

2016 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects (ALOP)

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Annual Listing of Obligated Projects

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST) transportation legislation enacted by Congress in December 2015 requires that:

“An annual listing of projects, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, for which Federal funds have been obligated in the preceding year shall be published or otherwise made available by the cooperative effort of the State, transit operator, and metropolitan planning organization for public review.” 23 CFR 134(j)(7)(8)

As required, this report lists all transportation projects authorized or revised to increase obligations of federal transportation funds in the St. Joseph metropolitan region during the MPO program year 2016 (July 1st, 2015 – June 1st, 2016). The federal government obligates, or commits, funds to a project only after the completion of the required project development process and all local, state, and federal approvals have been obtained.

For FTA projects, obligation occurs when the FTA grant is awarded. For FHWA projects obligation occurs when a project agreement is executed and the State/grantee requests that the funds be obligated. Within this context, an obligation is the Federal government's legal commitment to pay the Federal share of a project's cost. An obligated project is one that has been authorized by the Federal agency and funds have been obligated. Projects for which funds have been obligated are not necessarily initiated or completed in the program year, and the amount of the obligation will not necessarily equal the total cost of the project. Additionally, the report indicates those projects for which bicycle and pedestrian elements are included.

St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization (SJATSO)

The St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization (SJATSO) is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the region. A Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is a regional decision-making body composed of elected officials, state and federal partners, and city staff from the metropolitan area. The MPO is charged with producing federally required transportation policy and planning documents as well as ensuring an inclusive public participatory process is followed.

The transportation planning process at SJATSO is overseen by the Technical Committee, which provides technical support and recommendations to the Coordinating Committee, the ultimate decision making body. Committees host both local transportation professionals such as engineers, as well as elected officials such as city council members. SJATSO's bylaws determine the positions that should be represented on each committee and additional advisory committees are appointed by the individual boards based upon need.

SJATSO seeks to build a stronger regional community through cooperation, leadership and planning surrounding transportation. Through SJATSO's leadership, area jurisdictions and diverse community interests collaborate to address the regions problems and identify the opportunities for cooperative solutions. These efforts, in turn, enhance the effectiveness of local government. SJATSO plays an active leadership role in strengthening the metropolitan community by providing:

- A forum for addressing regional objectives and diverse community issues related to transportation
- Long-Range transportation planning and public policy coordination
- Technical assistance and services to enhance the effectiveness of local government in relation to transportation issues

SJATSO serves the tri-county St. Joseph metropolitan region, which includes five separate city governments. As a bi-state MPO, SJATSO's boundaries include portions of Buchanan County and Andrew County in Missouri and Doniphan County in Kansas.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#) documents the metropolitan region prioritization of limited transportation resources available among the various needs of the region. It is a program and schedule of intended transportation improvements (or continuation of current activities) for the next four (4) years, developed as part the regional planning process for federal funds received from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as well as regionally significant projects affecting the system regardless of funding source.

SJATSO, in cooperation with the State(s) and designated transit operators and local partners, is responsible for developing the TIP. As a bi-state MPO, SJATSO includes both the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and the Kansas

Department of Transportation (KDOT). SJATSO is also responsible for providing citizens, private providers of transportation, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed program. The TIP must be updated at least once every four (4) years; however SJATSO conducts full updates annually and allows for amendments throughout the program year. Once approved by the Coordinating Committee and the Governor(s), the TIP is added to each State’s respective Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) by reference.

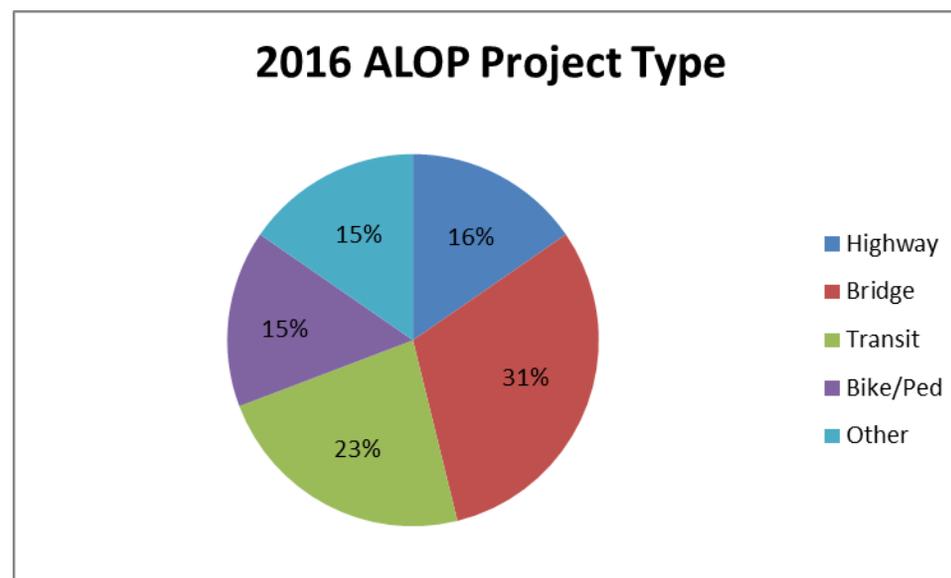
The TIP contains a priority list of projects to be carried out within each year of the four year program and provides a constrained financial plan that demonstrates projects are capable of implementation. Additionally, sponsors must demonstrate that funding to implement projects is reasonably available.

