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October 27, 2017

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

Re: STIP Amendment # 23 - Transit Element

Dear Ms. Horne:

The Federal Transit Administration has reviewed the request submitted October 23, 2017 for changes and/or updates to the FY 2015 -2018 STIP. We approve the updates and revisions to the Transit Element of the FY 2015 – 2018 STIP with the attached and updated STIP Amendment #23 summary recap pages.

Should you have questions, please contact Melissa Foreman, Community Planner, at 817-978-0554.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donald R. Koski". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Donald R. Koski, AICP
Director, Planning and Program Development

cc: Carlos McCloud, FHWA LA Division



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October 23, 2017

Mr. Robert Patrick, FTA Region VI Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
819 Taylor Street - Rm 8A36
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

**RE: LADOTD STIP AMENDMENT #23
Transit Element for Federal FY 2017
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program**

Dear Mr. Patrick:

We are requesting that you amend the FY 2017 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 FY2016 and replace with the attached updated Amendment #23 Summary Re-cap pages
- **Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (Shreveport UZA):** The TIP amendment for the Shreveport UZA has been outlined in the designated attachments dated September 11, 2017. Please discard their previous submitted 2017 Transit Element TIP pages and replace with the attached updated TIP pages.
- **Regional Planning Commission for Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, and Tangipahoa Parishes (New Orleans UZA):** The TIP amendment for the New Orleans UZA has been outlined in the designated attachments dated October 11, 2017. Please discard their previous submitted 2017 Transit Element TIP pages and replace with the attached updated TIP pages.

We appreciate your usual prompt attention with the attached Transit STIP amendment. If you have any questions, please contact me or Mr. Casey Lewis at (225) 379-3054.

Sincerely,

Michelle Horne
Public Transportation Administrator

Attachments

cc: FTA Region VI
Louisiana MPO's



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Louisiana Urban Transit Systems
LA DOTD

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND
DEVELOPMENT**

STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP)

STIP TRANSIT ELEMENT

FTA Transit Programs

Federal FY2015 thru FY 2018

Louisiana Transit STIP - Federal FY 2017
Transit Summary ReCap
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program - STIP

2017 Federal Programs	MAP-21 Est. Unknown	MPO / STATE Request Amt	Notes
Sec 5307 - Urban Program (Capital/Operating/Planning)			
UZA 200,000 to 999,999			
Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$ 5,620,269	1 \$ 7,600,000	3,4
Lafayette (LTS)	\$ 2,265,811	1 \$ 2,565,995	2
Orleans (Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, & St. Charles)	\$ 14,830,081	1 \$ 14,262,900	3,4
Shreveport (SPORTAN)	\$ 3,911,606	1 \$ 3,050,354	2
Total	\$ 26,627,767	\$ 27,479,249	
UZA 50,000 to 200,000			
Alexandria (ATRANS)	\$ 1,143,977	1 \$ 608,296	3,4
Hammond	\$ 835,626	1 \$ 301,900	2
Houma (GET)	\$ 2,118,018	1 \$ 3,628,041	3,4
Lake Charles (LCT)	\$ 1,878,259	1 \$ 1,415,000	2
Monroe (MTS)	\$ 1,713,086	1 \$ 1,200,000	2
St. Tammany (Slidell & Mandeville/Covington)	\$ 2,456,368	1 \$ 2,546,948	3,4
Total	\$ 10,145,334	\$ 9,700,185	
Louisiana State DOTD Programs			
Sec 5303 - Metropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 1,167,921	1 \$ 1,167,921	2
Sec 5304 - Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 304,135	1 \$ 304,135	2
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Rural)	\$ 705,023	1 \$ 1,062,832	3
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Small Urban)	\$ 1,502,036	1 \$ 1,301,997	3
Sec 5311 - Rural Transit (Operate/Capital/Planning)	\$ 12,719,247	1 \$ 9,417,146	2,4
Sec 5311 - Rural Technical Assistance Program (RTAP)	\$ 225,723	1 \$ 201,956	2
Total	\$ 16,624,085	\$ 13,455,987	
Sec 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities			
Baton Rouge	\$ 482,009	1 \$ 487,110	3
Lafayette	\$ 183,198	1 \$ 217,128	3
New Orleans	\$ 866,267	1 \$ 824,482	3
Shreveport	\$ 275,796	1 \$ 276,590	3
Total	\$ 1,807,270	\$ 1,805,310	
Sec 5316 - Job Access (JARC)			
Baton Rouge	\$ -		
Lafayette	\$ -		
New Orleans	\$ -		
Shreveport	\$ -		
Rural Systems (DOTD)	\$ -		
Small Urban Systems (DOTD)	\$ -		
Total	\$ -	\$ -	
Sec 5317 - New Freedom Program			
Baton Rouge	\$ -		
New Orleans	\$ -		
Shreveport	\$ -		
Rural Systems (DOTD)	\$ -		
Small Urban Systems (DOTD)	\$ -		

