



**MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED HIGHWAYS AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING HELD IN HANNIBAL,
MISSOURI, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2012**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, August 8, 2012, at Hannibal-LaGrange University, Parker Theatre in the Roland Fine Arts Center, 2800 Palmyra Road, Hannibal, Missouri. Rudolph E. Farber, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The following Commissioners were present: Grace M. Nichols, Lloyd J. Carmichael, Stephen R. Miller, and Kenneth H. Suelthaus. On February 2, 2012, Governor Nixon withdrew the appointment of Commissioner Joseph J. Hunt; at the time of the August 8, 2012, meeting, a replacement had not been appointed.

The meeting was called pursuant to Section 226.120 of the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended. The Secretary verified that notice of the meeting was posted in keeping with Section 610.020 of the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

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Kevin Keith, Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation; Rich Tiemeyer, Chief Counsel for the Commission; and Pamela J. Harlan, Secretary to the Commission, were present on Wednesday, August 8, 2012.

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*“Department” or “MoDOT” herein refers to Missouri Department of Transportation.
“Commission” or “MHTC” herein refers to Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.*

-- CLOSED MEETING --

VOTE TO CLOSE MEETING

The agenda of the closed meeting was posted in keeping with Sections 610.020 and 610.022, RSMo, including the following statutory citations allowing the meeting to be closed:

1. Section 610.021(1) – Legal actions and attorney-client privileged communications.
2. Section 610.021(3), (13) – Personnel administration regarding particular employees.
3. Section 610.021(11), (12) – Competitive bidding specs, sealed bids, or negotiated contracts.

Upon motion duly made and seconded to convene in closed session, the Chairman called for a voice vote of the members. The vote was as follows:

Commissioner Farber, Aye
Commissioner Nichols, Aye
Commissioner Carmichael, Aye
Commissioner Miller, Aye
Commissioner Suelthaus, Aye

The Commission met in closed session from 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

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-- OPEN MEETING --

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Carmichael, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the special meetings held June 5, 2012 and July 10, 2012 and the regular meeting held July 11, 2012. The Chairman and Secretary to the Commission were authorized and directed to sign and certify said minutes and to file same in the office of the Secretary.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda Process

In order to make the most efficient use of Commission meeting time and to ensure Commission members are well informed on issues requiring their action, staff prepares and submits to the Commission members, in advance of their meeting, internal memoranda consisting of advice, opinions, and recommendations related to the items of the Commission meeting agenda. Those items considered by staff to be of a routine or non-controversial nature are placed on a consent agenda. During the meeting, items can be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any one Commission member. The items that are not removed from the consent agenda are approved with a single motion and unanimous vote by a quorum of the members.

Minutes reflecting approval of items on the consent agenda are singly reported herein and intermingled with minutes reflecting action on related subjects that were openly discussed. Reference to “consent agenda” is made in each minute approved via the process described in the paragraph above. Minutes reflecting action on items removed from the consent agenda and openly discussed reflect the open discussion and vote thereon.

Consideration of August 8, 2012, Consent Agenda

No items were removed from the consent agenda. Upon motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Suelthaus, the consent agenda items were unanimously approved by a quorum of Commission members present.

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COMMISSION COMMITTEES AND COMMISSION RELATED BOARDS

The Commission has two committees: Audit and Legislative. In addition, it elects Commission representatives to two boards: Missouri Transportation Finance Corporation Board of Directors and MoDOT and Patrol Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees. The following committee reports were made during the August 8, 2012, meeting.

Audit Committee – Commissioner Suelthaus stated there was no report.

Legislative Committee – Commissioner Miller stated there was no report.

Special MHTC Committee – MoDOT/MSHP Medical and Life Insurance Plan – Commissioner Farber reported the committee met twice and will meet again on September 10, 2012 to further discuss the need to balance an affordable benefit that can be sustained in the future with a benefit that is sufficient for the employee.

