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*Attachment: TIP Amendment 5 packet*

**Nine changes are proposed for Amendment Number 5 to the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program.**

1. **\*New\*** Riverside Bridge Replacement (OK1802-17A5)  
The City of Ozark has requested to program the replacement of the Riverside Bridge as a partnership with Christian County and the Ozark Special Road District for a total programmed amount of \$3,000,000.
2. **\*New\*** Transit Bus Stop ADA Improvements (CU1808-17A5)  
City Utilities and Springfield are partnering to improve accessibility to stops along Division for a total programmed amount of \$406,918, with \$325,535 FTA Section 5310 funding.
3. **\*Revised\*** FTA 5310 Human Agency Capital Purchases (MO1506-17A5)  
This funding had been programmed as a lump sum with projects listed in a separate publication. Reserve funding from this lump sum has been programmed as projects now included in the TIP, so this number has been revised to \$463,180 total programmed. The entire listing of projects programmed with FTA 5310 funding between FY 2013 and FY 2020 can now be found in Section G of the TIP document. This listing includes those programmed with this lump sum as well as those explicitly programmed in the TIP. Associated TIP numbers are provided for reference.
4. **\*New\*** 5310-Arc of the Ozarks II (MO1702-17A4)  
Arc of the Ozarks was recommended by the Local Coordinating Board for Transit to receive \$86,980 in FTA Section 5310 funding to purchase two wide body cutaways, supporting their transportation services in the Springfield area. Match is provided by Arc of the Ozarks in the amount of \$21,746.
5. **\*New\*** 5310-Ozark Senior Center (MO1703-17A5)  
The Ozark Senior Center was recommended by the Local Coordinating Board for Transit to receive \$29,786 in FTA Section 5310 funding to purchase one lowered floor van, supporting their transportation services. Match is provided by the Ozark Senior Center in the amount of \$7,447.

6. **\*New\*** 5310-OATS II (MO1704-17A5)  
OATS, Inc. was recommended by the Local Coordinating Board for Transit to receive \$142,608 in FTA Section 5310 funding to purchase one high roof long conversion vehicle and two wide body cutaways, supporting their transportation services for the SB40 Board in Christian County. Match is provided by OATS, Inc. in the amount of \$35,653.
7. **\*Revised\*** 5310-Traditional Projects Reserve (MO1729-17A5)  
FTA Section 5310 funding requires that 55 percent of the annual allocation be spent on traditional elderly and disabled transportation projects. The entirety of this balance has not been awarded to a specific project and the remaining amount is included here. Currently, \$324,727 in federal funding remains and when awarded will require the equivalent of \$81,182 in local match from the relevant human service agencies.
8. **\*New\*** MoDOT 5310 Administration 2018 (MO1802-17A5)  
MoDOT administers the traditional FTA 5310 funding for the OTO region, receiving 10 percent of the funding for those projects as administration. For FY 2018, this amount is \$16,695. This funding does not require a match.
9. **\*New\*** 5310-MoDOT Admin (MO1901-17A5)  
The remaining administration funding for FY 2019 and FY 2020 that MoDOT would use to administer projects to be awarded later for those years is \$34,459.

Visit <http://giveusyourinput.org/category/public-comment/> or the OTO offices to review the amendment in further detail and to submit comments. Comments can also be submitted in writing to Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, emailed to [comment@ozarkstransportation.org](mailto:comment@ozarkstransportation.org), or faxed to 417-862-6013.

The public comment period will end on April 20, 2017. The OTO Board of Directors will review and consider approving the Amendment at their April 20, 2017 Board Meeting, held at 12:00 noon at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri. After reviewing recommendations and entertaining public comment, the OTO Board of Directors will decide whether to formally adopt the Amendment.

For more information, contact: Natasha Longpine, Principal Planner, Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, 417-865-3042.

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