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

Dear Mr. Younger:

As requested by your September 12th, 2011 letter, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the proposed Amendment #17 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, 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 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 Daniel Nguyen of FTA at (816) 329-3938.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Mr. Ahmad and Mr. Bowen:

RE: Amendment #17 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 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 serve 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 these projects to Stephanie Watts, Bureau of Transportation Planning, at (785) 296-7448.

Sincerely,

Jerome T. Younger, P.E.
Deputy Secretary and
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Enclosures: 2011 TIP Amendment #3 Request Letter from MTPO
2011 TIP Amendment #3 Resolution
2011 TIP Amendment #3 Summary of Changes
2011 TIP Amendment #3 Project Listing
2011 TIP Amendment #3 Funding Summary Table

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August 30th, 2011

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Dear Ms. Moore:

This letter is being sent to your office today to inform you that on August 30th, 2011 the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) approved the enclosed 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement **Program (TIP) Amendment # 3** which contained the amendments to the following existing project.

#KA-7431-01 (KDOT) US-24 Hwy; Countryside Rd. east to existing 4-lanes. Bridge replacement over UPRR Topeka Blvd. with intersection improvements.

This TIP amendment request was reviewed by MTPO staff and by the MTPO –Technical Advisory Committee. Following a public review period this amendment was recommended for approval by the MTPO-Policy Board at their August 30th 2011 meeting. The approved TIP amendment resolution with attachment is enclosed with this letter.

I would appreciate it if you could review and approve this TIP amendment as soon as possible and forward a copy of it to the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration for their approval. If you have any questions concerning this amendment please call me at (785) 368-3728. I appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,



David Thurbon
MTPO Secretary

Enclosure: TIP Amendment #3 resolution and attachments

cc: MTPO Chairman

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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 in accordance with the provisions of 23 CFR Part 450.212(b), the Kansas Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization hereby agree that the public involvement activities carried out in response to the metropolitan planning requirements in 23 CFR 450.322(c) or 23 CFR 450.324(c) satisfy the public involvement requirements to add this TIP amendment into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); and that the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program for the Topeka Area be amended to include the following

Projects-

#K-7431-01 (KDOT) US-24 Hwy; Countryside Rd. east to existing 4-lanes. Bridge replacement over UPRR Topeka Blvd., with intersection improvements.

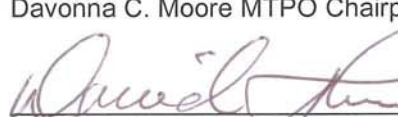
All Comprising TIP Amendment #3 to the 2011-2014 MTPO TIP

- An attachment describing the above project in detail is attached.
- A table showing the addition of this project and the accompanying fiscal constraint table is attached.

All above amendments are noted on the attachments to this resolution.



Davonna C. Moore MTPO Chairperson



David Thurbon, MTPO Secretary

TIP Amendment #3

2011-2014 TIP Project # K-7431-01 (KDOT) US-24 Hwy; Countryside Rd. east to existing 4-lanes. Bridge Replacement over UPRR Topeka Blvd. Intersection Improvements—Attached please find the proposed TIP amendment #3 to the 2011-2014 TIP. This is an amendment to an existing TIP project, which now includes the 2011 “Utility” and “Construction” phases of the proposed project. The Utility costs will be 829K and the Construction costs will be 44,233K. All costs are State costs, utilizing advance construction which will be converted to BRF funding in 2016. Specifically, the project entails reconstruction of US-24 into a four lane freeway, and replacing the bridge over the UPRR with twin bridges and building an interchange for Menoken Rd. All phases are now active. The project has been approved for letting as part of TWORKS Expansion and Modernization Program. The corresponding fiscal constraint table and project table are attached

Fiscal Years 2011 Through Fiscal Year 2014

Roadway and Bridge Projects for the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Area