Missouri Transportation Finance Corporation – Commissioner Nichols stated there was no report.

MoDOT and Patrol Employees' Retirement System – Commissioner Farber stated the Executive Director Search Committee is in the process of interviewing candidates for the position.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

During the August 8, 2012, Commission meeting, Director Kevin Keith provided the following report:

Transportation Awards – Director Keith stated MoDOT received two awards at the Mid America Association of State Transportation Officials (MAASTO) meeting in Kentucky for projects that were best in the region. One of the projects was the kcICON project, which was honored as the best large project in the category "Ahead of Schedule." The other project was the I-270 Dorsett Page interchange

project in St. Louis that was honored as the best medium project on the category “Under Budget.” Both projects are now eligible for the national awards that will be announced at the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) annual meeting in Pittsburgh in November.

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HANNIBAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Dick Rupp, Hannibal Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee Chairman, thanked MoDOT for improvements made in the area during the past several years including the upgrade of the Avenue of the Saints (Highway 61) to four lanes, the Mark Twain Memorial Bridge, countless other rural bridge replacements and upgrades, the four-laning of US 36, and the recently completed terminal and improved runways at Hannibal Airport. Mr. Rupp stated the Hannibal Chamber of Commerce continues to be a valuable partner and seeks to help identify and develop further necessary transportation improvements, such as the Hannibal Expressway. Commissioner Farber thanked the Chamber of Commerce for their hospitality in hosting the Commission. He noted the river is an important part of the culture of Hannibal and the surrounding region, and as a Commission, it helps reinforce how important rivers are to Missouri’s total transportation system. Commissioner Suelthaus stated he was pleased to have the opportunity to enhance the Commission’s positively cementitious relationship with the Hannibal community. The Commission thanked Mr. Rupp for his presentation.

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TRI-STATE DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT

Tom Boland, Former Chairman of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission and Regional Transportation Advocate, and Tom Oakley, Publisher of the Quincy Herald-Whig, Member of the Transportation Committee of the Tri-State Development Summit and Regional Transportation Advocate, discussed the need for transportation improvements in and around Hannibal on US Route 61. This need continues to be a local and regional transportation priority necessary to facilitate safe and efficient travel on US Route 61/Avenue of the Saints. Mr. Boland recognized several MoDOT

employees, thanking MoDOT for all of their hard work. He noted that a bypass of Hannibal to improve traffic flow in the area would be the finishing touch on the 520- mile Avenue of the Saints corridor. Mr. Oakley also explained the importance of the Chicago-Kansas City Expressway (CKC) and thanked the Commission for their support of the effort to sign US 36 and I-35 in Missouri with Missouri 110 and CKC markers, visually linking the two major cities. Work is underway to promote the corridor and increase economic development in all of the communities in Illinois and Missouri along the CKC. Mr. Oakley stated the US 61 Expressway is a regional priority that needs to be a top priority at both the state and federal levels. He expressed appreciation for MoDOT's efforts to reduce costs through the Bolder Five-Year Direction and put those funds on roads and bridges. Mr. Oakley stated his support of the efforts to increase transportation funding at the state and federal levels. Going forward, it is essential the Highway 61 Expressway project is funded and built to improve safety and economic growth in the region. Commissioner Farber thanked Mr. Boland and Mr. Oakley for their dedication to transportation issues in the region. He noted that as a Commission it is important that meetings are held at various locations around the state so they can truly understand the requests and needs of various stakeholders. The Commission thanked Mr. Boland and Mr. Oakley for their presentation.

