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In Reply Refer To:
(TRAP 37 - STIP)
Arizona FY 2015-2018
Statewide Transportation Program (STIP)
Approval of Amendment No. 30

Mr. Michael Kies, Assistant Director
Multimodal Planning Division
Arizona Department of Transportation, (300B)
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Kies:

We have reviewed Mr. Hammit's May 6, 2015 request to amend the FY 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the enclosed list of projects approved by the Western Arizona Council of Governments Regional Council on April 9, 2015 as Transportation Improvement Program amendment number 4.

We accept this Amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and find that this STIP amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with the 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program by this amendment are either exempt or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determination [40 CFR §93.126].

This letter constitutes approval and inclusion of Amendment 30 into the Arizona FY 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Our approval is based upon the Arizona Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for the projects in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Sincerely,

FOR

Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator

Enclosure

May 6, 2015

Ms. Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
4000 North Central Avenue Suite1500
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RE: FY 2015-2019 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Amendment Number 30

Dear Ms. Petty:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment Number 4 requested by the Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG) as approved by its Regional Council on April 2, 2015 to amend the WACOG FY 2015 - 2020 TIP. I cordially request Amendment Number 30 of the FY 2015-2019 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to reflect the changes.

This amendment is in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program, by this amendment, are either exempt or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determination [40 CFR §93.126]. The funding for the projects in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Your prompt approval of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Dallas Hammit, PE
Deputy Director of Transportation, State Engineer

cc: Ed Stillings, FHWA
Charla Glendening, ADOT MPD
Patrick Stone, ADOT FMS

Attachments



Strengthening Communities, Empowering People

April 29, 2015

Charla Glendening, Program Manager
Arizona Department of Transportation
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Re: WACOG 2015 TIP Amendment #4 – Bullhead City to Laughlin Bridge Project (FY 2016)

Dear Charla:

Attached is WACOG FY2015-2019 TIP Amendment #4, which WACOG requests that ADOT review and process. This amendment updates WACOG TIP# BUL 103-BR, an unfunded project previously listed in the 2013 WACOG TIP that will construct a bridge connecting Bullhead City to Laughlin, Nevada, from the southern side of Bullhead City. The timing and scope of the project have changed sufficiently to require a TIP amendment. This project is concurrently listed in the TIP for the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC SNV) and the Nevada DOT STIP.

Changes in the project are summarized below:

- Project scope is reduced to a two-lane bridge with a 10-foot multi-use facility; it had previously been a four-lane facility with a multi-use path;
- Total project cost is reduced from \$55.5 million to \$39.6 million;
- The Bullhead City contribution to the project increases from \$1,055,256 to \$2,128,400 (these will be local funds from Bullhead City; no WACOG or FHWA funds through ADOT are requested);
- The bridge will be built with the capacity for a second phase that expands the bridge to 4 lanes (and a multi-use path), although the expansion is not anticipated until approximately 2040; and
- The project is re-designated in the WACOG TIP as “BUL 16-101BR” and moved to FY 2016.

In addition to the TIP amendment and project description, this packet includes a letter from Bullhead City requesting this amendment, a copy of the Finding of No Significant Impact released in 2011 after an Environmental Assessment of the four-lane version of the project, updated cost estimates, updated transportation modeling, and FHWA’s preliminary approval of a long-term phasing approach.

The Amendment to the WACOG TIP is as follows:

- Removes references to BUL-103BR, a previous FY2013 informational listing.
- Adds BUL 16-101BR to FY 2016, with a total cost of \$39,567,000 (\$2,128,400 in local funding from Bullhead City, \$19 million from Clark County, NV, and \$18.5 million in FHWA funds from Nevada DOT).

A 30-day public comment period for this amendment was initiated on March 11, 2015 and closed on April 10, 2015. No public comments were received. The amendment was approved (pending public comments) by the WACOG TAC on March 25, 2015 and by the Regional Council on April 9, 2015.

