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Attachment: TIP Amendment 3 packet

Multiple changes are proposed for Amendment Number 3 to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program and can be found in the attached packet.

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.

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The public comment period will end on January 14, 2026 at 5 p.m. The OTO Board of Directors will review and consider approving the Amendment at their January 15, 2026 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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