

## OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

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Attachment: TIP Amendment 5 packet

Five changes are proposed for Amendment Number 5 to the FY 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program.

- \*Revised\* Pedestrian Improvements on Route 14 Cedar Heights to Ellen (EN1708-19A5)
   MoDOT has requested to align the OTO TIP with the MoDOT STIP; changes including the removal of
   MoDOT Construction Funds of \$22200, the increase of Local Funds by \$1,500 and the increase of
   Federal STBG Funds by \$20,700. The overall programmed amount remains the same.
- \*New\* ADA Improvements on Nature Center Way (EN1914-19A5)
   MoDOT is requesting a scoping project for ADA improvements along Nature Center Way with \$61,000 in Federal Funding and \$15,400 in State Funding, for a total programmed amount of \$77,000 in FY 2019.
- 3. \*New\* OTO Operations and Planning (OT1901-19A5)
  OTO is requesting STBG-Urban funding for operations and planning activities as described in the
  OTO FY 2020 Unified Planning Work Program, starting with federal funds of \$200,000 in FFY 2019,
  and increasing by 5 percent each year to \$231,525 for FFY 2022, for a total programmed amount of \$1,077,531, with local match provided by OTO Member Jurisdiction Dues.
- 4. \*New\* Route 60 and Route 174 Intersection (RP1901-19A5)
  MoDOT is requesting a scoping project for the Route 60 and Route 174 Intersection in Republic, with \$160,000 in Federal Funding and \$40,000 in State Funding, for a total programmed amount of \$200,000.
- 5. \*New\* Sherman Parkway Rail Crossing Improvements (SP1912-19A5)
  MoDOT is requesting a project to install a new rail crossing signal and rail crossing safety improvements on Sherman Parkway at BNSF railroad, with Federal Funding of \$46,000 and State Funding of \$6,000, for a total programmed amount of \$52,000.

Visit <a href="http://giveusyourinput.org/category/public-comment/">http://giveusyourinput.org/category/public-comment/</a> or the OTO offices to review the amendment in further detail and to submit comments. Comments can also be submitted in writing to Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, emailed to <a href="mailto:comment@ozarkstransportation.org">comment@ozarkstransportation.org</a>, or faxed to 417-862-6013.

The public comment period will end at noon on April 18, 2019. The OTO Board of Directors will review and consider approving the Amendment at their April 18, 2019 Board Meeting, held at 12:00 noon at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri. After reviewing recommendations and entertaining public comment, the OTO Board of Directors will decide whether to formally adopt the Amendment.

For more information, contact: Natasha Longpine, Principal Planner, Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, 417-865-3042.

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