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May 30, 2023

Mr. Patrick McKenna
Director
Missouri Department of Transportation
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RE: ONEDOT Approval to Incorporate OTO TIP Amendment 5 into the FY 2023-2027 Missouri STIP

Dear Mr. McKenna:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has reviewed the Missouri Department of Transportation's (MoDOT) request to incorporate the Ozark Transportation Organization (OTO) amendment of their FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as further described in your letter of May 30, 2023, as an amendment to the FY 2023-2027 Missouri Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The amendment includes the modification of two transit projects. The OTO Board of Directors approved the TIP amendment on May 18, 2023. The Governor approved the OTO amendment on May 24, 2023.

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.218(b), we have determined that this STIP amendment is based on a 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 Subparts A, B, and C. Based on our review, this STIP amendment request is approved.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Eva Steinman of FTA at (816) 329-3931.

Sincerely,

Mokhtee Ahmad
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration

CC: Sara Fields -OTO
Britni O'Connor -MoDOT
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May 30, 2023

Mr. Mokhtee Ahmad
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
901 Locust, Room 404
Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Mr. Ahmad:

SUBJECT: Springfield Metropolitan Area
Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO)
FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Approval Request to Incorporate TIP Amendment No. 5 into FY 2023-2027 STIP

As required by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Governor Parson approved the TIP amendment No. 5 for the Springfield metropolitan area. The amendment includes the addition of 1 Transit project.

Enclosed is a copy of the Governor's approval letter and supporting documentation. The OTO Board of Directors approved the TIP amendment on May 18, 2023. All public involvement considerations were met and fiscal constraint has been ensured. No comments were received.

We request approval of incorporating this TIP amendment into the FY 2023-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Britni O'Connor

Britni O'Connor
Transportation Planning Specialist

Enclosure

cc: Dan Weitkamp-FHWA
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May 22, 2023

The Honorable Michael L. Parson
Governor of Missouri
State Capitol
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor Parson:

The Ozarks Transportation Organization Board of Directors approved an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Springfield, Missouri metropolitan area, on May 18, 2023. MoDOT is requesting approval of the addition of 1 Transit project. We are satisfied the federal requirements have been met in the development of this TIP amendment, including the opportunity for public comment. No comments were received.

Enclosed is a copy of the TIP amendment for your review. We request approval at your earliest convenience so project authorization can proceed in the Springfield metropolitan area.

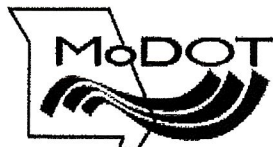
Sincerely,

Patrick K. McKenna
Director

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Approved:
Governor of Missouri

Date: May 24, 2023



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Name of TIP / TIP Amendment:

Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO):
TIP FY 2023-2026, TIP Amendment 5

- 1 New Transit Project
 - Pandemic transportation support for seniors and individuals with disabilities
 - **Total cost: \$50,792**

(Federal: \$50,792)

Governor approval due date: June 5, 2023



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A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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18 May 2023

Ms. Britni O'Connor
Transportation Planning
Missouri Department of Transportation
P. O. Box 270
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Ms. O'Connor:

We respectfully request the approval of the FY 2023-2026 Ozarks Transportation Organization Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Number Five. The Board of Directors adopted this amendment on May 18, 2023. The adoption included demonstration of fiscal constraint as required by federal regulations. Public comment was taken in accordance with federal law and in accordance with the OTO Public Involvement Policy and no public comment was received. This amendment includes one change that is outlined on the following pages.

Please find enclosed the revised TIP amendment request and let me know if you need any other information.

Sincerely,

Natasha L. Longpine, AICP
Transportation Planning Manager

Enclosure: TIP Approval Packet



Amendment Number Five to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

Ozarks Transportation Organization (Springfield, MO Area MPO)

DESCRIPTION:

There is one item included as part of Amendment Number Five to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

1. ***New*** ARPA 5310 Funding (OA2301-23A5)
OATS was previously awarded \$50,792 of Section 5310 funding through the American Rescue Plan for operations. This funding needs to be reflected in the TIP. No match is required.

