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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 19th, 2011 letter, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the proposed Amendment #18 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,

Mokhtee Ahmad
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September 19, 2011

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Dear Mr. Ahmad and Mr. Bowen:

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RE: Amendment #~~17~~ to the 2011-2014 STIP

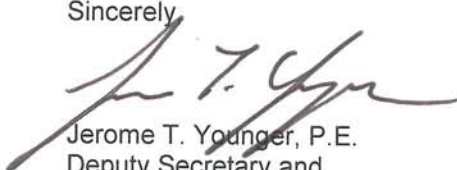
The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has approved an amendment to the Kansas 2011-2014 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which includes projects in the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Lawrence metropolitan area. These items are enclosed for your review.

The public involvement activities conducted by the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (L-DC MPO) 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: 2008-2012 TIP Amendment #11 Request Letter from L-DC MPO
2008-2012 TIP Amendment #11 Resolution
2008-2012 TIP Amendment #11 Project Changes List

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September 16, 2011

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Dear Ms. Moore:

I'm sending this letter to inform you that on September 15, 2011 the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (L-DC MPO) approved a revision to the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This revision requested by KDOT and the FHWA includes projects added as a result of the recently implemented TWORKS, the notes placed on these projects in the TIP projects table, related changes to the fiscal constraint table in the text, an updated list of TIP Projects with Obligated Federal Funds.

These TIP changes were reviewed by L-DC MPO staff and recommended for approval by the L-DC MPO Technical Advisory Committee at their September 6, 2011 meeting. The MPO approved TIP including these revisions is enclosed with this letter.

I would appreciate it if you could review and approve these TIP changes as soon as possible and forward a copy of them to the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration for their approval. If you have any questions concerning this revised TIP please call me at (785) 832-3155. I appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Todd Girdler, AICP
Senior Transportation Planner

Enclosures: 2008-2012 TIP Amendment #11 resolution and attachments

cc: Mokhtee Ahmad, FTA-Kansas City
Paul Foundoukis, FHWA-Topeka



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (L-DC MPO) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to carry out the Continuing, Cooperative and Comprehensive (3 C) planning program, including transportation planning; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) of a MPO identifies the projects to use Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration and certain other State and local funds for the advancement of projects that implement the region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) approved by the MPO; and

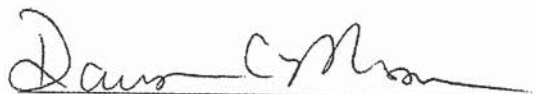
WHEREAS, a Transportation Improvement Program for each MPO is customarily adopted on a regular basis, and must be amended and/or revised when necessary, in accordance with 23 USC 134, 49 USC 5303-5306 and associated regulations and laws; and

WHEREAS, the local government sponsors of the projects described in this amendment have placed the necessary funds for those projects into their Capital Improvement Plans and conferred with the Kansas Department of Transportation to ensure that any needed federal and/or state funding for those projects is also available, and that this amendment maintains a fiscally constrained TIP; and

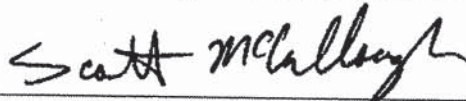
WHEREAS, the projects listed in this TIP that are sponsored by the Lawrence Transit System constitute the Program Of Projects (POP) for Lawrence Transit and by approving this TIP amendment the L-DC MPO is also reviewing and approving the POP for transit to bring the Lawrence Transit System into compliance with current FTA regulations regarding their POP.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of 23 CFR Part 450.210, the Kansas Department of Transportation and the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby agree that the public involvement activities carried out in response to 23 CFR 450.324 (b) satisfy the public involvement requirements to add this TIP amendment into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); and that the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program for the Lawrence-Douglas County Area be amended to make the text and projects table changes shown on the attached pages.

The Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby approves this TIP revision on this 15th day of September 2011.