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U.S. HIGHWAY 54 COALITION

Russell Runge, Assistant City Manager, City of Mexico, and Steve Hobbs, Presiding Commissioner for Audrain County, reported stakeholders from Pike and Audrain Counties have been meeting over the previous four years in an effort to further the planning and prioritization of providing an upgraded corridor connection from Mexico to US 61. This transportation need continues to be a priority for the Mark Twain Regional Council of Governments (MTRCOG) and their Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). The U.S. Highway 54 Coalition requested plans be put in place to complete the Route 54 corridor between Mexico and Louisiana with an upgraded facility. Originally,

the Coalition requested a four-lane facility. However, with reduced state and federal funding and the current economic recession, the Coalition believes there is value in a more economical shared four-lane facility. The group supports a shared four-lane highway design and raised the possibility the counties along the corridor could help fund the 58-mile improvement. Commissioner Farber thanked Mr. Runge and Mr. Hobbs for continuing to work with MoDOT staff on this project and also looking at practical design solutions that can make this project viable in the future. The Commission thanked Mr. Runge and Mr. Hobbs for their presentation.

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PUBLIC COMMENT – TOLLING OF I-70

Jan Olearnick, Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce Director, and Josh Beck, Greater Warren County and Montgomery County Economic Development Councils Representative, presented their concerns regarding tolling of I-70. Ms. Olearnick expressed concern about how a toll would affect residents and discourage citizens from wanting to live in Warrenton. Mr. Beck described how the possibility of tolling is discouraging current businesses from expanding and new business from locating in the area. They requested the Commission look at other funding mechanisms due to what is perceived as a negative economic impact. The Commission advised that while tolling is not completely ruled out, it has all but been taken off the table as a funding option due to public opposition. The Commission thanked Ms. Olearnick and Mr. Beck for their comments.

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STATE OF THE NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Paula Gough, Northeast District Engineer, reported on the district’s implementation of the Bolder Five-Year Direction. The district needs to reduce its workforce by 25 employees, and continue to ensure the right people are in the right location. Under the new direction, the former District Two office in Macon was closed, and is now a community success story. The Macon County Innovation

Center is now housed in the building to draw new business to the community; one company, Onshore Technology, Inc., is now based out of the former district office building. The district is maintaining a presence with a regional office complex located north of Macon. There continues to be a lot of interest in MoDOT's real estate and excess fleet as the district continues to dispose of closed maintenance facilities and decommissioned equipment. She praised the dedication and professionalism of the Northeast District staff as they have worked together to merge two districts, and get the right people in the right places.

The Northeast District is maintaining the transportation system with available resources. She shared statistical information regarding the Northeast District, that it includes 17 counties, almost 10,000 lane miles of road, 1,000 bridges, and is bordered by the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers. The STIP projects are focused on taking care of the system, an example of this includes the commitment to preventive maintenance and rehabilitation work on bridges at Mark Twain Lake. Maintenance of roads in the districts is accomplished through a team effort, often coordinating with neighboring districts to take care of the roads. Maintaining the bridges on the district's transportation system has been a success with the Safe and Sound Bridge Improvement Program. The Safe and Sound team worked hard to deliver bridges quickly to reduce route closures and have received praises from the traveling public for their efforts. Ms. Gough recognized Dennis Hollingsworth and Tim Hays, Construction Inspectors, for their role in making the Safe and Sound program a success for the district.

Ms. Gough applauded the revision of the area engineer role and described how the district was able to restructure the area engineer boundaries within the district. She recognized Amy Crawford, Brian Haefner, and Erik Maninga in their new roles as Area Engineers, who now serve as the community contacts and work throughout their area to address transportation needs.

Ms. Gough discussed challenges that face the district such as closing the staffing gap for winter operations, maintaining and improving pavement and bridge conditions, and the inability to address

emerging needs including safety. Commissioner Farber commended Ms. Gough on how the district has worked with the Macon community to maintain a significant presence there. The Commission thanked Ms. Gough for her work on the Bolder Five-Year Direction and congratulated area employees on the success of merging areas of the former North Central (District 2) and Northeast (District 3) Districts.

