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MEMORANDUM

TO: BRTB Members

FROM: Harvey S. Bloom

DATE: April 14, 2009

SUBJECT: Agenda Item #10 – Resolution #09-22 – Approval of an Amendment to the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program to Include Funding from the ARRA of 2009

ACTION: Approval

Attached is Resolution #09-22 approving the inclusion of funds from the ARRA Act of 2009 into the 2008-2012 TIP. The BRTB will be asked to approve this resolution at the April 28, 2009 meeting.

Attachment

BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD
RESOLUTION #09-22**

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2008-2012 BALTIMORE REGION TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO INCLUDE FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN
RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009**

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urbanized Area, and includes official representatives of the cities of Annapolis and Baltimore, the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard, the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of the Environment, and the Maryland Department of Planning; and

WHEREAS, on February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which appropriates \$48.1 billion dollars for transportation infrastructure nationwide, including \$35.2 billion in formula funding was signed into law; and

WHEREAS, Maryland's share of formula funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is estimated at \$564.9 million (does not include WMATA) to be directed at maintaining and improving existing transit systems, roads and bridges; and, that these funds will be distributed to a wide range of "fix-it first" projects to allow the benefit to be felt by workers and families in every region of the state; and

WHEREAS, under Phase Two of the One Maryland Transportation Recovery Program, one \$30 million highway federal formula funded project and \$101.3 million in transit formula funded projects as listed in Attachment 1 are ready to move forward. These projects are directed to system preservation as well as for capital assistance to local and state transit systems located throughout the Baltimore region and therefore programmatically exempt from conformity analysis, and will not worsen the region's air quality, delay the timely attainment of national air quality standards or interfere with implementation of any transportation control measures; and, that the addition of these projects meet conformity requirements as stated in the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93); and

WHEREAS, federal regulations require that all transportation-related projects in receipt of federal aid must be listed in the approved Transportation Improvement Program with accurate funding schedules in order to be eligible for federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its November 27, 2007 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Transportation has requested an amendment to the 2008-2012 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program, as amended, continues to display financial reasonableness and re-affirms the appropriate project selection criteria whereby all requirements for a Transportation Improvement Program in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity, Act: A Legacy for Users are met; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the projects listed in Attachment 1 as an administrative modification to the 2008-2012 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region approved the aforementioned resolution at its April 28 meeting.

Date

Carl Balser, Chairman
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

American Recovery Reinvestment – Phase 2

State Highway Administration Projects

Location	Description	Cost (\$M)	Estimated Jobs
BRIDGE PROJECTS			
Baltimore Co	Bridge Replacement: I-695 @ MD 26	30.0	tbd
Baltimore Region Total		30	

Maryland Transit Administration Projects

Location	Description	Cost (\$M)	Estimated Jobs
LOTS and Station Projects			
Annapolis	Heavy duty bus replacements	2.3	tbd
Anne Arundel	Medium bus replacements	0.4	tbd
	Additional elevators and electrical system upgrades at BWI Rail Station	3.0	tbd
Baltimore Co	Parking expansion at Falls Road Light Rail Stop	2.3	tbd
Baltimore City	Replace windows & boilers at MARC Penn Station	4.0	tbd
	MARC West Baltimore parking expansion	3.0	tbd
Carroll	Small bus replacements and support vehicle purchases	0.3	tbd
	Facility and equipment upgrades	1.6	tbd
CTC	Install Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system	0.6	tbd
Harford	Small bus replacements and medium bus purchase	4.6	tbd
Howard	Facility and equipment upgrades	0.5	tbd
	Paratransit and hybrid bus purchases	2.2	tbd
Total		24.8	
MTA Projects			
Baltimore Reg	Replacement of some of the oldest buses with hybrid electrics	9.6	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Replacement of roofs on the Washington Blvd bus maintenance complex	10.1	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Installation of additional Light Rail electric substations and new signage at downtown stops	5.3	tbd
Areawide	Improvements on CXS owned lines to enhance safety and reliability of MARC service	4.7	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Improvements to Martins MARC maintenance facility	0.4	tbd

Baltimore Reg	Replacement of deteriorated rail fasteners and bolts in the Metro Subway	6.5	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Replace public address system in all MTA owned MARC stations	3.5	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Replace public address system in the Metro Subway	5.4	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Lighting, safety enhancements and cleaning throughout the Metro Subway	5.0	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Maintenance of Metro Subway underground tunnels and stations to maintain structural integrity and reduce water infiltration	3.9	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Maintenance of Metro Subway concrete structures and bridges	2.6	tbd
Baltimore Reg	Overhaul wheels, axles and traction motors on 25-year old Metro Subway railcars	19.5	tbd
	Total	76.5	
	Baltimore Region total (\$ millions)	\$131.3	