

Annual Listing of Obligated Projects

Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)



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Background

In accordance with the provisions set forth in the current federal transportation law – the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act – and 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, the Eastern Shore MPO is tasked with carrying out a cooperative and comprehensive multimodal transportation planning process in Baldwin County. Federal transportation law requires that a U.S. Census-designated Urbanized Area be represented by an MPO, which is responsible for ensuring that federal highway and transit dollars are committed through a locally driven, comprehensive planning process.

Purpose

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) serves as the four year capital program of transportation projects that are wholly or partially paid for with funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or Federal Transit Administration (FTA). To ensure that the public has an accurate understanding of how federal funds are spent on transportation projects, the FAST Act includes a requirement that the organizations responsible for approving the TIP publish an Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for the most recently completed fiscal year. This report covers federal obligations for FY 2020.

The TIP lists the intended schedule and estimated cost for each phase of a transportation project. Project schedules and costs change on a routine basis, usually as the result of resource availability, timing of work, or the refinement of a project’s scope. The TIP, though updated to reflect current project schedules and costs prior to obligating phases, does not provide accounting-level precision of actual, day-to-day project costs and schedules.

What are project obligations?

One might think of this as setting up a checking account for a purchase and then making an initial deposit. In order to begin work on any phase of a transportation project, federal funds must be obligated. This means that money is set aside for that particular project (deposited in the "checking account" for the project), which can then be used to pay bills. The project expenses may cover invoices from a design consultant, a construction contractor, or payroll costs for agency employees working on the project.

Do project obligations mean the work is underway?

No, not always. Project obligations are made to allow a project phase to begin, but it takes time to get work underway once the phase is obligated. For example, once the construction phase is obligated, the project can then be advertised for bids. The advertisement period can vary depending on the size and complexity of the project (up to five weeks in some cases). Bids are then opened, evaluated and the project awarded to a contractor. This process can create a three to four-month lag between initial obligation and noticeable work performed by the contractor at the site.

There are instances when a project phase is obligated, but work is never started or not completed in a timely manner. If there is a question on the status of a specific project, the project sponsor should be contacted.

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Project Listing

The following table list projects that had federal funds obligated during FY 2020 (October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020) and is sorted by project sponsor. The table includes both FHWA funded projects and FTA funded projects, and includes basic data about each project:

- **Program:** The Federal Aid program used to fund the project.
- **Table Number (Table No.):** This is the location of the project based on project type and funding.
- **Federal Aid Number (FA Nbr.):** Number assigned to the project based on the Federal Aid program used to fund the project.
- **Project Number:** Assigned by the state DOT to identify and track the project. Each phase of the project has its own project number.
- **Scope:** This describes the phase or type of work to be performed and for which funding was obligated. Only those phases that had funds obligated during the FFY are listed. Below are phases included in the table:
 1. Preliminary Engineering
 2. Right of Way (ROW)
 3. Utilities (UT)
 4. Construction (CN)
 5. For Maintenance (FM)
- **Length:** The linear distance of the project measured in miles.
- **Start Date:** Date work is expected to start or did begin.
- **Type of Work:** Description of the improvements or work to be completed
- **% Engineers Estimate:** Project cost estimate

- **Federal Obligated:** Amount of federal dollars obligated to the project
- **Federal Expenditure:** Amount of federal dollars spent to date on the project.
- **Balance:** Amount of federal dollars remaining in the budget for the project

Please note that FTA funded projects do not identify individual phases as shown for FHWA funded projects; transit agencies tend to use funds to purchase capital equipment and do not use the funds to build infrastructure projects, as done with the highway program.

Summary

For FY2020, \$3,737,270 in federal transportation funds were obligated for a variety of State, County, and local transportation projects. This included over \$250,000 in FTA 5307 urban area transit funds for transit projects.

