

Memorandum of Agreement for the 3C Planning Process

Between

Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, the Arkansas Department of Transportation, Missouri Department of Transportation, Ozark Regional Transit and University of Arkansas Razorback Transit

It is the purpose of this agreement to make provision for cooperative mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation 3C (Comprehensive, Continuing and Cooperative) planning process in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS) area and to provide a single agreement between the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC), the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), Ozark Regional Transit and University of Arkansas Razorback Transit, in accordance with current Federal legislation.

Whereas, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act promulgated regulations 23 CFR §450.314 that require the MPO, the State, and public transportation operator cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process; and

Whereas, it is recommended that to the extent possible, a single agreement between all responsible parties be developed to include specific provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to the development of financial plans that support the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) (23 CFR §450.324), the metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (23 CFR §450.326), and development of the Annual Listing of Obligated Projects (23 CFR §450.334).

Now, therefore, the parties do agree as follows:

To cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process;

To make provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to the development of financial plans that support the MTP, the TIP, and performance-based planning and programming;

To cooperatively develop a listing of projects (including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities) for which funds under 23 U.S.C. or 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 were obligated in the preceding program year;

And, that the Unified Planning Work Program will detail and document these responsibilities, deliverables and associated costs.

The parties to this Agreement are independent entities, and nothing in this Agreement shall create any agency, joint venture, or partnership relationship between the parties.

This Agreement may be executed concurrently in one or more counterparts. The parties may execute the Agreement via facsimile or email attachment.

NWARPC

 6/1/2018
Jeff Hawkins, Executive Director Date

ARDOT

 6-11-18
Scott E. Bennett, P.E., Director Date
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OZARK REGIONAL TRANSIT

 5/24/18
Joel Gardner, Executive Director Date

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS RAZORBACK TRANSIT

 6/1/18
Tim O'Donnell, Vice Chancellor Date
For Finance and Administration

MODOT

 5/30/18
Ed Hassinger, Chief Engineer Date