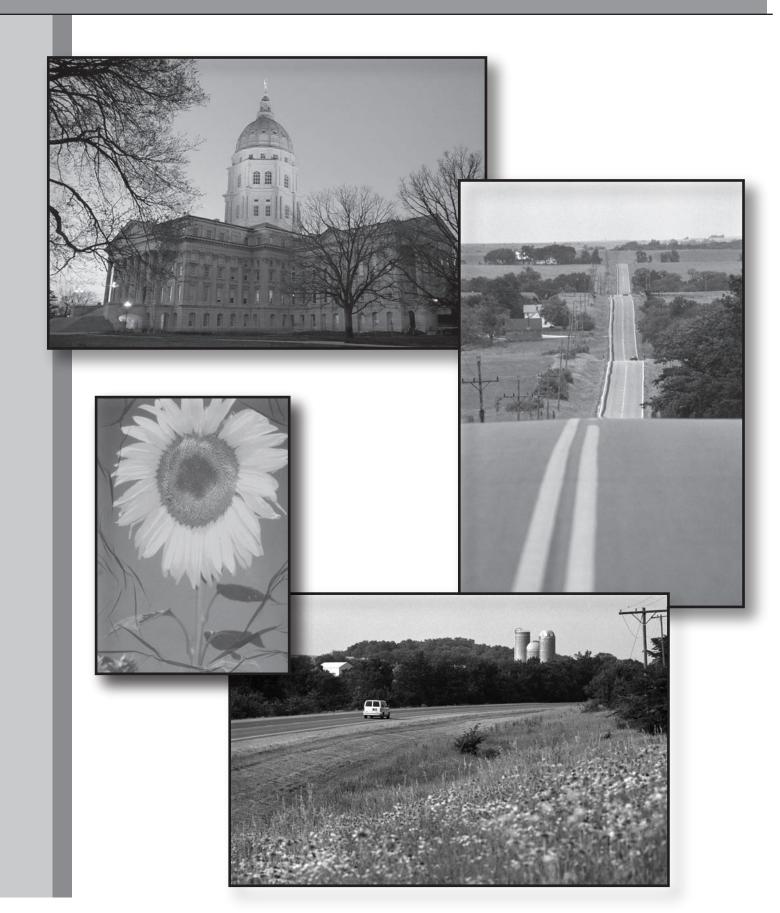
## Introduction



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In compliance with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements as codified in title 23 part 135 and 49 part 5305 of the United States Code (USC), the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has developed the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for Kansas. Kansas updates the STIP on a yearly basis and provides information on the current federal fiscal year (FFY) plus three subsequent years. In addition, the projects anticipated to obligate during the last quarter of the previous fiscal year are included in the STIP. These are projects scheduled in the interim period before a new STIP is approved during the preparation and comment period. Thus, this STIP encompasses FFY 2012-2015 projects and interim projects from FFY 2011.

The STIP is categorized into three general project sections:

- 1) Statewide Public Transit Program
- 2) Federal Lands Highway Program Projects
- All street and highway projects administered by KDOT

The comprehensive index of programmed projects provided under category three includes all construction type projects regardless of funding source to be administered by the Kansas Depart-

ment of Transportation. This includes projects programmed in the next four federal fiscal years, plus, the interim projects from FFY 2011. The indexes include city and county projects, as well as projects on the State Highway System. However, projects in Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) for the urbanized areas in Kansas are included in this STIP by reference only. The TIPs included are those in force for each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) at the time of STIP preparation. As new TIPs are adopted by each MPO, they are amended without modification to this STIP. The exception is the inclusion of projects in MPO areas in the advance construction index. All projects using advance construction including those projects located within an MPO area are listed in the STIP. The decision to include these projects was made to facilitate Kansas' demonstration of fiscal constraint. Projects designated as advanced construction are identified in Appendix **D- State Transportation Improvement** Program Advance Construction Project Index.

Projects listed under category three that are interim projects with a work phase still anticipated to obligate in FFY 2011 are listed by county and project number in Appendix A-State Transportation Improvement Program Interim Project Index. All projects with

at least one work phase anticipated to obligate within the STIP FFY 2012-2015 are listed by county and project number in Appendix B-State Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2012-2015 Project Index. Appendices A & B provide general project information including scope, work type, letting type, location description, county, route, length and provide project funding information including identification of project work phase(s), work phase(s) year of anticipated obligation, work phase(s) cost estimate and total project estimated cost. Furthermore, for work phases anticipated to obligate in the STIP FFY 2012-2015 or for interim projects in FFY 2011, funding sources are identified along with the participation anticipated from each source. A summary of anticipated obligation by federal fiscal year and by work phase is provided in Appendix C-Summary of State Transportation Improvement Program Project Indexes. In Appendix D, projects designated as advanced construction are listed by county and project number. For each project listed, detailed information about the expected conversion year or years within the four STIP years and the estimated conversion amount for each year of conversion is provided. Conversions projected after the STIP years are combined into a single column titled "After 2015 Planned Conversions".

This submittal also includes narrative descriptions of the project selection process, the procedures used by KDOT in developing the STIP and the program financing anticipated for the STIP.

Public involvement was met during the development of this STIP as required by CFR 450.210(a) and in accordance with KDOT's Public Involvement Procedures. (Draft print copies of the STIP were provided to the five area transit providers, the five area MPO offices and the six district offices for comment. Additionally, the Draft STIP was advertised in the Kansas Register for a thirty-day comment period.)

Our public involvement goal at KDOT is accomplished through our Bureau of Public Involvement by involving the public throughout the project development process thereby building and sustaining relationships with citizens, business, legislators, and governmental entities. Additionally, city and county officials are required to provide documentation demonstrating that public involvement was solicited during the development of their five-year plans. These five-year plans are submitted to KDOT for inclusion in the STIP.

Section 23 CFR 450.218 of the Statewide Planning Regulations describes ten certifications that states must make when submitting their proposed State Transportation Improvement Program to FHWA and FTA for approval. The Kansas Department of Transportation hereby certifies that the transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with the following requirements:

1) 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, 23 CFR 450.218;

- 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;
- Section1101 (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;
- 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 nonattainment 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;
- 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.

In addition to these certifications, Section 450.216 describes a number of requirements that the states shall ensure are met when submitting their STIP. The state of Kansas has also met the following requirements:

- 1) Public involvement was solicited during the development of the STIP as required by 450.210(a);
- 2) The metropolitan planning areas' TIPs are included by reference and have been approved by the Governor's designee;
- Projects in this STIP are consistent with state and local policy and therefore are consistent with the recently adopted Long-Range Transportation Plan;
- 4) The STIP is financially constrained by year;
- 5) The STIP includes a list of priority projects to be carried out in the first four years;
- 6) The STIP contains all regionally significant transportation projects requiring action by FHWA and FTA.

## Questions concerning this STIP may be forwarded to:

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## Questions about KDOT's Public Involvement Policy may be forwarded to:

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The information contained in the STIP is also available in alternative format. For more information, concerning alternate formats contact KDOT's Bureau of Transportation Information, (785) 296-3585 or KDOT's STIP may be viewed online at <a href="https://www.ksdot.org/publications.asp">www.ksdot.org/publications.asp</a>.