Flexible Funds - Other

Baton Rouge - CMAQ (CATS)	\$	-	\$	10,480,000	5
New Orleans- STPFLX (RTA--Ferry boat)			\$	700,000	4,5
New Orleans- STPFLX (RTA--Canal Street Walkway)			\$	1,280,000	5 A
Shreveport --CMAQ (SPORTRAN--buses, minivan)	\$	3,162,000	\$	27,400	4,5 A
Total	\$	-	\$	11,180,000	

Sec 5309 - Fixed Guideway Modernization

Rail Maintenance	\$	-	\$	5,577,600	2
Total	\$	-	\$	5,577,600	

Sec 5309 - Discretionary - Earmarks

Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$	-	\$	22,344,000	2
Lafayette	\$	-	\$	435,000	2
Monroe	\$	-	\$	148,000	2
Total	\$	-	\$	22,927,000	

Sec 5337 - State of Good Repair

New Orleans	\$	4,264,135	1	\$	-
Total				\$	-

Sec 5339 - Bus & Bus Facilities Program

Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$	577,966	1	\$	700,000	3,4
Lafayette	\$	231,810	1	\$	466,013	2
Orleans (NORTA)	\$	1,382,807	1	\$	1,355,000	2
Shreveport	\$	375,972	1	\$	-	
Alexandria	\$	116,634	1	\$	-	
Hammond	\$	84,022	1	\$	-	
Orleans (NORTA)	\$	224,355	1	\$	-	
Lake Charles	\$	193,927	1	\$	-	
Monroe	\$	172,209	1	\$	1,800,000	3,4
St. Tammany (Slidell \$ ___ & Mandeville/Covington \$ ___)	\$	268,835	1	\$	-	0
Louisiana (DOTD)	\$	1,326,510	1	\$	1,865,304	
Total	\$	4,955,047		\$	6,186,317	

Explanation Notes**A = Amendment**

1. FY 2017 estimated - apportionments are unknown at this time
2. Request amounts will be adjusted later to reflect the FY 2017 Apportionment and/or clarified further
3. MPO and/or 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
5. STPFLX Funds transfer from FHWA to FTA for urban transit use

Shreveport Urban Area

Northwest Louisiana Council of Government (NLCOG)

LADOTD Transit STIP 2015-2018



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September 11th, 2017

Mr. Shawn Wilson, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development
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Re: FFY2015-2018 TIP **Administrative Amendment #09112017-01**: SPORTRAN's (FTA Section 5307 large urban transit provider) Updated 5307 final budget for **FY 2017**.

Dear Secretary Wilson,

Please be advised that the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) will **Administratively Amend** The Northwest Louisiana Metropolitan Planning Area FFY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP – Transit Section) for Fiscal Year **2017** concerning the revised SPORTRAN Sect. 5307 grantee budget based upon the finalized FTA apportionments.

Grantee (Sponsor):	Shreveport Transit - SPORTRAN
FTA Grant Assistance:	Section 5307 – Large urban transit provider funding assistance
Fiscal Year:	2017

Project ID	Project Name	Project Description	Fund Code	Total Cost	Cost +4%/yr*	Federal Share	Local Share
5307-2017-01	Preventive Maintenance	Operations	5307	\$3,628,808	\$3,773,960	\$2,903,046	\$725,762
5307-2017-02	Non Fixed Route ADA Paratransit Service	Operations	5307	\$425,000	\$442,000	\$340,000	\$85,000
5307-2017-03	Construct Enhanced ADA	Capital	5307	\$45,063	\$46,866	\$36,050	\$9,013
5307-2017-04	Support Equipment	Capital	5307	\$108,483	\$112,822	\$86,786	\$21,697
5307-2017-05	Construct Bus Station	Capital	5307	\$27,705	\$28,813	\$22,164	\$5,541
5307-2017-06	Buy Replacement < 30 Foot Bus	Capital	5307	\$254,160	\$264,326	\$216,036	\$38,124
Capital Budget (5307): Sub-total				\$4,489,219	\$4,668,788	\$3,604,082	\$885,137

*FY 2017 is the Base Year for 4% Inflation Factor

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Kent Rogers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "J" and a stylized "R".

