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April 4, 2025

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Subject: FHWA Approval of the Springfield Metropolitan Area
Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO)
FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 4
for incorporation in the FY 2025-2029 STIP

Dear Mr. Hassinger:

As requested by your March 31, 2025, letter, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has reviewed the proposed Amendment 4 of the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), adopted by the Ozark Transportation Organization (OTO) on behalf of the Springfield Metropolitan Area on March 27, 2025, for the subsequent incorporation in the Missouri FY 2025-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This amendment includes the modification of one (1) local project. No transit projects were included in this amendment.

Based on our review, we find that the proposed TIP amendment is consistent with the requirements of the transportation planning processes as outlined in 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, and 23 CFR 450. Therefore, the request for approval of the OTO Highway Only TIP Amendment 4 and subsequent request for STIP incorporation is hereby granted.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Cecelie Cochran or Dan Weitkamp of FHWA at (573) 638-2605.

Sincerely,

For: Kevin W. Ward, P.E.
Division Administrator, MO
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March 31, 2025

Mr. Kevin Ward
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Federal Highway Administration
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SUBJECT: Springfield Metropolitan Area
Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO)
FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Approval Request to Incorporate TIP Amendment No. 4 into the FY 2025-2029 STIP

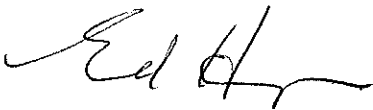
Dear Mr. Ward,

In fulfillment of the requirements of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Governor Kehoe delegated authority for approval of MPO TIPs and TIP amendments to MoDOT for the remainder of his term. The amendment includes the modification of one local project..

Enclosed is a copy of the Governor's delegation letter and supporting documentation. The OTO Board of Directors approved the TIP amendment on March 27, 2025. All public involvement considerations were met, and fiscal constraint has been ensured. No comments were received.

I request approval of incorporating this TIP amendment into the FY 2025-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



Ed Hassinger, P.E.
Director

Enclosure

cc:	Dan Weitkamp - FHWA	Sara Fields - OTO
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January 15, 2025

The Honorable Mike L. Kehoe
Governor, State of Missouri
State Capitol
Room 216
State Capitol Building
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor Kehoe,

Federal regulations under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, and continued in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), require state governors to approve certain transportation-related documents. This requirement is expected to continue with subsequent federal reauthorization.

In the past, the Missouri Department of Transportation has acted on behalf of the Governor of the State of Missouri to conduct all staff work related to transportation, to act as a liaison between the State of Missouri and other entities on transportation issues, and to approve transportation-related planning matters. In the past, this mechanism has been advantageous to the State and other stakeholders for a number of reasons, including not limited to:

- Streamlining of approval processes;
- Expertise and involvement in the processes;
- Cost Savings; and,
- Federal regulation and member designated projects (earmarks) familiarity,

Based on our past successes in administering the program in this manner, I hereby request your concurrence with continuing this practice for the duration of your term as Governor of the State of Missouri.

Sincerely,

Ed Hassinger, P.E.
Director

Approved: _____

Governor of Missouri

Date: 2-26-2025



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March 27, 2025

Mr. Ezekiel Hall
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Missouri Department of Transportation
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Dear Mr. Hall:

We respectfully request the approval of the FY 2025-2028 Ozarks Transportation Organization Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Number Four. The Board of Directors adopted this amendment effective March 27, 2025. The adoption included demonstration of fiscal constraint as required by federal regulations. Public comment was considered in accordance with federal law and in accordance with the OTO Public Involvement Policy. No comments related to this amendment were received. This amendment includes several changes as outlined on the following pages.

Please find enclosed the 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 Four to the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program

Ozarks Transportation Organization (Springfield, MO Area MPO)

AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

There is one item included as part of Amendment Number Four to the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program.

1. *Revised* Ward Branch Greenway - National to Fremont (EN2416)
Programmed amount revised due to increased engineering costs, with a new total programmed amount of \$95,438.