The SJATSO Coordinating Committee adopted the current 2017–2020 TIP on May 26th, 2016.

Summary of Projects

In FY2016, 13 projects in the St. Joseph region obligated a total of \$5,864,122 in federal transportation funds. Of this, \$208,000 (16%) was for highway projects, \$3,729,000 (31%) for bridge projects, \$1,002,122 (23%) for transit projects, \$58,000 (15%) for pedestrian and bicycle only projects, and \$1,283,000 (15%) for other projects. Figure 1 illustrates these percentages. Although the chart above indicates expenditures for bicycle and pedestrian specific projects, it is important to note that in many cases, pedestrian and bicycle components are part of a larger project captured under another category.

Figure 1: 2016 ALOP Project Type Distribution



Obligation Report

Since SJATSO is not directly involved in the obligating of federal funds, this report is based on information provided by the Kansas and Missouri Departments of Transportation and local transit operators. Listings in this report are organized by state, county, and TIP identification number. For each project, the TIP identification number, project name, grantee or project sponsor, location, fund source, prior federal obligation funds, 2016 federal obligation funds, total federal obligation funds, total project cost and those with bicycle and pedestrian elements are included in the chart below.

Only obligated federal funds are included in this report, no local or state funds are reflected. As indicated earlier, the obligated amount shown may not reflect the total project cost. Figure 2 summarizes all projects in the 2016 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects.

Figure 2: ALOP Summary

TIP #	Federal/ State ID#	Project Name	Sponsor	Location	Fund Source	Prior Obligation	2016 Obligation	Total Obligation	Total Cost	Federal Funds Remaining	B/P
Buchanan County											
HRR-68	N/A	US 169 Pavement & Shoulder Improvements	MoDOT	Rte. FF to Clay Co.	STP/Safety	\$2,366,000	-\$500,000	\$1,866,000	\$4,104,000	N/A	No
BR-43	J113033	I-229 Bridge Repairs	MoDOT	On viaduct in downtown St. Joseph	Bridge	\$2,076,000	\$35,000	\$2,111,000	\$2,345,000	N/A	No
BR-2016-02	J1P3035	US 36 Interchange	MoDOT	1 mile east of Rte. AC	Bridge	\$0	\$3,488,000	\$3,488,000	\$4,667,000	N/A	No
HE-33	J1S3081	Pedestrian Crossing Light	MoDOT	Alabama Street near Hosea School	SRTS	\$20,000	\$2,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	N/A	Yes
HE-2016-02	J1S3027	Mitchell Ave. Intersection Improvement	MoDOT	Intersection with Belt Hwy. (US169)	STP	\$0	\$1,139,000	\$1,139,000	\$1,392,000	N/A	No
HRR-2016-06	J1I3097	I-229 Soil Erosion Repair	MoDOT	.4 miles south of Highland Ave.	NHPP	\$0	\$144,000	\$144,000	\$160,000	N/A	No
HRR-2016-08	N/A	US 169 Pavement Treatment	MoDOT	I-29 north to Rte. 31	NHPP	\$0	\$292,000	\$292,000	\$364,000	N/A	No
PT-2016-01	N/A	Operations - Transit Operating Assistance	St. Joseph Transit	St. Joseph, MO	FTA 5307	\$0	\$900,622	\$900,622	\$4,881,107	0	No
PT-2016-15	N/A	Service Coordination- ADA Program	St. Joseph Transit	St. Joseph, MO	FTA 5310	\$0	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$2,914	48,543	No
Andrew County											
BP-31	J1S3032	Frederick Blvd (US 169) Sidewalks	MoDOT	LP 20 to Andrew County	Enhancement	\$871,000	\$56,000	\$927,000	\$1,129,000	N/A	Yes
BR-40	J1P0565	US 59 Bridge Replacement	MoDOT	4.4 miles south of Rte. 752	Bridge	\$4,966,000	\$177,000	\$5,143,000	\$6,422,000	N/A	No
BR-41	J1I2156	I-29 Bridge Deck Replacement	MoDOT	1.6 miles north of US 59/Bus. 71	Bridge	\$3,068,000	\$29,000	\$3,097,000	\$3,429,000	N/A	No
Doniphan County											
PT-2016-01	N/A	Transit Operations	St. Joseph Transit	Extension in Elwood KS	5310-KS	\$0	\$51,500	\$51,500	\$4,881,107	N/A	No