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May 1, 2019

Ms. Michelle Horne
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Re: STIP Amendment # 4 - Transit Element

Dear Ms. Horne:

The Federal Transit Administration has reviewed the request submitted April 17, 2019 for changes and/or updates to the FY 2019 -2022 STIP. We approve the updates and revisions to the Transit Element of the FY 2019 – 2022 STIP with the attached and updated STIP Amendment #4 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".

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

cc: Carlos McCloud, FHWA LA Division



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April 17, 2019

Mr. Robert Patrick, FTA Region VI Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
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**RE: LA DOTD STIP AMENDMENT # 4
Transit Element for Federal FY 2019
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program**

Dear Mr. Patrick:

We are requesting that you amend the FY 2019 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 the 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 FY2019 and replace with the attached updated Amendment #4 Summary Re-cap pages.
- **Regional Planning Commission (RPC):** The TIP amendments for the New Orleans UZA, including Orleans, St. Tammany and Tangipahoa UZAs, are outlined in the designated attachments, along with the MPO's summaries of performance targets, dated April 10, 2019 and April 17, 2019. Please discard their previous submitted 2019 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 Casey Lewis at (225) 379-3054.

Sincerely,

Michelle Horne
Public Transportation Director

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Attachments

Cc: Louisiana MPOs
Louisiana Urban Transit Systems

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND
DEVELOPMENT**

STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP)

TRANSIT ELEMENT

Summary Re-cap Pages

Fiscal Years 2019 thru 2022

Transit Element of the STIP submitted to FTA
Original STIP dated – September 4, 2018

Louisiana Transit STIP - Federal FY 2019
Transit Summary ReCap
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program - STIP

2019 Federal Programs	FAST Estimates	MPO / STATE Request Amt	Notes
Sec 5307 - Urban Program (Capital/Operating/Planning)			
UZA 200,000 to 999,999			
Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$ 3,377,884	\$ 7,099,000	2
Lafayette (LTS)	\$ 1,403,558	\$ 2,643,750	2
Orleans (Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, & St. Charles)	\$ 9,313,436	\$ 15,968,000	3,4
Shreveport (SPORTRAN)	\$ 2,360,669	\$ 5,373,657	4,7
Total	\$ 16,455,547	\$ 31,084,407	A
UZA 50,000 to 200,000			
Alexandria (ATRANS)	\$ 1,278,000	\$ 1,107,051	2
Hammond	\$ 508,553	\$ 1,176,000	3,4
Houma (GET)	\$ 1,280,155	\$ 2,119,895	2
Lake Charles (LCT)	\$ 1,134,528	\$ 1,814,490	2
Monroe (MTS)	\$ 1,021,791	\$ 1,340,000	2
St. Tammany (Slidell & Mandeville/Covington)	\$ 789,918	\$ 2,648,000	3,4
Total	\$ 6,012,945	\$ 10,205,436	A
Louisiana State DOTD Programs			
Sec 5303 - Metropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 672,696	\$ 1,067,419	3,4
Sec 5304 - Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning	\$ 175,643	\$ 278,707	3,4
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Rural)	\$ 672,458	\$ 1,048,213	3,4
Sec 5310 - Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Small Urban)	\$ 837,972	\$ 1,318,902	3,4
Sec 5311 - Rural Transit (Operate/Capital/Planning)	\$ 11,712,838	\$ 34,423,822	3,4
Sec 5311 - Rural Technical Assistance Program (RTAP)	\$ 134,265	\$ 618,773	3,4
	\$ -		
	\$ -		
Total	\$ 14,205,872	\$ 38,755,836	
Sec 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Capital/Operating)			
Baton Rouge	\$ 317,174	\$ 499,095	3,4
Lafayette	\$ 140,615	\$ 218,741	3,4
New Orleans	\$ 531,734	\$ 840,255	3,4
Shreveport	\$ 180,054	\$ 275,907	3,4
	\$ 1,339,577	\$ 1,815,514	

