

OTO Regional Priority Projects

During Fall 2019, the Board of Directors approved a list of state system priorities for MoDOT to consider for future funding. The top projects from that list, as well as previously funded priority projects, are included here.

2020 Top Priorities

- Fiber Signal Interconnect Improvements in Springfield and Ozark
- Route 13 Capacity, Safety, and Operational Improvements from James River Freeway to north of I-44
- US 60 Capacity and Safety Improvements from M to Main Street
- US 60 Convert to Freeway from US 65 to Farm Road 223
- James River Freeway Capacity and Operational Improvements from National to Kansas Expressway
- Glenstone Safety and Operational Improvements from I-44 to Kearney
- US 60 and MM Intersection/RR Crossing Improvements
- I-44 Capacity Improvements in OTO area
- Route 14 Capacity, Safety, and Operational Improvements from 6th to 14th
- CC Widening from US 65 to Fremont, including intersection at 22nd

Funded Priority Projects

- Route 60 and Route 174 Intersection (2020)
- Route 14 Safety/Capacity Improvements on Jackson from 16th to E. of NN in Ozark (2020)
- Route 14 Roadway Improvements from 32nd Street to 22nd Street in Ozark (2020)
- Operational, Safety, and ADA Improvements on Glenstone from Valley Water Mill to 60 (2021)
- Rte 14 Capacity Improvements from Fort to Ridgecrest in Nixa (2021)
- Interchange Improvements at Route 60 and Route 125 (2022)
- US 160 Roadway Improvements from Route AA to Route CC (2023)
- Route 13 Signal Improvements at Sunset and Walnut Lawn (2023)

How OTO Selects Priorities

Annually, the Ozarks Transportation Organization provides MoDOT with priorities for improvements to the state system. Using public input, OTO member input, and the long range transportation plan, *Transportation Plan 2040*, OTO scores and ranks area needs. After reviewing funding availability and maintenance needs, MoDOT selects projects from the list for inclusion in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Readiness and costs can influence when and if a project is included. Cost sharing allows OTO and its members to add even more projects to the STIP.

OTO receives input year round through [GiveUsYourInput.org](https://www.giveusyourinput.org), where the public can view press releases, public comment items, and make general comments on any transportation concerns. This input is shared at each OTO Board of Directors meeting.

