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December 4, 2013

Ms. Donna Lavigne
Public Transportation Administrator
Louisiana Department of Transportation
And Development
P.O. Box 94245
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245

Re: STIP Amendment # 6- Transit Element

Dear Ms. Lavigne:

The Federal Transit Administration has reviewed the request dated December 2, 2013 for changes and/or updates to the FY 2013 -2016 STIP. We approve the updates and revisions to the Transit Element of the FY 2013 – 2016 STIP.

Should you have questions, please contact Laura Wallace, Community Planner, at 817-978-0561.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert C. Patrick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "P".

Robert C. Patrick
Regional Administrator

cc: Brandon Buckner, FHWA LA Division



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Bobby Jindal, Governor
Sherri H. LeBas, P.E., Secretary

December 2, 2013

Mr. Robert Patrick, FTA Region VI Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
819 Taylor Street - Rm 8A36
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**RE: LADOTD STIP AMENDMENT #6 (Transit) dated 12/02/2013
Transit Element for Federal FY 2013 - 2016
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program**

Dear Mr. Patrick:

We are requesting that you amend the FY 2013 – 2016 Transit Element of the Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the attached updates and/or revisions as reflected below. For identification purposes we have noted the amended projects in red with letter “A” on the Transit Element Summary Re-cap pages. Further clarifications have been reflected as “Explanation Notes” on the Summary Re-cap pages.

Please make the following changes and/or updates:

- **Transit Element - Summary Recap Pages:** Please discard the previous submitted STIP Re-cap Summary page(s) for FY2013 – 2016 and replace with the attached updated Amendment #6 Summary Re-cap pages dated December 2, 2013.
- **Ouachita Council of Governments (OCOG) (Monroe UZA):** The TIP amendments for the Monroe UZA has been outlined in the attached letter from OCOG dated October 31, 2013. Please discard the previous submitted 2013 - 2016 Transit Element TIP pages and replace with the attached updated TIP pages.
- **Rapides Area Planning Commission (RAPC) (Alexandria UZA):** The TIP amendments for the Alexandria UZA has been outlined in the attached letter from RAPC dated September 25, 2013. Please discard the previous submitted 2013 - 2016 Transit Element TIP pages and replace with the attached updated TIP pages.
- **Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) (Shreveport UZA):** The TIP amendment for the Shreveport UZA has been outlined in the attached letter from NLCOG dated November 11, 2013.

We appreciate your usual prompt attention with the attached Transit STIP amendment. If you have any questions, please contact me or Michelle Horne at (225) 379-3060.

Sincerely,

Donna Lavigne
Public Transportation Administrator

Attachments

cc: FTA Region VI
FHWA (Baton Rouge)
Louisiana MPO's
Louisiana Urban Transit Systems
LA-DOTD

Louisiana Transit STIP - Federal FY 2013
Transit Summary ReCap
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program - STIP