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CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FOR MEDICAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PLAN FUNDING, CALENDAR YEAR 2013

On behalf of the Director, Jeff Padgett, Risk and Benefits Management Director, shared the contribution strategy for the medical and life insurance plan. The strategy is based upon projected funding necessary to provide medical and life insurance benefits to employees and retirees of MoDOT, the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP), and the MoDOT and Patrol Employees' Retirement System (MPERS). The medical and life insurance plan board of trustees (Board) provides recommendations based upon an actuarial review. AON Hewitt Consulting conducted an actuarial review and analysis of medical plan funding on a semi-annual basis. Based upon the June 27, 2012 review, the Board made recommendations for plan funding for calendar year 2013. The recommendations are projected to maintain the adequacy of funding for medical plan costs.

Mr. Padgett shared information on medical plan costs. The medical plan utilization trend for 2013 is projected to increase by seven percent, which compares favorably with the projected national average of eight to nine percent. The employees continue to help manage costs by receiving the majority of services from participating providers as well as using generic drugs when possible.

Mr. Padgett reported the United State Supreme Court recently upheld the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act (Act). The Board is waiting to receive direction from the federal government for implementation of the Act. Mr. Padgett reported on some of the changes he anticipates will happen as a result of the Act, including providing a summary of benefits and coverage to plan participants, and

reporting the value of coverage on the participants' W-2 forms. Recommendations for implementation of the Act will be presented to the Commission when the federal government provides further direction.

Mr. Padgett recommended the Commission support the medical care plan with no increased premiums or expense for active employees and Medicare retirees; a three percent increase in premiums for non-Medicare retiree, Survivor, and Disability participant categories to make them more self-sufficient compared to the other plan rate categories; and approve offering an alternative Medicare Part-D benefit.

After further discussion and consideration, and upon motion by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Carmichael, the Commission unanimously approved medical and life insurance plan recommendations as presented by Mr. Padgett.

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RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR KANSAS CITY REGIONAL RAIL

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution.

WHEREAS, the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission has authority over all state transportation programs and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission supports mass transportation systems that will provide good commuter service and encourage economic development; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County, Missouri and the City of Kansas City, Missouri are conducting studies for a regional rail system to connect suburban communities to downtown Kansas City and provide service through the downtown Kansas City region. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission supports these studies; and

WHEREAS, Kansas City Regional Rail is part of a comprehensive regional transit system that can have a positive effect on the citizens, businesses, organizations, cities and counties of the region; and

WHEREAS, Kansas City Regional Rail is a unique transportation system that will help move people to their homes, jobs, and major points of interest throughout Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, Kansas City Regional Rail will provide the citizens of Missouri with increased mobility and access, create economic development, and stimulate job growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission does hereby publicly express its support for Kansas City Regional Rail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Jackson County, Missouri, the City of Kansas City, and the Kansas City Regional Transit Alliance so they will have a permanent record of support from the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.

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MEDICAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PLAN: APPOINTMENT OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Kevin Keith, Director, recommended approval of the re-appointment of Mr. Jeff Padgett as a MoDOT active employee representative, and as board chairman, for a term ending November 2017 or until a successor is named. Mr. Padgett served as an active employee representative and board chairman since July 2000. The Commission established and approved guidelines for a self-insured Medical and Life Insurance Plan for employees of the Department and the State Highway Patrol on November 9, 1977. The guidelines established a board of trustees to manage the operations of the Plan. Potential board members, and the board chairman, are recommended by either the Department Director or the State Highway Patrol Superintendent and are subject to Commission approval.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the re-appointment of Mr. Jeff Padgett as a MoDOT active employee representative and as board chairman, for a term ending November 2017 or until a successor is named.

