

June 28, 2021

Mr. Michael Franchini, Executive Director
Capital District Transportation Committee
1 Park Place, Main Floor
Albany, NY 12205-2676

RE: TIP T134, PIN 1824.71

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Washington/Western BRT – Phase 4

Dear Mr. Franchini:

CDTA is submitting the proposed amendment to the 2019–24 TIP for consideration by the Planning Committee at its next scheduled meeting. The proposed amendment reflects additional federal funding from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) that has been allocated to CDTA for the Washington/Western Bus Rapid Transit Phase 4 project. The ARP funding is required to be programmed in the STIP, so we are requesting a TIP update prior to grant submittal.

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The amendment is proposed due to the following:

- Scope Change
- Cost Change
- Schedule Change
- New Project
- X Other

Provide Explanation for Change

On June 11, 2021, the Federal Transit Administration announced a total of \$250 million in Section 5309 federal funding allocations for twenty-two transit projects in the FTA's Capital Investment Grants (CIG) program, as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. CDTA was allocated \$2,490,772 (Discretionary ID # D2021-RPSS-011) for the Albany Washington/Western Bus Rapid Transit (Bus Plus Purple Line). ARP Capital Investments funding is intended to supplant the non-CIG share of the CIG project cost. We need to amend the STIP to show this additional federal allocation in order to access the funding.

Additionally, \$334,641 has been moved from the Professional Services phase to the Construction phase and the distribution of federal and local funds between the phases is being updated to reflect the final approved budget. Otherwise, the total funding allocated to each phase remains unchanged.

PROPOSED TIP CHANGES (Millions of Dollars)

CURRENT TIP DATA				PROPOSED TIP DATA				
Federal Source	Total	Federal Share	Local Share	Total	Federal Share	Local Share	Phase	FFY
Sect. 5309 CIG	34.147	30.129	4.017	34.482	34.482	0.000	C*	2020-21
Sect. 5309 CIG	17.371	8.671	8.700	14.881	2.105	12.775	V	2020-21
Sect. 5309 ARP**	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.491	2.491	0.000	V	2021-21
Sect. 5309 CIG	13.008	11.478	1.530	12.673	12.673	0.000	S	2020-21
Sect. 5309 CIG	10.791	9.521	1.270	10.791	10.791	0.000	F	2020-21
Sect. 5309 CIG	2.367	1.089	1.278	2.367	0.837	1.530	R	2020-21
TOTAL	77.684	60.888	16.796	77.684	63.379	14.305		

*Budget listed for Construction includes \$11.053M for unallocated contingency

**American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funding in the amount of \$2,490,772, Discretionary ID #D2021-RPSS-011. All other federal funds are from Discretionary ID #D2019-SMST-003 for FY 2019 Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants.

If you have questions or need further information, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Grants Manager, CDTA

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