

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



**FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018**  
(October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018)

## **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

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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).”<sup>1</sup> This provision still applies in 23 USC 134 under the more recent highway authorizations, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> 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 \$7.6 million in federal funds were obligated for transportation projects by the MPO in FFY18. The largest project was the FMATS Improvement Program which totaled approximately \$4 million. Completed projects include the Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility and Noble Street Upgrade. FMATS continued preliminary engineering for the Chena River Walk Stage III, College Road Bus Pullouts and FMATS Sidewalk Improvement Program. Preliminary Design was initiated for the Cowles Street Reconstruction. FMATS also began a planning project; Green Streets Plan.

After consultation with the transit operator, the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the federally obligated projects were operating projects.

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<sup>1</sup>SAFETEA-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 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 FFY18 FINAL OBLIGATIONS OF  
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FUNDS**

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Project ID</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Status</b>
STP	Z637680000	Birch Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (Construction)	\$90,200	\$99,100	Project Completed
CMAQ	NFHWHY00280	Chena River Walk Stage III (Design)	\$142,800	\$162,200	Preliminary Engineering
CMAQ	NFHWHY00290	College Road Bus Pullouts (Design)	\$87,300	\$96,000	Preliminary Engineering
STP	NFHWHY00126	Cowles Street Reconstruction (Design)	\$285,100	\$313,300	Preliminary Engineering
PL	Z616460000	FMATS Coordinators Office (Planning)	\$252,500	\$277,564	
STP	Z616460000	FMATS Coordinators Office (Planning)	\$102,300	\$112,455	
STP	NFHWHY00346	FMATS FFY2018 Improvement Program (Design)	\$136,500	\$150,049	Final Design
STP	NFHWHY00346	FMATS FFY2018 Improvement Program (Construction)	\$3,972,400	\$4,366,714	Project Completed
STP	NFHWHY00271	FMATS Intersection Improvement Program (FFY17-19) (Design)	\$60,000	\$65,956	Final Design
STP	NFHWHY00138	FMATS Sidewalk Improvement Program FFY16-18 (ROW)	\$31,800	\$34,957	Preliminary Engineering
STP	Z637840000	Gillam Way Reconstruction (Design)	\$272,900	\$299,989	Final Design
STP	Z637840000	Gillam Way Reconstruction (Right-of-Way)	\$91,000	\$100,033	
STP	NFHWHY00337	Green Streets Plan (Planning)	\$23,300	\$25,613	Project Start
PL	NFHWHY00337	Green Streets Plan (Planning)	\$22,100	\$24,294	Project Start
STP	Z617250000	Noble Street Upgrade (Construction)	\$1,008,800	\$1,108,937	Project Completed
STP	NFHWHY00246	Sign Replacement - Stage III (Design)	\$304,700	\$334,946	Final Design
STP	NFHWHY00137	Wembley Avenue Improvements (Design)	\$13,600	\$14,950	Final Design
STP	NFHWHY00137	Wembley Avenue Improvements (Construction)	\$290,300	\$319,116	Obligated Construction
CMAQ	NFHWHY00137	Wembley Avenue Improvements (Construction)	\$329,700	\$362,427	Obligated Construction
STP	NFHWHY00139	Yankovich/Miller Hill Road Reconstruction	\$273,800	\$300,978	Final Design
<b>Total Federal Obligations FFY17</b>			<b>\$7,558,100</b>	<b>\$8,308,278</b>	

Legend: STP=Surface (Community) Transportation Block Grant Program, CMAQ=Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, PL = Planning Funds  
All phases are construction unless otherwise noted.

**FMATS FFY18 FINAL PROGRAMMED  
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FUNDS**

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>Total</b>
5307	Urbanized Area Formula Grant - Transit	\$1,194,939	\$2,350,074