ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERALLY OBLIGATED PROJECTS FOR THE FAIRBANKS METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (FMATS)



FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2017 (October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017)

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INTRODUCTION

On August 10, 2005, President Bush signed into law the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act, A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). One of the requirements of SAFETEA-LU is that government spending on transportation becomes more transparent to State and Local Officials, as well as the public. As part of this SAFETEA-LU Legislation, the act requires "....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. The listing shall be consistent with the funding categories identified in each metropolitan transportation improvement program (TIP)." This provision still applies in 23 USC 134 under the more recent highway authorizations, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century, or MAP-21 and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, or the FAST Act. Cooperation is essential because of the different responsibilities held by the organizations in planning, programming, and project implementation. This report lists all transportation projects in FMATS that were obligated in the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2017 (October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017).

BACKGROUND

The Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System (FMATS) is the regional transportation planning agency for the Fairbanks Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). FMATS carries out the transportation planning process in cooperation with the State DOT and transit operators. They cooperatively develop, update and approve the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), the Public Participation Plan (PPP), Air Quality Conformity and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

SUMMARY OF FFY17 FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS IN FMATS

This report indicates approximately \$8.8 million in federal funds were obligated for transportation projects by the MPO in FFY17. The largest project was the Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility which totaled approximately \$1.8 million. The FMATS Improvement Program was approximately \$1.4 million. Both projects are complete as is the Steese Expressway to Front Street Path. FMATS initiated preliminary engineering for the Chena River Walk Stage III, Old Richardson Highway Intersection Improvements, FMATS Intersection Improvements, FMATS Sign Replacement Stage III and the North Pole Street Light Standardization projects. FMATS transferred funding to Western Federal Lands for

¹SAFETEA-LU, USC 134(j)(7)(B), 23 U.S.C. 135(g)(4)(B), 49 U.S.C. 5303(j)(7)(B), and 49 U.S.C. 5304(g)(4)(B)

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the Lathrop Street Extension project. FMATS also began the following planning projects: Airport Way Function Features Analysis, Advance Project Definition and the Minnie Street Corridor Planning and Environmental Linkages study.

After consultation with the transit operator, the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the federally obligated projects were operating projects and replacement of paratransit vans.

THE ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

This report is organized into two sections: FHWA and FTA Funding. The list includes the project identification number, type of project, federal obligation, total project costs and status of project. The FTA section includes type of funding, project description, federal amount and total project costs.

Obligation is defined as 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. 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.

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FMATS FFY17 FINAL OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FUNDS

Funding	Project ID	Project Name	Federal	Total	Status
CTP		Airport Way Functional Features Analysis (Planning)	\$272,900	\$300,000	
CMAQ	NFHWY00290	College Road Bus Pullouts (Design)	\$130,997	\$144,000	
CTP	Z617250000	1.5	\$725,484	\$797,498	
CTP		Advanced Project Definition (Planning)	\$100,000	\$122,000	
PL		Advanced Project Definition (Planning)	\$11,000	\$0	
PL		FMATS Coordinators Office (Planning)	\$252,500	\$0	
СТР		FMATS Coordinators Office (Planning)	\$102,300	\$397,500	
СТР		FMATS FFY2015 Improvement Program	\$9,548	\$10,496	
СТР		FMATS FFY2014 Improvement Program	\$185,983	\$204,444	
СТР		FMATS FFY2016 Improvement Program	\$227,451	\$250,029	
СТР		FMATS FFY2017 Improvement Program	\$1,446,419		
СТР		FMATS Improvement Program (2015-2017 Design)	\$272,910	\$300,000	
СТР		FMATS Intersection Improvement Program (FFY2017-19) (Design)	\$109,164	\$120,000	
PL CTP		FMATS Metropolitan Transportation Plan (Planning) FMATS Pedestrian Improvements - Stage I	\$34,387 \$76,850	\$37,800 \$84,478	
СТР		FMATS Preventative Maintenance FFY2012-2014 Design	\$5,269	\$64,476 \$5,792	
СТР		FMATS Sidewalk Improvement Program FFY2016-2018 Design	\$186,489	\$205,000	
СТР	NFHWY00246	FMATS Sign Replacement - Stage III (Design)	\$118,261	\$130,000	
CTP	Z637680000	Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (Design)	\$32,445	\$35,666	
СТР	Z637680000	Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (Utilities)	\$270,181	\$297,000	
СТР	Z637680000	Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (Construction)	\$1,834,948	\$2,017,092	
СТР	NFHWY00280	Chena River Walk Stage III (Design)	\$155,104	\$170,500	
СТР	NFHWY00274	Minnie Street Corridor Study (Planning)	\$710,021	\$780,500	
СТР	NFHWY00269	North Pole Streetlight Standardization (Design)	\$112,803	\$124,000	
CTP	Z637840000	Gillam Way Reconstruction (Design)	\$204,683	\$225,000	
CTP	Z632930000	Goldhill Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility	\$312,122	\$343,104	
CTP	Z62838000	McGrath Road Upgrade (Right-of-Way)	\$144,327	\$158,653	
CTP		Old Rich Highway Intersection Improvements (Design)	\$400,268	\$440,000	
CTP	Z628360000	Steese Expressway to Front Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility	\$83,897	\$92,218	

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Funding	Project ID	Project Name	Federal	Total	Status
СТР	NFHWY00014	Tanana Loop and South Chandalar Drive Intersections (Design)	\$257,445	\$283,000	
CTP	NFHWY00137	Wembley Avenue Improvements (Design)	\$32,294	\$35,500	
CMAQ	NFHWY00137	Wembley Avenue Improvements (Design)	\$32,294	\$35,500	
CTP		Lathrop Street Extension (Design)	\$289,300	\$318,000	Transferred to Western
				1	Federal Lands
		Total Federal Obligations FFY17	\$8,867,144	\$9,754,765	

Legend: FCTP=Surface (Community) Transportation Block Grant Program, CMAQ=Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, PL = Planning Funds, TAP = Transportation Alternative Program

All phases are construction unless otherwise noted.