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**IN REPLY REFER TO:
NCPC File No. CP11**

JUL 23 2010

**The Honorable Jay Fisette
Chairman
Arlington County Board
2100 Clarendon Blvd. Suite 300
Arlington, VA 22201**

Dear Mr Fisette:

NCPC has reviewed the *County of Arlington, Virginia FY 2011-2016 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP)* to determine the potential impact of projects on federal properties or other federal interests in the National Capital Region. After careful review, NCPC finds that none of the projects appear to have any adverse impacts. However, NCPC urges coordination of the proposed capital improvement projects with affected federal agencies including the Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense, Federal Highway Administration, National Park Service, and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

NCPC offers comments on the following topics in the proposed CIP. Park and stormwater projects represent important steps toward making the necessary improvements to the quality of the National Capital Region's natural environment. The proposed Long Bridge Park will be a prominent addition to our region's natural environment and recreation system. Open space and stream restoration improvements to Four Mile Run will significantly enhance the region's water quality and open space network.

Transportation continues to be a major concern in the region and is particularly important for the effectiveness of the federal workforce. NCPC is pleased to see continued commitment to transit improvements through the funding of WMATA's Metro Matters campaign and the Columbia Pike and Crystal City Potomac Yard streetcar projects. These programs and vehicular improvements such as the Old Jefferson Davis Highway Interchange which are proximate to the Pentagon and other federal employment centers represent valuable improvements to the regional transportation system. NCPC also acknowledges your extensive efforts to address impacts associated with the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process

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Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on Arlington County's recommended CIP. NCPC looks forward to working with you to advance the shared regional goals in the future. If there are any questions, please contact Stacy Wood who can be reached at 202-482-7237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marcel C. Acosta". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Marcel C. Acosta, AICP
Executive Director