

ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERALLY OBLIGATED PROJECTS

FAIRBANKS METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (FMATS)



The New Barnette Street Bridge

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR FFY10

(October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010)

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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).”¹

SAFETEA-LU, like its predecessor legislation TEA-21, requires the metropolitan planning organization (MPO), State and public transportation operator(s) to cooperate in preparing a list of projects for which Federal funds were obligated for spending during the immediately preceding year. This cooperation is essential because of the different responsibilities held by the organizations in planning, programming, and project implementation. This annual report of projects for which an obligation of funds took place is a cooperative effort detailing funds set aside for specific projects.

This annual listing of federally obligated projects has been organized in response to the SAFETEA-LU requirements. This report lists all transportation projects in FMATS that were obligated in the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2010 (October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010).

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), Long Range Transportation Improvement Plan (LRTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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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SUMMARY OF FFY 010 FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS IN FMATS

This report indicates almost \$30 million in federal funds were obligated for transportation projects in the region in FFY09. The largest projects, in terms of federal funding this year, involved the construction of a new bridge across the Chena River and reconstruction of 23rd Avenue. Significant further investment occurred in right-of-way acquisition for the Illinois Street Reconstruction Project and Fine Particulate Matter_{2.5} planning projects. New projects being funded in FF10 for preliminary engineering include Gillam Way Upgrades, South Cushman from 15th to Mitchell and the Wendell Avenue Bridge.

After consultation with the transit operator, the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the only federally obligated projects were operating projects as opposed to capital projects.

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.

**FMATS FFY10 OBLIGATIONS PROJECTED OBLIGATION OF
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FUNDS**

Project					
Funding	ID	Project Name	Federal	Total	Status
FCTP	60745	23rd Avenue Improvements	\$2,674,936	\$2,940,459	Construction almost complete
FCTP	63768	Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility	\$363,880	\$400,000	Preliminary engineering underway
FCTP	62164	College Road Rehabilitation	\$363,879	\$399,998	Final design underway
CMAQ	63583	Fairbanks Area PM 2.5 VMT and Classification Study	\$190,000	\$190,000	Additional data compilation and analysis
FCTP	60434	Cowles Street Upgrade	\$74,065	\$81,417	Construction complete
CMAQ	63720	Fairbanks Fine Particulate Matter Planning and Control Fairbanks PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Analysis	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	Continued data compilation and analysis
CMAQ	63494	Analysis	\$160,000	\$160,000	Conformity determination out for review
CMAQ	63151	FMATS: ADA Curb Corner Upgrade	\$35,000	\$35,000	Final design underway
FCTP	63442	FMATS Area Crack Sealing FFY2010	\$476,748	\$524,071	In Construction
FCTP	63446	FMATS Area Signal Upgrades FFY2010	\$515,365	\$566,521	In Construction
FCTP	63448	FMATS Bike Path Rehabilitation	\$296,491	\$325,921	Construction complete
FCTP	62233	FMATS Coordinator's Office	\$149,400	\$164,230	Obligated
FCTP	63559	FMATS LED Street Light Conversion	\$136,455	\$150,000	Final design underway
FCTP	63135	FMATS LED Street Light Conversion	\$491,576	\$540,372	Construction complete
FCTP	63745	FMATS Non-Motorized Transportation Plan	\$90,970	\$100,000	Request for Proposal issued
FCTP	76717	FMATS Preventative Maintenance Program	\$145,552	\$160,000	Design complete
FCTP	63282	FMATS Sign Replacement Project	\$885,411	\$973,299	Construction underway
FCTP	63444	FNSB Surface Upgrades FFY2010	\$475,646	\$522,860	Construction underway
FCTP	63784	Gillam Way Rehabilitation	\$272,910	\$300,000	Preliminary engineering underway
FCTP	63102	Illinois Street Reconstruction	\$2,030,843	\$2,152,000	Right-of-Way and utility underway; final design
FCTP	62317	Illinois Street Reconstruction-Barnette Street Bridge	\$4,855,533	\$5,337,510	Construction almost complete
FCTP/1702	60747	Leasure Subdivision Area Street Improvements	\$1,359,751	\$1,494,723	Project ready to bid

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Funding	ID	Project Name	Federal	Total	Status
FCTP	67052	Nor Reg ADA Improvements - Phase VIII (Wendell Street)	\$290,663	\$319,516	Construction underway
FCTP	63158	Nordale Road Pavement Rehabilitation	\$1,845,100	\$2,028,250	Construction complete
FCTP	60669	North Pole Bike Trail Rehabilitation and Connections	\$13,706	\$15,066	Preliminary engineering underway
FCTP	62023	North Pole Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation	\$915,608	\$1,006,494	Project is out to bid
FCTP	63025	North Pole Homestead Rd/NPHS Blvd Extension	\$85,157	\$93,610	Construction complete
FCTP	65199	Phillips Field Road Upgrade	\$532,102	\$584,905	Construction complete
FCTP	63727	South Cushman - 15th to Mitchell	\$636,790	\$700,000	Preliminary engineering underway
FCTP	63289	South Cushman: Mitchell - Sanduri Rehabilitation	\$298,382	\$328,000	Design underway
FCTP	63213	University Avenue Widening	\$1,535,847	\$1,688,300	Utility work underway
FCTP	61175	Van Horn Rd Rehabilitation/Safety Improvements	\$97,436	\$107,107	Construction complete
FCTP	63291	Wendell Avenue Bridge	\$727,760	\$800,000	Design underway
PL	various	Unified Planning Work Program	\$540,581	\$596,233	Annual Planning Tasks
Total Federal Obligations FFY10			\$29,563,543		

Legend: 1702 = Section 1702 SAFETEA-LU Earmark, FCTP=Surface (Community) Transportation Program, CMAQ=Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, PL = Planning