

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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MEMO TO:	Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MP		
FROM:	Jason Schronce, P.E., STIP Central Region Manager		

North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT)

SUBJECT: Switching of funding sources in the DCHC-MPO

This memo serves as the official notification regarding the swapping of funding sources for projects within the DCHC-MPO, as previously agreed to via email and TAC action. This swap could potentially help NCDOT secure additional federal funding for North Carolina as part of FHWA's annual August Redistribution process and avoided the rescission of the MPO's COVID-Relief STBG-DA funds.

The funding swap consisted of using \$12,829,847 of DCHC-MPO's STBG-DA funds in fiscal year (FY) 2023 on the following projects to obligate funds which have previously been authorized using advanced construction or to fund future phases of work. NCDOT had initially planned to use STBG-AnyArea or TAP-AnyArea funds for these purposes.

STIP	Route	Phase	Amount of STBG-DA Funds	Comments
U-3308	NC 55 (Alston Ave) Widening	CON	\$9,805,311	NCDOT will use the STBG-DA funds to convert advanced construction and cover additional expenses.
U-3308	NC 55 (Alston Ave) Widening	CON	\$1,905,951	NCDOT will use the STBG-DA funds to convert advanced construction and cover additional expenses. These are the COVID-Relief funds that would have been otherwise rescinded under the debt ceiling agreement.
EB-5721	Orange County Bike Route 1	CON	\$1,118,585	NCDOT used the STBG-DA funds to to fund the project, which was selected through the STI Prioritization Process. The funds have already been obligated and are included in this memo for documentation.

In return, a total of \$12,829,847 of federal STBG-AnyArea, TAP-AnyArea funds, or state highway trust funds will be allocated to eligible future projects selected by the DCHC-MPO. This amount will be initially reflected in the MPO's unallocated STBG-DA balance holdout in the STIP (Project U-5023).

The funding swap does not need Board of Transportation approval, as it is considered an administrative modification. We consider this action administrative on the part of DCHC-MPO as well. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (919) 707-4646. Thank you.

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