

**AMENDMENT NO. 2
TO
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT
AMONG THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION,
THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT,
THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION, AND
THE LOUISIANA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER
REGARDING MANAGEMENT OF
HISTORIC BRIDGES IN LOUISIANA**

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD), the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office (LASHPO), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) (collectively, the Signatory Parties) entered into a Programmatic Agreement on September 21, 2015 for the management of historic bridges in Louisiana (PA); and

WHEREAS, FHWA, in consultation with the Signatory Parties executed a 1st Amendment to the PA on June 8, 2017 to extend the completion time of individual management plans for Preservation Priority bridges to allow for Signatory comments by amending Stipulation VIII.B.5 to read “Plans will be completed within 24 months of PA execution. The LADOTD will submit draft plans to the Signatory Parties for 30-day review and comment. The LADOTD will finalize the plans, taking any comments into account.”; and

WHEREAS, FHWA, in conjunction with LADOTD, agreed to conduct an inventory update (*Stipulation V.B.4 Inventory Updates and Revisions*) that will result in eligibility evaluations for bridges built from 1971 to 1980 on or before January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, FHWA, in conjunction with LADOTD, determined to expand the evaluation to include bridges built from 1971 to 1985; and

WHEREAS, FHWA, in conjunction with LADOTD, has initiated the inventory evaluations but are unable to complete them by January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, per Stipulation XIII., the Signatory Parties desire to amend the PA to reflect a new completion date of the eligibility evaluations for bridges built from 1971 to 1985.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Stipulation V.B.4) of the PA, the Signatory Parties agree to amend the PA as follows:

1. Stipulation V.B.4) is hereby deleted and replaced with:

On or before November 30, 2021, the LADOTD will complete eligibility evaluations for bridges built from 1971 to 1985 that are not addressed by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation’s *Program Comment for Common Post-1945 Concrete and Steel Bridges (Program Comment)*. The bridges will be evaluated applying the guidance provided in Historic Bridge Inventory reports (see Stipulation

V.A.1-4). Eligibility determinations will be made by the FHWA in consultation with the LASHPO and LADOTD.

EXECUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION of this 2nd Amendment to the PA regarding the time extension for eligibility evaluations of bridges built between 1971 and 1985 evidences that FHWA will afford ACHP a reasonable opportunity to comment on undertakings affecting historic bridges and its effects on historic bridges, that FHWA has taken into account the effects of undertakings on historic bridges and shall satisfy its responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, its implementing regulations, 36 CFR Part 800, and the *Programmatic Agreement among the Federal Highway Administration, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, dated December 15, 2020*, as amended.

SIGNATORY PARTIES

The Signatory Parties below hereby execute this PA Amendment.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

By: _____, Division Administrator

Name: Charles W. Bolinger

Date: December 21, 2020


LOUISIANA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

By: Kristin P. Sanders, State Historic Preservation Officer

Name: Kristin P. Sanders

Date: December 28, 2020

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

By:  _____, Secretary
Name: SHAWN D. WILSON
Date: 4/4/21

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

By: *Aimee Jorjani*, Chairman

Name: Aimee Jorjani

Date: December 28, 2020