

**RESOLUTION BY THE MADISON ATHENS-CLARKE OCONEE REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION STUDY (MACORTS) POLICY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, amendments to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) must be approved by the MACORTS Policy Committee and,

WHEREAS, the FY 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program must support the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and,

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation’s State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the MACORTS TIP must match, the following items have been amended in the 2050 MTP & Participation Plan:

Language and Threshold’s for STIP/TIP/MTP amendments and administrative modifications have been updated, which will be reflected in the MACORTS TIP/MTP/Participation Plan

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MACORTS Policy Committee concurs with the recommendation of the Technical Coordinating Committee of MACORTS and amends the FY 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program to include these changes.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Madison Athens-Clarke Oconee Regional Transportation Study Policy Committee at their meeting held on December 11, 2024.



Chair, MACORTS Policy Committee

December 11, 2024



Bruce Lonnee, MACORTS Technical Coordinating Committee Chair

December 11, 2024

Threshold Changes - Administrative Modification

Before

- Project phases may have a cost increase up to \$2,000,000 or 20% of the amount to be authorized.
- If the STIP amount is \$10,000,000 or less, the cost may be increased up to \$2,000,000.
- If the STIP amount is greater than \$10,000,000, the cost may be increased by a maximum of 20%.

After


- A STIP/TIP/MTP administrative modification can be processed on a project phase with a cost increase of up to \$4 million or 40% in federal share with a cap at \$40 million of the amounts to be authorized. When:
 - the Federal Share of the project phase amount in the STIP/TIP/MTP is \$10 million or less, the cost may be increased by an amount up to \$4 million and fiscal constraint is not impacted,
 - the Federal Share of the project phase amount in the STIP/TIP/MTP is greater than \$10 million the cost may be increased by a maximum of 40% up to a cost increase of \$40 million and fiscal constraint is not impacted

Language Changes-Amendment

Before

- Addition of a phase of a project
- Addition of a TIP


After

- Amendments require public review and responses to all comments, either individually or in summary form. For amendments in MPO areas, the public review process should be carried out by the procedures outlined in the Participation Plan. GDOT will ensure that the amendment process and the public involvement procedures have been followed.
 - The addition of a new project or the addition of a phase to an existing project. This includes any new projects that are funded with Congressionally Directed Spending, Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) funds, or Title 23 or Title 49 discretionary funding.
 - Except for Congressionally Directed Spending, FLAP, and Discretionary Grants, ALL other amendments to the STIP must be approved jointly by FHWA and FTA.
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Language Addition: Amendment Section

- » **The following actions also require a redemonstration of fiscal constraint:**
 - A. Financial changes that exceed the above administrative modifications threshold.
 - B. Annual rebalancing of the existing STIP to demonstrate fiscal constraint for the upcoming FY.
 - C. Shifting project funding sources such as changing a non-federally funded project to a federally funded project.

Language Addition-Notes Section

- Before the start of each State Fiscal Year, GDOT shall submit an Annual STIP Amendment that updates the STIP Financial Plan to show funding set aside for amendments and administrative modifications for the upcoming fiscal year. In the event the STIP amendment update is delayed, GDOT will submit the amendment no later than October 1st.
 - GDOT will submit to FHWA/FTA a detailed monthly Modification report, showing financial transactions and balances.
 - GDOT will submit to FHWA/FTA accompanying Administrative Modification Authorizations Tables for review before requesting FMIS authorizations in advance of the monthly Modification report.
 - Projects that are funded with Congressionally Directed Spending, FLAP, or Title 23 or Title 49 discretionary funding can be incorporated into the STIP/TIP/MTP via an informational appendix after the amendment process is complete.
 - A public comment period is required for all projects funded under a Title 23 and Title 49 discretionary grant program. Public review for discretionary grant projects can be advertised as informational only and comments received will be forwarded to the project sponsor.
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