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UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FY 2023



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I. INTRODUCTION

FY 2023 UPWP PURPOSE

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is a federally required document that communicates to the public and stakeholders how their federal transportation planning dollars will be used on regional planning activities over the coming Fiscal Year.

The current federal regulation that guide MPOs in developing a UPWP include 23 CFR 134 (a) & (f); 49 USC 5303(a) & (b); 23 CFR 420.109; 23 CFR 450.308; and 49 CFR 613.

This FY 2023 UPWP was prepared by the Owensboro-Daviess County Metropolitan Organization (MPO), c/o the Green River Area Development District (GRADD), which serves as staff to the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO. This work program covers a one-year period, beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. It details the transportation planning activities, planning tasks, timelines and products that meet the federal requirements for Owensboro and Daviess County. It also outlines expenditures attributed to individual work elements and the funding sources to be used.

The UPWP contains several uniform elements that accomplish these items:

- Provides a management tool and guidance for the conduct of transportation planning studies, as part of the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).
- Provides a list of funding amounts and breakdowns for each transportation planning element.
- Details the various agencies participating in the MPO process.
- Outlines those activities to be undertaken during FY 2023.
- Describe the completion timelines and products to be produced for each work element.
- Includes discussion of the planning priorities facing the MPO.
- Lists who will perform the work.

TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION

On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Public Law 117-58, also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law”) into law. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is the largest long-term investment in our infrastructure and economy in our Nation’s history. It provides \$550 billion over fiscal years 2022 through 2026 in new Federal investment in infrastructure, including in roads, bridges, and mass transit, water infrastructure, resilience, and broadband. MPO Staff, in coordination with USDOT and KYTC, will initiate efforts to carry out each of the planning directives thoughtfully and thoroughly for the on-going transportation planning process and will consider the directives with all current MPO documents. Staff will also coordinate with FHWA, FTA, KYTC, and other MPOs to work toward full implementation of Performance Based Transportation Planning and Programming (PBPP) requirements.

PLANNING EMPHASIS AREAS

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) jointly issued updated Planning Emphasis Areas (PEAs) in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) passed on November 15, 2021. These PEAs are for metropolitan planning organizations, State departments of transportation, Public Transportation Agencies, and Federal Land Management Agency counterparts to identify and develop tasks associated with the Unified Planning Work Program and the Statewide Planning and Research Program. These eight updated PEAs should be addressed through the planning efforts of the MPO:

Tackling the Climate Crisis - Transition to a Clean Energy, Resilient Future
Equity and Justice 40 in Transportation Planning
Complete Streets
Public Involvement
Strategic Highway Network/U.S. Department of Defense Coordination
Federal Land Management Agency Coordination
Planning and Environment Linkages
Data in Transportation Planning

PLANNING FACTORS

The metropolitan transportation planning process shall be continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C); and provide for consideration and implementation of projects, strategies, and services that will address the following planning factors:

1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;
2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
4. Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and for freight;
5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns;
6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
7. Promote efficient system management and operations; and
8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.
9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate storm water impacts of surface transportation; and
10. Enhance travel and tourism.

LIVABILITY PRINCIPLES

The Owensboro-Daviess County MPO has adopted and continues to implement the six “Livability Principles” set forth in the 2009 coordinated policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. These livability principles are:

1. Provide more transportation choices;
2. Promote equitable, affordable housing;
3. Enhance economic competitiveness;
4. Support existing communities;
5. Coordinate and leverage federal policies and investment; and
6. Value communities and neighborhoods.

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY MPO

Designation Authority of the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO

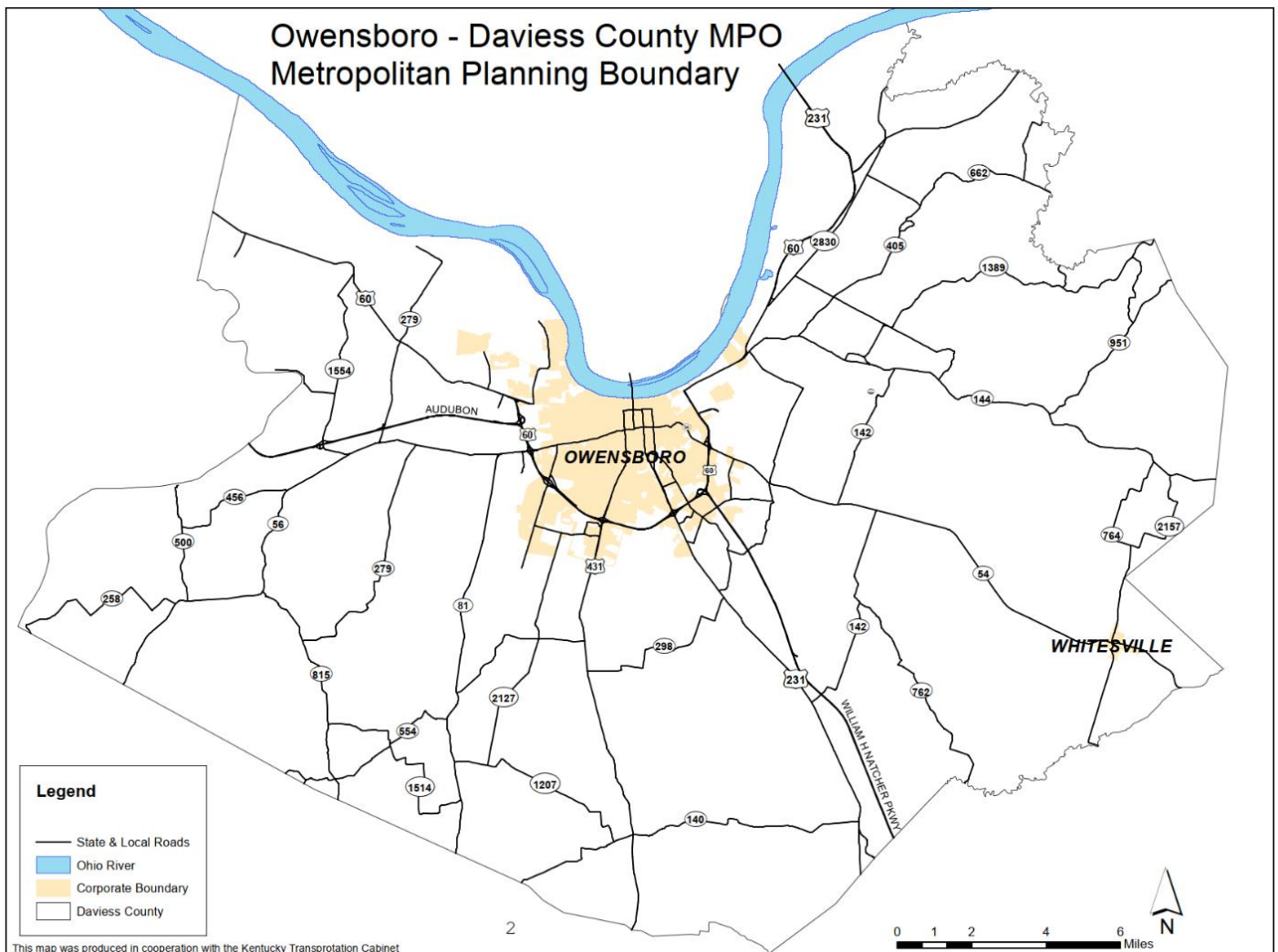
The Commonwealth of Kentucky, the City of Owensboro, and Daviess County officially designated the Green River Area Development District as the MPO Staff Agency in 1974. This designation will remain valid unless the MPO is re-designated by the Governor and local units of governments representing at least 75 percent of the population in the area served by the MPO.

Description of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Boundary

The Owensboro-Daviess County MPO provides transportation planning services for the City of Owensboro, the City of Whitesville and all of Daviess County. The map below displays the current planning boundary for the MPO. If deemed appropriate, and approved by the MPO and the Governor, the boundary may be expanded to foster an effective planning process.

MPO Planning Area Map

This map represents the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO planning area.



III. ORGANIZATION OF THE OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY MPO

MPO STAFF

The Owensboro-Daviess County MPO staff is under the umbrella of the Community and Economic Development department within the Green River Area Development District (GRADD). The GRADD provides staff support for the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO to assist with the accomplishment of the objectives of the transportation planning process. The MPO staff is funded with Federal PL funds (80%), with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) providing 5% of the required match, and the participating local governments providing the remaining 15% match.

The MPO staff is also funded by Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds (80%) with the City of Owensboro providing the local match (20%).

MPO Transportation Planning and Support Staff:

Blake Edge, Director for Community and Economic Development, GRADD
 Mariah Myres, Director for Finance and Administration, GRADD
 Tom Lovett, MPO Coordinator, GRADD
 Jennifer Alvey, GIS Analyst, GRADD
 Max Gee, Regional Transportation Planner, GRADD
 Sarah Dowell, Fiscal Contracts Manager, GRADD
 Therese Payne, Administrative Assistant, GRADD

POLICY COMMITTEE

The Policy Committee functions as the MPO policy board for cooperative transportation planning, decision-making and programming affecting the metropolitan planning area including responsibility for the review and approval of appropriate plans, implementation programs and other similar actions.

Functions of the Policy Committee

- Initiate, guide and sanction the necessary activities required for the development of a Coordinated, Comprehensive and Continuing (3-C) Transportation Planning Process;
- Examine the adequacy and appropriateness of the transportation planning process;
- Review various agreements entered into for the execution of transportation planning within the MPO area;
- Review and approve proposed goals, objectives and policies of the MPO transportation planning process;
- Develop the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program, Metropolitan Transportation Plan, studies and all other documents required of the MPO planning process; and
- Approve additions to the MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

Membership of the Policy Committee

The Policy Committee has three voting members and two nonvoting members. The voting members are:

1. Daviess County Judge/Executive;
2. City of Owensboro Mayor; and
3. Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

The Secretary will provide a listing of designees.

The nonvoting members are:

1. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Kentucky Division Administrator; and
2. FTA Region 4 Regional Administrator.

Ex officio members may be added or deleted by the Policy Committee (with the exception of FHWA and FTA members).

The Owensboro Transit System, being a department within the City of Owensboro, is represented by the Mayor on the Policy Committee.

Current Policy Committee members

- Al Mattingly, Judge/Executive, Daviess County – Chair
- Tom Watson, Mayor, City of Owensboro
- Jim Gray, Secretary, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
- (Deneatra Henderson, Designee for KYTC)
- Todd A. Jeter, Kentucky Division Administrator, FHWA (Bernadette Dupont, Designee for FHWA) (nonvoting)
- Yvette Taylor, Regional Administrator, FTA (Mike Sherman, Designee for FTA) (nonvoting)

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) provides assistance and makes recommendations to the Policy Committee in carrying out the goals and objectives of the MPO. The TAC also provides guidance to the MPO staff and consultants in conducting the work specified in the UPWP. Additional and specific responsibilities may be defined, as needed, by the Policy Committee.

Functions of the Technical Advisory Committee

- Develop, review and comment on proposed goals, objectives and policies for the MPO transportation planning process, then provide recommendations to the Policy Committee
- Review and provide direction on the development of all MPO short- and long-range transportation plans, studies and Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) elements as required by the MPO planning process
- Facilitate coordination, communication and understanding between the public, policy/decision makers, transportation-related agencies and all other parties involved in or affected by the MPO planning process
- Carry out any other tasks as required by the MPO.

Membership of the Technical Advisory Committee

1. City Manager, Owensboro – Chair
2. City Engineer, Owensboro
3. Daviess County Fiscal Court
4. County Engineer, Daviess County
5. Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission
6. Owensboro Transit System
7. Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
8. Owensboro Riverport Authority
9. Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce
10. Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation
11. Green River Area Development District
12. Owensboro Police Department, Traffic Unit
13. Daviess County Sheriff's Department
14. Owensboro Municipal Utilities
15. Kenergy Corporation
16. Regional Water Resource Agency
17. KYTC District 2
18. KYTC Central Office Division of Planning
19. KYTC, Office of Transportation Delivery
20. FHWA, Kentucky Division (non-voting)

Current Technical Advisory Committee members

1. Nate Pagan, City Manager, Owensboro – Chair
2. Kevin Collignon, City Engineer, Owensboro
3. Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Fiscal Court
4. Mark Brasher, County Engineer, Daviess County
5. Brian Howard, Director, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission
6. Pamela Canary, Manager, Owensboro Transit System
7. Tristan Durbin, Manager, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
8. Brian Wright, Director, Owensboro Riverport Authority
9. Candance Brake, President/CEO, Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce
10. Brittany Johnson, President/CEO, Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation
11. Joanna Shake, Executive Director, Green River Area Development District
12. Lt. Jason Lee, Owensboro Police Department
13. Sgt. Tyler Free, Daviess County Sheriff's Department
14. Tim Lyons, Director of Delivery, Owensboro Municipal Utilities
15. Scott Atherton, Manager of Field Engineering, Kenergy Corporation
16. Garrett Gordon, Director of Engineering, Regional Water Resource Agency
17. Nick Hall, Planning Section Supervisor, KYTC District 2
18. Isidro Delgado, KYTC Central Office Division of Planning
19. Eric Perez, KYTC Office of Transportation Delivery
20. Bernadette Dupont, FHWA, Kentucky Division (non-voting)

IV. WORK PROGRAM

UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

Transportation planning and related planning activities anticipated within the MPO area during the next one-year period, regardless of funding sources, shall be conducted as described in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP is prepared by the MPO staff in consultation with the KYTC and units of local governments. The UPWP is reviewed by the TAC and a determination made as to whether the document should be recommended to the Policy Committee which considers it for approval. The Owensboro-Daviess County MPO staff developed the FY 2023 UPWP. Input was obtained from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Kentucky office, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Region 4 office.

The specific transportation planning work elements to be undertaken in Fiscal Year 2023 by the MPO are listed below:

Element	Description
1.0/1.1:	MPO Administration
2.0/2.1:	Unified Planning Work Program
3.0/3.1:	Public Participation
4.0/4.1:	Data Collection and Analysis
5.0/5.1:	Transportation Improvement Program
6.0/6.1:	Metropolitan Transportation Plan
7.0/7.1:	Active Transportation
8.0:	Transit Planning
9.0:	Technical Assistance to the City/County

Elements 1.0 through 7.0 receive FHWA planning (PL) funding.

Elements 1.1 through 7.1 are funded through FTA Funding Section 5303.

Element 8.0 receives FTA Section 5307 Funding.

Element 9.0 receives funding from Daviess County and the City of Owensboro.

Each of the tasks outlined in this section seeks to address the following planning priorities of the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO:

- a. Safety;
- b. System Preservation;
- c. Congestion;
- d. Access Management;
- e. System Connectivity;
- f. Community Development & Economic Growth;
- g. Freight Movement; and
- h. Alternative Modes of Travel.

I.0/I.1: MPO ADMINISTRATION

PURPOSE

The Owensboro-Daviess County MPO's administrative process ensures that the planning program is compliant with all applicable federal and state requirements. It is designed to ensure the staff keeps up to date with the ongoing trends and is completing its reporting duties to state and federal organizations. It also outlines day-to-day operation of the MPO office, such as compiling meeting agendas and minutes and ensuring they are posted to the MPO website.

WORK TASKS

- Prepare quarterly reports in a timely fashion and submit reimbursement requests to the KYTC-Division of Planning and the Office of Transportation Delivery. The quarterly reports will describe the work completed during each 90-day period and will be due 30 days from the end of the reported quarter. Quarterly narrative reports will be submitted to the Division of Planning.
- Provide funds for the purchase and maintenance of computer hardware and software to support the transportation programs and related activities.
- Monitor state and federal funding initiatives and legislative activities.
- Review federal and state policies and guidance regarding metropolitan transportation planning and incorporate changes as necessary.
- Provide staff support to MPO Committees and local governments.
- Provide KYTC-Division of Planning, two (2) copies of the annual audit by March 2023.
- Administer the correspondence and maintain contact list including, but not limited to, the MPO Technical Advisory Committee, and the MPO Transportation Policy Committee.
- Staff will seek courses, conferences, workshops, etc., in the areas that are relevant to the MPO transportation planning process and are found to be eligible by the FHWA and/or the FTA.
- Staff will attend quarterly FHWA/KYTC/MPO meetings to keep up to date with current happenings in the MPO planning process.
- Staff will provide education to Local Public Agencies (LPAs) with over 50 employees on the requirement of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan. The MPO will seek to increase awareness and understanding of all Policy and Technical Advisory Committee members of the ADA issues. The MPO will seek ADA representation and input in the on-going planning activities. The MPO will collect copies of the most recent documents from all entities within the MPO planning area that are required to have an ADA Transition Plan:
 - City of Owensboro, Kentucky
 - Daviess County, Kentucky
- Educate local governments of the availability of KYTC's Local Public Agency (LPA) Guide documenting federal requirements for the oversight and administration of federal-aid projects. Assist LPAs with project technical assistance through MPO document updates such as amendments and administrative modifications, coordinating assistance and other technical assistance as needed to educate LPAs on federal requirements.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- Agenda and minutes from all MPO TAC/Policy meetings – Ongoing throughout FY 2023
- Quarterly progress reports to the appropriate agencies – Quarterly
- All MPO documents, amendments, modifications, etc., published on the MPO webpage in accordance with the MPO Participation Plan – ongoing throughout FY 2023
- Quarterly invoices – Quarterly

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
1,120	475	155	0	100	450	2,300

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$117,087
Direct Costs	\$2,504
Indirect Costs	\$32,784
Total	\$152,375

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$88,828
FTA	\$33,071
KYTC	\$5,552
Local	24,924
Total	\$152,375

2.0/2.1: UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

PURPOSE

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) outlines the work elements that the MPO intends to carry out during the fiscal year. The UPWP also details the funding for the MPO and allocates the funds to each work element. The UPWP extends from July 1 through June 30 each fiscal year.

WORK TASKS

- Carry out administrative activities involved with maintaining and revising the FY 2023 UPWP.
- Develop the annual Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which outlines MPO staff activities for FY 2024.
- A review of the MPO Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be conducted to ensure it meets all Federal and State planning standards. Modifications will be made as necessary to keep the MOA current.
- Complete FY 2022 Annual Performance and Expenditure Report and submit it to KYTC and FHWA within 90 days of the end of the reporting period.
- Deliver the Performance and Expenditures report to the MPO Committees and make it available to the public upon request.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- Draft FY 2024 UPWP – February 28, 2023
- Final FY 2024 UPWP – April 30, 2023
- Annual Performance and Expenditure Report – September 30, 2023
- Updated MOA – December 31, 2022

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
45	20	20	0	10	0	95

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$4,351
Direct Costs	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$1,657
Total	\$6,008

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$3,358
FTA	\$1,449
KYTC	\$210
Local	\$991
Total	\$6,008

3.0/3.1: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PURPOSE

The MPO's Public Involvement element ensures the MPOs have procedures to carry out a public involvement program pursuant to 23 CFR 450.316. These rules explain the requirement of the MPO's Public Involvement plan. The plan details all the documents the MPO is responsible for producing, the timeline/frequency they are written and how the MPO goes about publicizing them and seeking public comment. The MPO's Participation Plan was approved by the MPO Policy Committee in January 2019.

WORK TASKS

Continue to expand and refine the MPO consultation list, to ensure the most accurate and up-to-date contact information.

Notify and involve the public in the transportation planning process.

Continue to update/maintain and develop the MPO webpage contained within the GRADD website. The webpage increases public access to transportation planning documents, MPO meeting schedules, provide for public comment and other related information.

Continue to maintain the MPO Facebook page, providing information on meetings, agendas, minutes and other documentation as well as accept input on MPO documents, policies and actions.

Evaluate methods for public involvement that are utilized to reach all segments of the population with respect to the development and maintenance of the UPWP, Participation Plan, Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Use Virtual Public Involvement (VPI) tools such streaming meetings online to make the MPO more accessible to the public.

Conduct an annual review of the Participation Plan and make revisions as necessary to ensure the process is serving its intended purpose.

Address implications of Title VI, including, but not limited to Low English Proficiency (LEP), Environmental Justice, Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Maintain the MPO's Title VI plan and seek to further involve with these populations of the MPO area.

Coordinate with KYTC's Office for Civil Rights & Small Business Development to update and/or maintain the MPO's Title VI compliancy efforts. Develop an annual Title VI report/plan per guidance from the KYTC Title VI Coordinator.

Develop and maintain a list of agencies assisting underserved and disadvantaged communities and using that list to actively solicit input on plans and programs in an effort to promote equity and environmental justice.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- MPO Title VI Plan for FY 2023 submitted to FTA – December 31, 2022
- FY 2023 Title VI plan on the MPO website – June 30, 2023
- MPO Title VI Plan for FY 2023 submitted to KYTC Division of Civil Rights – June 30, 2023
- Limited English Proficiency plan – June 30, 2023
- Updated Participation Plan Agency Consultation list – As needed

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
45	20	0	50	10	0	125

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$6,400
Direct Costs	\$150
Indirect Costs	\$2,377
Total	\$8,927

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$4,722
FTA	\$2,420
KYTC	\$295
Local	\$1,490
Total	\$8,927

4.0/4.1: DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

PURPOSE

The MPO's efforts under this element are to maintain and analyze data to support transportation performance-based planning and programming requirements and other transportation planning activities.

WORK TASKS

1. Safety and Security

- a. Utilize collected traffic counts and update of crash data for integration into safety planning efforts and into the transportation GIS system.
- b. Assist with the examination of potential safety issues to include the update of crash data analysis, discovery of high crash locations, participation in safety audits, and identification of low-cost safety improvement projects eligible for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and other special funds.
- c. Review safety data from local transit agency as part of annual review of transit Safety Performance Targets.
- d. Consult with KYTC, FHWA, and other MPOs to determine appropriate means and methodologies for incorporating transportation safety and security considerations into the planning process.
- e. Support projects and programs that address security problems and enhance safe and secure travel for all system users (motorists, public transportation riders, bicyclists, and pedestrians) to securely share the transportation network.
- f. Pursue opportunities for Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) funding and planning a safe and secure transportation network in the MPO area.

2. Data Collection, GIS Database, Mapping Activities

- a. Develop and maintain a multilayered GIS database and map of transportation-related features and information for the area served by the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO.
- b. Provide visualization techniques and analysis tools to assist with project development and planning efforts as requested by local agencies.
- c. Coordinate with local agencies to ensure that MPO collected data can be used by the local government's GIS systems.
- d. Distribute transportation data to local governments as requested.
- e. Collect and maintain census/socioeconomic data, and roadway systems/urban boundaries.
- f. Assist in updating the MPO Travel Demand Model by providing necessary socioeconomic, land use and traffic data as requested.

3. Transportation System Analysis

- a. Using GIS software, develop a road network for the MPO area. Use the developed network to collaborate with local agencies and work toward improving the transportation system.
- b. Conduct research and explore the incorporation of access management policies with the MPO area.
- c. Monitor corridors within the MPO area that are susceptible to increased freight traffic and consider the regional connections that the corridors may provide.
- d. Consult with state freight staff to ensure the Critical Urban and Rural Freight Corridors are identified in the state portion of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN).

4. Integrated Planning

- a. Seek ways to integrate land use, zoning, transportation, environment protection, public health, social justice and other related factors into the planning process.
- b. Work in collaboration with local agencies to collect and analyze data to better serve the needs of the community, planning for the future of the MPO area.

