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January 16, 2026

Mr. Ed Hassinger, P.E.
Director
Missouri Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 270
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Subject: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Dear Director Hassinger:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has reviewed and approved the requested amendment to the FY 2026-2030 Missouri State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to incorporate the Highway Only Amendment #3 of the Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO) FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as further described in your letter of January 15, 2026. This amendment includes the addition of three (3) new state projects, one (1) new local project, and three (3) revisions to existing projects, one of which includes the I-44 safety project. No transit projects were included in this amendment request.

The OTO Board of Directors approved the Highway Only TIP Amendment #3 on January 15, 2026. On February 26, 2025, the Missouri Governor delegated concurrence authority for the transportation planning process to the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). MoDOT has approved the Highway Only TIP Amendment #3.

Therefore, in accordance with 23 CFR § 450.218(b), FHWA has determined that this TIP amendment and subsequent 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. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Cecelie Cochran of FHWA MO (573) 638-2609.

Sincerely,

For: Kevin W. Ward, P.E.
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration

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January 15, 2026

Ms. Amanda Barch
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Missouri Department of Transportation
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Ms. Barch:

We respectfully request the approval of the FY 2026-2029 Ozarks Transportation Organization Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Number Three. The Board of Directors adopted this amendment effective January 15, 2026. 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 the 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



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Amendment Number Three to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

Ozarks Transportation Organization (Springfield, MO Area MPO)

DESCRIPTION:

There are multiple items included as part of Amendment Number Three to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

1. *Revised* Fassnight Greenway – Glenstone to Enterprise (EN2423)
Springfield has requested to add ROW as the next phase for this project in the total additional amount of \$3,315,000.
2. *New* Area Wide School Flasher Program (EN2612)
OTO is adding funding for a competitive program for members to purchase school flashers, with a total programmed amount of \$312,500. The source of this funding will be from awarded project savings.
3. *Revised* I-44 Safety Project (MO2521)
MoDOT has requested to adjust funding to reflect changes in the Joplin and Laclede County portions of the project, reducing the total programmed amount to \$470,933,000.
4. *Revised* Main Avenue Bridge over Jordan Creek (SP2402)
Springfield has requested to revise the ROW and Construction costs for a new total programmed amount of \$4,440,000.
5. *New* Fremont Avenue – Erie to Independence (SP2612)
Springfield has requested to program ROW associated with a future street widening/trail project, for a total programmed amount of \$1,100,000.
6. *New* 2026 Springfield ADA Improvements – Various Routes (SP2613)
Springfield has requested to add a project for ADA improvements on various federal-aid routes for a total programmed amount of \$929,700.
7. *New* Springfield School Flasher Signal Replacement – Various Locations (SP2607)
Springfield is requesting to add a project for the replacement of flasher signals at various locations, as well as battery backup, for a total programmed amount of \$682,010.

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE ACTION TAKEN:

At its regularly scheduled meeting held on December 17, 2025, the Technical Planning Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve Amendment 3 to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTION TAKEN:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on January 15, 2026, the Board of Directors moved to approve Amendment 3 to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

EN2423-26A3 - FASSNIGHT GREENWAY-GLENSTONE TO ENTERPRISE

Plan Revision 26A3	Section Sponsored by Local Public Agencies	Project Type Bicycle and Pedestrian	Lead Agency City of Springfield
County Greene County	Municipality Springfield	Status In Progress	Total Cost \$3,759,000
MoDoT ID -	Federal ID 5901837	Project From Glenstone Avenue	Project To Enterprise Avenue

Project Considerations
Bike/Ped Plan, Regional Trail
Plan Priority

Project Description
Right-of-way acquisition for the continuation of the Fassnight Creek Greenway from Glenstone to Enterprise near Bennett.

