



## NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Joel Gardner and Mindy Campbell, ORT  
Tim Conklin, Tim Reavis, and Cristina Scarlat, NWARPC  
Ronisha Hodge, FTA Region VI

**RE: NARTS FFY 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)  
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION #2 – FFY 2025 AND FFY 2026 FTA 5307 ORT CHANGES**

**ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION DESCRIPTION:**

Through coordination with Ozark Regional Transit (ORT), Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), it has been determined that an administrative modification is required to the NARTS FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as shown in Exhibit A. This modification moves FTA Section 5307 ORT projects originally programmed in FFY 2025 (NARTS01, 02, 03, and 14) into FFY 2026 to align with FTA grant award timing. No changes to project scope, funding amounts, or project sponsors are proposed.

**NWARPC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN:**

*Administrative Modifications are revisions that do not require federal approval. If needed for clarification, these revisions to the STIP/TIP may be noted in the comment field on the Federal-aid Project Agreement form. The following identifies applicable revisions to the STIP/TIP that are considered Administrative Modifications.*

1. *Change in schedule consistent with 23 CFR 450.218 (n).*
2. *Modification to the project description / length / termini that does not significantly change the project scope, conflict with the environmental document, or impact transportation conformity in non-attainment areas, subject to coordination with the MPO.*
3. *A project split or a combination of individually listed projects that do not result in a significant change to the overall scope.*
4. *For FTA funded projects: a. Funding increases or decreases that are more than 20 percent of the STIP/TIP project estimate, including transfers of eligible funding between projects (e.g., between capital and operating assistance projects). Funding increases or decreases that are less than or equal to 20 percent of the STIP/TIP project estimate require no action; and b. Programming or reprogramming of funding carried over from previous years, including previous STIPs/TIPs, to projects in the current STIP/TIP.*

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This approval letter has been incorporated into the NARTS FFY 2025-2028 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications, published at [www.nwarpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program/](http://www.nwarpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program/).

**ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION #2 REVIEWED AND AUTHORIZED ON DECEMBER 2, 2025 BY:**

*Nicole Gibbs*

Nicole Gibbs, AICP

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Enclosed: Exhibit A

Exhibit A

## 2025-2028 NARTS TIP ADMIN.MODIFICATION #2

JOB	COUNTY	ROUTE	TERMINI	LENGTH	TYPE WORK	ESTIMATED COST Funding Breakdown (in thousands)	AGENCY CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT	FFY	MPO
<b>REMOVE:</b>									
NARTS01			Operating Assistance	-	Transit	2,399 - TOTAL 1,199 - FTA-5307 1,200 - Local	Local-ORT	2025	NARTS
FFY 2023 apportioned funds used in FFY 2025									
<b>REMOVE:</b>									
NARTS02			Capital - Preventive Maintenance	-	Transit	560 - TOTAL 448 - FTA-5307 112 - Local	Local-ORT	2025	NARTS
FFY 2023 apportioned funds used in FFY 2025									
<b>REMOVE:</b>									
NARTS03			Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	231 - TOTAL 185 - FTA-5307 46 - Local	Local-ORT	2025	NARTS
FFY 2023 apportioned funds used in FFY 2025									
<b>WAS:</b>									
NARTS01			Operating Assistance	-	Transit	2,912 - TOTAL 1,456 - FTA-5307 1,456 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2024 apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									
<b>CHANGED TO:</b>									
NARTS01			Operating Assistance	-	Transit	5,310 - TOTAL 2,655 - FTA-5307 2,655 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2023 (1,199) and FFY 2024 (1,456) apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									

Exhibit A

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JOB	COUNTY	ROUTE	TERMINI	LENGTH	TYPE WORK	ESTIMATED COST	AGENCY	FFY	MPO
						Funding Breakdown (in thousands)	CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT		
<b>WAS:</b>									
NARTS02			Capital - Preventive Maintenance	-	Transit	689 - TOTAL 551 - FTA-5307 138 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2024 apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									
<b>CHANGED TO:</b>									
NARTS02			Capital - Preventive Maintenance	-	Transit	1,249 - TOTAL 999 - FTA-5307 250 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2023 (448) and FFY 2024 (551) apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									
<b>WAS:</b>									
NARTS03			Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	248 - TOTAL 198 - FTA-5307 50 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2024 apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									
<b>CHANGED TO:</b>									
NARTS03			Capital - Paratransit Service	-	Transit	479 - TOTAL 383 - FTA-5307 96 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2023 (185) and FFY 2024 (198) apportioned funds used in FFY 2026									
<b>WAS:</b>									
NARTS14			Capital – Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	18 - TOTAL 14 - FTA-5307 4 - Local	Local-ORT	2025	NARTS
FFY 2023 apportioned funds used in FFY 2025; includes Acquisition of Mobile Surv/Security Equip (ALI 11.42.09)									
<b>CHANGED TO:</b>									
NARTS14			Capital – Rolling Stock/Support Equipment	-	Transit	18 - TOTAL 14 - FTA-5307 4 - Local	Local-ORT	2026	NARTS
FFY 2023 apportioned funds used in FFY 2026; includes Acquisition of Mobile Surv/Security Equip (ALI 11.42.09)									