

MEMORANDUM

To: Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization (CA-MPO) Policy Board
From: Taylor Lowery, Director of Transportation, CA-MPO/TJPDC
Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: FY27-30 TIP Update

Purpose:

This memorandum provides an update on the development and effective date of the FY27-FY30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Background:

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a federally required statewide document that combines all Virginia MPO TIPs and federally funded transportation projects in rural areas of Virginia. Before a project can be included in an MPO's TIP, federal regulations require that it first be included in that MPO's constrained long range plan. The TIP functions as a financial document to program projects for implementation that are already identified in the constrained long range plan.

FY27-30 TIP Update:

VDOT has communicated that several MPOs in Virginia have outdated constrained long range plans. If a constrained long range plan is out of date, that MPO is unable to approve a new TIP to be incorporated into the state's STIP due to the inability to demonstrate consistency between the two documents. As a result, VDOT and DRPT are unable to submit the FY27-FY30 STIP for federal approval until those requirements have been satisfied. Although the CA-MPO Policy Board approved the new FY27-30 TIP at the April Policy Board meeting, it will not take effect on October 1st as previously anticipated. An updated schedule of March 2027 has been communicated for anticipated STIP federal approval.

TIPs in Virginia are updated every three years covering a four-year period, providing a year of overlap on our existing FY24-FY27 TIP. We will continue operating under the existing TIP, but it may require amendments and/or adjustments in future meetings if there were new projects in the FY27-30 TIP expected to take effect October 1 that aren't captured in the current FY24-27 TIP. Staff are working with VDOT and DRPT to ensure no lapse to any project's compliance due to this. The CA-MPO will also not be required to redo the April approval action for the new TIP; that action will remain valid and it's just the effective date that will change.

For questions, please reach out to goriang@tjpd.org and tjenkins@tjpd.org.