2013 Federal Programs	MAP-21 Apportionments	MPO / STATE Request Amt	Notes
Sec 5307 - Urban Program (Capital/Operating/Planning)			
UZA 200,000 to 999,999			
Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$ 4,960,052	1 \$ 4,801,000	3
Lafayette (LTS)	\$ 2,124,085	1 \$ 2,473,518	3
Orleans (Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, St. Charles & DOTD)	\$ 13,650,634	1 \$ 20,971,400	3
Shreveport (SPORTAN)	\$ 3,458,439	1 \$ 3,458,439	3
Total	\$ 24,193,210	\$ 31,704,357	
UZA 50,000 to 200,000			
Alexandria (ATRANS)	\$ 1,034,475	1 \$ 1,038,322	3 A
Hammond	\$ 743,112	1 \$ 301,900	2
Houma (GET)	\$ 1,900,161	1 \$ 1,232,849	2
Lake Charles (LCT)	\$ 1,692,843	1 \$ 1,351,000	2
Monroe (MTS)	\$ 1,520,384	1 \$ 1,100,000	3 A
St. Tammany (Slidell \$1,163,243 + Mandeville /Cov \$1,050,364)	\$ 2,213,607	1 \$ 2,733,600	3 & 4
Total	\$ 9,104,582	\$ 7,757,671	
Louisiana State DOTD Programs			
Sec 5303 - Metropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 994,499	1 \$ 994,499	3
Sec 5304 - Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 264,341	1 \$ 264,341	3
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Rural)	\$ 1,044,287	1 \$ 630,000	3
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Small Urban)	\$ 1,258,775	1 \$ 770,000	3
Sec 5311 - Rural Transit (Operate/Capital/Planning)	\$ 11,234,364	1 \$ 10,507,732	3
Sec 5311 - Rural Technical Assistance Program (RTAP)	\$ 204,738	1 \$ 165,000	3
Total	\$ 15,001,004	\$ 13,331,572	
Sec 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities			
Baton Rouge	\$ 454,676	1 \$ 240,000	3
Lafayette	\$ 171,153	1 \$ 171,153	3
New Orleans	\$ 750,550	1 \$ 140,000	3
Shreveport	\$ 269,438	1 \$ -	2
Total	\$ 1,645,817	\$ 551,153	
Sec 5316 - Job Access (JARC)			
Baton Rouge	\$ -	\$ 758,000	3 & 4
Lafayette	\$ -	\$ 160,000	2
New Orleans	\$ -	\$ 965,100	3
Shreveport	\$ -	\$ 249,443	2
Rural Systems (DOTD)	\$ -	\$ 1,160,227	2
Small Urban Systems (DOTD)	\$ -	\$ 1,079,378	2
Total	\$ -	\$ 4,372,148	
Sec 5317 - New Freedom Program			
Baton Rouge	\$ -	\$ 347,000	3 & 4
New Orleans	\$ -	\$ 331,200	3
Shreveport	\$ -	\$ 100,809	2
Rural Systems (DOTD)	\$ -	\$ 499,040	2
Small Urban Systems (DOTD)	\$ -	\$ 569,697	2
Total	\$ -	\$ 1,847,746	

Flexible Funds - Other					
Baton Rouge - CMAQ (CATS)	\$	-	\$	2,025,000	3
Total	\$	-	\$	2,025,000	

Sec 5309 - Fixed Guideway Modernization					
Rail Maintenance	\$	-	\$	5,577,600	3
Total	\$	-	\$	5,577,600	

Sec 5309 - Prior Year Unobligated Discretionary- Earmarks							
Baton Rouge (CATS) D2012-BUSP-092	\$	5,204,763	1	\$	5,205,000	3	
Jefferson (JET)	\$	-		\$	1,992,000	3	
Lafayette D2012-BLIV-026	\$	456,291	1	\$	435,000	2	
New Orleans (RTA) D2012-BUSP-093	\$	896,000	1				
Shreveport (SPORTRANS) D2012-BUSP-010	\$	440,000	1	\$	440,000	3	A
Total	\$	6,997,054		\$	8,072,000		

Sec 5337 - State of Good Repair						
New Orleans (Rail)	\$	3,491,810		\$	3,491,800	3
New Orleans (Bus)	\$	332,418		\$	166,200	3
Jefferson (Bus)				\$	166,200	3
Total	\$	3,491,810		\$	3,824,200	

Sec 5339 - Bus & Bus Facilities Program						
Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$	510,625	1	\$	247,000	3
Lafayette	\$	220,115	1	\$	1,256,521	3
Orleans	\$	1,298,618	1	\$	1,298,618	3
Shreveport	\$	371,272	1	\$	371,272	3
Louisiana (DOTD) - Small Urbans	\$	949,379	1	\$	-	
Louisiana (DOTD)	\$	1,247,500	1	\$	-	
Total	\$	4,597,509		\$	3,173,411	

Sec 5312 - National Research and Technology Program							
Shreveport - Veterans' Call Center				\$	50,000	3	A
Total	\$	-		\$	50,000		

