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DRAFT RESOLUTION **BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)**

AMENDING THE FY 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, CECIL 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 include funds for the Replacement of Belvidere Road Bridge CE0055 over CSX Railroad project.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
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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: Replacement of Belvidere Road Bridge **TIP to be Amended:**
CE0055 over CSX Railroad

Sponsoring Agency: Cecil County, Maryland

Date of Submission: 03/20/2025

Project Category:

☒ System Preservation ☐ System Management ☐ System Expansion

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Description:

The replacement of the existing Belvidere Road Bridge CE0055 over CSX Railroad to provide a new bridge width.

Project Justification:

Project will replace the existing bridge that is currently in poor condition and is functionally obsolete, with a new, modern bridge on a new alignment that will also improve the sight distance along Belvidere Road

Safe Streets Elements:

CE-0055 currently carries over 1600 vehicles per day; vehicular traffic is expected to significantly increase due to the continued development of Principio Business Park and the construction of the proposed I-95/Belvidere Road interchange. The project will be a complete replacement with a new structure sized to meet current design criteria and anticipated future traffic demands. **The new Design with four lanes and two wide shoulders provides conditions for increased safety (Wide lanes, slope, improve road and Bridge geometry for both drivers and pedestrians traveling along Belvidere Rd corridor and crossing over the new bridge).**

Project Website or Planned Public Outreach:

This project is part of on-going bridge inspection, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities conducted by the Department of Public Works. As such, projects of this kind are reflected in the capital and/or operating budgets of Cecil County, and vetted in the respective budget hearing processes of the County Council – all of which are advertised in advance (including the County's website), open to the public, and reported on in the media.

Two webpages, one maintained by the Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA), the other by Cecil County Department of Public Works (DPW), contain information related to the project:

1. MDTA: https://mdta.maryland.gov/I-95_At_Belvidere_Road_Interchange/home
2. DPW: <https://www.ccgov.org/government/public-works/public-works-divisions/engineering-construction-division/current-capital-improvement-program-projects>

MTP – WILMAPCO Regional Transportation Plan

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:

Increased construction costs.

FUNDING INFORMATION

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

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY	FY	
Federal	PE	130	279	914.920					1,323.92
Local	PE	68.550	128.663	224.980					422.193
Federal	ROW / Utilities			1,600					1,600
Local	ROW / Utilities			400					400
Federal	Construction								
Local	Construction								
Total		198.55	407.663	3,139.9					3,746.113

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

Funding Source	Phase	Years							Total
		FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY	FY	
Federal	PE	130	279	914.920					1,323.92
Local	PE	68.550	128.663	224.980					422.193
Federal	ROW / Utilities			1,600					1,600
Local	ROW / Utilities			400					400
Federal	Construction					19,991			19,991
Local	Construction					4,997			4,997
Total		198.55	407.663	3,139.9		24,988			28,734.113

Federal Funding Programs:

Federal Bridge Aid Funds

Describe How Amendment is Financially Constrained:

There is a corresponding BUILD grant for the I-95 Interchange along the road and the project proposes to upgrade the bridge on Belvidere Road between I-95 and MD Rt. 40.