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Sponsor: ALDOT

Program	Table No.	FA Nbr.	Project Number	Scope	Length (miles)	Start Date	Type of Work	% Engineer Estimate	Fed. Obligated	Fed. Expenditure	Balance
USES	1	STPOA 0042(537)	100069345	CN	0.010	12/15/2019	SIGNALIZATION	\$280,000	\$280,000	\$13,297	\$266,703
Project Description: TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF SR-42 (US-98) AND CR-34											
SAF	11	HSIP-STPOA 0016 (524)	100067786	UT	0.200	01/01/2020	GRADE, DRAIN, BASE AND PAVE	\$534,492	\$713,000	\$442	\$712,558
Project Description: INTERSECTION RELOCATION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION ON SR-16 (US-90) AT SR-59 IN LOXLEY											
SAF	11	HSIP-STPOA 0016 (524)	100067784	CN	0.329	05/29/2020	GRADE, DRAIN, BASE AND PAVE	\$1,918,500	\$1,218,014	\$26,315	\$1,191,699
Project Description: INTERSECTION RELOCATION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION ON SR-16 (US-90) AT SR-59 IN LOXLEY											
USES	1	HSIP-STPOA 0016 (524)	100067784	CN	0.329	05/29/2020	GRADE, DRAIN, BASE AND PAVE	\$1,705,333	\$223,674	\$100,979	\$122,694
Project Description: INTERSECTION RELOCATION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION ON SR-16 (US-90) AT SR-59 IN LOXLEY											
SAF	11	STPAA-HSIP 0181 (508)	100066642	FM	6.950	12/06/2019	PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE LEVEL 2 W/ SAFETY WIDEN	\$1,852,269	\$261,838	\$259,444	\$2,394
Project Description: RESURFACING AND 2 FT SAFETY WIDENING ON SR-181 FROM SR-42 (US-98) TO JUST SOUTH OF QUAIL CREEK DRIVE											
ST	2	STPAA-HSIP 0181 (508)	100066642	FM	6.950	12/06/2019	PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE LEVEL 2 W/ SAFETY WIDEN	\$1,646,461	\$1,286,061	\$1,420,519	(\$134,457)
Project Description: RESURFACING AND 2 FT SAFETY WIDENING ON SR-181 FROM SR-42 (US-98) TO JUST SOUTH OF QUAIL CREEK DRIVE											
BRN	3	BR I010(347)	100069479	CN	0.300	11/06/2020	BRIDGE PAINTING	\$1,472,791	\$1,472,791	\$800	\$1,471,991
Project Description: BRIDGE PAINTING ON BRIDGES ALONG I-10. ON SR-16 (US-98) OVER I-10 (BIN 1000210003) ON I-10 OVER FISH RIVER (BIN 1017010171) ON I-10 OVER 3-MILE CRK (BIN 1017210173) ON I-10 OVER COWPEN CRK (BIN 85278528) ON I-10 OVER STYX RIVER (BIN 8530 8531)											
IM	3	BR I010(347)	100069462	PE	0.000	03/01/2020	BRIDGE PAINTING	\$90,900	\$90,900	\$3,314	\$87,586
Project Description: BRIDGE PAINTING ON BRIDGES ALONG I-10. ON SR-16 (US-98) OVER I-10 (BIN 1000210003) ON I-10 OVER FISH RIVER (BIN 1017010171) ON I-10 OVER 3-MILE CRK (BIN 1017210173) ON I-10 OVER COWPEN CRK (BIN 85278528) ON I-10 OVER STYX RIVER (BIN 8530 8531)											
RP80	12	RP MR19(904)	100069813	PE	0.240	01/01/2020	INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS	\$332,047	\$245,000	\$38,211	\$206,790
Project Description: INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON SR-16(US-90)/SR-42(US-98) AT SR-3(US-31) AND REALIGNMENT OF SPANISH MAIN STREET											
RP801	12	RP MR19(904)	100069813	PE	0.240	01/01/2020	INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS	\$332,047	\$87,047	\$78,161	\$8,885
Project Description: INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON SR-16(US-90)/SR-42(US-98) AT SR-3(US-31) AND REALIGNMENT OF SPANISH MAIN STREET											

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Sponsor: BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION

Program	Table No.	FA Nbr.	Project Number	Scope	Length (miles)	Start Date	Type of Work	% Engineer Estimate	Fed. Obligated	Fed. Expenditure	Balance
HSIP	11	HSIP 0220(250)	100070637	PE	0.100	04/01/2020	SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS	\$36,469	\$36,469	\$38,282	(\$1,814)
Project Description: INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT AND INSTALLATION OF TURN LANES AT CR-31 (OLD HIGHWAY 31) AND SR-3 (US-31)											
FTA9	9	FTA9 TR20()	100070904	TR	0.000	11/01/2019	UNCLASSIFIED	\$92,636	\$92,636	\$28,566	\$64,070
Project Description: SECTION 5307 TRANSIT BALDWIN CO COMM OPERATING FY 2020											
FTA98	9	PDFTA98 TR20()	100072025	TR	0.000	07/01/2020	UNCLASSIFIED	\$158,000	\$158,000	\$65,340	\$92,660
Project Description: SECTION 5307 TRANSIT CARES ACT BALDWIN CO COMM OPERATING FY 2020											

Sponsor: CITY OF FAIRHOPE

Program	Table No.	FA Nbr.	Project Number	Scope	Length (miles)	Start Date	Type of Work	% Engineer Estimate	Fed. Obligated	Fed. Expenditure	Balance
RAA2	12	ATRP2-02- 2020-204-CN ()	100071098	CN	0.119	03/26/2021	TURN LANES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Project Description: ADDING TURN LANES ON CR-44 AND UPGRADING TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT CR-44 AND SR-42 (US-98)											
STATE	7	ST-002-042- 028-PE ()	100070740	PE	0.119	05/01/2020	TURN LANES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Project Description: ADDING TURN LANES ON CR-44 AND UPGRADING TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT CR-44 AND SR-42 (US-98)											
USES	1	STPOA 0220(252)	100070857	PE	0.000	08/01/2020	TURN LANES	\$115,200	\$115,200	\$0	\$115,200
Project Description: TURN LANE CONSTRUCTION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE ON CR-30 (GAYFER AVENUE) AT SR-42 (US-98) IN THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE											