

# **Transportation Improvement Program**

# **AMENDMENT #4**

FISCAL YEARS 2020/21-2024/25
Approved June 24, 2020
Amended August 26, 2020 (TIP #1)
Amended February 24, 2021 (TIP #2)
Amended April 28, 2021
Amended September 10, 2021

Prepared by the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization 1300 Citizens Blvd., Suite 175
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August 3, 2021

Michael Woods Executive Director Lake~Sumter MPO 1300 Citizens Blvd Suite 175 Leesburg, FL 34748

Dear Mr. Woods:

# Subject: REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGES

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests the following changes to be made to the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization's Adopted Fiscal Years 2020/2021–2024/2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Fiscal Years 2021/2022 – 2025/2026 in coordination with the corresponding changes to the Department's Adopted Work Program. These projects are not in the roll forward report and federal agencies will not recognize the "new TIP" 2021/2022 – 2025/2026 until October 1, 2021. Please make sure that you put the amendment date on your cover page of the amended TIP and the page of the TIP that the project is listed on.

# LAKE COUNTY

# FM#449239-1 LAKE COUNTY SECTION 5307 ARP FUNDS SMALL URBAN AREAS

## **Current TIP Status:**

Project is not in TIP for Fiscal Years 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 and "new TIP" 2021/2022 – 2025/2026.

### **Proposed Amendment:**

| Phase                    | Amended Funding | Amount      | Fiscal Year |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          | Type            |             |             |
| Grants and Miscellaneous | FTA             | \$1,598,724 | 2022        |
| Grants and Miscellaneous | LF              | \$399,681   | 2022        |
|                          | TOTAL           | \$1,998,405 |             |

**Difference:** New Transit Project with Phase 94 (Capital Grant) funds added in FY 22. Both TIP documents must be updated to reflect new project and added funding.

**Explanation:** This is an ARP (American Rescue Plan) project, and these funds are to support the nation's public transportation systems as they continue to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and support the President's call to vaccinate the U.S. population. The funds on 449239-1 are for the Lake County Board of County Commissioners discretionary use, specifically for capital projects and needs due to the pandemic. This project is partially local funded, although there is no match requirement for all Covid relief funding nationally.

Sincerely,

Rakinya Hinson, MPO Liaison

FDOT District Five

Anna Taylor, Government Liaison Administrator, FDOT Carlos Colon, Transit Liaison, FDOT cc:

### LAKE~SUMTER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-14**

RESOLUTION OF THE LAKE~SUMTER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO); AMENDING THE FYs 2020/21 – 2024/25 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP); AND THE FYs 2021/2022 – 2025/2026 TIP, ADDING \$1,998,405 FOR PROJECT FM# 449239-1 LAKE COUNTY SECTION 5307 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) SMALL URBAN AREAS FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE TIP AMENDMENT TO THE APPROPRIATE AGENCIES.

WHEREAS, the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning and programming process for Lake-Sumter MPO Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, Section 339.175, Florida Statutes; 23 U.S.C. Section 134; and Title 49 U.S.C. require that the urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, must have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, 23 U.S.C. Section 134(j) and Section 339.175(8), Florida Statutes, require the Lake~Sumter MPO to formulate a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), defined by 23 C.F.R. Section 450.104 as a prioritized listing/program of transportation projects that are developed and formally adopted by an MPO as part of the metropolitan transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, Section 339.175(8), Florida Statutes, requires that the TIP include projects and project phases to be funded with state or federal funds that are recommended for advancement during the next fiscal year and four subsequent fiscal years; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT has requested the MPO's TIPs be amended to add \$1,998,405 for project FM# 449239-1 Lake County Section 5307 ARP Small Urban Areas Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Lake~Sumter MPO is amending the FY 2020/21 – 2024/25 TIP in order to include projects that were not completed or that were not committed in the previous state fiscal year and that, under federal regulations, must be included in the Lake~Sumter MPO FYs 2020/21-2024/25 adopted TIP for consistency with the FDOT Work Program and the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP); and

WHEREAS, the Lake~Sumter MPO is amending the FY 2021/2022 – 2025/2026 TIP in order to include projects that were not completed or that were not committed in the previous state fiscal year and that under federal regulations, must be included in the Lake~Sumter MPO FY's 2021/2022 – 2025/2026 adopted TIP for consistency with the FDOT Work Program and the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP).

