July 16, 2019

Mr. Patrick McKenna, Director
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RE: FHWA/FTA Approval of the Statewide (Non MPO) Portion of the Missouri FY 2020-2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and MoDOT Annual Self Certification

Dear Mr. McKenna:

As requested in your letter dated July 11, 2019, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have reviewed the statewide Missouri FY 2019-2023 STIP. The Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) approved the FY 2020-2024 STIP on July 10, 2019. Based on our review, this FY 2020-2024 STIP update is approved.

The MoDOT’s FY 2020-2024 STIP also includes the Missouri Highway Transportation Commission’s (MHTC) certification that the transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.218(a) and 23 CFR 450.216. The FHWA and the FTA, based on the 2012 FHWA State of Practice Review, Federal certification of TMAs within the State, discretionary planning process reviews, planning work product reviews and our involvement in the MoDOT and MPO transportation planning processes throughout the year, hereby find that the STIP is based on a transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. Section 135, 49 U.S.C. Section 5304, and 23 CFR 450 Subpart B.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brad McMahon at FHWA (573) 638-2609 or Cathy Monroe at FTA (816) 329-3929.

Sincerely,

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Dear Messrs. Ward and Ahmad:

As required by the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act “FAST Act”, approval is requested for Missouri’s FY 2020-2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

On June 5, 2019, the draft STIP was submitted to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for review. The STIP 30-day public comment period began June 6, 2019 and ended July 5, 2019. Comments from the public about the program’s direction, priorities and content were encouraged through news releases, MoDOT’s internet web site and public announcements. Through MoDOT’s email, postal service mail and phone calls, we received a number of comments, all of which have been responded to. The Commission was informed of the comments at the July 10, 2019, meeting and approved the FY 2020-2024 STIP. These comments will also be shared with our planning partners to be used in future needs identification and project prioritization. A supplemental seven-day public comment was provided from June 12, 2019 through June 18, 2019, for changes between the draft and final STIP. No additional comments were received.

A summary of the comments is enclosed. In addition to the 30-day public comment period, MoDOT works throughout the year with various public groups and planning partners to identify STIP projects and priorities using MoDOT’s award-winning Planning Framework decision-making process. More information about the Planning Framework may be found at http://epg.modot.org/index.php?title=121.2_The_Planning_Process.
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The Commission also certified that the transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with the requirements in 23 CFR 450.218 (a).

Sincerely,

Patrick K. McKenna
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Enclosures

cc:  Mr. Brad McMahon – FHWA
     Mr. Mark Bechtel – FTA
     Ms. Machelle Watkins – TP