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IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE PROGRAM, DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

On behalf of the Director, Eileen Rackers, State Traffic and Highway Safety, recommended the Commission authorize the State Traffic and Highway Safety Engineer to conduct informal reviews of suspension or revocation of approval of an ignition interlock device. The administrative rule, 7 CSR 60-2, outlines specifications for the Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Device Certification and Operational Requirements, the conditions for which ignition interlock device certification may be

suspended or revoked and establishes an informal review process. An authorized service provider may request an informal review of a suspension or revocation through the Missouri Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Division (now known as the Traffic and Highway Safety Division). The department received the first request for an informal review.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously authorized the State Traffic and Highway Safety Engineer to conduct informal reviews as described above.

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**THE NORTH OUTER FORTY TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT,
CONSIDERATION OF THE PROJECT AND APPOINTMENT OF AN ADVISOR**

On behalf of the Director, Ed Hassinger, St. Louis District Engineer, advised the Commission that in response to a petition filed on March 1, 2012 with the Circuit Court of St. Louis County by Taubman Prestige Outlets of Chesterfield, LLC; Monarch-Chesterfield Levee District, Summit Ice Center Investors, LLC; and Summit Outer Forty Investors LLC; the court established the North Outer Forty Transportation Development District (TDD) as a political subdivision on June 26, 2012. The proposed project includes widening the westbound I-64 off-ramp, reconstructing North Outer Forty Road, constructing a bridge overpass over I-64 connecting Baxter Road to North Outer Forty Road, and constructing a diamond interchange at I-64 and Long Road. I-64 and North Outer Forty Road are part of the state highways and transportation system and, therefore, under the jurisdiction of the Commission. The Commission does not own any real property and no state roadway is located within the TDD boundaries.

In keeping with Sections 238.220.4 and 238.225.1, RSMo, the Commission via approval of the consent agenda, (1) appointed the St. Louis District Engineer, or his designee, as the Commission advisor to the North Outer Forty TDD board of directors, and (2) found the upgrades to the area noted above, to be a necessary and desirable extension of the state highways and transportation system, subject

to the TDD making any revisions on the plans and specifications required by the Commission and subject to the TDD entering into a mutually satisfactory agreement with the Commission regarding development and future maintenance of the project. In keeping with the Commission's Delegation of Authority to Execute Documents Policy, the Director, Chief Engineer, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Chief Engineer, or respective business unit director may execute the related agreements.

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REST AREAS RULEMAKING – REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING STATEMENT OF ACTUAL COST

On behalf of the Director, Deborah Rickard, General Services Director, presented to the Commission a Statement of Actual Cost, 7 CSR 10-16.035, which reflects the actual public cost for the first full fiscal year the amended rest area rules were in effect, which exceeded the estimated public cost submitted by the Commission by more than ten percent. Ms. Rickard recommended approval of the Statement of Actual Cost for filing with the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and the Office of the Secretary of State. She further recommended the Director or Chief Financial Officer be authorized to execute any document appropriate and necessary for completing this rulemaking process.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved filing the Statement of Actual Cost as described above.

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CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

On behalf of the Director, Kathy Harvey, State Design Engineer, presented the following recommendations pertaining to bids received on federal-aid and state highway and bridge projects during the past month. She noted Calls G02 and H01 have local funding, as noted in Table I below, and the department received all of the necessary concurrences. Ms. Harvey recommended award of

contracts to the lowest responsive bidders for bids received at the July 27, 2012, letting, as recommended and noted in Table I below.