The Board of Directors approved the award of \$50,792 of American Rescue Plan Section 5310 Funding to OATS Transit at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 19, 2022. The funding was only eligible for operational expenses at transit agencies serving seniors and individuals with disabilities. The project was not included in the TIP at the time due to an ARPA and CRRSAA program exemption for operational projects. MoDOT has since requested that the funds be added to the OTO TIP.

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE ACTION TAKEN:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 19, 2023, the Technical Planning Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 5.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTION TAKEN:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 18, 2023, the Board of Directors approved Amendment 5 to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

Project Overview

1 Projects Listed

OA2301-23A5 - ARPA 5310 FUNDING

Plan Revision 23A5	Section Transit	Project Type Transit Operations	Lead Agency OATS
County Christian County, Greene County	Municipality Area Wide	Status Programmed	Total Cost \$50,792
MoDoT ID -	Federal ID -	Project From -	Project To -
Project Considerations Environmental Justice Area			
Project Description Pandemic transportation support for seniors and individuals with disabilities.			
Funding Source Notes -			

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FUTURE	TOTAL
Operations	5310-Operating (FTA)	-	\$50,792	-	-	-	-	\$50,792
Total Operations		-	\$50,792	-	-	-	-	\$50,792
Total Programmed		-	\$50,792	-	-	-	-	\$50,792

CURRENT CHANGE REASON	New Project
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$50,792
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$50,792

REVENUE

Revenue Source	Carryover	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
MoDOT State/Federal	\$19,735,000	\$113,486,000	\$67,927,000	\$93,213,000	\$68,902,007	\$363,263,007
Suballocated STBG-U	\$13,862,865	\$7,583,829	\$7,735,505	\$7,890,216	\$8,048,020	\$45,120,435
Suballocated TAP	\$1,471,208	\$1,534,360	\$1,551,388	\$1,568,998	\$1,587,191	\$7,713,145
Suballocated CRP	\$867,833	\$905,124	\$923,226	\$941,691	\$960,525	\$4,598,399
Aviation - FAA	\$0	\$13,212,000	\$15,075,000	\$6,255,000	\$5,031,000	\$39,573,000
FTA 5307	\$0	\$3,547,752	\$3,618,707	\$3,691,081	\$3,764,903	\$14,622,442
FTA 5310	\$631,217	\$435,799	\$444,515	\$453,405	\$462,473	\$2,427,410
FTA 5339	\$1,124,260	\$348,762	\$354,737	\$360,832	\$367,049	\$2,555,640
Transit MO HealthNet Contract	\$0	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$412,000
Transit State Operating Funding	\$0	\$43,500	\$43,500	\$43,500	\$43,500	\$174,000
CU Transit Utility Ratepayers	\$0	\$8,655,203	\$7,663,762	\$8,489,801	\$8,489,801	\$33,298,567
CU Transit Farebox and Ads	\$0	\$951,750	\$951,689	\$951,891	\$951,891	\$3,807,221
Human Service Agencies	\$100,246	\$59,922	\$61,121	\$62,343	\$63,590	\$347,222
TOTAL	\$37,792,629	\$150,867,001	\$106,453,151	\$124,024,758	\$98,774,950	\$517,912,488

LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY CAPACITY

LPA Capacity	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
CART All Jurisdictions (Projected)	\$15,216,048	\$15,216,048	\$15,216,048	\$15,216,048	\$60,864,192
O&M (620.35 miles * \$5,291/mile)	(\$3,282,272)	(\$3,331,506)	(\$3,381,479)	(\$3,432,201)	(\$13,427,458)
TIP Programmed Funds All Jurisdictions	(\$16,680,122)	(\$11,189,488)	(\$1,162,170)	(\$1,077,005)	(\$30,108,785)
Other Committed Funds All Jurisdictions	\$53,997,353	\$53,997,353	\$53,997,353	\$53,997,353	\$215,989,412
TOTAL	\$49,251,007	\$54,692,407	\$64,669,752	\$64,704,195	\$233,317,361

