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Attachment: Functional Class Packet

Several roadways have proposed changes to their federal functional classification. The Federal Functional Classification System designates Federal Aid Highways, which are eligible for federal funding. The functional classification should match how the roadway is currently used. Roadways must have a minimum classification of Collector to be eligible for federal funding.

The following information is a summary of the submitted application materials.

The Ozarks Transportation Organization has requested the following changes to the federal functional classification system. The application is included.

1) Roadway Name – E Evergreen St/ N Farm Rd 249/ E Farm Rd 84/ N Farm Rd 243

Current Functional Classification – Local Requested Functional Classification – Minor Collector Major Thoroughfare Plan – Collector

Reasoning – The E Evergreen Corridor will see major commercial development, which will increase commercial traffic to and from MO 125 and to and from State Highway DD. The corridor will be the direct access to the highway system.

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The public comment period will end at 5 pm on September 20, 2023. After reviewing recommendations and public comments, the OTO Board of Directors will decide whether to formally adopt the changes at its regularly

scheduled meeting on September 21, 2023, at noon, at 2208 W Chesterfield Blvd., Suite 101, Springfield, MO 65807.

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

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