WHEREAS, the Lake~Sumter MPO passed Resolution 2020-10 on August 10, 2020, approving the Public Involvement Plan as a guideline for engaging in public decision making, which authorizes the MPO Executive Director to sign Resolutions for emergency amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Lake~Sumter MPO Bylaws, Section 1.8 Emergency Revisions and Amendments defines an emergency as an amendment or revision that must be approved prior to the next board meeting for the amended project to receive funding or maintain consistency with state and federal programs.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lake~Sumter MPO that the:

- 1. FY 2020/21-FY 2024/25 TIP is hereby amended, adding \$1,998,405 in Section 5307 ARP Small Urban Areas Funds; and
- 2. FY 2021/2022 2025/2026 TIP is hereby amended, adding \$1,998,405 in Section 5307 ARP Small Urban Areas Funds; and
- 3. The Chair of the Lake~Sumter MPO is hereby authorized and directed to submit the FY 2020/21–FY 2024/25 and FY 2021/2022 2025/2026 TIP amendment to the:
  - a. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT);
  - b. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through FDOT;
  - c. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA);
  - d. Bureau of Community Planning, Division of Community Development, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO); and
  - e. Members of the Florida Legislature representing the Lake~Sumter MPO.

| PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of <u>September</u> , 2021 | • |
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| Michael Woods, Executive Director                           |   |

Approved as to Form and Legality:

David Langey, MPO Attomey

This News Release serves as legal notice that the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Governing Board will consider approving the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment adding \$1,998,405, Lake County Section 5307 American Recovery Plan Funds for the current TIP fiscal years 2020/21 – 2024/25 and the new approved TIP fiscal years 2021/22 – 2025/26.

The public is encouraged to participate in the approval of the TIP amendment process. The TIP is a federally-required document that all MPOs are required to develop annually and represents the transportation improvement that has been programmed for the five years. This TIP includes the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Program of Projects (POP) for section 5307 funding used to provide fixed-route transit services for Lake County. The development of the TIP satisfies the federal public participation requirements for the POP.

The TIP amendment may be viewed on our website at <a href="www.LakeSimterMPO.com">www.LakeSimterMPO.com</a> or call 352-315-0170 to receive it by fax or email. Any questions should be directed to Michael Woods, Executive Director at <a href="mailto:Mwoods@LakeSumterMPO.com">Mwoods@LakeSumterMPO.com</a>.

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The Public Review Period ends August 30, 2021. Lake~Sumter MPO 1300 Citizens Blvd. Suite 175 Leesburg, FL 34748 352-315-0170 449239-1

TIP #: 4

# Lake County SEction 5307 ARP Funds Small Urban Areas

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**Project Description:** New Transit Project with Phase 94 (Capital Grants) funds added in FY 22. Both TIP documents have been updated to reflect the new project and

**Work Summary:** 

CAPITAL FOR FIXED

From:

ROUTE

To:

Lead Agency:

Managed by LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC

Fund Source 2021/22 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25 2025/26 Phase Total CAP FTA 1,598,724 0 0 0 0 1,598,724 CAP LF 0 399,681 399,681 0 0 0 1,998,405 0 0 0 1,998,405 **Total** 0

No Map Available

**Prior Year Cost:** 0 **Future Year Cost:** 0

**Total Project Cost:** 1,998,405

LRTP: page 2-3 Goals and

TABLE 4. Transportation Improvement Program Checklist

| Outreach Step  | Timeframe   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Draft TIP project information published on www.LakeSumterMPO.org   | Seven (7) days before committee review, opening public comment period |  |
| Draft TIP presented at LSMPO advisory committee meetings, with chance for public comment at the meeting  | During the meeting cycle prior to<br>Board approval                   |  |
| Public meeting to present draft TIP, maps, other information, with opportunity for public comment  | Prior to Board approval   |  |
| Board vote on approval after public comment period   | Typically the first Board meeting following advisory committee review |  |
| Citizens unable to attend committee or Board meetings are encouraged to submit written comments via postal service, www.LakeSumterMPO.com/voice.aspx contact form, or e-mail | Throughout official public comment period                             |  |
| Plan is published on www.LakeSumterMPO.com   | As soon as final copies of document can be uploaded to the website    |  |

#### **TIP Amendments:**

Amendments to the TIP are reviewed by LSMPO's advisory committees for input. In addition to the public comment periods provided during each committee meeting, opportunities for public comment are also a standard part of each Board meeting, prior to Board action. During the review process and following Board adoption, the proposed amendment is electronically published.

Public input considered in the development and maintenance of the TIP includes the comments and recommendations of LSMPO committees and the public at large as well as input received during the public comment periods. LSMPO complies with statutory planning and programming requirements [23 U.S.C 134/49 U.S.C. 5303 (j) (1) and 23 U.S.C. 135/49 U.S.C. 5304 (g) (2)] that call for continuing consultation and coordination with partners, MPOs, and non-metropolitan local officials, and federal and state agencies.

### INTERAGENCY COOPERATION AND SUPPORT

LSMPO actively assists local governments and transportation

agencies in the development and implementation of public participation techniques for transportation planning and other related studies. For example, during the LRTP and TIP development processes, LSMPO will assist Lake County Public Transportation (Lake Xpress) with their Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirement for Section 5307 Program of Projects public involvement by including the following statement in advertisements and/or other collateral materials as appropriate:

# **Emergency TIP Amendments**

Most amendments to the TIP receive a review (as outlined in Table 5) before entering the program. Exceptions are made when an emergency amendment must be approved prior to the next Board meeting for the amended project to receive funding. In these cases, the LSMPO Executive Director is authorized to approve the amendment and sign a corresponding resolution on behalf of the board without having to call an emergency meeting of the Board. The Executive Director's approval of the amendment then must be provided to advisory committees as an information item and ratified at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.