Louisiana Transit STIP - Federal FY 2019
Transit Summary ReCap
Louisiana State Transportation Improvement Program - STIP

Flexible Funds - Other

Baton Rouge - CMAQ (CATS)	\$ 4,200,000			
New Orleans- CMAQ	\$ 144,000			
Lafayette - Low No Emissions Grant (LTS)		\$ 1,190,000		2
	\$ 4,344,000	\$ 1,190,000		

Sec 5309 - Capital Investment Grants**Sec 5337 - State of Good Repair**

New Orleans (Rail)	\$ 3,470,800	\$ 4,785,600	3,4	A
New Orleans (HOV)		\$ 390,000	3,4	A
Total		\$ 5,175,600		

Sec 5339 - Bus & Bus Facilities Program

Baton Rouge (CATS)	\$ 779,404	\$ 617,000	2	
Lafayette (capital assistance, bus replacment, parking facility, substation)	\$ 290,137	\$ 4,075,000	2	
Orleans (NORTA)	\$ 1,755,733	\$ 1,642,500	3,4	A
Shreveport	\$ 490,086	\$ 509,689	2	
Alexandria		\$ -		
Hammond		\$ -		
Lake Charles		\$ -		
Monroe		\$ 1,190,000	2	
St. Tammany (Slidell & Mandeville/Covington)		\$ -		
Louisiana (DOTD)				
	\$ 3,315,360	\$ 8,034,189		

Explanation Notes**A = Amendment**

1. FY 2019 estimated - apportionments are unknown at this time
2. Request amounts will be adjusted later to reflect the FY 2019 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. Ferry Preventative Maintenance funding in the amount of \$650K, from Ferry Operating
6. STPFLEX Fund transfers (from FHWA to FTA)
7. Amount includes funding from sale of FTA capital assets to be used back in transit

New Orleans Urban Area

Regional Planning Commission (RPC)

**(for Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, & Tangipahoa Parishes)
LADOTD Transit STIP 2019-2022**

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

April 10, 2019

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Re: FY 2019 Transit TIP: New Orleans, St. Tammany, and Tangipahoa Parish UZAs

Dear Ms. Horne,

Please accept these most recent amendments to the Transit Element of the Regional Planning Commission's FY 19 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) for the New Orleans UZA, St. Tammany (Mandeville-Covington and Slidell), and Tangipahoa Parish UZAs, for inclusion in the State Transportation Improvement Plan.

These amendments reflect the fiscal year 2019 regional distributions of FTA 5307 (Urbanized Formula), 5337 (State of Good Repair), and 5339 (Bus and Bus Facilities) funding. These programs of projects in the attached spreadsheets replace the previous versions of the FY 2019 Transit TIP for each UZA in their entirety.

Investments in Asset Management are in line with achieving performance targets identified in 2018. In the New Orleans UZA, 51.6% of projects and 81% of funding in the FY 19 Transit TIP is dedicated to asset management, whether through the maintenance or procurement of vehicles, facilities, and rail infrastructure. A breakdown by asset category is below.

	Total	Percent	\$ Amount	\$Percent
Rolling Stock	11	35.48%	23,563.4	75.95%
Infrastructure	2	6.45%	914.5	2.95%
Facilities	3	9.68%	621.9	2.00%
Equipment	0	0.00%	0	0.00%


In the St. Tammany UZA, 50% of the projects and 23.5% of funding is for Rolling Stock replacement or maintenance. In Tangipahoa, there is one vehicle replacement project comprising 16.8% of funding.