Funding Source Notes
Non-Federal Funding Source: City of Springfield

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FUTURE	TOTAL
Engineering	CRP (FHWA)	\$355,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$355,200
Engineering	Local	\$88,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$88,800
Total Engineering		\$444,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$444,000
ROW	Local	\$0	\$663,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$663,000
ROW	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$2,652,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,652,000
Total ROW		\$0	\$3,315,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,315,000
Total Prior Costs		\$444,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$444,000
Total Programmed		\$444,000	\$3,315,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,759,000

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), Adding funding for right-of-way acquisition. due to Right-of-way acquisition for the continuation of the Fassnight Creek Greenway from Glenstone to Enterprise along Bennett Street.	
PROJECT CHANGES	<p>Description changed from "Engineering and design of the continuation of the Fassnight Creek Greenway from Glenstone to Enterprise near Bennett." to "Right-of-way acquisition for the continuation of the Fassnight Creek Greenway from Glenstone to Enterprise near Bennett."</p> <p>ID changed from "EN2423-24A4" to "EN2423-26A3"</p> <p>Plan Revision Name changed from "26Adopted" to "26A3"</p>	
FUNDING CHANGES	<p>Local</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Increase funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$0 to \$663,000 <p>STBG-U (FHWA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Increase funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$0 to \$2,652,000 	
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Increased from \$355,200 to \$3,007,200 (746.62%)	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Increased from \$444,000 to \$3,759,000 (746.62%)	

EN2612-23A3 - AREA WIDE SCHOOL FLASHER PROGRAM

Plan Revision 26A3 Section Sponsored by OTO Project Type Bicycle and Pedestrian Lead Agency Ozarks Transportation Organization

County Area Wide Municipality Area Wide Status Programmed Total Cost \$312,500

MoDoT ID - Federal ID - Project From - Project To -

Project Considerations
Advance Construction, Bike/Ped Plan

Project Description
Purchase of school flasher equipment for use in the OTO area.

Funding Source Notes

Non-Federal Funding Source: OTO Members - to be determined upon award; FYI: Federal Funding Category upon Anticipated Advanced Construction (AC) Conversion - TAP

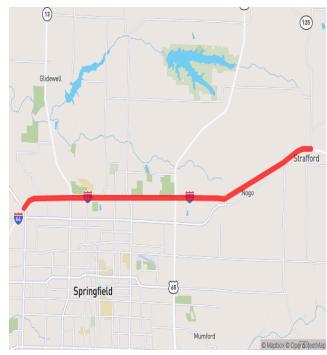
PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FUTURE	TOTAL
Capital	Local	\$0	\$62,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$62,500
Capital	Local-AC	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250,000
Total Capital		\$0	\$312,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$312,500
Total Programmed		\$0	\$312,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$312,500

CURRENT CHANGE REASON	New Project
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$0
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$312,500

MO2521-26A3 - I-44 SAFETY PROJECT

Plan Revision 26A3	Section Sponsored by MoDOT	Project Type System Improvement	Lead Agency MoDOT					
County Greene County	Municipality Springfield, Strafford	Status Programmed	Total Cost \$470,933,000					
MoDoT ID ST0089	Federal ID -	Project From Joplin	Project To Conway					
Project Considerations -								
Project Description Safety, capacity and pavement improvements at various locations from Fidelity to Conway.								
Funding Source Notes Non-Federal Funding Source: SFY 2025 Special General Revenue Funds; local funds from City of Joplin (totaling \$3,910,000) and City of Springfield (totaling \$101,992).								
PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FUTURE	TOTAL
Engineering	Local	\$0	\$7,555	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,555
Engineering	MoDOT	\$631,000	\$16,331,225	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,962,225
Engineering	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$30,220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,220
Total Engineering		\$631,000	\$16,369,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000,000
ROW	NHPP (FHWA)	\$0	\$18,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,000
Total ROW		\$0	\$18,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,000
Construction	Local	\$0	\$94,437	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$94,437
Construction	MoDOT	\$0	\$352,498,115	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$352,498,115
Construction	NHPP (FHWA)	\$0	\$94,112,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$94,112,800
Construction	SAFETY (FHWA)	\$0	\$6,831,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,831,900
Construction	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$377,748	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$377,748
Total Construction		\$0	\$453,915,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$453,915,000
Total Prior Costs		\$631,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$631,000
Total Programmed		\$631,000	\$470,302,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$470,933,000

