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Attachment: TIP Amendment 2 packet

Multiple changes are proposed for Amendment Number 2 to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program and can be found in the attached packet.

- *New* Route 160 Pavement Replacement (GR2601)
 MoDOT has requested to add a project for scoping pavement improvements on US 160 for a total programmed amount of \$154,000.
- *Revised* I-44 Safety Project (MO2521)
 MoDOT has requested additional adjustments and the inclusion of Joplin and Springfield contributions to the I-44 Safety Project for a new total programmed amount of \$512,592,960.
- *New* Scoping for Safety Improvements on Route MM (RP2603)
 MoDOT has requested to add a scoping project for safety improvements on Route MM for a total programmed amount of \$170,000.
- 4. *Removed* Corridor Improvements on Hwy 13 (SP2606)
 This project has been combined into MO2521 I-44 Safety Project.
- 5. *New* Corridor Improvements on Hwy 13 (SP2607)

 MoDOT has requested to add a scoping project for corridor improvements on Highway 13 for a total programmed amount of \$600,000.
- 6. *New* Campbell Avenue Westview/Primrose Streets to Republic Road (SP2608)
 Springfield has requested to add a project to buy ROW for future improvements on Campbell Avenue for a total programmed amount of \$450,000.
- 7. *New* Kansas Avenue Walnut Lawn to Maplewood (SP2609)
 Springfield has requested to add a project to buy ROW for future improvements on Kansas Avenue for a total programmed amount of \$500,000.
- 8. *New* 2026 STBG Resurfacing Various Routes (SP2610)
 Springfield has requested to add a project for resurfacing various routes in Springfield for a total programmed amount of \$3,000,000.

- *New* Regional Transportation Planning (SP2611)
 OTO is requesting to add a project for regional transportation planning, in partnership with Springfield's Safe Streets and Roads for All Supplemental Planning Grant, for a total programmed amount of \$125,000.
- 10. *New* US 60/65 Study (OT2601)
 OTO is requesting to add a project for a US 60/65 Access and Operational Study for a total programmed amount of \$1,000,000.

How to comment:

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The public comment period will end on November 19, 2025 at 5 p.m. The OTO Board of Directors will review and consider approving the Amendment at their November 20, 2025 Board Meeting, held at 12:00 noon. 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, Transportation Planning Manager, Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, 417-865-3042.

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