5. Performance Measures and Targets

- a. The MPO shall seek opportunities to incorporate and use a performance-based approach to transportation decision making. Perform appropriate data collection and analysis to monitor the MPO area’s progress in supporting KYTC’s performance targets related to safety, pavement condition, bridge condition and system reliability.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- Transportation-related GIS databases that can be used for planning and analysis for MPO staff, officials and countywide agencies
- GIS Road Network to be used for planning purposes across the MPO area
- Safety Performance Targets adopted – February 27, 2023

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
45	20	0	175	110	0	350

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$14,579
Direct Costs	\$100
Indirect Costs	\$5,530
Total	\$20,209

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$11,057
FTA	\$5,126
KYTC	\$691
Local	\$3,355
Total	\$20,209

5.0/5.1: TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

PURPOSE

The MPO, in cooperation with the KYTC, and affected transit operators, is required to develop a fiscally constrained Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) consistent with the adopted MTP and all MPO planning goals, objectives and priorities. The TIP outlines federal transportation projects taking place in the MPO area over the next four years. It contains a description of the project, a breakdown of the cost and funding, and timelines for the work.

WORK TASKS

- Develop a new TIP for FY 2023-2027
- Amend/Modify the FY 2019-2024 TIP as needed to reflect cost and schedule changes and funding approvals for new projects.
- Maintain a current TIP with all Amendments and Modifications on the MPO website in accordance with the MPO Participation Plan.
- Ensure that the TIP is coordinated with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Owensboro-Daviess County urbanized area.
- Assess the TIP in the context of compliance with Title VI and Environmental Justice, American with Disabilities Act, Low English Proficiency issues, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Consult with KYTC, FHWA, and other MPOs to determine the appropriate means and methodologies for conducting Title VI analysis of the burdens and benefits and the identification of disproportionate impacts.
- Incorporate performance-based planning procedures as required by federal transportation planning requirements including a description of the anticipated effect of the TIP toward achieving established performance targets.
- The Owensboro Transit System (OTS) and the Green River Intra-County Transit System (GRITS) are awarded grants throughout the fiscal year for specific projects. The MPO will utilize Administrative Modifications to amend the TIP.
- Work with MPO committees, local public agencies, elected officials and KYTC in determining eligible Transportation Alternative projects. Screen, review and prioritize Transportation Alternatives projects for submittal to KYTC, and other enhancement type funds as needed.
- Receive recommendations and ideas from local public agencies, individuals, FHWA and KYTC concerning CMAQ eligible projects. These projects are submitted to TAC for their consideration. If a project is approved, an application is submitted. If more than one project is approved, the TAC will decide on priorities and submitted to the Policy Committee for approval.
- Develop the Annual Listing of Federal Obligated Projects.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- FY 2023-2037 TIP, approved by Policy Committee by Dec. 31, 2022
- Annual Listing of Federal Obligated Projects – Dues 90 days after the end of the reporting period.
- TIP Modifications/Amendments – As needed

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
225	65	0	130	10	0	430

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$18,803
Direct Costs	\$350
Indirect Costs	\$6,939
Total	\$26,092

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$13,849
FTA	\$7,024
KYTC	\$866
Local	\$4,353
Total	\$26,092

6.0/6.1: METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

PURPOSE

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the long-range transportation planning document adopted by the MPO. The MTP covers existing and proposed transportation facilities and addresses all modes that make up and function as an integrated transportation system, giving emphasis to those facilities that serve important national and regional transportation functions. The MTP establishes goals, objectives and projects to be implemented over a forecasted 20+ year horizon and is updated every five years. The MTP is fiscally constrained, reflecting the priorities of the MPO to develop a multimodal transportation network for all users. The MTP, covering FY 2021-2045, became effective on September 22, 2020.

WORK TASKS

- Maintain and make necessary administrative modifications/amendments to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and carry out consultation with all required agencies and stakeholders with respect to all plan amendments and updates.
- Prepare Continuing Highway Analysis Framework (CHAF) entries for new projects that may be identified during the year.
- Assist KYTC as requested in the continuing development of the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) prioritization.
- Identify and evaluate Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) technologies as potential solutions to transportation needs in the metropolitan planning area.
 - Coordinate with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and other stakeholders, as appropriate, to ensure that information for Transportation System Management and Operations (TSMO) elements within the metropolitan planning area is kept current in the Kentucky Statewide ITS Architecture.
- Assist KYTC, the City of Owensboro and Daviess County in applying local access management policies and best practices.
- Consult with KYTC, FHWA and other MPOs to determine appropriate means and methodologies for incorporating climate change considerations into the planning process.
- Work with KYTC Modal Programs Branch to use the MPO's travel demand model to address current and projected travel demands. Staff will coordinate with KYTC to identify alternative networks and corridor specific traffic forecasting needs.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- Initial SHIFT Sponsorship – May 2023
- SHIFT Prioritization Plan (draft) – June 2023
- SHIFT Priority Point Allocation and Submittal – September 2023
- SHIFT Prioritization Plan (final) – September 2023
- Amendments and/or modifications to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan – as needed
- Continuous Highway Analysis Framework (CHAF) for any newly identified projects – as needed

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
45	20	0	35	10	0	110

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$5,682
Direct Costs	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$2,187
Total	\$8,049

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$4,213
FTA	\$2,226
KYTC	\$263
Local	\$1,347
Total	\$8,049

7.0/7.1: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

PURPOSE

To provide Owensboro-Daviess County with transportation choices that include public transit and bicycle/pedestrian facilities to improve the quality of life and safety for all users.

