Quarterly Snapshot #12:
July 2015 - September 2015

Quick Stats
$296.3M expended on 106 projects:
- 63 projects with PE expenditures
- 5 projects with RW expenditures
- 38 projects with CN expenditures
Seventeen (7) CMAQ/RSTP projects were flagged for having no expenditures in the past two quarters.

Expenditures
During the past quarter, over $296 million dollars was spent on 106 projects in Hampton Roads. There were 14 major projects across the region with expenditures in excess of $3 million. A total of nearly $200 million was spent on these 4 major projects:

- Route 460 PPTA Construction (UPC #103803)
- Project Contribution for DT/MT/MLK - Primary (UPC #101851)
- I-264 Pavement Rehabilitation (UPC #104331)
- Midtown Tunnel Debt Service - Primary (UPC #103036)

Project Highlight:
HRT – Systemwide Bus Stop Sign Program

The Hampton Roads Transit Bus Stop Sign Replacement Project (UPC #T9091) began on the Peninsula in FY 2013 with the installation of new signage in Newport News and Hampton. Replacement of the old signs on Southside routes began later that year and was completed in late 2015. In total, all of HRT’s approximately 3,400 signs were replaced.

The new signs provide significantly more information than the old signs, including:
- Additional route information (route numbers and names),
- Days and hours of operation,
- Bus stop identification numbers, and
- All routes that service a particular stop.

The new ‘lollipop’ design is distinctive, easily seen at night, features the new Hampton Roads Transit logo, and stands out among other signage along the roadway.

The $2.1 million project was funded by Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds.

Tracking CMAQ & RSTP Projects
HRTPO staff identified 7 projects with CMAQ and/or RSTP allocations through FY 2016 that had no expenditures since July 2015. Out of the 7 projects: 4 projects are completed/cancelled awaiting financial close and 3 are active projects with delayed or unknown status. HRTPO staff will work with locality/agency staff to advance projects on the list.

For more information on the HRTPO TIP visit: www.hrtpotip.org.
What is the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization?

The Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) is a federally mandated transportation policy board comprised of representatives from local, state, and federal governments, transit agencies, and other stakeholders. Responsible for transportation planning and programming for the Hampton Roads area, one of the core functions of the HRTPO is the development and maintenance of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

What is the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?

The HRTPO TIP is a four-year program for the implementation of surface transportation projects in Hampton Roads. These projects include transit, highway, rail, bicycle, pedestrian, and freight-related projects. Before any federally-funded and/or regionally-significant project can be built in Hampton Roads, it must be approved by the HRTPO Board and included in the TIP.

How is the TIP created?

The TIP is developed by the HRTPO in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Transportation, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, and local public transit agencies. In addition, the public is provided opportunities to review and comment at various stages during the development of the TIP. Once the TIP has been approved by the HRTPO Board and the Governor, it is incorporated into the statewide TIP, which is submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration for approval.

How are projects in the TIP funded?

Projects in the TIP may be funded by federal, state, local or private funds, or any combination of such funds. For a listing of the current funding sources, see Section III, page 4 of the TIP Document.

Can the TIP be changed?

Yes, changes are routinely made to the TIP by way of amendments or administrative modifications. The TIP may be amended in order to add, change, or delete projects. TIP amendments must be approved by the HRTPO Board. The TIP amendment process also includes opportunities for public review and comment. By signing up for the HRTPO E-Newsletter, you can ensure that you will be notified of opportunities to comment on TIP amendments. Proposed TIP amendments are also posted on the HRTPO website under Public Notices. Administrative modifications involve minor changes to projects that do not involve Board approval or public review.

Why is the TIP important to me?

There is never enough funding available to make all of the transportation improvements desired, and since the vast majority of transportation funding comes from federal and state taxes, it is important that the public have a say in how and where transportation dollars are spent. The TIP provides that information for each project, including cost estimates, schedules, funding allocations, and expenditures. The TIP website (www.hrtpotip.org) also includes an interactive mapping tool that allows the user to access project information by location.