

TIP Project U-4901

Falls of Neuse Road Widening and Realignment, Including New Structure over the  
Neuse River, Wake County

*Proposed Funding Plan for 2007-2013 Draft TIP*

As indicated on the attached sheet, the 2006-2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) allocates \$10.4 million in STP-DA funds to the subject project as requested by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO). The STIP further shows \$7.6 million to be provided by the City of Raleigh. The City has committed only to a contribution of \$5 million, leaving a “gap” of \$2.6 million. The programming of these funds by fiscal year is indicated on the attached sheet.

The recently approved Federal surface transportation reauthorization bill allocates \$4,000,000 in earmarks for the subject project. Of this amount, \$3 million is provided under High Priority Projects, and \$1 million under the heading of “Transportation Improvements.” Also shown on the attached sheet is the NCDOT’s updated funding plan that incorporates the reauthorization earmarks. This plan is proposed for inclusion in the 2007-2013 Draft STIP, on the assumption that the only funds needed for FY 2006 will be for planning and environmental studies. The earmarks come with a match requirement, the earmark amounts representing an 80% Federal share. This means the City of Raleigh is responsible for an additional \$1 million in match funds. The attached funding plan, however, counts the \$5 million City of Raleigh contribution already committed as covering the match for both the earmarks and the STP-DA funds, thus fully funding the project. In order to keep the City contribution consistent with the bond referendum proposal, the STP-DA funds have been reduced. The proposed funding plan assumes that the total project cost does not increase; any additional project costs would have to be borne by the City.

As a result of the Congressional approaches employed to fund the earmarks, the \$3 million High Priority Project earmark is subject to the state equity formula, meaning that \$3 million in current TIP funding must be taken out of the program to maintain equity balance. Within a given Division, to the extent practicable, the impact of all equity-subject earmarks will be shared among those communities that requested or received those earmarks.

In addition, the timing of distribution of those earmarks as established by reauthorization, along with the need to manage the cash flow impacts of the STIP may necessitate further programming constraints, specifically as regards when funds will actually be made available. This impact will not be known for some months, so we cannot now guarantee the schedule indicated on the proposed 2007-2013 Draft STIP funding schedule.

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TIP estimated cost: \$18,000,000

**2006-2012 TIP**

Funding Source	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
STP-DA (federal share)						\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000
City of Raleigh					\$5,000,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000

**Proposed Funding Split w/ \$4 M in SAFETEA-LU earmarks added**

Funding Source	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
STP-DA (federal share)						\$4,500,000	\$4,500,000
City of Raleigh					\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
High Priority earmarks				\$4,000,000			

**NOTES:**

- 1) \$3 M out of \$4 M in earmarks is subject to state equity formula; therefore \$3 M will have to come out of Division 5 program
- 2) Proposed funding shows reduction in STP-DA due to earmark total (\$4 M) exceeding funding gap total (\$2.6 M); this keeps City contribution at the bond referendum amount of \$5 million. Should total project cost increase, City would be responsible for covering total additional amount