WORK TASKS

- Convene the Bicycle/Pedestrian committee as needed to review the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan and update as needed.
- Assist Owensboro Transit System in reviewing and maintaining a set of Safety Targets.
- Promote interagency coordination, public information and citizen participation with respect to alternative modes of transportation.
- Provide information and resources for the consideration of Complete Street initiatives as the MPO plans projects and improvements.
- Provide data to state and federal officials as needed for bicycle/pedestrian planning.
- Assist local transit agency in seeking funds to reduce reliance on petroleum-based fuels, in favor of alternative fuels, such as electricity, LNG, CNG or hydrogen.
- Assist in the identification of barriers to and opportunities for deploying alternate fueling/charging infrastructure.
- Encourage efforts to reduce or eliminate fares for public transit.
- Assist in efforts to reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips and increase use of public transit.
- Provide technical assistance to LPAs, engineers and city officials on various pedestrian crossing and bicycle improvements using current bicycle and pedestrian master plans and best practices from other areas for reference.
- Update the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan in cooperation with the state, public and private transportation providers, and health and human service organizations including organizations supporting the elderly and disabled.
- Amend and/or modify, as necessary, the MPO TIP and MTP to include public transportation projects.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATE

- Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan update – March 1, 2023
- Updated Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan – as needed

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
45	20	0	45	10	0	120

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$3,494
Direct Costs	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$1,077
Total	\$4,571

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$1,973
FTA	\$1,684
KYTC	\$123
Local	\$791
Total	\$4,571

8.0: TRANSIT PLANNING

PURPOSE

Provide transit management assistance to the City of Owensboro.

WORK TASKS

- Assist the City of Owensboro in applying for and securing operating and capital assistance.
- Assist the Owensboro Transit System (OTS) manager and serve as a liaison between the City of Owensboro, Federal Transit Administration, and KYTC.
- Assist OTS in Safety Plan implementation and PTASP reporting.
- Assist routing, scheduling, marketing, fare structure and the production of maps and graphics.
- Provide technical assistance to OTS including triennial review, Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) and civil rights activities.
- Attend meetings and training sessions, as needed.
- Coordinate with transit provider agencies in carrying out Transit Asset Management and Performance-Based Planning and Programming requirements. Work with Owensboro Transit System (OTS) to monitor progress in meeting TAM targets.
- Assist in updating the Title VI/Limited English Proficiency (LEP) plan and the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) plan.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- FTA 5307 and 5339 Grant Applications – June 1, 2023
- Maps and graphics, as requested
- Transit Asset Management (TAM) plan update – October 1, 2022
- DBE Goals update – October 1, 2022
- Safety Plan update – December 31, 2022
- OTS Title VI/LEP update – June 1, 2024

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
200	40	60	60	0	0	360

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$13,320
Direct Costs	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$4,680
Total	\$18,000

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$0
FTA	\$14,400
KYTC	\$0
Local	\$3,600
Total	\$18,000

9.0: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO OWENSBORO AND DAVIESS COUNTY

PURPOSE

Provide technical assistance to the City of Owensboro and Daviess County, as well as their departments on transportation planning projects and traffic operations.

WORK TASKS

- Assist the city and the county in applying for funds in implementing highway projects in the urban area.
- Assist in the implementation of various street and intersection projects and other high MPO priority highway projects.
- Assist Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (OMPC), the city and county in implementing local access management policies.
- Coordinate with CSX Railroad, KYTC and the city and county on railroad crossing improvements.
- Conduct studies on traffic flow, parking, speed limits, signalization and safety improvements.
- Conduct traffic counts, as requested.
- Assist the Owensboro Police Department and the Daviess County Road Department on warrants for traffic signs at requested locations. Staff will assist in the implementation of sign programs for the city and county.
- Meet with, and/or provide information to, the general public on traffic concerns and ongoing highway projects.
- Serve on various ad-hoc committees, as requested by the city and county.

PRODUCTS & COMPLETION DATES

- Traffic Counts as requested

FUNDING SUMMARY

Staff hours						
MPO Coordinator	CED Director	Finance Director	GIS Analyst	Transportation Planner	Support Staff	Total Hours
180	55	15	15	0	15	285

Cost Summary	
Personnel	\$11,091
Direct Costs	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$3,909
Total	\$15,000

Funding Source	
FHWA	\$0
FTA	\$0
KYTC	\$0
Local	\$15,000
Total	\$15,000

Owensboro-Daviess County MPO Transportation Planning

FHWA

Source	Amount	Estimated Staff Hours
FHWA	\$128,000	1,020 hrs – MPO Coordinator
KYTC	\$8,000	450 hrs – CED Director
Owensboro	\$12,000	120 hrs – Finance Director
Daviess County	<u>\$12,000</u>	270 hrs – GIS Analyst
Total	\$160,000	145 hrs – Transportation Planner
		305 hrs – Support Staff

FTA Section 5303

Source	Amount	Estimated Staff Hours
FTA	\$53,000	550 hrs – MPO Coordinator
Owensboro	<u>\$13,250</u>	185 hrs – CED Director
Total	\$66,250	55 hrs – Finance Director
		165 hrs – GIS Analyst
		115 hrs – Transportation Planner
		145 hrs – Support Staff

Other Contracts

Owensboro Transit Management Assistance – FTA Section 5307

Source	Amount	Estimated Staff Hours
FTA	\$14,400	200 hrs – MPO Coordinator
OTS	<u>\$3,600</u>	40 hrs – CED Director
Total	\$18,000	60 hrs – Finance Director
		60 hrs – GIS Analyst

City/County MPO Technical Assistance

Source	Amount	Estimated Staff Hours
Daviess County	\$7,500	180 hrs – MPO Coordinator
Owensboro	<u>\$7,500</u>	55 hrs – CED Director
Total	\$15,000	15 hrs – GIS Analyst
		15 hrs – Support Staff

MPO Total Funding

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$160,000
FTA	\$66,250
OTS Assistance	\$18,000
City/County Assistance	<u>\$15,000</u>
Total	\$229,250



Unified Planning Work Program Checklist

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4 WORK ELEMENTS* - Each Work Item should include the following:			
Work Element Number & Title			
Description, including Goals, Objectives and Products			23 CFR 420.111(b)(1) & 450.308(c)
Schedule for Completion			23 CFR 450.308(c)
Agency Responsible			23 CFR 450.308(c)
Estimated Cost			23 CFR 420.111(e)
Funding Sources			23 CFR 450.308(c)
ISSUES TO ADDRESS (May be addressed under various work elements listed below or as standalone work elements)			
Safety/Security	12		
Resilience/Reliability (Consider KYTC evaluations of damage-prone areas)			23 CFR 667
Multimodal Planning			
-Freight	16		23 U.S.C. 134(h), (i)(6)
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-Bike/Pedestrian	18		23 U.S.C. 134(i)(6)(A), 135(f)(3)(A)
Travel Demand Modeling: MTP update, project analysis, report of housing and employment changes and employment-based traffic patterns to KYTC. If not a standalone work element, include summary of modeling-related tasks.	12		[See 23 CFR 450.104, Regionally significant project]
Conformity Analysis			
TTS Architecture	16		23 CFR 940
Congestion Management Process (TMAs only)			23 CFR 450.322
ADA Transition Plans	8		FHWA Civil Rights Guidance: www.fhwa.dot.gov/civilrights/programs/ada_sect504qa.cfm#q12
ADMINISTRATION Work Element			
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* The Work Elements organizational structure presented in this table is provided as an example only; MPOs may adjust the organizational structure to suit their needs.