**Table I
Award of Contracts
July 27, 2012, Bid Opening**

Call No.	Route	County	Job No.	Bid Amount	Non-Contractual Costs	Contractor	Description
B01	47	Lincoln	J3P2228G	\$1,549,495.86	\$0.00	G & M Concrete & Asphalt Co., Inc.	Thin Lift Overlay and Optional Shoulders
B02	24, 61	Marion	J2P3012	\$219,533.56	\$0.00	Chester Bross Const. Co./C.B. Equipment Inc.	Resurface (UBAWS)
D01	OO	Cooper	J5S3010	\$175,701.50	\$0.00	Widel, Inc.	Bridge Superstructure Replacement, Optional Approach Pavement
D02	28	Pulaski	J5M0256	\$50,181.25	\$0.00	Boone Construction Co.	Bridge Column Replacement
G01	71	Vernon	J7P0797V	\$43,129.98	\$4,800.00	Joplin Industrial Electric Company, Inc.	Install Advance Warning Flashers and Signs
G02*	60	Newton	J7P2177	\$784,418.35	\$0.00	APAC-Missouri, Inc.	Grading, Drainage, Paving (SP and PCCP) to Add Lanes
H01**	34	Bollinger	J0P0922	\$8,388,191.23	\$903.10	H. R. Quadri Contractors, LLC	Grading, Optional Paving and Install Concrete Box Culvert
			J0P2210		\$501.74		Grading and Alternate Paving (BP-1 or PCCP)
			J0P2285		\$3,112.28		Grading, Drainage, Alternate Paving and Shoulders
			TOTAL:	\$11,210,651.73	\$9,317.12		

* Call G02 – Funding by Neosho Transportation Development District - \$392,209.18

** Call H01 – Funding by Delta Region Transportation Development Program - \$1,323,186 (J0P0922).

Funding by Woodland School District - \$300,000 and Delta Region Transportation Development Program - \$844,990 (J0P2210).

Funding by Delta Region Transportation Development Program - \$956,004 (J0P2285).

Commission Consideration and Action

After consideration, and upon motion by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Suelthaus, the Commission took the following action with the abstentions noted below:

1. Awarded contracts to the lowest responsive bidders for bids received on the July 27, 2012 bid opening, as recommended and noted in Table I above. Non-contractual costs for these projects are shown on the above tabulation.

Commissioner Farber abstained from voting on Call G02. In keeping with the Commission’s Delegation of Authority to Execute Documents Policy, the Director, Chief Engineer, Chief Financial Officer, or the Assistant Chief Engineer may execute the contracts awarded above.

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**2013 – 2017 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM,
2013 AMENDMENT**

On behalf of the Director, Dave Nichols, Chief Engineer, recommended additions, deletions, or modifications to three projects to the 2013-2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that was approved in July 2012, as noted in the tabulations below.

**2013 – 2017 STIP
Highway and Bridge Construction Schedule
August Amendments
Projects Added**

District County Job No.	Route	Description of Improvement/Location	Tentative Award State Fiscal Year and Change by Type	Change in Construction and Right of Way Funds (Dollars in Thousands)	Change in Engineering Funds (Dollars in Thousands)
CD Cooper J5S3012	87	Pavement and shoulder improvements from I-70 to Route O in California to improve roadway.	2013 CN	\$3,978	\$220
SE Stoddard J9S3015	51	Bridge improvements at Drainage Ditch #5.	2013 CN	\$67	\$10
			TOTAL:	\$4,045	\$230

**2013 – 2017 STIP
Multimodal Operations Projects
August Amendments
Projects Added**

District County Job No.	Description of Improvement/Location	Tentative Award State Fiscal Year and Change by Type	Change in Project Funds (Dollars in Thousands)
SW Henry	Aeronautical approach survey for runway 18/36 in Clinton.	2013	\$65
		TOTAL:	\$65

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the amendments to the 2013 – 2017 STIP as noted in the tabulations above.

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LOCATION AND DESIGN OF HIGHWAYS

**Route 744, Greene County, Intersection at Mustard Way
Route 744/Route OO, Greene County, Intersection at Mulroy Road
Route 125/Route OO, Greene County, Intersection at Washington Street
Job Nos. J8S2449 and J8S2426
Public Hearing Held June 4, 2012
On-Line Public Hearing Held May 24 – June 18, 2012**

The proposed improvements provide intersection improvements at Route 744 and Mustard Way and Route 744/Route OO and Mulroy Road consisting of widening the existing roadway for turn lanes. The width of the turn lanes will be 12 feet with four-foot shoulders. Other proposed improvements provide intersection improvements at Route 125/Route OO consisting of widening the existing roadway for turn lanes. The width of the turn lanes will be 11 feet with four-foot shoulders. The project will have partially controlled access right of way and temporary easements. The roadway will remain open to traffic during the construction period. The project is 0.55 mile and 0.22 mile in length.

