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Attachment: LRTP Amendments 5, 6, 7 Packet

Amendment 5 - Additional Revenue Available for *Transportation Plan 2040*

Amendment 6 – Moving I-44 to the Constrained Project List

Amendment 7 – Change to Major Thoroughfare Plan for Grant Avenue

The public is invited to comment on changes to *Transportation Plan 2040*, which is the OTO long range transportation plan through the year 2040. Amendment 5 adds revenue to the fiscal plan. MoDOT has revised funding projections since the Plan was developed and this has allowed OTO to show more revenue than previously available. Because of this additional revenue, OTO was able to add I-44 improvements to the fiscally constrained project list, as seen in Amendment 6. Then, unrelated to Amendments 5 and 6, the City of Springfield has requested to change the classification of Grant Avenue (between Grand and Norton) from Primary Arterial to Secondary Arterial on the Major Thoroughfare Plan. This is considered to be more inline with the characteristics of the roadway and adjacent development. Details can be found at <http://giveyourinput.org/category/public-comment/>

Transportation Plan 2040 is the long range transportation plan for the region and proposes a list of projects which can be afforded through 2040. Projects moved to construction in the Transportation Improvement Program must first appear in *Transportation Plan 2040*.

How to comment:

Online: <http://giveyourinput.org/category/public-comment/>

Email: comment@ozarkstransportation.org

Fax: 417-862-6013.

In writing: OTO, 2208 W. Chesterfield Blvd., Suite 101, Springfield, MO 65807

The public comment period will continue until June 15, 2017. After reviewing recommendations and public comments, the OTO Board of Directors will decide whether to formally adopt the amendment at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 15, 2017, at noon, at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, MO.

Ozarks Transportation Organization is your Springfield-regional Metropolitan Planning Organization, or MPO. The MPO is a body of elected and appointed members who work together with local, state and federal elected officials and policy-makers, serving to make funding and planning decisions for transportation within the Springfield, MO region.

Public input is a cornerstone of our operations. To tell us what you think, please email us at comment@ozarkstransportation.org. Find us on Facebook, or on Twitter @giveusyourinput. Or call, or stop by our office at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, in beautiful Chesterfield Village.

Si usted necesita la ayuda de un traductor del idioma español, por favor comuníquese con la Andy Thomason al teléfono 417-865-3042, cuando menos 48 horas antes del plazo.

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