



NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Ronisha Hodge, FTA | Amy Heflin and Truett Smith, FHWA
Tim Conklin, Tim Reavis, and Cristina Scarlet, NWARPC

RE: NARTS FFY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #6 APPROVAL

All:

The Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC), in conjunction with Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and Razorback Transit has determined an amendment to the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS) Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is necessary to include USDOT SS4A discretionary grant awards, additional MoDOT projects, and modifications to FTA Section 5307 programmed funding allocations.

Both the NARTS TIP and the Arkansas STIP list projects for roadway, bridge, safety, intersection improvement, and transit projects. The NARTS TIP is consistent with the NWA 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Missouri STIP is consistent with the Statewide Long-Range Plan. The NARTS TIP is a component of the STIP, and as such, the projects, funding amounts, categories, FFY, etc., must match the STIP.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION: In accordance with NWARPC's Public Participation Plan, notification was published in the Democrat Gazette on Sunday, March 10, 2024, the La Prensa Libre on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, the McDonald County Press on Thursday, March 21, 2024, and online at www.nwarpc.org/public-notifications/. A public comment period for TIP Amendment #6 began on Monday, March 11, 2024 and ran through Monday, March 25, 2024. Written comments were encouraged via email or using the comment tab on the NWARPC website. No public comments were received.

RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVAL: The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) held a hybrid, in-person and virtual, meeting on March 21, 2024 and recommended approval of the TIP Amendment to the RPC/Policy Committee. The RPC/Policy Committee held a hybrid, in-person and virtual, meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 and approved Resolution #2024-04 Amending the NARTS FFY 2023-2026 TIP.

This approval letter, including Resolution #2024-04, has been incorporated into the NARTS FFY 2023-2026 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications, which can be viewed at www.nwarpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program/.

Thank you for your assistance in this endeavor. Please contact me if you require additional information.

Sincerely,
Nicole Gibbs

Nicole Gibbs, AICP
Regional Planner, NWARPC

Enclosed:
NWARPC Resolution #2024-04

RESOLUTION #2024-04

**AMENDING THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION STUDY (NARTS)
FFY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

WHEREAS, Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) is the officially designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Designated Recipient for the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, the MPO is charged with the responsibility of developing and administering the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS); and

WHEREAS, the NWARPC, in conjunction with Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and Razorback Transit, has determined an amendment to the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS) Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is necessary to include U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant awards, additional MoDOT projects, and modifications to FTA Section 5307 programmed funding allocations; and

WHEREAS, based on the adopted NWARPC Public Participation Plan, this TIP amendment was subject to public comment from March 11, 2024 to March 25, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

That the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS) FFY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as shown in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 27th DAY OF MARCH, 2024



Mayor Ernie Penn, Vice Chair, NWARPC

ATTEST:



EXHIBIT A -
2023-2026 NARTS TIP - AMENDMENT #6 PROPOSED CHANGES

JOB	COUNTY	ROUTE	TERMINI	LENGTH	TYPE WORK	ESTIMATED COST	AGENCY	FFY	MPO
						Funding Breakdown (in thousands)	CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT		
NEW:									
TBD	WASHINGTON	VARIOUS	Safe Streets and Roads for Fayetteville, Arkansas - Accelerating Change Toward Vision Zero	5.27	Safety	33,500 - TOTAL 25,000 - Federal (SS4A) 8,500 - Local	Local	2024	NARTS
TBD	BENTON & WASHINGTON		Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	-	Planning	375 - TOTAL 300 - Federal (SS4A) 75 - Local	Local	2024	NARTS
SR0098	MCDONALD	IS 49	Add high friction surface treatment on the southbound lanes of I-49 from Rte. EE to 0.2 mile south of Elk River Rd in Pineville, in Taney County on Rte. 76 at Rtes. F and MM and on Rte. 39 south of Rte. P in Lawrence County.	0.64	System Preservation	1,536 - TOTAL 1,378 - SAFETY 153 - State 5 - Prior	MoDOT	2025	NARTS
7P3529	MCDONALD	BU 71	Replace signals on Bus. 71 in Anderson and Pineville, Rte. 52 in Butler, Rte. 54 in El Dorado Springs, Rte. 65 in Buffalo, Rte. 43 in Joplin, Rte. 60 and Loop 49 in Neosho, Rte. 39 in Aurora and Rte. 59 in Goodman and Anderson.	0.64	System Preservation	6,664 - TOTAL 4,851 - AC-STBG 1,213 - State 600 - Prior	MoDOT	2025	NARTS
SR0067	VARIOUS	VARIOUS	On-call work zone enforcement at various locations in the rural Southwest District.	-	System Preservation	100 - TOTAL 90 - SAFETY 10 - State	MoDOT	2025	NARTS
SR0069	VARIOUS	VARIOUS	Operations and management of Ozarks Traffic ITS in the rural Southwest District.	-	System Preservation	340 - TOTAL 272 - AC-STBG 68 - State	MoDOT	2025	NARTS
SR0071	VARIOUS	VARIOUS	Job Order Contracting for guard cable and guardrail repair in the rural Southwest District.	-	System Preservation	4,482 - TOTAL 3,570 - AC-STBG 892 - State 20 - Prior	MoDOT	2025	NARTS
SR0016	MCDONALD	IS 49	Pavement resurfacing from Rte. 59 near Goodman to 2.1 miles south of Rte. 76.	6.64	System Preservation	5,572 - TOTAL 5,006 - NHPP 556 - State 10 - Prior	MoDOT	2026	NARTS
SR0181	MCDONALD	IS 49	Job Order Contracting for pavement repair from Rte. 59 to Arkansas State line.	16	System Preservation	167 - TOTAL 150 - AC-NHPP 17 - State	MoDOT	2026	NARTS