On behalf of the Director, Rebecca Baltz, Southwest District Engineer, recommended approval of the location and design as presented at the public hearing.

After full consideration of the favorable and adverse economic, social and environmental effects of the recommended designs, the Commission via approval of the Consent Agenda unanimously found and determined the recommended designs would best serve the interest of the public and approved the recommendation.

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE I-70 MANCHESTER BRIDGES INCLUDING AUTHORITY FOR DESIGN-BUILD DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

On behalf of the Director, Dan Niec, Kansas City District Engineer, recommended authority be delegated to the Chief Engineer or his designee to approve and execute documents and expend funds on behalf of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the following items on the I-70 Manchester Bridges Design-Build Project:

- **Escrow of Bid Documents** –execute agreements, affidavits, and related documents and expend funds for costs associated with the escrow of bid documents on the project.
- **Intergovernmental Agreements** –execute agreements with local governments including other entities for cost-share, enhancements, use of property, environmental mitigations, etc. on the project, subject to approval as to form by Chief Counsel’s Office and Commission Secretary attestation.
- **Railroad Agreements** –execute agreements pertaining to railroads, subject to approval as to form by Chief Counsel’s Office and Commission Secretary attestation.
- **Construction Change Orders** –approve construction change orders on the project.
- **Other** –expend funds for the project, as well as approve, execute, sign and seal project specific documents currently delegated to the district engineer.
- Any change that the Commission delegates to the Chief Engineer or his designee will not exceed the cap of 2% over the project cost or those changes will be taken back to the Commission.

The I-70 Manchester Bridges procurement process will begin in fall 2012.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the delegation of authority as recommended and noted above.

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CHANGE IN ACCESS, BREAK IN ACCESS, ROUTE 6, SULLIVAN COUNTY

On behalf of the Director, Don Wichern, Northwest District Engineer, recommended approval of a request from BlueBird Media Network, LLC to construct a 20-foot entrance centered at the southerly right of way line of Route 6, Sullivan County, opposite Station 813+10. The break will be a non-arterial connection and will not provide traffic relief to the state system.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the request of the BlueBird Media Network, LLC, as described above with no compensation due for the proposed break in access due to compensation already received for the conveyance of properties.

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CHANGE IN ACCESS, BREAK IN ACCESS, ROUTE F, CALLAWAY COUNTY

On behalf of the Director, David Silvester, Central District Engineer, recommended approval of a request from BlueBird Media Network, LLC to construct a 20-foot entrance centered at the westerly right of way line of Route F, Callaway County, opposite Station 489+06.7. The break will be a non-arterial connection and will not provide traffic relief to the state system.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the request of the BlueBird Media Network, LLC, as described above with no compensation due for the proposed break in access due to compensation already received for the conveyance of properties.

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AMENDED AND RESTATED, BREAKS IN ACCESS, ROUTE 166, NEWTON COUNTY

On behalf of the Director, Rebecca Baltz, Southwest District Engineer, recommended approval of a request from Newton County and the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma to amend and modify Phase 2 improvements to accomplish only the necessary improvements while allowing for potential future projects that may affect this interchange area (Exit 1 – I-44) as determined by studies currently underway. In March 2008, the Commission approved two 60-foot breaks in access with related geometric improvements for the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma and the Newton County Commission. The breaks in access serve the Downstream Casino and Greenwood Drive. The construction of the two entrances and Phase 1 improvements are complete, but the Phase 2 improvements were not constructed as the agreement required. A review by department staff indicated the proposed amended improvements to the interchange at Route 166 and I-44 will adequately mitigate the traffic impacts of the breaks in

access for up to ten years. This modification saves funds from being expended on geometric improvements that may not align with future traffic needs or projects.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the request of Newton County and the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma, as described above with \$1.00 compensation due the Commission for the change in access.