J. Kent Rogers
Secretary - MPO Transportation Policy Committee



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John Bel Edwards, Governor
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August 17, 2017

Mr. Robert Patrick
Regional Administrator, Region VI
Federal Transit Administration
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RE: Approval for CMAQ funds

Dear Mr. Patrick:

The City of Shreveport/Sportran was awarded \$3,162,000 of CMAQ (F400) funding in 2016 to purchase eight (8) CNG-fueled replacement buses for fixed route service. After the purchase of those vehicles, there will be \$27,400 federal funds remaining. Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development approves the use of the remaining federal funds to purchase a minivan for paratransit service as requested by SPORTRAN. We have conferred with FHWA on the eligibility of the use of these funds and they are in agreement that this is an eligible purchase.

Sincerely,

Eric Kalivoda
Deputy Secretary

EK:DRS

c: Dinero' Washington, SPORTRAN
Lynn Hayes, FTA
Dawn Sholmire, LADOTD
Michele Horne, LADOTD
Carlos McCloud, FHWA

FHWA TRANSFER REQUEST

Type of Transfer Request: Funds to a DOT Agency or Federal Department

In accordance with provisions of title 23 U.S.C., the State transportation department indicated below requests that Federal-aid Highway Program contract authority and obligation authority be transferred as show

Tracking Numbers	FHWA
Name	State
Title	
Telephone	
Email	

Name: James Street
 Title: Budget Administrator 1
 Telephone: (225) 379-1980
 Email: James.Street@la.gov

Requesting Agency: Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

Transfer Request Contact:

Item #	Description of Fund - From	Fiscal Year	Program Code	Demo ID or Urban Area Code	Amount	From Item #	Description of Entity - To	Amount
1	CMAQ	2016	Z401		\$3,162,000.00		Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	\$3,162,000.00
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								
8								
9								
10								
TOTAL FROM								\$3,162,000.00

Enter item # (above), Project Description, Urban Area or other additional information

#1 - Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) requests a transfer of CMAQ funding to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in the amount of \$3,162,000 at 85% of the cost. The 15% match will be provided by the local sponsor, SPORTRAN in the amount of \$558,000. The total requested cost is \$3,720,000. The purpose of the request is to provide funding assistance to replace eight (8) diesel powered buses with eight (8) CNG-fueled type buses.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

I certify that the funds requested for transfer are in accordance with the applicable provisions of title 23 U.S.C., that the funds are unobligated and uncommitted; and that the percentage of funds to be transferred combined with previous transfers does not exceed the permissible amount eligible for transfer under the affected program categories according to applicable State and Federal laws and regulations. Where applicable, concurrence from affected Metropolitan Planning Organizations and other agencies has been obtained and recorded in this office. Further, I certify that I have the authority to approve the transfer of Federal-aid Highway program funds

James O Street
 Date of Approval: 11-2-16

Budget Administrator 1, La. Dept. of Transportation Development
 Title of Approving Official

FHWA DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR CONCURRENCE

I certify that I have reviewed the request to transfer funds as itemized above that this request is in accordance with provisions of title 23 U.S.C. and FHWA policy and procedures, and I have the authority to approve transfer of Federal-aid Highway program funds

For transfer of contract authority and obligation authority

Has the State entered into an agreement with the agency indicated above to receive, obligate, expend and manage these funds for specified project(s)?

Yes
 No

OCFO Comments

FHWA DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR CONCURRENCE

I certify that I have reviewed the request to transfer funds as itemized above that this request is in accordance with provisions of title 23 U.S.C. and FHWA policy and procedures, and I have the authority to approve transfer of Federal-aid Highway program funds

For transfer of contract authority and obligation authority

Has the State entered into an agreement with the agency indicated above to receive, obligate, expend and manage these funds for specified project(s)?

Yes
 No

OCFO Comments

Charles Bolinger
 Date of Approval: 11-02-2016

Division Administrator Louisiana FHWA Division
 Title of Approving Official

New Orleans Urban Area

Regional Planning Commission (RPC)

(for Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard & St. Tammany Parishes)

LADOTD Transit STIP 2015-2018

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

JEFFERSON, ORLEANS, PLAQUEMINES, ST. BERNARD, ST. CHARLES, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
ST. TAMMANY AND TANGIPAHOA PARISHES

October 11, 2017

Ms. Michelle Horne
Public Transportation Director
Louisiana Department of Transportation
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Re: FY 2017 Transit TIP: New Orleans UZA

Dear Ms. Horne,

Please accept this most recent amendment to the Transit Element of the Regional Planning Commission's FY 17 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) for the New Orleans UZA.

This amendment reflects the flexing of FHWA STP>200K funds to New Orleans Regional Transit Authority, for the purposes of constructing a pedestrian bridge for the Canal Street Ferry Terminal.

