

July 27, 2017

Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.
Administrator, Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance
New Hampshire Department of Transportation
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RE: Rockingham MPO 2017-2020 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT Minor Revisions – July, 2017)

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced requests to amend two (2) projects in the Rockingham MPO <u>FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program</u> under our Administrative Modifications procedures. The modifications proposed are summarized as follows and are more fully described in the "2017-2020 TIP Revision Report" for July, 2017 which is attached.

July, 2017 request two (2) projects proposed for administrative modification within the region:

Project				Project Cost	
Number	Location	Project Scope	Proposed Project Changes	Change	Approved
BRDG- T1/2- M&P	PROGRAM	Maintenance & preservation of tier 1 & 2 bridges.	Increased funding to accommodate necessary increases in children project fund amounts	\$2,000,000	Yes
FLAP	PROGRAM	Improving transportation facilities that access Federal Lands within NH {FLAP}	Shifted 16k PE funds from FY 2017 to FY2018. Increase CON funds. This is to align the program funding with the anticipated needs of the child projects.	\$515,000	Yes

We concur that these projects changes are eligible for amendment through the Administrative Modification process.

Our TIP Amendment procedures (Section 6.5, MPO <u>Prospectus</u>) allow such modifications by action of the Executive Director provided that no exceptions are raised by MPO members. MPO TAC and Policy members were notified by email of the proposed modifications on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and asked to respond

with any comment by end of business on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017. As of that date I received no requests from MPO members that the changes be handled as a full amendment.

It was determined through Interagency Consultation (IAC) that the revisions do not impact the air quality conformity determination or change the financial constraint of the STIP. Based on this information the administrative modifications are approved. By copy of this letter I am informing the New Hampshire office of the FHWA, Region 1 of FTA and NHDES — Air Resources Division of this action.

Please contact me should you have any questions about our actions.

Sincerely,

Cliff Sinnott

**Executive Director** 

cc:

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