The Policy Board and Commission approved these amendments on April 9, 2019. 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.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

JEFFERSON, ORLEANS, PLAQUEMINES, ST. BERNARD, ST. CHARLES, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
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Sincerely,



Jason Sappington
Deputy Director
Regional Planning Commission

cc: Ronisha Hodge – FTA Region VI
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April 9, 2019

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RE: Distribution of Section 5307, 5337, 5339 funds, New Orleans UZA, FY 2019

Dear Mr. Patrick,

Please accept the following breakdown of estimated FY 19 funding per grantee for the New Orleans Urbanized area:

FY 19 Funding Availability:

5307	\$15,468,020
5337 (Bus)	\$ 389,973
5337 (Guideway)	\$ 4,785,593
5339	\$ 1,641,572

Funding Distribution (Section 5307):

Regional Transit Authority (RTA):	\$ 10,123,020
RTA Ferry:	\$ 470,000
Jefferson Transit:	\$ 3,903,000
St. Bernard Urban Rapid Transit:	\$ 264,000
River Parishes Transit Authority:	\$ 264,000
Plaquemines Parish	\$ 264,000
Regional Planning Commission	\$ 180,000

The amount of 5307 regionally dedicated to security enhancements totals \$39,000 regionally. RTA has requested an exemption from the 1% security requirement due to the extent of previous investments, resulting in recognition from the Transportation Security Administration (see attached letter).

Jefferson Transit Security Equipment: \$ 39,000

Funding Distribution (Section 5337 - Bus):

Regional Transit Authority:	\$ 194,987
Jefferson Transit:	\$ 194,987



Regional Transit Authority

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March 28, 2019

Re: Regional Transit Authority's 1% Security Explanation

The RTA was deemed *exempt* from the requirement of utilization of one percent of its Section 5307 expenditures for transit security due to its receipt of the TSA Gold Standard Award in 2016. The RTA twice received the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) "Gold Standard" Award, and is still under this status, for its strong transit security program and commitment to passenger security, achieving highest rating in the Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) program specific to 17 categories of security and emergency preparedness action items.

New Orleans 2019 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**
Demand Response Vehicles	Region	1,069.8					855.8		855.8	214.0	Pending DOTD Award
Long Range Planning	Region	225.0	180.0						180.0	45.0	RPC
Total Region FY-19		1,294.8	180.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	855.8	0.0	1,035.8	259.0	
Total Region		1,294.8	180.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	855.8	0.0	1,035.8	259.0	
Preventative Maintenance	Jefferson	2,751.6	2,006.3		195.0				2,201.3	550.3	\$20.0K in FY 14 5307; RS
Operating Assistance - Fixed Route	Jefferson	3,195.2	1,597.6						1,597.6	1,597.6	
Capital Project Management - 3rd Party	Jefferson	81.3	65.0						65.0	16.3	
Planning	Jefferson	234.4	187.5						187.5	46.9	
Security Equipment	Jefferson	48.8	39.0						39.0	9.8	Security
Replacement Fixed Route Vehicles	Jefferson	635.6	15.0			493.5			508.5	127.1	\$85.1K in FY14 5307; RS
Rehab/Renovate Bus Terminal	Jefferson	56.1	44.9						44.9	11.2	FY14 5307; FA
Office/Support Equipment	Jefferson	122.0	97.6						97.6	24.4	
Total Jefferson FY-19		6,937.4	3,902.9	0.0	195.0	493.5	0.0	0.0	4,591.4	2,383.5	
Total Jefferson		7,124.9	4,052.9	0.0	195.0	493.5	0.0	0.0	4,741.4	2,383.5	
Preventative Maintenance (Bus)	Orleans (RTA)	10,200.0	8,160.0						8,160.0	2,040.0	RS
Preventative Maintenance (Rail)	Orleans (RTA)	6,212.5	1,706.2	3,068.8	195.0				4,970.0	1,242.5	RS
Preventative Maintenance (Ferry)	Orleans (RTA)	587.5	470.0						470.0	117.5	RS
St. Charles Streetcar Paint and Repair	Orleans (RTA)	1,019.5		815.6					815.6	203.9	RS
Streetcar Track Pavement Replacement	Orleans (RTA)	600.0	480.0						480.0	120.0	IN
Streetcar Equipment	Orleans (RTA)	314.5	251.6						251.6	62.9	IN
Shop Equipment	Orleans (RTA)	212.0	169.6						169.6	42.4	IN
NTD	Orleans (RTA)	40.0	32.0						32.0	8.0	FA
Downtown Transit Center	Orleans (RTA)	131.0	104.8						104.8	26.2	
Fare Payment Option Study	Orleans (RTA)	150.0	120.0						120.0	30.0	
Short Term Planning	Orleans (RTA)	437.5	350.0						350.0	87.5	
East NO Envelope Repairs	Orleans (RTA)	353.8				283.0			283.0	70.8	FY 14 Funding
Bus Refurbishments	Orleans (RTA)	1,025.0				820.0			820.0	205.0	FA, 40K in FY16 5339
Paratransit MDTs	Orleans (RTA)	107.6				86.1			86.1	21.5	RS
Total Orleans FY-19		20,953.3	10,593.0	4,785.6	195.0	1,149.1	0.0	0.0	16,722.7	3,840.7	
Total Orleans		21,390.8	10,943.0	4,785.6	195.0	1,189.1	0.0	0.0	17,112.7	4,278.2	