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) - Substantial changes to the scope of a project (e.g. changing the number of through traffic lanes, changing the type of project such as from rehabilitation to system expansion)
PROJECT CHANGES	<p>Description changed from "Safety, capacity and pavement at various locations from Joplin to Conway." to "Safety, capacity and pavement improvements at various locations from Fidelity to Conway."</p> <p>ID changed from "MO2521-26A2" to "MO2521-26A3"</p> <p>Plan Revision Name changed from "26A2" to "26A3"</p>
FUNDING CHANGES	<p>MoDOT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ENG from \$35,570,000 to \$16,331,225 - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$4,600 to \$0 - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in CON from \$371,004,300 to \$352,498,115 <p>NHPP (FHWA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$18,400 to \$18,000 <p>Local</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ENG from \$410,000 to \$7,555 - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in CON from \$3,500,000 to \$94,437 - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ENG from \$7,555 to \$0 - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in CON from \$94,437 to \$0
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Decreased from \$101,371,068 to \$101,370,668 (0.00%)
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Decreased from \$512,592,960 to \$470,933,000 (-8.13%)



SP2402-26A3 - MAIN AVENUE BRIDGE OVER JORDAN CREEK

Plan Revision
26A3 Section
Sponsored by Local Public
Agencies Project Type
Asset Management - Bridge Lead Agency
City of Springfield

County
Greene County Municipality
Springfield Status
Programmed Total Cost
\$4,440,000

MoDoT ID
- Federal ID
5900853 Project From
- Project To
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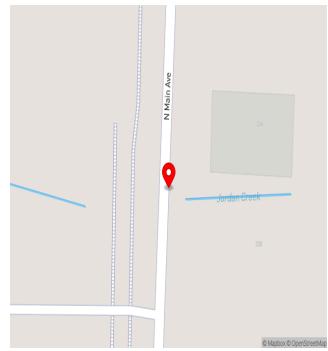
Project Considerations
Bike/Ped Plan, Regional Trail
Plan Priority

Project Description
Replacement of the Main Avenue Bridge over Jordan Creek

Funding Source Notes
Non-Federal Funding Source: City of Springfield

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FUTURE	TOTAL
ROW	Local	\$0	\$88,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$88,000
ROW	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$352,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$352,000
Total ROW		\$0	\$440,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$440,000
Construction	Local	\$0	\$0	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$800,000
Construction	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$0	\$3,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,200,000
Total Construction		\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$440,000	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,440,000

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), Revising ROW and CON estimates; changing CON year from 2026 to 2027 due to Revising right-of-way and construction estimates and changing construction year from 2026 to 2027.
PROJECT CHANGES	ID changed from "SP2402-24" to "SP2402-26A3" Plan Revision Name changed from "26Adopted" to "26A3"
FUNDING CHANGES	<p>Local</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$500,000 to \$88,000 - Decrease funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$1,000,000 to \$800,000 <p>STBG-U (FHWA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease funds in FY 2026 in ROW from \$2,000,000 to \$352,000 - Decrease funds in FY 2027 in CON from \$4,000,000 to \$3,200,000
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Decreased from \$6,000,000 to \$3,552,000 (-40.80%)
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Decreased from \$7,500,000 to \$4,440,000 (-40.80%)



SP2612-26A3 - FREMONT AVENUE - ERIE TO INDEPENDENCE

Plan Revision 26A3	Section Sponsored by Local Public Agencies	Project Type System Improvement	Lead Agency City of Springfield
County Greene County	Municipality Springfield	Status Programmed	Total Cost \$1,100,000
MoDoT ID -	Federal ID -	Project From Erie Street	Project To Independence Street

Project Considerations

Project Description

Street widening with multi-use path and storm-water improvements on S Fremont Avenue from E Erie Street to E Independence Street.

Funding Source Notes

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Future	Total
ROW	Local	\$0	\$220,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$220,000
ROW	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$880,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$880,000
Total ROW		\$0	\$1,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000
Total Programmed		\$0	\$1,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000

CURRENT CHANGE REASON	New Project
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$880,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$1,100,000



SP2613-26A3 - 2026 SPRINGFIELD ADA IMPROVEMENTS - VARIOUS ROUTES

Plan Revision 26A3	Section Sponsored by Local Public Agencies	Project Type Asset Management - Other	Lead Agency City of Springfield
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County	Municipality	Status	Total Cost
Greene County	Springfield	Programmed	\$929,700

Project Considerations

Project Description
Sidewalk and ramp improvements on various arterial and collector streets on the federal-aid system in Springfield.

