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Re: Ohio SFY 2026-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Submittal

Dear Colleagues:

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), as Governor DeWine's designee for transportation planning and programming, submits Ohio's SFY 2026-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for your review and approval. Included is the electronic submission of the seventeen Metropolitan Planning Organizations' (MPOs) Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs), the seven Regional Transportation Planning Organizations' (RTPOs) TIPs, and the STIP as approved by ODOT, the Governor's designee. The STIP incorporates the MPO TIPs per Title 23 CFR 450.218(b) by reference. The links to the electronic STIP and TIPs are included on the attached spreadsheet. Included with the TIPs are the resolutions adopting the respective TIPs, confirming consistency between the TIPs and the Transportation Plans, and confirming self-certification.

In accordance with ODOT's Planning Program Public Involvement Process, the draft 2026-2029 STIP was made available for public review and comment from March 11, 2025, to April 11, 2025. ODOT confirms that the SFY 2026-2029 STIP is consistent with the Ohio Statewide Transportation Plan, Access Ohio 2045, and is reasonably fiscally constrained.

Seven Ohio MPOs are included in US EPA designated nonattainment/maintenance areas under the 2008 Ozone, 2015 Ozone, the 2006 PM2.5, and/or the 2012 PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality standards. The TIPs for these areas document the criteria and procedures by which transportation conformity for the 2026-2029 MPO TIPs was demonstrated. The air quality conformity procedures were thoroughly reviewed and accepted through Ohio's interagency consultation process. ODOT requests US DOT conformity determinations for the following:

- AMATS 2026-2029 TIP
- BHJ 2026-2029 TIP
- LCATS 2026-2029 TIP
- MORPC 2026-2029 TIP
- NOACA 2026-2029 TIP
- OKI 2026-2029 TIP
- SCATS 2026-2029 TIP

ODOT also requests US DOT conformity determinations for the following within the 1997 Ozone (Orphan Areas):

- BHJ 2026-2029 TIP
- BOM 2026-2029 TIP
- CCSTCC 2026-2029 TIP
- Eastgate 2026-2029 TIP
- LACRPC 2026-2029 TIP
- MVRPC 2026-2029 TIP
- SCATS 2026-2029 TIP
- TMACOG 2026-2029 TIP
- WWW 2026-2029 TIP

Additionally, ODOT requests certification of the state transportation planning process. ODOT certifies, in accordance with Title 23 CFR Part 450.220, Ohio's statewide transportation planning process is addressing major issues facing the state and its non-urbanized areas and is being carried out in accordance with the following requirements:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, and this part;
2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
3. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
4. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
5. 23 CFR part 230, regarding implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
6. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;

7. In States containing nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. 23 U.S.C. 324, regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

ODOT requests approval of the SFY 2026-2029 STIP and associated MPO TIP conformity determinations effective July 1, 2025. Your consideration and approval of the Ohio STIP is appreciated.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Natasha Turner, STIP Manager, at 614-752-5757.

Respectfully,



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Dear Director Boratyn:

This is in response to your letter dated May 1, 2025 regarding Ohio's 2026-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This letter is the documented USDOT Planning Finding for Ohio's 2026-2029 STIP and provides approval of the 2026-2029 STIP.

In order to approve the STIP, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) must make a determination that each metropolitan TIP incorporated into the STIP is based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3-C) planning process and as necessary conforms to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of the Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93). In addition, this Planning Finding is based upon the extent that all the projects in the STIP, directly incorporating the 17 MPO TIPs, are the result of planning processes in accordance with provisions in U.S.C. 23 and U.S.C. 49.

Based on our review of the information provided in the 2026-2029 STIP submittal as well as our ongoing oversight of statewide and metropolitan transportation planning processes, no areas of the planning process have been identified as failing to comply with federal law or regulation. Therefore, we approve the 2026-2029 STIP. This approval is effective July 1, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. DJ Johnson of FHWA at (614) 680-6841 or Mark Kane of FTA at (312) 353-2866.

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