To request further information, please contact me at 928-377-1070 or via email at craigr@wacog.com.

Sincerely,



Craig Raborn, AICP
WACOG Transportation Program Manager

CC: Brian Babiars, WACOG; Steve Latoski, Mohave County; Bob Leuck, Bullhead City

**WACOG 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program
PROJECTS AT A GLANCE**

TIP YEAR	TIP ID # TRAC's #	PROJECT SPONSOR	PROJECT NAME	FEDERAL FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS SOURCE	ADOT Prelim Review Costs	LOCAL MATCH	OTHER FUNDS FEDERAL	OTHER FUNDS LOCAL	TOTAL COST
2015										
	QTZ14-101 C	Quartzsite	N. Moon Mt. Road Construction	\$506,980	STP		\$30,645			\$537,625
	QTZ13-107 C	Quartzsite	Sidewalk, Signing and Striping		SRTS			\$277,991		\$277,991
	QTZ R18-107 C	Quartzsite	Hi Jolly Wayfinding		TE		\$25,905	\$454,470		\$480,375
	KNG 13-108 C	Kingman	RT 66 HAWK signal		NSBP		\$51,354	\$205,414		\$256,768
	MMO 12-110 C	Mohave County	HRRRP Traffic Safety Projects		HRRRP		\$15,105	\$827,895		\$843,000
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2015		\$511,980		\$0	\$123,008	\$1,765,770	\$0	\$2,400,758
2016										
	BUL13-102 C	Bullhead City	N. Oatman Rd./ Riverview Dr. - Bullhead City to Laughlin Bridge	\$2,615,165	STP		\$158,075			\$2,773,240
	BUL16-101BR-C	Bullhead City		\$0			\$2,128,400	\$18,550,041	\$16,897,559	\$39,576,000
	MMO14-103 C	Mohave County	CR 1 Traffic Circle	\$1,202,439	HSIP					\$1,202,439
*Not Approved	LLA 00-H55 D	La Paz County - Salome Highway R/W Fencing	Salome Highway: MP 13.49 to 18.39	\$132,020	HSIP	\$25,000	\$9,491			\$166,511
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2016		\$3,954,624		\$25,000	\$2,295,966	\$18,550,041	\$18,897,559	\$43,723,190
2017										
*Not Approved	QTZ13-105 C	Quartzsite	Design and inventory software	\$165,000	HSIP					\$165,000
	LLA 00-H54 D	La Paz Co Guardrail	La Paz County	\$447,925	HSIP	\$25,000	\$27,075			\$500,000
	KNG-H50 C	Kingman Harrison LT Signal	Beverly/Harrison and Airway/Harrison	\$80,640	HSIP					\$80,640
	KNG-H51 C	Sign Inventory Project	Within City limits	\$153,600	HSIP					\$153,600
	MMO-H52 C	Solar LED Enhanced Speed Limit Signs	10 locations countywide	\$135,792	HSIP		\$8,208			\$144,000
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2017		\$987,957		\$25,000	\$35,283	\$0	\$0	\$1,048,240
2018										
**	LHV13-101 C	Lake Havasu City	Swanson Ave Improvements	\$1,840,240	STP		\$111,234			\$1,951,474
*Not Approved	LLA 00-H55 C	La Paz County - Salome Highway R/W Fencing	Salome Highway: MP 13.49 to 18.39	\$360,976	HSIP		\$21,819			\$382,795
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2018		\$2,206,216		\$0	\$133,053	\$0	\$0	\$2,339,269
2019										
**	LHV12-104 C	Lake Havasu City	Lake Havasu Avenue	\$989,319	STP		\$59,800			\$1,049,119
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2019		\$994,319		\$0	\$59,800	\$0	\$0	\$1,054,119
2020										
*Not approved	LLA 00-H54 C	La Paz Co Guardrail	La Paz County	\$2,451,800	HSIP		\$149,711			\$2,601,511
		LTAP		\$5,000	STP					\$5,000
		TOTAL FOR 2020		\$2,456,800		\$0	\$149,711	\$0	\$0	\$2,606,511
STATE TE PROJECTS										
FY2015	LLA R16-02 C (H7987)	La Paz County (Ehrenberg) / State	I-10 Overpass	\$231,440	TE		\$13,989			\$245,429
FY2016	PKR R16-02 C (H7986)	Parker / State	W. Calif. Avenue SUP	\$242,934	TE		\$14,684			\$257,618
FY2016	LHV R17-103 C (H8018)	Lake Havasu City	SR 95	\$600,832	TE		\$36,318			\$637,150
		Total State Projects		\$1,075,206			\$64,991			\$1,140,197