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
APPROVING THE
FY 2023 TRANSPORTATION
UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Title 23 U.S. Code, Section 134 of the Federal Urban Mass Transit Act of 1964, as amended, requires the preparation of a Unified Planning Work Program in areas involving urban transportation planning; and

WHEREAS, the Owensboro-Daviess County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the designated agency responsible for transportation planning in the Owensboro-Daviess County metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS, the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO is responsible, along with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, for addressing the planning process in accordance with 23 CFR 450.334; and

WHEREAS, a Unified Planning Work Program is recognized as a means to consolidate and formally coordinate all transportation planning activities at the metropolitan level when more than one modal planning program is involved; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Committee of the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO has endorsed and recommended the FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program to the Policy Committee,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Policy Committee of the MPO, at its regular public meeting of April 26, 2022, approves the FY 2023 UPWP for the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO area.



Al Mattingly, Daviess County Judge/Executive
MPO Policy Committee Chairman

Attest: 

The CAP letter is pending.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

By and Between
the
Owensboro – Daviess County
Metropolitan Planning Organization
the
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
and the
City of Owensboro, Kentucky
(Owensboro Transit System)

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is made by and between the Owensboro – Daviess County Metropolitan Planning Organization (hereinafter referred to as MPO), the City of Owensboro, Kentucky, Owensboro Transit System (hereinafter referred to as OTS), and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (hereinafter referred to as KYTC).

THE AGENCIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

The Green River Area Development District is the designated staff agency for the MPO, serving Owensboro – Daviess County, Kentucky. The City of Owensboro is the recipient of Federal Transit Agency funds designated for the urbanized area. The Owensboro Transit System is a department of the City of Owensboro.

The MPO, in cooperation with KYTC and OTS, is responsible for metropolitan planning for Owensboro – Daviess County. The MPO will coordinate with the Green River Intra-County Transit System (GRITS) for paratransit service planning issues as needed.

Performance-Based Transportation Planning and Programming

The MPO will develop and carry out a performance-based metropolitan transportation planning process in cooperation and consultation with KYTC and OTS for the City of Owensboro and Daviess County.

- KYTC, the MPO and OTS mutually agree to share available data related to performance measurement and target setting with each other, subject to the policies and procedures of each agency. Examples of such data include, but are not limited to traffic counts, travel times/speeds, socioeconomic data, transit ridership data and infrastructure condition measures.
- The MPO will plan and program projects that contribute to the achievement of KYTC's statewide performance targets and/or commit to quantifiable performance targets for the metropolitan planning area or any portion thereof.
- KYTC will notify the MPO as soon as practicable upon the establishment and/or modification of its performance targets.
- The quantifiable performance targets to which the MPO chooses to commit must be approved by the MPO Policy Committee and reported to KYTC within 180 days of the establishment of statewide performance targets by KYTC.
- The MPO will incorporate relevant goals, objectives, and performance measures and targets developed by KYTC and OTS into the transportation plans, programs and processes of the MPO.

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

In cooperation and coordination with KYTC, OTS and other agency partners, the MPO will develop and maintain a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) in compliance with all relevant laws and regulations. The MPO shall review and update the transportation plan at least every five years to confirm the transportation plan's validity and consistency with current and forecasted transportation and land use conditions and trends, and to extend the forecast period to at least a 20-year planning horizon.

- The MPO will initiate, in consultation with KYTC, OTS and other agency partners, the selection of projects to include in the MTP. The initial list of MTP projects will be confirmed, supplemented by or revised by public input received during the public comment period of the MTP. The MPO will receive and address all comments and include documentation as part of the MTP.
- KYTC will provide the MPO with sufficient details, including location, description and cost for projects proposed or endorsed by KYTC for inclusion in the MTP.

- At the discretion of the KYTC, the MPO will be provided with cost estimates for projects proposed by the MPO and/or other project sponsors.
- At the request of the MPO, KYTC will provide preliminary system-level estimates of costs necessary to adequately operate and maintain the Federal-aid highway system within the planning area. The MPO may adjust these preliminary cost estimates with KYTC concurrence.
- At the request of the MPO, KYTC will provide available information on historic levels of transportation expenditures for Owensboro – Daviess County and the state of Kentucky; an estimate of current typical annual transportation spending at the state level; an estimate of the annual construction cost inflation rate over the time horizon covered by the MTP; and an estimate of the annual rate of change of transportation spending over the life of the MTP. The MPO may adjust the annual construction cost inflation rate based on local conditions. Upon agreement with KYTC, the MPO may also adjust the annual rate of change of transportation spending.
- The MPO is responsible for developing a financially reasonable MTP in consultation with KYTC, OTS and other agency partners, and will be in compliance with current federal planning regulations set forth by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The MTP will follow public participation guidelines outlined in the MPO Participation Plan and in compliance with state and federal regulations.
- The MPO will prepare necessary amendments and/or administrative modifications to the MTP that will include a project location and description, cost estimates, and impact on financial constraint, if applicable. Amendments and administrative modifications will follow the procedures outlined in the MPO Participation Plan.
- The final MTP will be approved by the MPO Policy Committee and will include a financial plan that clearly states the methods and assumptions used to determine the financial reasonableness of the MTP.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

In cooperation and coordination with KYTC, OTS and other agency partners, the MPO will develop and maintain a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as the short-range program of projects for the MPO. The TIP will be consistent with all federal requirements and will cover a period of no less than four years at the time of its adoption, and it will be updated at least every four years. The final TIP will be approved by the MPO Policy Committee.

