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Memorandum

Subject: VA ST KGMN WLKR JBMHH
Air Quality Memo to File
Improvements at:
Kingman Gate at Ft Belvoir
Walker Gate at Ft Belvoir
Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall

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Clean Air Act transportation conformity requirements have been met for the subject projects.

Walker Gate at Fort Belvoir meets the exempt project definition provided in 40 CFR 93.126 under "Projects that correct, improve, or eliminate a hazardous location or feature". Walker Gate currently experiences dangerous traffic back-ups due to insufficient cueing capacity at the intersection. The proposed improvement will extend cueing capacity to address this safety hazard. Walker gate is therefore exempt from the requirement to determine conformity at the project-level.

Kingman Gate and JBMHH are non-exempt for project-level conformity. However, they are listed in Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' approved FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). They conform to the TIP, which in turn conforms to the State Implementation Plan.

Fairfax County, Virginia is non-attainment/maintenance for Ozone. Fairfax County is in attainment for all other NAAQS, except for PM2.5 annual 1997 standard (which has been revoked). Therefore hotspot analysis is not being considered.