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-- REPORTS --

The Commission received the following written reports.

A BOLDER FIVE-YEAR DIRECTION REPORT

Kevin Keith, Director, provided to the Commission the monthly update of the Bolder Five-Year Direction. On June 8, 2011, the Commission approved the Bolder Five-Year Direction which will reduce staff by nearly 1,200 employees, close 131 facilities, and reduce MoDOT's fleet by more than 740 units.

As of June 30, 2012, there has been a reduction of 1,198 salaried positions since February 28, 2010. The target of 5,106 employees has been reached. MoDOT has conveyed 26 facilities, terminated five leases, and eliminated 265 pieces of equipment, with an additional 200 pieces of equipment taken out of service. As of June 30, 2012, the department realized a total savings of \$218 million.

The August report focused on reducing the size of the department's fleet and plans for vacating the former district office in Willow Springs. Progress of the overall plan was also shared in the report.

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**FINANCIAL – BUDGET – REPORTS
YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL REPORT, PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2012**

Brenda Morris, Financial Services Director, provided to the Commission the Fiscal Year 2012 monthly financial report for the period ended June 30, 2012, with budget and prior year comparisons.

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CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT REPORT

Kathy Harvey, State Design Engineer, provided to the Commission the report of consultant contracts executed in the month of June 2012. The department utilizes consultants to efficiently manage workload and provide specialized expertise to supplement and support department staff. Expenditures

for consultant services are funded from the Commission approved Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and MoDOT Operating Budget.

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DESIGN/BRIDGE ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS QUARTERLY REPORT

Kathy Harvey, State Design Engineer, provided to the Commission the Design/Bridge Engineering Consultants Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012. The report reflects current active consultant work on projects contained in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

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CHICAGO – KANSAS CITY (CKC) EXPRESSWAY SIGNING UPDATE

Don Hillis, Assistant Chief Engineer, provided to the Commission a report on the Chicago-Kansas City (CKC) Expressway/Route 110 signing approved at the January 4, 2012 Commission meeting. The Northeast, Northwest, and Kansas City districts implemented their plans to install the necessary signs to mark the CKC corridor. The route extends from the Illinois state line following US 36 west to I-35 and then continues south along I-35 to the intersection of I-435. All signs were installed by the end of May 2012. However, there are approximately 25 white and green guide signs along the corridor that do not yet display the CKC/Route 110 route marking. These signs do not have sufficient room for the temporary CKC/Route 110 signing. Eight of these signs on US 36 will be replaced within the next 12 months; the remaining signs have approximately 5 to 7 years of life before needing to be replaced. As each sign is replaced the CKC/Route 110 markings will be included in the new sign designs.

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By unanimous consensus of all members present, the meeting of the Commission adjourned.

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The Mission of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is to:

- Represent the citizens of Missouri pursuant to the Constitution by providing independent and nonpartisan governance of the Missouri Department of Transportation; and
- Establish policies, exercise oversight, and ensure accountability in developing and maintaining a world class transportation system in Missouri which fosters safety and economic development.

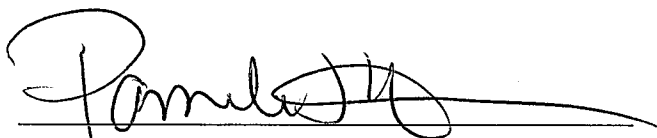
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CERTIFICATION

We, Rudolph Farber, Chair, and Pamela J. Harlan, Secretary to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, hereby certify that the foregoing are full, true, and complete minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of August 8, 2012, held by said Commission in Hannibal, Missouri, as approved by said Commission at its meeting held September 12, 2012.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereto set our hands and affixed the seal of said Commission on September 12, 2012.


Chair


Secretary