NOTE: This is an overall listing of all WACOG projects that have been preliminarily approved by the TAC, by year, for 2015 to 2020. Some projects will need to be moved or reprogrammed due to funding availability. This is not to be used as the official 2015-2020 TIP.

- Notes:**
1. Projects highlighted in "BLUE" will transfer to Lake Havasu MPO TIP in approximately 2018
 2. Projects labeled with "Not Approved" are waiting for eligibility determination from ADOT and FHWA. They are included in this summary list because approvals are expected.
 3. ADOT Review Fee reported only when it is a federally funded project expense. When ADOT Review Fee is not shown, then any fee rendered was paid direct by local agency.
 4. Only "STP" and "HSIP" funded programs are selected by WACOG; projects with other funding sources are required to be included, but are selected through applications
 5. Projects highlighted in "RED" show an amended change in this updated summary.

TERMS: "STP" : Surface Transportation Program
 "HSIP" : Highway Safety Improvement Program
 "SRTS" : Safe Routes to School
 "TE" : Transportation Enhancements
 "NSBP" : National Scenic Byways Program

Updated: March 11, 2015 by Craig Raborn, WACOG Transportation Program Manager (craigr@wacog.com; 928-377-1070)

WACOG REGION
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
2015

BULLHEAD CITY						BUL														TOTAL PROJECT COST ALL YEARS	
PROJECT SPONSOR	BULLHEAD CITY		COUNTY	MOHAVE	PHASE	N/A	TYPE OF FUNDS	Design Const.	FY13	Design Const.	FY14	Design Const.	FY15	Design Const.	FY16	Design Const.	FY17	Design Const.	FY18	TOTAL PROJECT COST ALL YEARS	
WACOG TIP ID Design	BUL-103-BR	PROJECT NAME	Laughlin-Bullhead City Road Bridge Project				UNFUNDED														\$0
WACOG TIP ID Construction	BUL 18-101BR	PROJECT LOCATION	Bullhead Parkway/SR-95 to Colorado River				ADOT PRELIM REVIEW COSTS														
ADOT TRAC'S#		FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION	2 - Rural Principal Arterial - Other				LOCAL MATCH		\$1,066,268					C	\$2,128,470						\$2,128,400
FED ID #		TYPE OF WORK	New Construction				OTHER FUNDS needed		\$37,000,000					C	\$18,550,041						\$18,550,041
PROJECT LENGTH	4.3	LANES BEFORE	0	LANES AFTER	2		OTHER LOCAL FUNDS		\$27,488,644					C	\$18,897,559						\$18,897,559
COMMENTS	NOTE: "Other Funds" Includes Nevada DOT-provided FHWA funding; "Other Local Funds" Includes funds from Clark County, Nevada and the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada Amend 3/2015 (FY15 Amendment #4) - Adjusted funding to reflect long-term phased approach and contributions from Nevada DOT and Clark County, NV; shifted to FY16; specified project location; adjusted "Lanes After" from "4" to 2 (plus multi-use path); redesignated as "BUL 18-101BR"						TOTAL YEAR COST		\$66,543,370		\$0		\$0		\$30,576,000		\$0		\$0		\$30,576,000