

WILMAPCO Council

Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: January 15, 2026

Action Item #10-#15: To Amend the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Description/Summary of Item:

DelDOT has requested that the TIP be amended to adjust funding for Transit Vehicle Replacement. Action items #10-#12 are new projects that add funding for hybrid buses. Action items #13-#15 remove funding for hydrogen buses and charging infrastructure. All funds listed below are from federal sources and used for procurement.

Action Item	FY Affected	Funding Change	Project Title
10	FY 28	\$12,941	Transit Vehicle Replacement, 40' Hybrid Buses (9), Statewide, FY22 Award (85-14) (T202650304)
11	FY 28	\$10,283	Transit Vehicle Replacement, 40' Hybrid Buses (8), Statewide, FY23 Award (85-15) (T202650305)
12	FY 28	\$671	Transit Vehicle Replacement, 40' Hybrid Buses (5), Statewide, FY23 Award (80-20) (T202650306)
13	FY 26	-\$2,709	Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and Charging Infrastructure, NCC (85/15) (T202350304)
14	FY 25	-\$4,335	Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and Charging Infrastructure, NCC (90/10) (T202350305)
15	FY 25-26	-\$3,590	Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and Charging Infrastructure, NCC (80/20) (T202350306)

Summary of Action Taken by PAC:

The PAC did not take action on these items.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC:

At their December 18 meeting, the TAC recommended Council Amend the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):

The Air Quality Subcommittee reviewed the amendments via email and found that they would not trigger a revised air quality conformity analysis.

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:

The WILMAPCO staff recommends that the Council amend the TIP to include revised funding for these projects.

WILMAPCO Council:

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DRAFT RESOLUTION
BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)
AMENDING THE FY 2025-2028
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY ELEMENT

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation’s (USDOT) Regulations of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Metropolitan Planning Requirements, require that, in air quality non-attainment areas, the MPO, in cooperation with participants in the planning process, develop and, at least every four years, updates the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the WILMAPCO TIP format incorporates a four-year period for the listing of priority projects to be implemented, as well as a list of program development projects; and

WHEREAS, the amendment to the FY 2025-2028 TIP has undergone appropriate community and technical reviews; and

WHEREAS, the amendment to the TIP has been determined to be air quality conforming in accordance with IIJA and Clean Air Act and Amendments (CAAA) of 1990 requirements; and;

WHEREAS, the amendment to the FY 2025-2028 TIP has been found to be financially constrained, as directed by 23 CFR 450.326, and consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby amend the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program to decrease funds for the Transit Vehicle Replacement (T202350306) project.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council





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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SUBMISSION/AMENDMENT FORM

Please complete all form questions. Contact WILMAPCO at 302-737-6205 for more information.

Project Name:

Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and
Charging Infrastructure, NCC (80/20) (T202350306)

TIP to be Amended:

FY2025-FY2028

Sponsoring Agency:

DelDOT

Date of Submission:**Project Category:**

☒ System Preservation ☐ System Management ☐ System Expansion

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Description:

This project funds the purchase of four Hydrogen buses and charging infrastructure to provide clean, quiet expanded service in New Castle County.

Project Justification:

These heavy duty transit buses, use hydrogen and fuel-cell technology to create electricity and to charge batteries for zero emission extended range. The buses are refueled in six to twenty minutes depending on model and operating conditions.

Safe Streets Elements:**Project Website or Planned Public Outreach:****Complete Streets Elements (select all that apply):**

☐ Sidewalk ☐ Pathway ☐ Bike Lanes ☐ Transit ☐ Freight

AMENDMENT INFORMATION

Type of Change (select all that apply):

☐ New Project ☐ Increased Funds ☒ Decreased Funds ☐ Scope ☐ Accelerated Schedule ☐ Delayed Schedule

Summary / Justification of Change:

The plan to purchase Hydrogen buses and Zero Emission buses has been changed to purchase Hybrid buses.

FUNDING INFORMATION

EXISTING FUNDS - Please show all funding amounts as \$s x 1,000

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY	FY	FY	
80/20 FTA	PROC	500	3,090						

PROPOSED FUNDS - Please show all funding amounts as \$s x 1,000

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY	FY	FY	
100% State	PROC	0	.3	0	0				0

Federal Funding Programs:

Describe How Amendment is Financially Constrained:

Projects T202650304, T202650305, & T202650306 are being added to the STIP to replace the following project removals: T202350304, T202350305, T202350306, T202350307, T202350308, T202350309, T202550303, T202550304, & T202550305. The bus buy revisions are needed due to the pending discretionary grant changing from Hydrogen to Hybrid buses.



Capital Transportation Program - FY 2025 - FY 2030

PROJECT AUTHORIZATION SCHEDULE (Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and Charging Infrastructure, NCC (80/20))

PROJECT ID	PHASE	FUNDING	Previous FY State Auth	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2025 - FY 2028 STIP Total
T202350306	Procurement	State	310.3					
SubTotal		State	310.3					
		Federal						
		Other						
TOTAL			310.3					

* Indicates an AC Deferral

all costs in \$000s

Estimated Total Project Cost: 310.3

PROJECT FUNDING SCHEDULE (Transit Vehicle Replacement, Hydrogen Buses (4) and Charging Infrastructure, NCC (80/20))

PROJECT ID	PHASE	FUNDING	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2025 - FY 2030 STIP Total
T202350306	Procurement	State							0.0
SubTotal		State							
		Federal							
		Other							
TOTAL									

all costs in \$000s