

## **RESOLUTION 10-21-21-3**

## MORGANTOWN MONONGALIA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REVISION OF THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) PROCESS

**WHEREAS,** USC 450.326 (h) provides that "projects not considered to be of appropriate scale for individual identification in a given program year may be grouped by function, work type, and/or geographic area"; to allow for the timely implementation of small projects for the benefit of the public and

WHEREAS, the West Virginia Department of Transportation (WVDOT) has developed and adopted State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Operating Guidelines (Guidelines) dated March 31, 2021 in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and the West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the WVDOT STIP and TIP Operating Guidelines identify the criteria to be used for projects to be grouped in the STIP and Metropolitan Planning Organizations TIP's; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Board of the Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization wishes to ensure that small projects that do not materially affect the regional transportation network but which may improve the safety or the operation of the transportation network may be completed in a timely fashion; now

**THEREFORE**, the Policy Board of the Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization amends its Public Involvement Policy to allow the area's TIP to include "grouped projects" as identified in the Guidelines adopted March 31, 2021. Changes to the Guidelines for "grouped projects" will require a review of this Policy by the MMMPO's Policy Board before they can be implemented in the TIP.

ADOPTED this 21st day of October 2021

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Chairman

Secretary to the Board