:	West Gude Drive
From:	-
To:	-
County:	Montgomery
Municipality:	City of Rockville
Completion Year:	2027
Total Cost:	\$1,625,000



Phase	Fund Source	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Total
Construction	LOCAL	-	-	-	\$325,000	\$325,000
Construction	STBG	-	-	-	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
Total Construction		-	-	-	\$1,625,000	\$1,625,000
TIP Total		-	-	-	\$1,625,000	\$1,625,000
Total Programmed		-	-	-	\$1,625,000	\$1,625,000

Current Change Reason:	New Project
Federal Project Cost:	Stays the same \$1,300,000
Total Project Cost:	Stays the same \$1,625,000
CMP Documentation Changes:	Does this project increase capacity on a limited access highway or other principal arterial? has changed from None to No
CMP Documentation Changes:	CMP has changed from None to CMP Documentation is not required.

ATTACHMENT B
PROGRAMMED SUMMARY BY FUND

Fund Type	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
FEDERAL					
STBG	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
Federal Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
STATE & LOCAL					
LOCAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000
Local Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000
Grand Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,625,000	\$1,625,000



September 17, 2025

The Honorable James Walkinshaw, Chair
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 300
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Chair Walkinshaw:

The City of Rockville (City) Department of Public Works (DPW) requests an amendment to the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) FY 2023-2026, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This project is not a capacity enhancement project and therefore, does not need air quality conformity analysis. The purpose of the amendment is to add the funding for the West Gude Drive Bridge Repair project to the FY 2023-2026 TIP. This amendment is necessary for the city to obligate federally awarded funding, which requires that projects be included in the TIP and the Maryland State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This project is funded from the Federal Highway Administration's Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program at an 80/20 federal/local split with the remaining funds to come from the City of Rockville.

A total amount of \$1,625,000 will be programmed for the current TIP (FY 2023-2026). The total programmed amount includes \$1,300,000 of federal funds and \$325,000 from the City. This project is to be designated "not regionally significant" and does not increase capacity therefore conformity testing is not required. These funds were not accounted for in the FY 2023-2026 TIP. This project supports the city's efforts to repairs of West Gude Drive Bridge over I-270 to improve load capacity and remove load restrictions that were imposed in May of 2024. The \$1,625,000 will fund this project, and the scope includes constructing the bridge repairs.

DPW requests that this amendment be approved by the TPB Steering Committee at its October 3, 2025, meeting and by the full board at its October 15, 2025, meeting. Following approval of the TIP amendment, we will request that the Maryland Department of Transportation amend its FY 2025-2028 STIP so that we may begin obligating federal aid funding.

Hon. James Walkinshaw, Chair
September 17, 2025
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We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions of comments, please contact Senior Civil Engineer Gina Arnett via email at garnett@rockvillemd.gov or via telephone at 240-314-8517.

Sincerely,

Craig Simoneau

Craig L. Simoneau, P.E.
Director of Public Works

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