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FHWA/FTA Approval of an
Amendment to the FY 2011-2014
Kansas STIP

Mr. Jerome T. Younger, P.E.
Deputy Secretary for Engineering and
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Kansas Department of Transportation
Topeka, Kansas 66603

Dear Mr. Younger:

As requested by your November 29, 2010 letter, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the proposed Amendment #3 to the FY 2011-2014 Kansas Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Based on our review, we find that this STIP Amendment 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 revisions to the metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) are consistent with the metropolitan transportation plans produced by the continuing 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.

The STIP Amendment is hereby approved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Paul Foundoukis of FHWA at (785) 271-2448 or Joan Roeseler of FTA at (816) 329-3936.

Sincerely yours,

Cindy E. Tewilliger

Mokhtee Ahmad
Regional Administrator
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Division Administrator
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November 29, 2010

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Mr. J. Michael Bowen
Division Administrator
FHWA, Kansas Division
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Dear Mr. Ahmad and Mr. Bowen:

RE: Amendment #3 to the 2011-2014 STIP

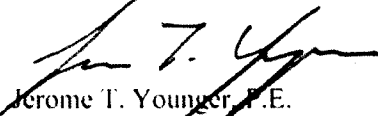
The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has approved an amendment to the Kansas 2011-2014 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which includes projects in the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Topeka metropolitan area. These items are enclosed for your review.

The public involvement activities conducted by the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) for the TIP serves to satisfy the requirements of 23 CFR §450.324

We are requesting your concurrence and approval of this amendment to the 2011-2014 STIP.

Please forward any questions or comments regarding project revisions in the metropolitan area to Davonna C. Moore, Bureau of Transportation Planning, at (785) 296-0346.

Sincerely,



Jerome T. Younger, P.E.
Deputy Secretary for Engineering and
State Transportation Engineer

Enclosures: 2011-2014 TIP approval request letter from MTPO
2011-2014 TIP Resolution
MTPO Self-Certification

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November 17, 2010

Allison Smith
MPO Transportation Planner
Kansas Department of Transportation
700 SW Harrison Street
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Dear Ms. Smith:

I'm sending you this letter to inform you that on November 17, 2010 the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) approved the attached 2010-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Topeka Metropolitan Planning Area.

I would appreciate it if you could send this document to the appropriate KDOT officials for approval and also forward it to the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration for their approvals. If you have any questions concerning this TIP please call me at (785) 368-3728. I appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,



Carlton Scroggins, AICP
Transportation Planner

Attachment: 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program for the Topeka Metropolitan Planning Area of Kansas

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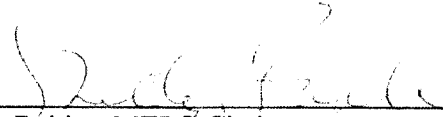
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to carry out the Continuing, Cooperative and Comprehensive planning program (3C process), including transportation planning; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) of the MPO identifies its project programming objectives, the functional and financial responsibilities of all participating entities, and projects designed to address regional mobility issues raised and discussed in the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan; and,

WHEREAS, a Transportation Improvement Program for the Topeka Area is required to be adopted at least once every four years, and must be amended when necessary, in accordance with the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) and related laws and regulations as well as MTPO adopted policies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Transportation Improvement Program – Annual Element for the 2011 Federal Fiscal Year and the 2011-2014 planning period is hereby approved by the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization on this 17th day of November 2010.



Shelly Bühler, MTPO Chairperson



David Thurbon, MTPO Secretary

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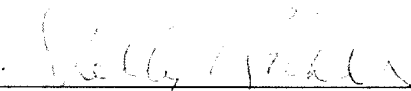
WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to carry out the Continuing, Cooperative and Comprehensive (3C) planning program, including transportation planning for the Topeka Metropolitan Area; and,

WHEREAS, the MTPO acting as the MPO for the Topeka Area must periodically certify to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) that its planning process complies with federal requirements.


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization hereby certifies to FHWA and FTA that the MTPO's transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the Topeka metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements as noted below.

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303;
2. 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 (*Note-only for Metropolitan Planning Organizations with non-attainment and/or maintenance areas within the metropolitan planning area boundary*);
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity;
5. Section 1101 (b) of the SAFETEA-LU (Pub. L. 109-59) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. 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;
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.

This resolution was approved by the MTPO on this 17th day of November 2010.



Shelly Buhler, MTPO Chairperson




David Thurbon, MTPO Secretary

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS SELF-CERTIFICATION
(To be submitted at least once every four years with the Transportation Improvement Program)

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) for the Topeka urbanized area hereby certifies that the transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303;
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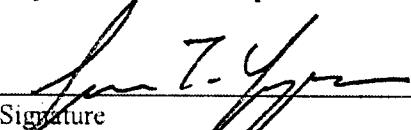

Signature

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Jerome T. Younger, P.E.
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11/22/10
Date