St. Tammany Parish
Urbanized Areas
Slidell & Mandeville/Covington

Regional Planning Commission (RPC)

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

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2019 St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program - Transit Element

Project	Total Cost	Section 5307	Section 5311	Section 5310	Total Federal	Local Match	Comments
Urban Operating Assistance	3,730,000	1,865,000			1,865,000	1,865,000	
Rural Operating Assistance	420,000		210,000		210,000	210,000	
Preventive Maintenance	100,000	80,000			80,000	20,000	RS
Vehicle Replacement	616,250	493,000			493,000	123,250	RS
Total FY19	4,866,250	2,438,000	210,000		2,648,000	2,218,250	

State of Good Repair Abbreviations: RS (Rolling Stock); FA (Facilities); EQ (Equipment); IN (Infrastructure)

South Tangipahoa Parish Urbanized Area Hammond

**Regional Planning Commission (RPC)
(for Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard & St. Tammany Parishes)
LADOTD Transit STIP 2019-2022**

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April 17, 2019

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Re: FY 2019 Transit TIP: Tangipahoa UZA – Administrative Amendment

Dear Ms. Horne,

Please accept this request that an administrative amendment to the recently submitted FY 19 Transit TIP amendment for Tangipahoa Parish be reflected in the STIP. The total cost for the Vehicle Replacement item was entered incorrectly as \$277,500. The figure should be \$247,500. The Federal and Local Match amounts are already correct.

Thank you, as always, for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Jason Sappington
Deputy Director
Regional Planning Commission

cc: Luciana Nears – FTA Region VI
Casey Lewis - LADOTD
John Dardis - Tangipahoa Parish

2019 Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program - Transit Element

Project	Cost	Section 5307	Section 5310	Section 5311	Total Federal	Local Match	Comments
Bus Shelters and Benches	\$30,000	\$24,000			\$24,000	\$6,000	FY14 funding
Vehicle Replacement	\$247,500	\$198,000			\$198,000	\$49,500	RS
LA22 and 7th Ped Improvements	\$490,000	\$392,000			\$392,000	\$98,000	FY15 and FY16 funding
W. Minnesota Park Ped Improvements	\$570,000	\$456,000			\$456,000	\$114,000	FY15 funding
Project Administration	\$20,000	\$10,000			\$10,000	\$10,000	FY14 funding
Transit Planning	\$120,000	\$96,000			\$96,000	\$24,000	FY14 and FY15 funding
Total	\$1,477,500.0	\$1,176,000.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$1,176,000.0	\$301,500.0	

State of Good Repair Abbreviations: RS (Rolling Stock); FA (Facilities); EQ (Equipment); IN (Infrastructure)