				Cost \$ (thousands)					
				Federal	State	Local	Total	Comments	
County: SN	Juris: County	Route: SE Ratner Rd.	Year	Phase	Federal	State	Local	Total	
		Loc: Bridge over Wakarusa River		Eng.	0	0	0	0	Let by County 2013
Proj#: C-0026-01		Work: Bridge Prplacement		R/W	0	0	0	0	
		Length (mi):		Utility	0	0	0	0	
TIP#: 2-14-01-3		Class Minor Arterial	2014	Const./CE	936	0	234	1170	
		Let Date		Total	936	0	234	1170	
		Funding: BRO/Local	Federal Total		936	Non/Fed. Total		234	
County: SN	Juris: KDOT	Route: US Highway 24	Year	Phase	Federal	State	Local	Total	
		Loc: Countryside Road east to existing 4-la	2009	Eng.	0	2487	0	2487	All phases using advance construction to be converted to federal BRF funding in 2016
Proj#: K-7431-01		Work: Bridge Replacement over UPRR, Men	2009	R/W	0	1571	0	1571	
		Length (mi):	2011	Utility	0	829	0	829	
TIP#: 1-09-01-3-3		Class Principal Arterial	2011	Const./CE	0	44233	0	44233	
		Let Date		Total	0	49120	0	49120	
		Funding: BRF/STP	Federal Total		0	Non/Fed. Total		49120	
County: SN	Juris: KDOT	Route: NW Topeka Boulevard	Year	Phase	Federal	State	Local	Total	
		Loc: US 24 Hwy & Topeka Blvd.intersection	2010	Eng.	0	687	0	687	Construction of at-grade intersection to replace existing US-24/Topeka Blvd.interchange. PE using advance construction in the amount of \$687K to federal BRF funds in 2015
Proj#: KA-0461-01		Work: Replace Intrchg. w/ an at-grade interse	2011	R/W	0	177	0	177	
		Length (mi):		Utility	0	0	0	0	
TIP#: 1-09-02-2		Class Principal Arterial/Express		Const./CE	0	0	0	0	
		Let Date		Total	0	864	0	864	
		Funding: Local/BRF	Federal Total		0	Non/Fed. Total		864	
County: SN	Juris: KDOT	Route: I-70 Polk/Quincy Viaduct&	Year	Phase	Federal	State	Local	Total	
		Loc: Polk Street to Quincy Street Approach	2011*	Eng.	2450	5623.3	0	8073.3	In the PE phase, \$2450K is federal IMD funds in 2011. \$926.7K of BRF funds were obligated in 2010. PE using advance construction and \$5623.3 will be converted to federal IM funds in 2015
Proj#: KA-1266-02		Work: PE for plan devel of selected. I-70 Corr		R/W	0	0	0	0	
		Length (mi):		Utility	0	0	0	0	
TIP#: 1-10-02-1		Class Interstate		Const./CE	0	0	0	0	
		Let Date		Total	2450	5623.3	0	8073.3	
		Funding: BRF/IMD	Federal Total		2450	Non/Fed. Total		5623.3	

Funding Summary Table 2011 through 2014								
Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization								
MTPO Metropolitan Planning Area								
Kansas Department of Transportation, Shawnee County, City of Topeka, and the Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority							Draft Amendment #3	
Anticipated Funding								
<u>Year</u>	<u>Federal Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>State Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>Local Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>Federal Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>State Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>Local Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>Total of Anticipated Funding</u>	<u>Anticipated Minus Programmed</u>
2011	7,166,606	6,786,900	3,040,500	2,376,000	461,000	3,215,000	23,046,006	-40,925,594
2012	7,707,000	0	831,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	14,546,000	0
2013	4,706,606	0	11,570,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	22,284,606	-796,394
2014	4,706,606	0	6,129,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	16,843,606	3,770,606
Totals	24,286,818	6,786,900	21,570,500	9,372,000	1,844,000	12,860,000	76,720,218	-37,951,382
Funding Programmed in the TIP								
<u>Year</u>	<u>Federal Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>State Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>Local Total for Road, Bridge, Safety, and Enhancement Projects</u>	<u>Federal Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>State Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>Local Total for Urban Transit Projects</u>	<u>Total of Programmed Funding</u>	
2011	3,030,200	51,848,900	3,040,500	2,376,000	461,000	3,215,000	63,971,600	
2012	7,707,000	0	831,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	14,546,000	
2013	5,503,000	0	11,570,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	23,081,000	
2014	936,000	0	6,129,000	2,332,000	461,000	3,215,000	13,073,000	
Totals	17,176,200	51,848,900	21,570,500	9,372,000	1,844,000	12,860,000	114,671,600	
Notes for Anticipated Funding:								
This table includes Surface Transportation Program (STP), Bridge Reconstruction and Rehabilitation (BR), Hazard Elimination Safety (HES), Hazard Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), and Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds from the FHWA for locally sponsored projects.								
This table includes an assumption that on average the region will receive annually \$150,000 in HES/HSIP funds and \$200,000 in TE funds based on recent history.								
These estimates for Safety and TE funds were used in the Anticipated Funds amounts for years that specific Safety and/or TE projects have not been awarded.								
This table includes the latest estimates from KDOT for sub-allocation amounts for STP and BR funding for Topeka and Shawnee County.								
This table includes all federal, state and local funding that is anticipated for KDOT sponsored or administered roadway and bridge projects in the MTPO metropolitan planning area.								
This table includes FTA Section 5307 Formula funds, Section 5309 Discretionary Capital funds, and Section 5316 Job Access-Reverse Commute (JARC) funds for urban transit.								
This table includes awarded FTA Section 5310 funds for projects in the MTPO metropolitan planning area.								
This table includes State Operating Assistance for the TMTA that is at levels funded under the current Comprehensive Transportation Program.								
This table includes local funding for transportation projects from various sources including general obligation bonds, sales taxes, property taxes, and other sources.								
The local amounts include funding needed to match federal and/or state funds plus funds for locally funded projects that are regionally significant.								
*Includes federal funds for Shawnee County and Topeka advanced by KDOT Local Projects								
Notes for Funding Programmed in the TIP								
This table includes all of the forms of anticipated funding listed above including local funds in excess of what is needed to match federal and state funding sources.								
Each proposed project for the TIP is placed into the TIP tables only after the project sponsor meets with the MTPO staff and identifies its funding sources.								