- Projects included in the TIP will be consistent with the Kentucky Highway Plan, developed by KYTC in cooperation with the MPO and reviewed/approved biennially by the Kentucky General Assembly.
- For projects included in the TIP, fiscal constraint will be determined at the state level and demonstrated in the Kentucky STIP.
- At the request of the MPO, KYTC will provide cost estimates for projects sponsored or endorsed by KYTC. KYTC may, at its discretion, provide cost estimates for projects sponsored by other agencies.
- The MPO will amend or modify the TIP as needed to reflect changes in project implementation schedules and costs; the development of new operations, maintenance or safety projects by KYTC; or successful grant applications for federal program funds.

Participation Plan

In compliance with metropolitan planning regulations, the MPO has developed a Participation Plan which outlines a formal public involvement process, including public notice and comment periods, which is followed in the development of the TIP and MTP. The MPO agrees to follow its public involvement process as a part of all metropolitan-wide transportation planning initiatives and agrees to update the Participation Plan as needed and at least every four years.

Annual Listing of Obligated Projects

The MPO will develop an Annual Listing of Obligated Projects outlining all projects within the metropolitan planning area for which funding has been obligated over the past fiscal year.

- Following the end of each fiscal year, KYTC will provide information to the MPO on funds obligated under 23 U.S.C.
- The MPO will obtain information on funds obligated under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 from available sources such as local transit agencies and will prepare an annual listing of obligated projects that meets all applicable Federal requirements.
- The MPO will provide the annual listing of obligated projects to KYTC in time for KYTC to submit the listing to FHWA by the Federal deadline.

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

The MPO will annually prepare a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the following fiscal year based on anticipated funding levels. The MPO will submit to all applicable parties for review and determination of eligibility, in accordance with established schedules and document routing requirements.

- The MPO will coordinate with KYTC, OTS and other agency partners to determine appropriate work tasks to be included in the UPWP.
- Funding parameters for the UPWP will be determined by the amount of Kentucky metropolitan planning (PL) funds distributed to the MPO by the Kentucky MPO Council. This is determined each year in consultation with KYTC. Additionally, the inclusion of FTA funds shall be considered during the development of the UPWP.
- The MPO will coordinate with OTS on the development and submittal of FTA 5303 application. The City of Owensboro is the recipient of FTA funds. The MPO will not be responsible for providing the local match to Section 5303 funds, unless otherwise negotiated.
- The Daviess County Fiscal Court will be permitted one voting member on the MPO Policy Committee.

Committee Membership

- KYTC will be permitted to appoint at least one voting member to the MPO Policy Committee and at least two voting members to the MPO Technical Advisory Committee.
- The Owensboro Transit System will be represented by the Mayor of the City of Owensboro on the MPO Policy Committee.
- The Owensboro Transit System will be permitted one voting member on the MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

Transit Coordination

The MPO will coordinate with OTS and other regional transit providers on matters related to public transportation as they pertain to the MPO transportation planning process.

- The MPO will coordinate with OTS to ensure that all identified transit-related projects are included in the TIP.
- The MPO, OTS and KYTC agree that the public and agency outreach procedures for TIP Amendment and Administrative Modification processes

included in the Participation Plan are adequate to meet the public input required for OTS's Program of Projects and meet the intent of the federal planning regulations.

- The MPO will prepare updates to the OTS Title VI Plan and coordinate complaints through OTS.
- The MPO will coordinate and facilitate the Coordinated Public – Human Services Transportation Plan.
- The MPO will revise and assist OTS in meeting new FTA Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.
- The MPO will assist OTS in meeting new FAST Act regulations including the development of transit asset management and transit agency safety plans.

Termination and Modification

- It is the intent of the MPO, KYTC and OTS to carry forward the planning process on a continuing basis. It is the intention of the parties that this agreement will be in effect for a period beginning January 31, 2017. This agreement will remain in effect until terminated or superseded by a new agreement. Any agency subject to this agreement may withdraw from the agreement by giving thirty (30) days written notice to all other agencies subject to the agreement. In the event that an agency withdraws from this agreement, the rights and responsibilities of the remaining agencies will remain unchanged with respect to each other until this agreement is amended or replaced.
- In the event that this agreement requires modification for any reason, the required modifications may be accomplished through the execution of a letter modification or supplementary agreement between all agencies subject to this agreement.
- This agreement may be amended or replaced with a new agreement at any time upon the written consent of all remaining signatory agencies. In the event that this agreement is replaced with a new agreement, this agreement will become null and void when the new agreement goes into effect.

Dispute Resolution

- Should a dispute arise which cannot be resolved between the agency staffs and/or MPO committee members, the matter will be elevated to agency executives and, if necessary, the governor. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and any other relevant agencies will be consulted throughout the dispute resolution process, as needed, and their input will be taken into consideration in attempting to resolve disputes. In the event that a dispute cannot be resolved, any signatory agency to this agreement may withdraw from the agreement as described above under Termination and Modification.

The signatures below signify the acceptance and approval of this agreement.

**OWENSBORO – DAVIESS COUNTY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

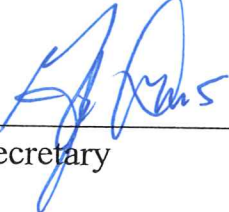


Judge/Executive Al Mattingly
MPO Policy Committee Chair

1/31/17

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
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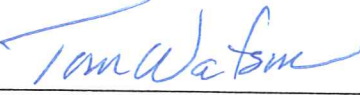


Secretary

2/17/17

Date

**CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY
OWENSBORO TRANSIT SYSTEM**



Tom Watson, Mayor
City of Owensboro

1-31-17

Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGALITY
TRANSPORTATION CABINET**



Office of Legal Services

2/7/17

Date