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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** CIRC Task Force Members  
**From:** Michele Boomhower, Assistant Director/MPO Director  
**Date:** November 7, 2011  
**Re:** Package of Phase 1: Short Term Implementation Projects for FY13 Capital Program

The CCRPC staff has reviewed the prioritization matrix, input from towns, and detailed descriptions of the short term implementation projects. In light of this information and the anticipated reduction in funding and project management resources due to tropical storm Irene related issues, the staff has developed the following package of projects for consideration by the Task Force (projects are in no particular order):

- Exit 16 Improvements, Colchester (Project CircAlt IMP-03)
- VT2A/VT289 Interchange Improvements, Essex (Project CircAlt IMP-06)
- Crescent Connector Road, Essex Junction (Project CircAlt IMP-11)
- VT2A/James Brown Drive, Williston (Project CircAlt IMP-19)
- Regional Transportation Demand Management (Transit, TDM/TSM)

Together, these projects represent a strong package to present to the Legislature in January. These projects scored well in the prioritization system because the package embraces the guiding principles of our transportation system - increasing safety and supporting designated growth areas. By combining safety, accessibility, connectivity, and system preservation, these projects will address identified problem areas in the CIRC communities.

The Transportation Demand/System Management (TDM/TSM) item is described in more detail in the attached information. TDM/TSM measures do not score as highly in the prioritization as some other projects, but the Task Force has discussed the need to include TDM/TSM, including transit and amenities that support transit, park and ride lots, carsharing, and bicycle and pedestrian systems. This proposed element would increase travel choices in the Circ Alternatives Study Area by integrating these TDM/TSM items in a comprehensive program.

This package of projects represents a \$11.2 million investment in the infrastructure of Chittenden County. Thank you for your consideration of this project list and I look forward to working with you to bring the final package to the Legislature.

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