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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN SURVEY AVAILABLE

The Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO) would like to announce the availability of an interested party survey related to the update of our *Public Participation Plan*. As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Springfield metro area, the OTO is required to maintain a Public Participation Plan. The survey will help identify the most effective ways to reach out to users of transportation system, transportation providers, freight shippers, and all other interested parties to garner input at key decision points in the transportation planning process. This data will be used to identify strategies for enhancing community engagement.

Public input is the cornerstone of our operations. All individuals and organizations with an interest in transportation are encouraged to take the survey, especially members of under-represented groups including individuals with disabilities, lower income persons, and minority populations.

The survey will be available until **April 10, 2017**. Information regarding this survey has been, and will be, distributed to a wide range of individuals and groups. The survey is available online at:

- <http://otopppsurvey.questionpro.com>

Please contact Dave Faucett at dfaucett@ozarkstransportation.org or (417) 865-3047 x104 if you have any questions or wish to obtain a paper copy of the user survey. Again, this survey will be available until **April 10, 2017**.

Si usted necesita la ayuda de un traductor del idioma español, por favor comuníquese con la Andy Thomason al teléfono 417-865-3042, cuando menos 48 horas antes vencimiento del plazo.

Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Andy Thomason at 417-865-3042 at least 2 working days prior to the survey deadline.

If you need relay services please call the following numbers: 711 - Nationwide relay service; 1-800-735-2966 - Missouri TTY service; 1-800-735-0135 - Missouri voice carry-over service.

OTO fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. For more information or to obtain a Title VI Complaint Form, see www.ozarkstransportation.org, or call 417-865-3042.