



Wednesday, June 26, 2024

TO: Doug Plachcinski, Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization
CC: Bill Judge, City of Durham
FROM: Eric Vitale, City of Durham
SUBJECT: Request for Funding Award Balance for Project BL-0063 (Horton Road) from Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization

The intent of this memo is to ensure that all of the available funding for project BL-0063 (Horton Road) is appropriately in place prior to submittal of an official Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment.

BL-0063 is a project to construct a multi-use path on the south side of Horton Road from Guess Road to Roxboro Road (1.59 miles) and fill sidewalk gaps on the north side of Horton Road from Guess Rd to the existing sidewalk near Holston Rd (0.41 miles).

It is a federally funded TIP project. The project was initially submitted to the MPO's 2021-2022 Annual Call for Projects by the City of Durham, and was selected to receive full funding. The total estimated cost of the project at the time was \$2,700,000. The City applied for two installments of \$1,080,000 of federal funding in FY21 and FY22 for a total federal amount of \$2,160,000, each with a local match of \$270,000 for a total local amount of \$540,000.

To date, only \$964,534 of federal funding and \$241,133 of local funding has been allocated for a total of \$1,205,667. The amounts received to date are consistent with the TIP and the municipal agreement with NCDOT that was approved in the fall of 2023.

In conversations with the MPO in January of 2024, MPO staff agreed to honor full receipt of the project funds as awarded, and will provide the City with \$1,195,466 of federal funds in FY28, the balance of the remaining funding award. The City will provide an accompanying local match of \$298,867.

It is important to make sure all of the available funding for the project is appropriately in place as the project process is moving forward with a Request for Letters of Interest (RFLOI) for professional services released on Tuesday, June 11th, 2024.

Please contact me at eric.vitale@durhamnc.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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