Transit Capacity	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
Total System Operations	\$10,034,000	\$10,234,000	\$10,438,000	\$10,647,000	\$41,353,000
Total System Maintenance	\$1,144,000	\$1,166,900	\$1,190,000	\$1,214,000	\$4,714,900
Total Programmed O&M	(\$8,780,598)	(\$8,780,598)	(\$8,780,598)	(\$8,780,598)	(\$35,122,392)
Additional O&M Costs	\$2,397,402	\$2,620,302	\$2,847,402	\$3,080,402	\$10,945,508

FINANCIAL CONSTRAINT

FTA-Sponsored Projects

	Federal Funding Source			Local	MoDOT	TOTAL
	5307	5310	5339			
PRIOR YEAR						
Balance	\$ 6,081,054	\$ 1,027,963	\$ 1,124,260	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,233,277
FY 2023						
Funds Anticipated	\$ 3,547,752	\$ 435,799	\$ 298,762	\$ 5,840,824	\$ 50,000	\$10,173,137
Funds Programmed	(\$9,559,242)	(\$1,233,540)	(\$311,756)	(\$5,840,824)	(\$43,500)	(\$16,988,862)
Running Balance	\$69,564	\$230,222	\$1,111,266	\$0	\$6,500	\$1,417,552
FY 2024						
Funds Anticipated	\$ 3,618,707	\$ 444,515	\$ 304,737	\$ 5,688,980	\$ 50,000	\$10,106,939
Funds Programmed	(\$3,478,188)	(\$225,124)	(\$720,000)	(\$5,688,980)	(\$43,500)	(\$10,155,792)
Running Balance	\$210,083	\$449,613	\$696,003	\$0	\$13,000	\$1,368,699
FY 2025						
Funds Anticipated	\$ 3,691,081	\$ 453,405	\$ 310,832	\$ 5,794,733	\$ 50,000	\$10,300,051
Funds Programmed	(\$3,478,188)	(\$277,081)	(\$880,000)	(\$5,794,733)	(\$43,500)	(\$10,473,502)
Running Balance	\$422,975	\$625,938	\$126,835	\$0	\$19,500	\$1,195,248
FY 2026						
Funds Anticipated	\$ 3,764,903	\$ 462,473	\$ 317,049	\$ 5,575,980	\$ 50,000	\$10,170,405
Funds Programmed	(\$3,478,188)	(\$282,622)	\$0	(\$5,575,980)	(\$43,500)	(\$9,380,290)
Running Balance	\$709,690	\$805,789	\$443,884	\$0	\$26,000	\$1,985,363



American Recovery Plan Act of 2021

Section 5310: Special Appropriation for Operations

Project Data Form

Sponsor Information

Organization: OATS, Inc. Contact Person: Dorothy Yeager, Executive Director
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Email: djyeager@oatstransit.org Website: www.oatstransit.org
DUNS: 20361762 FEIN: 43-1016961
Congressional District: 1 through 8

Does sponsoring agency annual gross revenue exceed 80%
or more in federal awards?: NO

Does the sponsoring agency's annual revenue equal or
exceed \$25,000,000?: YES

Have your operations been impacted by the
COVID-19 Pandemic?: YES

Project Data

Project Title: Pandemic Transportation Support for Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities

Section 5310 ARP funds for operational-type projects cover 100% of
project costs. Please provide the amount of federal operational funding
required for this project: \$ 50,792

Project Description: OATS Transit currently supports multiple service projects across the MPO area involving transport of senior citizens & disabled. This grant would further support current services while facilitating development of closer partnerships with agencies and family units currently unable to access affordable transportation otherwise. It may also facilitate expansion services with multiple county senior tax boards, Senate Bill 40 boards, & DMH support services within the OTO area.

Project's Relation to
the OTO's *Transit*
Coordination Plan: The third strategy outlined in the OTO's Transit Coordination Plan is "Expand Mobility Services and Infrastructure." This project will allow OATS to continue expanding support for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities in the OTO region.

Signature

Printed Name: Dorothy Yeager Title: Executive Director

Signature:  Date: 4/7/2022