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE ACTION TAKEN:

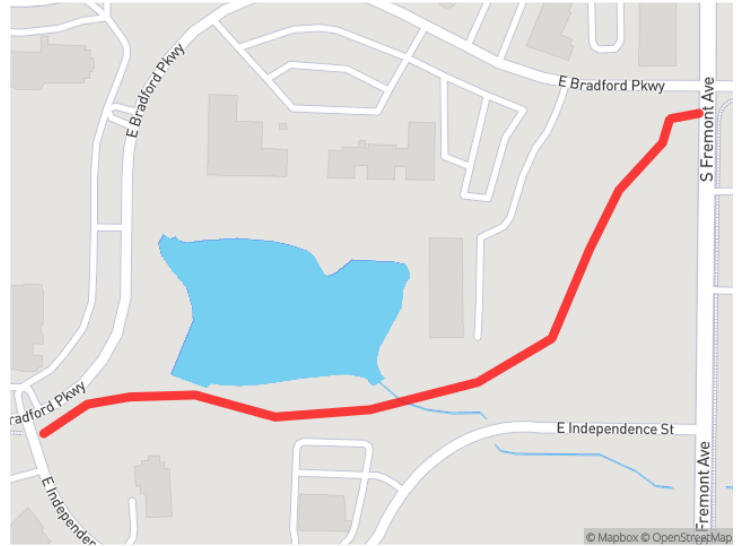
At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 19, 2025, the Technical Planning Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Four.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTION ACTION TAKEN:

At its meeting on March 27, 2025, the Board of Directors approved FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Four.

EN2416-25A4 - WARD BRANCH GREENWAY - NATIONAL TO FREMONT

Plan Revision	25A4
Section	Sponsored by Local Public Agencies
Project Type	Bicycle and Pedestrian
Lead Agency	Ozark Greenways
County	Greene County
Municipality	Springfield
Status	Programmed
Total Cost	\$95,438
MoDoT ID	-
Federal ID	5936804
Project From	-
Project To	-
Project Considerations	Bike/Ped Plan, Regional Trail Plan Priority
Project Description	Engineering and design of the Ward Branch Greenway trail between National Avenue and Fremont Avenue.
Funding Source Notes	Non-Federal Funding Source: Ozark Greenways



Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Future	Total
Engineering	CRP (FHWA)	-	\$76,350	-	-	-	-	\$76,350
Engineering	Local	-	\$19,088	-	-	-	-	\$19,088
Total Engineering		-	\$95,438	-	-	-	-	\$95,438
Total Programmed		-	\$95,438	-	-	-	-	\$95,438

Current Change Reason	Schedule / Funding / Scope- Update Changes in a project's total programmed amount greater than 25% (or any amount greater than \$2,000,000)
Funding Changes	CRP (FHWA) + Increase funds in FY 2025 in ENG from \$54,059 to \$76,350 Local + Increase funds in FY 2025 in ENG from \$13,515 to \$19,088
Federal Project Cost	Increased from \$54,059 to \$76,350 (41.23%)
Total Project Cost	Increased from \$67,574 to \$95,438 (41.23%)

REVENUE

Revenue Source	Carryover	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
MoDOT State/Federal	\$29,745,750	\$341,730,000	\$83,957,000	\$20,789,000	\$27,797,000	\$33,186
RAISE	\$0	\$24,822,313	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,822,313
Suballocated STBG-U	\$7,884,416	\$8,089,609	\$8,251,401	\$8,416,429	\$8,584,758	\$41,226,613
Suballocated TAP	\$3,355,907	\$1,635,984	\$1,668,704	\$1,702,078	\$1,736,119	\$10,098,792
Suballocated CRP	\$2,550,324	\$965,102	\$984,404	\$1,004,092	\$1,024,174	\$6,528,096
Aviation - FAA	\$0	\$3,490,713	\$3,560,527	\$3,631,738	\$3,704,373	\$14,387,351
FTA 5307	\$8,583,087	\$3,778,542	\$3,854,113	\$3,931,195	\$4,009,819	\$24,156,756
FTA 5310	\$1,209,290	\$421,275	\$429,701	\$438,295	\$447,061	\$2,945,622
FTA 5339	\$871,186	\$362,479	\$368,729	\$3,600,703	\$381,605	\$5,584,702
Transit MO HealthNet Contract	\$0	\$29,000	\$29,000	\$29,000	\$29,000	\$116,000
Transit State Operating Funding	\$247,527	\$143,500	\$143,500	\$143,500	\$43,500	\$721,527
CU Transit Utility Ratepayers	\$8,408,850	\$7,612,190	\$7,613,190	\$7,132,430	\$7,109,430	\$37,876,090
CU Transit Farebox, Ads, Rent	\$0	\$955,000	\$954,000	\$1,015,000	\$1,038,000	\$3,962,000
Human Service Agencies	\$302,323	\$57,925	\$59,084	\$60,266	\$61,471	\$541,069
TOTAL	\$63,158,659	\$394,093,632	\$111,873,353	\$51,893,726	\$55,966,310	\$173,000,117

LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY CAPACITY

LPA Capacity	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
CART All Jurisdictions (Projected)	\$19,495,870	\$19,495,870	\$19,495,870	\$19,495,870	\$77,983,480
O&M (634.73 miles * \$5,323/mile)	(\$3,823,687)	(\$3,926,927)	(\$4,032,954)	(\$4,141,844)	(\$15,925,412)
TIP Programmed Funds All Jurisdictions	(\$15,751,610)	(\$426,941)	(\$480,773)	(\$603,873)	(\$17,263,197)
Other Committed Funds All Jurisdictions	\$62,389,099	\$62,389,099	\$62,389,099	\$62,389,099	\$249,556,396
TOTAL	\$62,309,672	\$77,531,101	\$77,371,242	\$77,139,252	\$294,351,267

Transit Local Operations/Maint.	Carryover	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
System Operations Local	\$8,008,970	\$7,708,899	\$7,708,899	\$7,708,899	\$7,708,899	\$38,844,566
System Maintenance Local	\$399,880	\$399,880	\$399,880	\$190,000	\$190,000	\$1,579,640
Local Programmed O&M	--	(\$16,517,629)	(\$8,108,779)	(\$7,898,899)	(\$7,898,899)	(\$40,424,206)
Carryover	\$8,408,850	\$8,408,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Additional O&M Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

FINANCIAL CONSTRAINT

FHWA Sponsored Projects

Fund Type	Programmed (2025)	Programmed (2026)	Programmed (2027)	Programmed (2028)
FEDERAL				
BRO (FHWA)	\$3,443,357	\$36,000	\$0	\$0
CRP (FHWA)	\$3,991,899	\$444,580	\$0	\$0
I/M (FHWA)	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$0	\$0
NHPP (FHWA)	\$74,979,600	\$58,784,000	\$9,924,000	\$19,803,200
RAISE	\$24,822,313	\$0	\$0	\$0
SAFETY (FHWA)	\$3,556,500	\$680,400	\$262,800	\$64,800
STBG (FHWA)	\$26,891,903	\$1,053,600	\$150,400	\$72,000
STBG-U (FHWA)	\$31,022,207	\$844,019	\$1,653,419	\$2,415,491
TAP (FHWA)	\$5,966,727	\$383,160	\$134,836	\$0
Federal Subtotal	\$174,809,506	\$62,360,759	\$12,125,455	\$22,355,491
STATE				
MoDOT	\$41,936,549	\$182,129,800	\$4,127,382	\$5,984,200
MoDOT-AC	\$22,375,997	\$12,335,200	\$5,177,164	\$2,772,800
MoDOT O&M	\$6,225,965	\$6,369,163	\$6,515,653	\$6,665,513
State Subtotal	\$70,538,511	\$200,834,163	\$15,820,199	\$15,422,513
LOCAL/OTHER				
Local	\$15,751,610	\$426,941	\$480,773	\$603,873
Local-AC	\$841,992	\$0	\$0	\$0
MO-ARPA	\$1,299,646	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$3,283,010	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local/Other Subtotal	\$21,176,258	\$426,941	\$480,773	\$603,873
Total	\$266,524,275	\$263,621,863	\$28,426,427	\$38,381,877

	Prior Year	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	TOTAL
Available State and Federal Funding	\$29,745,750	\$341,730,000	\$83,957,000	\$20,789,000	\$27,797,000	\$504,018,750
Federal Discretionary Funding	\$0	\$24,822,313	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,822,313
Available Operations and Maintenance Funding	\$0	\$6,225,965	\$6,369,163	\$6,515,653	\$6,665,513	\$25,776,294
Funds from Other Sources (inc. Local)	\$0	\$21,176,258	\$426,941	\$480,773	\$603,873	\$22,687,845
Available Suballocated Funding	\$13,790,647	\$10,690,695	\$10,904,509	\$11,122,599	\$11,345,051	\$57,853,501
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDING	\$43,536,397	\$404,645,231	\$101,657,613	\$38,908,025	\$46,411,437	\$635,158,703
Carryover		\$43,536,397	\$181,657,353	\$19,693,103	\$30,174,701	--
Programmed State and Federal Funding		(\$266,524,275)	(\$263,621,863)	(\$28,426,427)	(\$38,381,877)	(\$596,954,442)
TOTAL REMAINING	\$43,536,397	\$181,657,353	\$19,693,103	\$30,174,701	\$38,204,261	\$38,204,261