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U.S. Department of Transportation

September 25, 2018

Richard Carlson Secretary of Transportation Kansas Department of Transportation Topeka, KS 66603

Subject: FHWA/FTA Approval of the

FY 2019-2022 Kansas STIP

Dear Mr. Carlson:

As requested by your September 20, 2018 letter, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the FY 2019-2022 Kansas Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Based on our review, we find that the STIP is based on a statewide transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, and 23 CFR 450. We also find that the referenced metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) are consistent with the metropolitan transportation plans produced by the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation process carried out by the Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), and the public transportation operators in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303. This finding is based on MPO and KDOT self-certifications, our regular involvement in the State and MPO transportation planning processes, formal certification reviews, as well as other activities.

The FY 2019-2022 STIP is hereby approved. This approval shall expire four years from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Paul Foundoukis of FHWA at (785) 273-2655 or Daniel Nguyen of FTA at (816) 329-3938.

Sincerely yours,

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September 20, 2018

Mr. Richard Backlund Federal Highway Administration 6111 SW 29th St., Suite 100 Topeka, KS 66614-4271

Dear Mr. Backlund:

Subject: Request for Approval of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2019-2022

Federal law requires states to prepare a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the law further requires that a draft STIP be available for public comment for a thirty-day period. The comment period for the State of Kansas draft STIP for FFYs 2019-2022 concluded on September 07, 2018.

Many factors have a role in the selection and development of the projects listed in the STIP from the guidance received at both the State and Federal legislative levels, from the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) with its broad high-level goals, from the Priority Formula that functions to rank and prioritize projects and from the newly adopted Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP) that provides a detailed assessment of current infrastructure and outlines the work and funding effort required to maintain said infrastructure. Together these factors influence and guide KDOT management decisions and project development and are embodied in the projects programmed in this STIP. The STIP is divided into two sections: the appendixes and the narratives. The project appendixes, A and B, list projects, in counties and cities as well as those on the State Highway System, regardless of funding source, that are administered by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and that are anticipated to have funds obligated within the next four federal fiscal years. Projects in the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) areas are listed by reference only. Appendix D, the advanced construction appendix, lists all projects, including those in MPO areas, that are being advance constructed and provides the estimated conversion date(s) and the estimated conversion amount(s) for each. The narrative section briefly describes KDOT's public involvement process, project selection criteria, program financing including the fiscal constraint for the years of the STIP and public transportation program criteria.

Additionally, within the STIP narrative are brief descriptions of programs administered by entities other than KDOT. These programs are the Federal Lands & Tribal Transportation programs administered by the Office of Federal Lands Highway and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; Recreational Trails program administered by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism; and the Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) administered by each of the MPOs for the six urbanized areas of Kansas. As well as the printed document, the STIP is available for review online at http://www.ksdot.org/bureaus/burProgProjMgmt/stip/stip.asp. For project changes or developments that occur after the STIP is prepared, KDOT will use the STIP amendment process. All amendments to the STIP are, also, available for review online and are located on the current STIP page.

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Apportionments are estimated based upon the funding levels outlined in the federal transportation act "Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act)" passed in December 2015 with the FFYs that exceed the act, 2021 and 2022, estimated at the same level as the last year, FFY 2020, of the FAST Act. Applying these funding levels in the STIP assures that programming is based upon reasonably expected funds and ensures that the State of Kansas does not over program. Included in the estimated obligations are the conversions for projects authorized with advance construction that are expected to convert during the four federal fiscal years. Each year of total expected obligation less the "Other" obligation which is composed of allocated and special funding is either less than or equal to the total expected federal appropriation for that year. If expected obligation for a year is less than the federal appropriation for that year, KDOT intends to convert projects authorized with advance construction to equal the difference. The conversion of advance construction will assure that expected obligation and expected appropriation are balanced.

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Please forward questions or comments concerning this letter or the STIP to Linda Fritton or Chuck Protasio, Bureau of Program and Project Management, at (785) 296-2252.

Sincerely,

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State Self-Certification

The Kansas Department of Transportation certifies that the statewide transportation planning process is being implemented in accordance with all applicable requirements including:

- 1. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, and 23 CFR Part 450;
- 2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR Part 21;
- 3. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- 4. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (P.L. 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
- 5. 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- 6. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101, et seq.) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38;
- 7. In States containing non-attainment and maintenance areas, Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d) and 40 CFR Part 93;
- 8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- 9. Section 324 of Title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- 10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR Part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

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Date