Davonna Moore, L-DC MPO Vice Chairperson



Scott McCullough, L-DC MPO Secretary

2008-2012 TIP Project Changes List – TIP Amendment #11

Project Additions

- STHWY – 83 KDOT#:KA-2342-01
Douglas County Route 438 Construct eastbound turning lane and extend westbound right turn lane on Douglas County Route 438 from ¾ miles east of route 1029 to 1800' East- 2011
Program \$298,000 for State and \$52,000 for Local Construction Funds
- STHWY – 87 KDOT#:KA-2362-01
Toll feasibility study for South Lawrence Traffic way Traffic re-evaluation and toll feasibility study - 2011
Program \$182,000 State funds for Preliminary Engineering.
- STHWY – 84 KDOT#:KA-2409-01
K-10 in Douglas County from E Lawrence to County Line Resurfacing Improvements including Rumble Strips - 2011
Program \$246,000 State funds for Construction Engineering and \$4,918,000 State funds for Construction.
- TRNST_389 KDOT#: KS-90-X138
Lawrence Transit 2011: Program \$50,000 5307 federal funds and \$13,000 local funds for purchase of Security Cameras for facility.
- TRNST_390 KDOT#: KS-90-X139
Lawrence Transit 2011: Program \$248,000 5316 federal JARC funds and \$62,000 local funds for capital. Add comment: FY 2009 small urban JARC funds passed thru from KDOT 80/20 split.
- TRNST_391 KDOT#: KS-15-X002-01
Lawrence Transit 2011: Program \$497,000 5316 federal JARC funds and \$102,000 local funds for capital. Add comment: JARC Grant for Capital 80/20 split.
- TRNST_392 KDOT#: KS-90-X019-01
Lawrence Transit 2011: Program \$400,000 federal section 115 funds for capital. Add comment: 100%, no match required.
- MISC_511 KDOT#: 23 RF-0026-01
Amtrak Station in Lawrence, KS 2011: Special Work
Add 2010 HSIPR Grant Program PE and FD \$87,563 federal funds and \$25,000 local funds.

Project Changes/Revisions

- BRIDGE –230A
K-10 Highway/23rd Street Bridge over BNSF Railroad Replacement-2011

Remove allocation for PE and R/W. Add state funds of \$251,000 for Utilities. Add comment: PE in 2008 used AC and will be converted in 2013 to \$890,000 in BR funds. ROW in 2010 used AC and will be converted in 2013 to \$251,000 in BR funds.

- BRIDGE –231B
US Highway 56 over Tauy Creek Bridge Replacement –2011
Reduce State Right-of-Way funding from \$59,000 to \$29,000.
- BRIDGE –232B
US Highway 56 over Tauy Creek 1.95 and 2.71 miles E of US-59
Bridge Replacements –2011
Reduce State Right-of-Way funding from \$92,000 to \$46,000. Add comment: PE in 2010 used AC and will be converted to 230,000 in BR funds in 2014.
- BRIDGE – 233
US 59 8.97 miles N of US056/Bridge over Wakarusa Bridge Deck Overlay
Surfacing -2011
Reduce State Construction funds from \$178,000 to \$171,000.
- STHWY – 45
K-10 (23rd Street) US 59 (Iowa) to O'Connell Rd Interchange -2011
Remove allocations for Local Construction and State Construction. Allocate \$67,000 Local funds for Preliminary Engineering and \$123,000 Local funds for Right-of-Way in 2011. Add comments: Consolidate access points, Construction in 2012, Utilities in 2012.
- STHWY – 50
31st Street: Haskell Ave to O'Connell Rd.- 2011
Remove funding for PE and increase R/W from \$417,000 to \$500,000. Change project year from 2010 to 2011.
- STHWY – 60A
South Lawrence Traffic way Right-of-Way Acquisition– 2011
Remove allocations for all Preliminary Engineering. Add comment: PE in 2001.
- STHWY – 62
US 59 Franklin/Douglas Count Line, N to 2L/4L Div – 2011
Decrease the Federal Construction allocation from \$16,169,000 to \$0. Increase the State PE allocation from \$3,250,000 to \$0. Remove funding allocations for PE and add comment PE in 2005. Allocate \$20,054,000 in State funds for Construction. Add comment: Construction using AC. To be converted to \$10,422,362 in STP funds in 2011.
- TRNST_386, TRNST_387, TRNST_388
Assign KDOT project number KS-90-X138.