

Proposed Amendments to the 2024-2027 TIP (February 2024) – Conformity Exemption Status

Project	Reason for Amendment	Project Description	Proposed Conformity Status
A Aberdeen Transit Oriented Development Station Square Project: 15-2405-55	This amendment adds a new project to the FY 2024-2027 TIP utilizing FTA Community Project funds (CPF). The project includes \$5.0 million (\$4.0M FTA CPF/\$1.0M matching) for engineering in FY 2024. Project must be in the TIP to utilize the FTA CPF FY 2023 award. Engineering funds will be used for demolition plans, pedestrian underpass, and new bus bays for buses. The total estimated cost is \$5.0M.	The Aberdeen TOD Station Square project includes: 1) acquisition & demo of an existing gas station, 2) demo & removal of the existing non-compliant concrete pedestrian overpass, stairs, walkway & switchback, 3) construction of a new ADA compliant pedestrian underpass with terraced plazas and sidewalks, and 4) New bus bays to accommodate Harford Transit LINK and MTA buses. The City of Aberdeen was awarded a FY 2023 FTA Congressionally Directed Community Project allocation of \$4.0 million for the TOD Station Square Project, Phase I that includes updated cost estimates, meeting the NEPA requirements, acquisition, demolition, and preliminary geotechnical and environmental studies. The TOD Station Square Project complements Amtrak’s proposed investment in 2030 of \$5.0 million to the Train Station to improve their existing infrastructure and meet ADA requirements.	Exempt

Issues:

Do the proposed TIP amendments require a conformity determination?

No. These projects are exempt from the requirement to determine conformity in accordance with Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rule.

Project	Exempt status – Sec. 93.126, Table 2
A	- Construction of new bus storage/maintenance facilities