Funding Source Notes

Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Future	Total
Construction	Local	\$0	\$185,940	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$185,940
Construction	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$743,760	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$743,760
Total Construction		\$0	\$929,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$929,700
Total Programmed		\$0	\$929,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$929,700

CURRENT CHANGE REASON	New Project
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$743,760
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$929,700

SP2614-26A3 - SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL FLASHER SIGNAL REPLACEMENT - VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Plan Revision
26A3 Section
Sponsored by Local Public
Agencies Project Type
Asset Management - Other Lead Agency
City of Springfield

County
Greene County Municipality
Springfield Status
Programmed Total Cost
\$682,010

MoDoT ID Federal ID Project From Project To

Project Considerations

Project Description
Replacement of school flasher signals including battery backup at various locations in Springfield.

Funding Source Notes
Non-Federal Funding Source: City of Springfield

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FUTURE	TOTAL
Construction	Local	\$0	\$136,402	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$136,402
Construction	STBG-U (FHWA)	\$0	\$545,608	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$545,608
Total Construction		\$0	\$682,010	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$682,010
Total Programmed		\$0	\$682,010	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$682,010

CURRENT CHANGE REASON

New Project

FEDERAL PROJECT COST

Stays the same \$545,608

TOTAL PROJECT COST

Stays the same \$682,010

FINANCIAL CONSTRAINT

FHWA Sponsored Projects

Fund Type	Programmed (2026)	Programmed (2027)	Programmed (2028)	Programmed (2029)
FEDERAL				
BRO (FHWA)	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000
CRP (FHWA)	\$1,563,899	\$0	\$0	\$0
I/M (FHWA)	\$135,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
NHPP (FHWA)	\$103,823,600	\$11,539,200	\$28,474,400	\$35,855,200
RAISE	\$24,822,313	\$0	\$0	\$0
SAFETY (FHWA)	\$10,807,900	\$370,800	\$262,800	\$81,000
SCRP (FHWA)	\$68,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
SS4A (FHWA)	\$1,152,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
STBG (FHWA)	\$23,256,000	\$40,000	\$1,600	\$1,600
STBG-U (FHWA)	\$16,212,840	\$7,254,669	\$4,034,881	\$846,266
TAP (FHWA)	\$2,168,164	\$134,836	\$0	\$0
Federal Subtotal	\$184,045,716	\$19,375,505	\$32,809,681	\$36,820,066
STATE				
MoDOT	\$381,123,206	\$8,671,000	\$9,217,800	\$9,385,800
MoDOT-AC	\$13,753,203	\$21,718,000	\$7,078,400	\$442,400
MoDOT O&M	\$6,593,919	\$6,745,579	\$6,900,728	\$7,059,444
State Subtotal	\$401,470,328	\$37,134,579	\$23,196,928	\$16,887,644
LOCAL/OTHER				
Local	\$7,528,541	\$4,196,523	\$1,149,004	\$220,567
Local-AC	\$4,744,721	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local/Other Subtotal	\$12,373,262	\$4,196,523	\$1,149,004	\$220,567
Total	\$597,889,306	\$60,706,607	\$57,155,613	\$53,928,277

	Prior Year	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	TOTAL
Available State and Federal Funding	\$23,867,000	\$568,302,000	\$36,997,000	\$45,133,000	\$45,862,000	\$720,161,000
Federal Discretionary Funding	\$25,974,313	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,974,313
Available Operations and Maintenance Funding	\$0	\$6,593,919	\$6,745,579	\$6,900,728	\$7,059,444	\$27,299,671
Funds from Other Sources (inc. Local)	\$0	\$12,373,262	\$4,196,523	\$1,149,004	\$220,567	\$17,939,356
Available Suballocated Funding	\$8,941,340	\$11,022,645	\$11,124,296	\$2,847,873	\$11,573,718	\$45,509,872
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDING	\$58,782,653	\$598,291,826	\$59,063,398	\$56,030,605	\$64,715,729	\$836,884,212
Carryover		\$58,782,653	\$59,185,173	\$57,541,964	\$56,416,956	--
Programmed State and Federal Funding		(\$597,889,306)	(\$60,706,607)	(\$57,155,613)	(\$53,928,277)	(\$769,679,804)
TOTAL REMAINING	\$58,782,653	\$59,185,173	\$57,541,964	\$56,416,956	\$67,204,408	\$67,204,408