The Policy Board and Commission approved this amendment on October 10, 2017. Timely processing by your office of this update will be, as always, greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or need additional information, please advise.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey W. Roesel AICP
Deputy Director
Regional Planning Commission

Amendment Considered at Meeting of October 10, 2017
FY 2017 Transportation Improvement Program
New Orleans Region
Transit Element - Financially Constrained

Project	Parish	Estimated Cost	5307	Local Match	Comments
Canal Ferry Pedestrian Walkway	Orleans	1,600,000	1,280,000	320,000	Flexed from STP>200K

2017 Transportation Improvement Program - Transit Element

Project	Parish	Total Cost	Section 5307	Section 5337 (Rail)	Section 5337 (HOV)	Section 5339	Section 5310	Other (See Comments)	Total Federal	Local Match	Comments
Paratransit Vehicles	Region	1,030.6					824.5		824.5	206.1	Pending DOTD Award
Total Region FY-17		1,030.6	0.0	0.0	0.0		824.5		824.5	206.1	
Total Region		1,030.6	0.0	0.0	0.0		824.5		824.5	206.1	
Operating Assistance - Fixed Route	Jefferson	3,703.8	1,851.9						1,851.9	1,851.9	
Capital Project Management - 3rd Party Planning	Jefferson	52.5	42.0						42.0	10.5	
Terminal Lighting	Jefferson	340.0	272.0						272.0	68.0	
Terminal Renovations	Jefferson	12.5	10.0						10.0	2.5	Safety and Security
Security Equipment	Jefferson	44.2	35.3						35.3	8.8	Safety and Security
Fixed Route Vehicles	Jefferson	1,194.2	624.6			330.8			955.4	238.8	\$320K in FY14 funding
Paratransit Vehicles	Jefferson	62.5	50.0						50.0	12.5	
Paratransit Vehicles (Propane)	Jefferson	225.0						180.0	180.0	45.0	CMAAQ Transfer
Preventative Maintenance	Jefferson	1,167.6	772.5		161.5				934.0	233.5	
ADP Hardware	Jefferson	179.6	143.7						143.7	35.9	
ADP Software	Jefferson	55.0	44.0						44.0	11.0	
Total Jefferson FY-17		6,646.2	3,533.5	0.0	161.5	330.8	0.0		4,205.8	2,440.4	
Total Jefferson		7,046.2	3,853.5	0.0	161.5	330.8	0.0		4,525.8	2,520.4	
Preventative Maintenance (Bus)	Orleans (RTA)	10,923.7	8,739.0						8,739.0	2,184.7	\$270K in FY13 5307 funding
Streetcar Rail Camera Project	Orleans (RTA)	118.5	94.8						94.8	23.7	Safety and Security
City of Kenner - Preventative Maint.	Jefferson (RTA)	100.0	80.0						80.0	20.0	
Transit Asset Management Plan	Orleans (RTA)	100.0	80.0						80.0	20.0	
Communications System	Orleans (RTA)	100.0	80.0						80.0	20.0	
TOD Guidelines Plan	Orleans (RTA)	175.4	140.3						140.3	35.1	
Preventative Maintenance (Rail)	Orleans (RTA)	3,704.3	256.0	2,707.4					2,963.4	740.9	
Downtown Loop Track Replacement	Orleans (RTA)	1,225.0	980.0						980.0	245.0	
St. Charles Refurbishment	Orleans (RTA)	477.5	382.0						382.0	95.5	
Preventative Maintenance (HOV)	Orleans (RTA)	201.9			161.5				161.5	40.4	
Purchase Bus Equipment	Orleans (RTA)	1,356.0	318.9			765.9			1,084.8	271.2	
Bus Paint and Repair	Orleans (RTA)	152.2	152.2			121.7			121.7	30.4	
Ferry Preventative Maintenance	Orleans (RTA)	582.0	465.6						465.6	116.4	
Canal Street Ferry Pedestrian Bridge	Orleans	1,600.0	1,280.0						1,280.0	320.0	STP>200K Flex
New Ferryboat	Orleans (RTA)	875.0	700.0						700.0	175.0	\$700K from STP>200K
Ferry Preventative Maintenance - Flexed	Orleans (RTA)	875.0	700.0						700.0	175.0	\$700K from STP-FLEX
Total Orleans FY-17		18,878.9	9,984.5	4,069.4	161.5	887.6	0.0		15,103.1	3,775.8	
Total Orleans		22,566.4	12,934.5	4,069.4	161.5	887.6	0.0		18,053.1	4,513.3	
Operating Assistance		191.5	95.8						95.8	95.8	
Preventative Maintenance		178.2	142.6						142.6	35.6	
Security Equipment - Fencing		12.5	10.0						10.0	2.5	Safety and Security
Total St. Bernard FY-17		382.2	248.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		248.3	133.9	
Total St. Bernard		382.2	248.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		248.3	133.9	
Operating Assistance - Demand Response		126.6	63.3						63.3	63.3	

