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## MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom Transportation Policy Board  
From: Lethal Coe, Senior Planner  
Date: February 1, 2017  
Subject: WCOG 2017 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications

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**Amendment #1 (1701)** of the 2017 WCOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes the following changes:

1. Add new WSDOT project: **SR 542/Nooksack River to Mt Baker Gate – BST**. This project will rehabilitate SR 542 with bituminous surface treatment and minor safety work. The \$1.48 million project is funded through Western Federal Lands (WFL) funds. Construction will begin in 2017.
2. Add new WSDOT project: **SR 20/Rocky Creek to Granite Creek – BST**. This project will rehabilitate SR 20 with bituminous surface treatment and minor safety work. The \$4.62 million project is funded through Western Federal Lands (WFL) and Surface Transportation Program. Construction will begin in 2017.
3. Replace state Connecting Washington Account funds with federal Surface Transportation Program funds for WSDOT project: **SR 542/Dewey Rd Vic - Culvert Replacement**. In addition, obligated Preliminary Engineering phase has been removed. Construction will begin in 2018.
4. Add Right-of-way phase and remove Preliminary Engineering phase for Ferndale's **Thornton Street Overpass** project. The project is funded through Connecting Washington Account.
5. Add WTA project **Purchase Property**. WTA is seeking Federal Transit Administration funding for the project. The project will be funded through FTA 5307 for \$1.04 million.
6. Reduce funds for **Replace Vanpool Vans** project to purchase three vans instead of the currently programmed eight vans. The amount of FTA 5307 funds is reduced to \$96 thousand.

Formal TIP Amendments require review and resolution from the Policy Board to amend the current TIP and make federal funding accessible.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approve Amendment 1701 for the Whatcom Council of Governments 2017 Transportation Improvement Program.

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2017 Transportation Improvement Program

**Amendment 1701 Table**

#	Agency	Project Title	Amended Action	Added Funds \$	Total Costs \$	Fed Source
1	WSDOT	SR 542/Nooksack River to Mt Baker Gate – BST	Add New Project	1,479,997	1,479,997	WFL
2	WSDOT	SR 20/Rocky Creek to Granite Creek – BST	Add New Project	4,618,644	4,618,644	WFL and STP
3	WSDOT	SR 542/Dewey Rd Vic - Culvert Replacement	Replace CWA with STP funds	0	727,672	STP
4	Ferndale	Thornton Street Overpass	Remove PE and Add ROW	1,600,000	33,345,000	CWA (State)
5	WTA	Purchase Property	Add Project	1,300,000	1,300,000	5307
6	WTA	Purchase Vanpool Vans	Reduce Program Funds	120,000	120,000	5307

Administrative Modifications are less substantial project changes than amendments and are administered by WCOG staff.

**Administrative Modification 1701**

Agency	Project	Modification Administered	Total Costs	Federal Source
WSDOT	I-5/Lake Samish Vic - Stormwater Pipe Replacement	Minor revision to project description	1,396,593	CWA
Whatcom	Roberts Road/Anderson Creek Bridge No. 249 Replacement Project	Move a portion of construction funds from Local to Federal Bridge	1,951,200	STP(BR)
WSDOT	I-5/SR 11 Vic to SR 548 Vic – Cable Barrier Upgrade	Remove obligated preliminary engineering phase	2,752,216	CBI and STP
WSDOT	SR 542/I-5 to Hannegan Road Vicinity - ADA Compliance	Remove obligated preliminary engineering phase	532,155	STP
WSDOT	SR 539/Ten Mile Rd Vic to Nooksack Overflow Br – Cable Barrier	Remove obligated preliminary engineering phase. Update federal fund code.	749,909	NHPP