



**Virginia Planning and Programming Winter Meeting
FFY 2015-2018 STIP/TIP Overview and Status Update**

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STIP/TIP

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

- Virginia's four-year transportation improvement program
- Identifies those highway construction and maintenance and transit projects that will utilize federal funding, or for which federal approval will be required
- Includes all federally funded and all “regionally significant” transportation projects
 - All roadway systems
 - Multimodal projects (highway, passenger rail, freight, public transit, bicycle and pedestrian)
 - Projects to include roadways in Virginia's National Parks, National Forests, and Indian Reservations

STIP/TIP

- **Must include all projects in an MPO TIP (Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Improvement Program), as well as federally funded projects in the rural areas of Virginia**
- **Federal regulations require each state to produce a STIP at least once every four years and must:**
 - **Demonstrate fiscal constraint – to show that a state is not scheduling more transportation projects for construction than it has funding for**
 - **Certify that a state's transportation program conforms to federal air quality regulations**

Virginia's STIP/TIP

- Updated every three years
- Based upon the state required Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP), which is updated annually and must be approved by the Commonwealth Transportation Board
- All projects in the SYIP that are eligible for federal funding are included in the STIP

Virginia's STIP/TIP

Virginia provides many opportunities for the public to provide input on transportation projects and priorities as part of the continuing transportation planning process for the development of the SYIP and STIP

- Federally required public involvement for each MPO's TIP
- Participation in Fall Transportation Meetings
- Participation in state required public hearings on the SYIP which are held each spring

FFY2015-2018 STIP

Planned obligations are based on the project's:

- **Schedule by phase**
- **Cost estimate by phase**
- **Allocations identified in the VDOT SYIP**

Planned obligations are based on the project schedule, estimate and allocations as of January 1, 2014

FFY2015-2018 Schedule Update

October 2013

- VDOT began its update process October with kickoff meeting between VDOT, DRPT and FHWA

November/December 2013

- Due to fact that NoVa region was faced with conformity issues, a project listing was provided to NoVa to begin its conformity review
- An added feature to the development of FFY15-18 STIP this year to ensure all regionally significant projects are included in the update of the STIP, Program Management Division worked with the District PIM offices to review a list of projects

FFY2015-2018 Schedule Update

January 2014

- **Operations Planning Division provides Program Management Division planned obligations for the maintenance grouped line items by district**
- **Previous STIP/TIPs included a statewide total for these grouped line items**

February 2014

- **Planned obligations for Hampton Roads, Northern Virginia, Richmond, & Tri-Cities MPOs will be provided to District PIM office for submittal to MPOs**

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March 2014

- **Planned obligations for the remaining MPOs will be provided to District PIM office for submittal to MPOs**
- **Planned obligations for non-MPO regions (rural areas) will be prepared**

April 2014

- **MPOs should begin process of conducting public involvement on TIPs**
- **TIP approvals by MPOs should begin**

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May 2014

- **Air Quality Conformity approval by FHWA/FTA/EPA**
- **Public Involvement for STIP (part of the SYIP Hearings)**
- **DRPT will submit its portion of STIP to Program Management Division for inclusion in FFY2015-2018 STIP**
- **Program Management Division will finalize compilation of the FFY2015-2018 STIP**

June 2014

- **VDOT will post “pre-approved” STIP on website with email link for comments**

FFY2015-2018 Schedule Update

July 2014

- FFY2015-2018 STIP submitted to FHWA/FTA for approval

September 2014

- FHWA/FTA approval of FFY2015-2018 STIP

October 2014

- VDOT to post approved FFY2015-2018 STIP on VDOT's website
- MPOs to post approved TIPs on their websites