May 23, 2011

Ms. Britta Stein
FHWA TN Division
404 BNA Drive, Suite 508
Nashville, Tennessee 37217

Re: FY 2008-11 TIP Amendments for Nashville Area MPO

Dear Ms. Stein:

We are requesting approval of the attached Amendment 60 to the Tennessee State’s Transportation Improvement Program. I have attached an amendment package which includes amendment number 2011-003 to the Nashville TIP.

The following information is included:

1. A checklist indicating that all requirements for amendments were met. This checklist is based on submitted assurances from the Nashville Metropolitan Transportation Organization. TDOT Local Programs office is in concurrence with the amendments to the STIP.

2. A letter from the MPO listing the amendments being made. The letter states that the changes leave the plan financially constrained. We have independently verified these figures and agree with this statement.

3. A resolution, properly signed by the TIP Chairman of the MPO Executive Board and the MPO director.

4. A Transportation Conformity Checklist.

5. Individual project sheets for each project. In the case of amended or adjusted projects, there are two sheets. One is labeled “original” and shows the project funding prior to the amendment/adjustment. The other is labeled “revised” and shows the project funding following the amendment/adjustment.

7. Two sets of financial summary sheets. One shows the funds disposition prior to the amendments. The second sheet shows the funds disposition after the changes to the TIP.

8. A spreadsheet showing the individual projects and each of the fund groups where there is a change.

The Nashville MPO has provided documentation that the public involvement process was followed and this amendment leaves the TIP financially constrained.

Based on a review of the attached material, we believe that the MPO has followed appropriate procedures and met all requirements necessary to permit approval of this amendment and request your concurrence with this assessment.

I trust this information is sufficient to allow approval of the presented amendments. If we need to provide any additional information please contact Larry McGoogin at 615-532-3160 or Larry.McGoogin@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Teresa Estes
Transportation Coordinator

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cc: Michael Skipper, Nashville Area MPO
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      Chris Christianson
      Jim Moore
      Angie Midgett, w/attachment
      Rick Pack w/attachment
      Ronnie Porter, w/attachment
      Ben Tyree, w/attachment
      File, w/attachment
      Book, w/attachment
Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Review Checklist

☐ Rural STIP Amendment ☐ MPO STIP Amendment

Metropolitan Planning Organization: Nashville MPO STIP #60

Or

Rural County(s):

Amendment is adding un-programmed Federal Funds?
☐ Yes – proceed with checklist ☐ No

Amendment is adding a new project?
☐ Yes – proceed with checklist ☐ No

Amendment changes an existing project scope?
☐ Yes – proceed with checklist ☐ No

Amendment adds an amount of programmed funds to an existing project that is greater than 30% of the total project cost?
☐ Yes – proceed with checklist ☐ No

Air Quality

Air Quality Status: ☑ Attainment ☐ Non-Attainment/Maintenance

Non-Attainment/Maintenance: Conformity Determination Documentation Provided?

M/A ☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Documentation

Amendment is consistent with approved conformity horizon year?

M/A ☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Conformity Approval

MPO - Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

Project is consistent with or included in adopted MPO's LRTP?

☑ Yes* ☐ No – Return for LRTP Amendment

*Nashville projects with an “x” are not eligible for inclusion in the TIP.
Public Involvement

Amendment meets adopted public involvement plan?
☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Public Involvement

Amendment Process

Amendment meets the adopted amendment process – for MPOs, the Board resolution is provided?
☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Process Completion

Rural Counties: RPO Review/Consultation Process

Amendment includes documentation of RPO review/consultation?
☐ Yes ☐ No – Return for RPO Consultation

Fiscal Constraint

Amendment includes documentation of fiscal constraint demonstrating available funds vs. programmed funds?
☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Documentation

Amendment includes copies of both the original and adjusted project sheets?
☑ Yes ☐ No – Return for Documentation

Project Sheet

Each project included in the amendment must include the following:

☑ Project Sponsor
☑ Project number
☑ Project description/scope
☐ Project termini
☑ Total Project Cost
☑ Source of Fund
☐ Amount of Federal Funds by year
☑ Amount of matching funds by year
☐ Project phase by year
May 18, 2011

Ms. Teresa Estes
Local Programs Development Office
Tennessee Department of Transportation
Suite 600, James K. Polk Bldg.
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: May 2011 FY 2011-15 TIP Amendments for the Nashville Area MPO

Dear Ms. Estes:

Enclosed is an amendment package to the Nashville Area MPO’s FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The amendments were adopted by the MPO Executive Board at its May 18, 2011 meeting.

The package contains two transit projects. One of the projects involves FHWA HPP funds that need to be processed by your office. The second project involves FTA 5309 funds and needs to be processed by the Multimodal Transportation Resources Division.

The following projects are included for your review:

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Copies of the original and revised TIP pages are included for your reference. The amendments have been made according to the procedures identified in the MPO’s federally-approved Public Participation Plan and result in a fiscally constrained TIP.

Please consider this a formal request to amend the STIP. Thank you for your assistance in processing this request. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or Félix Castrodad at 862-7204.
Best,

Michael Skipper, AICP
Executive Director

CC w/o enclosures:  Ms. Sherri Carroll, TDOT
Ms. Angie Midgett, TDOT
Mr. Larry McGoogin, TDOT
Ms. Ronda Hirst, TDOT
Mr. Jim McAteer, MTA/RTA
Mr. Ed Oliphant, MTA/RTA
Mr. Tom Brashear, Wilson County, MPO TCC Chair
Mayor Karl Dean, MPO Executive Board Chair

Enclosures