BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY

ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERAL AID PROJECT OBLIGATIONS FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2012

Federal regulations require an annual listing of transportation projects, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle facilities, for which federal funds have been obligated in the preceding federal fiscal year (FFY) be made available for public review by the metropolitan Planning Organization. The listing must be consistent with the funding categories identified in the Transportation Improvement Program(TIP).

What are project obligations?

An obligation is the U.S. Department of transportation's legal commitment to pay the federal share of a projects cost. Projects for which funds have been obligated are not necessarily initiated or completed in a given program year, and the amount of obligation in a single year will not necessarily equal the total cost of the project.

Why monitor project obligations?

The value in examining project obligations is to compare the data to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to determine the extent to which projects remain on schedule through the design and construction phases. There is often the presumption that the TIP is rigorously adhered to, but that is not always the case. Project schedules change for a variety of reasons. BMTS along with NYSDOT Region 9 follow up with project sponsors to determine the reason for slippage when that occurs.

Fund sources:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA):

- Interstate Maintenance
- National Highway System
- Surface Transportation Program
 - o STP-Small Urban
 - o STP-Flex
 - o STP-Enhancement
 - o STP-Rail
- Highway Bridge Program (formerly Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation)

Highway Safety Improvement Program

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

- §5307 (block grant)
- §5309 (capital discretionary)
- §5310 (human service agency vehicle capital)
- §5316 (Job Access-Reverse Commute)

Project Phases

The TIP identifies project costs and schedules by phase. These phases are:

- <u>Scoping</u>: This phase involves meetings with project developers and designers, local government representatives, and other involved parties. Decisions are made about the specific elements that will be included in the project and the range of design alternatives that will be investigated.
- <u>Preliminary Design</u>: This phase included basic engineering work on each alternative, traffic studies, environmental analyses, and other work specific to the project. Public outreach in accordance with state and federal requirements is used to gain community input on the project. A preferred alternative is selected to advance the project.
- <u>Detailed Design</u>: This phase included detailed engineering work on the preferred alternative. This phase results in the plans and specifications that the construction contractor will work from.
- <u>Right-of-way Incidentals</u>: Preparation work done prior to the acquisition of the right-of-way.

- <u>Right-of-Way Acquisition</u>: This phase includes the acquisition of right-of-way (property) necessary to complete the project. Acquisition can be achieved through the purchase of property or an easement.
- <u>Construction</u>: This encompasses all work necessary to build the project.
- Construction Inspection: This phase includes ongoing inspection to ensure construction is performed properly and conforms to specifications. This work is often contracted out.
- <u>Operation</u>: This designates funds that are used for the Traffic Operations Center, bridge inspection etc.
- <u>Other:</u> This phase is usually associated with public transportation projects and involves the purchase and acquisition of vehicles and associated preventive maintenance, though in some cases, such as for station, parking, and maintenance/storage facilities, the construction of permanent facilities is undertaken.

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| PIN: | SPONSOR: | PROJECT: | PHASE: | FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED: | SCHEDULE 2011-2015 TIP: |
|--------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 900710 | NYSDOT | Route 38B over Crocker Creek, replace deteriorated structure that carries Route 38B over Creek. Town of Owego, Tioga County BIN#1090930 | ROW Acquisition | \$13,000 | Scheduled for letting March 2014 |
| 904702 | NYSDOT | Demolish existing bridge on Route 96. Replace with new structure and improve bridge approaches. Town of Candor, Tioga County, BIN#1034960 | ROW Acquisition | \$26,000 | Scheduled for letting January 2013 |
| 906718 | NYSDOT | Project will replace the deficient structure carrying NYS Route17 eastbound over I81 northbound. BIN#1013140 | Construction Inspection | \$548,000 | Project was let January 2012 |
| | | | Construction | \$5,479,000 | |
| 906729 | NYSDOT | RT17/I81 Conversion Project will lengthen 18 acceleration and deceleration lanes, widen shoulders and perform bridge maintenance along Rt17 for conversion to I86in the Town of Owego and Tioga County | Construction | \$10,457,000 | Project was let July 2012 |
| | | | Construction Inspection | \$1,040,000 | |
| | | | ROW Acquisition | \$13,000 | |
| 975362 | Village of Johnson City | Floral Avenue/ Ackley Avenue Traffic Signal Upgrade | Construction | \$168,000 | Scheduled for letting 2012 |
| | | | Construction Inspection | \$48,000 | |
| 975370 | Broome County | Project will rehabilitate the structure carrying CR13 over Nanticoke Creek by addressing bearings, anchor bolts, substructure and leaking joints. | Construction | \$1,296,000 | Project was let May 2012 |
| | | BIN#3349780 | Construction Inspection | \$144,000 | |

| PIN: | SPONSOR: | PROJECT: | PHASE: | FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED: | SCHEDULE 2011-2015 TIP: |
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| 975372 | Town of Vestal | Project will paint the Main St. Bridge over Big Choconut Creek. BIN#3349780 | Construction | \$246,000 | Project was let July 2012 |
| | | | Construction Inspection | \$25,000 | |
| 980604 | NYSDOT | Culvert repairs at various locations in the BMTS Urbanized Area | Preliminary Design | \$12,000 | Scheduled for letting 2014 |
| | | | Detailed Design | \$32,000 | |
| 9ITS12 | NYSDOT | Block will be used to fund the operation of the NYSDOT Traffic Operation Center (TOC) in the Binghamton Urbanized Area. | Operations | \$160,000 | This is a "non" let project |