WAS:

NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	125 - TOTAL 100 - FTA-5307 25 - Local	Local-MPO	2023	NARTS
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NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	0 - TOTAL 0 - FTA-5307 0 - Local	Local-MPO	2023	NARTS
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NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	125 - TOTAL 100 - FTA-5307 25 - Local	Local-MPO	2024	NARTS
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FFY 2019, FFY 2020, and FFY 2021 FTA-5307 funds used in FFY 2024.

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NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	125 - TOTAL 100 - FTA-5307 25 - Local	Local-MPO	2025	NARTS
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NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	250 - TOTAL 200 - FTA-5307 50 - Local	Local-MPO	2025	NARTS
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FFY 2021, FFY 2022, and 2023 FTA-5307 funds used in FFY 2025.

WAS:

NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	125 - TOTAL 100 - FTA-5307 25 - Local	Local-MPO	2026	NARTS
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NARTS11	Capital - Planning	-	Transit	125 - TOTAL 100 - FTA-5307 25 - Local	Local-MPO	2026	NARTS
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FFY 2023 and FFY 2024 FTA-5307 funds used in FFY 2026.

WAS:

NARTS06	Operating Assistance	-	Transit	610 - TOTAL 488 - FTA-5307 122 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
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NARTS06	Operating Assistance	-	Transit	610 - TOTAL 488 - FTA-5307 122 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
FFY 2021 funds used in FFY 2024							

WAS:

NARTS07	Capital - Preventative Maintenance	-	Transit	282 - TOTAL 226 - FTA-5307 56 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS07	Capital - Preventative Maintenance	-	Transit	513 - TOTAL 410 - FTA-5307 103 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
FFY 2021 funds used in FFY 2024							

WAS:

NARTS08	Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	167 - TOTAL 134 - FTA-5307 33 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS08	Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	145 - TOTAL 116 - FTA-5307 29 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
FFY 2021 funds used in FFY 2024							

WAS:

NARTS09	Capital - Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	775 - TOTAL 620 - FTA-5307 155 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS09	Capital - Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	706 - TOTAL 600 - FTA-5307 106 - Local	Local-UofA	2024	NARTS
FFY 2021 funds used in FFY 2024							

WAS:

NARTS06	Operating Assistance	-	Transit	614 - TOTAL 491 - FTA-5307 123 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS06	Operating Assistance	-	Transit	106 - TOTAL 53 - FTA-5307 53 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
FFY 2022 funds used in FFY 2025							

WAS:

NARTS07	Capital - Preventative Maintenance	-	Transit	285 - TOTAL 228 - FTA-5307 57 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS07	Capital - Preventative Maintenance	-	Transit	563 - TOTAL 450 - FTA-5307 113 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
FFY 2022 funds used in FFY 2025							

WAS:

NARTS08	Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	170 - TOTAL 136 - FTA-5307 34 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS08	Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	150 - TOTAL 120 - FTA-5307 30 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
FFY 2022 funds used in FFY 2025							

WAS:

NARTS09	Capital - Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	790 - TOTAL 632 - FTA-5307 158 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
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CHANGED TO:

NARTS09	Capital - Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	1,059 - TOTAL 900 - FTA-5307 159 - Local	Local-UofA	2025	NARTS
FFY 2022 funds used in FFY 2025							