Explanation Notes

- A = Amendment**
1. FY 2013 Apportionments
 2. Request amounts will be adjusted later to reflect the FY 2013 Apportionment and/or clarified further
 3. MPO/LADOTD request amounts (see MPO TIP/LADOTD POP page for detailed information)
 4. Amount includes funding from previous year(s) - See MPO TIP / LADOTD POP page for detailed information

Monroe Urban Area

Ouachita Council of Governments (OCOG)

LADOTD Transit STIP 2013-2016



OUACHITA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Monroe

West Monroe

Ouachita Parish

1913 STUBBS AVENUE ● MONROE, LOUISIANA 71201

October 31, 2013

Ms. Michelle Horne
Department of Transportation & Development
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9245

Re: TIP/AMENDMENTS

Please find enclosed 1 copies of the Monroe Metropolitan Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP was presented to the Monroe MPO/TPC at the August 26, 2013 meeting for the Public Review Process. The OCOG/MPO/TPC met September 23, 2013 following the Public Review Process and adopted the TIP.

Should you have any questions please call (318) 387-2572.

Sincerely,

Doug Mitchell
Planning Director

MONROE TRANSIT PROJECTED TIP FOR 2013-2018

Section 5307-Capital

Project Description	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Bus Rolling Stock	-	125,000.00	110,000.00	50,000.00	125,000.00	
Bus Stations Stops & Terminals				50,000.00		
Bus Signal and Communication	100,000.00	100,000.00	200,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Bus Transit Enhancements	25,000.00		75,000.00	100,000.00	25,000.00	
Other Capital Items (Bus)	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00
Metropolitan Planning				50,000.00		
Bus Electrification/Power Dist						
Bus Support Equip/Facilities	300,000.00	300,000.00	225,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00
Federal Share	675,000.00	775,000.00	860,000.00	900,000.00	800,000.00	650,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT	843,750.00	968,750.00	1,075,000.00	1,125,000.00	1,000,000.00	812,500.00
City/Local Share	168,750.00	193,750.00	215,000.00	225,000.00	200,000.00	162,500.00

Section 5307-Operating	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Federal Operating Assistance	1,000,000.00	1,050,000.00	1,100,000.00	1,150,000.00	1,200,000.00	1,250,000.00
City/Local Share	1,000,000.00	1,050,000.00	1,100,000.00	1,150,000.00	1,200,000.00	1,250,000.00
Total	2,000,000.00	2,100,000.00	2,200,000.00	2,300,000.00	2,400,000.00	2,500,000.00

Section 5307 TOTALS	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Federal Share	1,675,000.00	1,968,750.00	2,175,000.00	2,275,000.00	2,200,000.00	2,062,500.00
Local Share	1,168,750.00	1,193,750.00	1,315,000.00	1,375,000.00	1,400,000.00	1,412,500.00
Total Eligible Project	2,843,750.00	3,162,500.00	3,490,000.00	3,650,000.00	3,600,000.00	3,475,000.00

Section 5316 JARC	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Federal Share	300,000.00	320,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	300,000.00	320,000.00
City/Local Share	300,000.00	320,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	300,000.00	320,000.00
Total Eligible Project	600,000.00	640,000.00	560,000.00	560,000.00	600,000.00	640,000.00

Section 5315 New Freedom Project	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Federal Share	300,000.00	320,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	300,000.00	320,000.00
City/Local Share	300,000.00	320,000.00	280,000.00	280,000.00	300,000.00	320,000.00
Total Eligible Project	600,000.00	640,000.00	560,000.00	560,000.00	600,000.00	640,000.00

Section 5309

Project Description	Fed FY13	Fed FY 14	Fed FY 15	Fed FY 16	Fed FY 17	Fed FY 18
Bus Rolling Stock	700,000.00					
Bus Technology upgrades		600,000.00				
CNG Fueling Facility		1,500,000.00				
CNG Facility Compliance		500,000.00				
Terminal Replacement	-			7,000,000.00		
Totals	700,000.00	2,600,000.00	3,250,000.00	7,000,000.00	2,500,000.00	
Federal	560,000.00	2,080,000.00	2,600,000.00	5,600,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
City	140,000.00	520,000.00	650,000.00	1,400,000.00	500,000.00	-

CITY OF MONROE-SAFETEA OPERATING PROGRAM

	Recipient of Applicant	Fiscal Year	Federal Source	Federal Funding Source	Project Description
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2013-2014	Section 5307	\$1,100,000.00	FY2013 Operating Assistance
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2014-2015	Section 5307	\$1,100,000.00	FY2014 Operating Assistance
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2015-2016	Section 5307	\$1,150,000.00	FY2015 Operating Assistance
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2016-2017	Section 5307	\$1,150,000.00	FY2016 Operating Assistance
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2017-2018	Section 5307	\$1,200,000.00	FY2017 Operating Assistance
Operating	City of Monroe	FY2018-2019	Section 5307	\$1,200,000.00	FY2018 Operating Assistance

Alexandria Urban Area

Rapides Area Planning Commission (RAPC)

LADOTD Transit STIP 2013-2016

Rapides Area Planning Commission

1405 Frank Andrews Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71303
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September 25th, 2013

Michelle Horne
Urban Program Manager/Planner
LA Dept. of Transportation and Development
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Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Michelle,

Enclosed is the updated TIP. The amended portion is the Transit Element on page 34-37. The amendment was adopted on September 23th, 2013.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Sincerely,



Vera Zhang

Transit Element

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Alexandria | Pineville Metropolitan Area

(Transit Element)

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2013-2014

Partial funding allocation

Code	Description	Match Type	Section	Total Amt.	Federal	Match	Agency
30.09.00	Operating Assistance	50/50	5307 Operatin	\$1,498,950	\$749,475	\$749,475	FTA
44.34.82	Transit Planning	80/20	5307 Planning	\$106,250	\$85,000	\$21,250	FTA
11.7A.00	Preventive Maintenance	80/20	5307 P/Maint.	\$250,000	\$200,000	\$50,000	FTA
11.42.20	(2) Computer Replacments	80/20	5307 Capital	\$4,809	\$3,847	\$962	FTA
				\$1,860,009	\$1,038,322	\$821,687	

Transit Element

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Alexandria | Pineville Metropolitan Area

(Transit Element)

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2014-2015

Code	Description	Match Type	Section	Total Amt.	Federal	Match	Agency
30.09.00	Operating Assistance	50/50	5307 Operatin	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	FTA
44.24.82	Transit Planning	80/20	5307 Planning	\$62,500	\$50,000	\$12,500	FTA
				\$1,062,500	\$550,000	\$512,500	

Transit Element

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Alexandria | Pineville Metropolitan Area

(Transit Element)

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2015-2016

Code	Description	Match Type	Section	Total Amt.	Federal	Match	Agency
30.09.00	Operating Assistance	50/50	5307 Operatin	\$1,100,000	\$550,000	\$550,000	FTA
41.12.03	Transit Planning	80/20	5307 Planning	\$75,000	\$60,000	\$15,000	FTA
11.42.06	Purchase Shop Equip.	80/20	5307 Capital	\$20,000	\$16,000	\$4,000	FTA
11.7A.00	Preventive Maint.	80/20	5307 Capital	\$75,000	\$60,000	\$15,000	FTA
11.12.02	Replacement 2 buses	80/20	5307 Capital	\$1,125,000	\$900,000	\$225,000	FTA
				\$2,395,000	\$1,586,000	\$809,000	

Transit Element

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Alexandria \ Pineville Metropolitan Area

(Transit Element)

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2016-2017

Code	Description	Match Type	Section	Total Amt.	Federal	Match	Agency
30.09.00	Operating Assistance	50/50	5307 Operatin	\$1,694,690	\$847,345	\$847,345	FTA
41.12.03	Transit Planning	80/20	5307 Planning	\$63,572	\$50,858	\$12,714	FTA
	TOTALS:			\$1,758,262	\$898,203	\$860,059	

Shreveport Urban Area

Northwest Louisiana Council of Government (NLCOG)
LADOTD Transit STIP 2013-2016



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November 11th, 2013

Ms. Sherry LeBas, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development
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Re: 2013 TIP Amendment #11112013-01: SPORTRAN's (Grantee) **new** grant award for the Veterans Transportation & Community Living Initiative (VTCLI) funded through FTA Sections 5309 and Section 5312 program assistance for **FY 2014**.

Dear Secretary LeBas,

Please be advised that the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) will **Amend** The Northwest Louisiana Metropolitan Planning Area 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP – Transit Section) for Fiscal Year **2014** concerning the new grant award request specified below.

Grantee (Sponsor):	Shreveport Transit - SPORTRAN
FTA Grant Assistance:	Section 5309 – Capital Program (Bus & Bus Related Facilities Sub-Section; 20% Local Matching Funds Required)
FTA Grant Assistance:	Section 5312 – National Research & Technology Programs (No Local Match Required – 100%)
Fiscal Year:	2014

Project Description	FTA Grant Section	Federal Support	Local Match Support	Total Request (FY 2014)
VTCLI – Veterans' Call Center	5309	\$440,000	\$50,000 (COS General Fund)	\$440,000
VTCLI – Veterans' Call Center	5312	\$50,000	\$70,000 (Land donation COS)	\$50,000
FY 2014	Total:	\$490,000	\$120,000	\$490,000

This request is categorized as an Amendment, as opposed to an Administrative Modification, to the Shreveport MPO (NLCOG) 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). As such, full amendments to the TIP must provide opportunities for public engagement and solicitation of feedback regarding the proposed project. For reference, the MPO's approved Public Participation Process, as it pertains to TIP Amendments, is provided on the following page.

<i>Product</i>	<i>Public Participation Process</i>	<i>Public Comment Period</i>
Amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Issue media releases to explain the proposed Amendment request to the MPO's TIP; describe the process to submit and/or contact the MPO regarding public comments; detail MPO Policy Committee public meeting locations/times/assistance requests	Not less than 30 calendar days prior to the adoption of the TIP, any amendments*, or updates; "Legal notice to newspapers of record" for public meetings (states The Shreveport Times and Bossier Press Tribune)

Concerning this request, the 30 day public comment period began November 3rd, 2013 and will run through December 3rd, 2013. Any public comments and questions that are received are addressed by NLCOG before approval of this amendment by the MPO's Transportation Policy Committee.

In order to enhance public involvement in the MPO's transportation planning process, an electronic copy of the current TIP, as well as, the listing of amendments brought before the MPO Transportation Policy Committee can be tracked through NLCOG's online presence: http://www.nlcog.org/office_info/mpo/tip.htm

If you have any further questions, regarding this TIP amendment, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



J. Kent Rogers
Secretary - MPO Transportation Policy Committee

Public Comment Period

Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments

**Veterans Transportation & Community
Living Initiative (VTCLI)**

Public Comment Period

November 3, 2013 – December 3, 2013

The Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) will amend the Northwest Louisiana Metropolitan Planning Area 2013 – 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Fiscal Year 2014 to accommodate the following funding request:

Amendment #11032013-01

Local Sponsor: City of Shreveport (Sportran)

FTA Grant Award - VTCLI Sportran

Total Grant Award: \$490,000

FTA Section 5309 support: \$440,000

FTA Section 5312 support: \$50,000

The Shreveport/Bossier City Metropolitan Area is home to a large contingent of veterans, and their families, as well as a significant population of disabled veterans. Through this grant Sportran will develop a “One Call – One Click” interface accessing transportation services, by providing one place to connect veterans, service members, military families, persons with a disability and other transportation disadvantaged populations through a simplified and straightforward process.

Approval of this amendment is subject to any public comments and/or questions received.

All comments relative to this amendment should be postmarked no later than December 3, 2013.

Comments may be e-mailed to public_comments@nlcog.org or mailed to: NLCOG, Attn: Chris Petro – TIP Comment, 625 Texas Street, Suite 200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101.