



March 27, 2025

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Subject: Amendment to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (#16)

Kim:

In compliance with the 23 CFR 450 and Mississippi Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Public Participation Process, we are submitting for your review and approval, the attached Amendment to the 2025-2028 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

We have reviewed this request and concur that it meets the requirements of MDOT's and the Gulf Regional Planning Commission's (GRPC) Public Participation Plans. The amendment went before the Transportation Commission on March 25, 2025 and was approved.

The MPO updated the TIP for the purpose of including a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for Jackson County to evaluate an interchange at I-10 near Fort Bayou Road. The project was approved at the February 13, 2025 Policy Committee meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the number below or Kenneth at (228) 207-7380.

Sincerely,

Tammi Marsman

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Date: 03/27/2025

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March 12, 2025

Mr. Evan Wright
State Planning Engineer
Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)
Jackson, MS 39215-1850

Re: Jackson County – Interstate 10 @ Fort Bayou Rd Interchange PEL Study

Dear Mr. Wright,

The Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has amended the FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program to include a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study for Jackson County to evaluate an interchange at I-10 near Fort Bayou Road. The study will utilize \$200,000 in TMA-STBG funds. This amendment was approved at the February 13, 2025 Transportation Policy Committee meeting. A public review period was completed with no comment received. The old and new TIP pages are attached.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Yarrow
Gulf Regional Planning Commission

CC: Brian Fulton, Jackson County
Wendy Broussard, Jackson County
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Mitchell Young, MDOT
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FY 2025-2028 TIP amendment

In compliance with federal regulations 23 CFR 450, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is seeking the public's input on proposed amendments to the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a document that provides a list of projects to be initiated within a four-year period. The TIP only includes projects for which funding has been identified or anticipated. Public comments on the proposed amendments can be emailed to kyarrow@grpc.com or mailed to 1635 Poppas Ferry Road, Suite G, Biloxi MS, 39532 before March 15, 2024. GRPC prohibits discrimination in all of its programs, services, and activities. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, sexual orientation, national origin, age, religion, disability, or other protected status. Persons who require assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact GRPC at least 5 business days prior to the end of the comment period at 228-864-1167 or kyarrow@grpc.com. The TIP includes the FTA Program of Projects (POP) that are funded by the Federal Transit Administration. The public comment period will satisfy the public participation requirements for the FTA Section 5307 and 5309 Program of Projects (POP) notice. The proposed POP will be final unless revised as a result of public comment. The proposed amendment is to add \$200,000 in TMA-STBG funds for a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study to assess options for an I-10 interchange at For Bayou Road in Jackson County.
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HARRISON

Before me, the undersigned Notary of Beaufort County, South Carolina personally appeared Mary Castro, who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and say that she is a clerk of The Sun Herald, a daily newspaper published in the city of Gulfport, in Harrison County, Mississippi and the publication of the notice, a copy of which is hereto attached, has been made in said paper in the issue (s) of:

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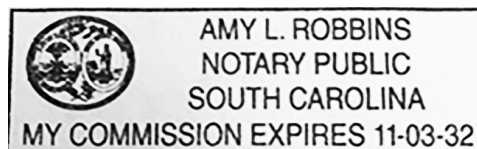
Mary Castro

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of March in the year of 2025

Amy Robbins

Notary Public

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PEL Study for Old Ft. Bayou/I-10 Interchange

From Fulton, Brian <Brian_Fulton@co.jackson.ms.us>

Date Mon 1/6/2025 11:39 AM

To Kenneth Yarrow <kyarrow@grpc.com>

Cc O'Neal, Joe <Joe_ONeal@co.jackson.ms.us>; Broussard, Wendy <Wendy_Broussard@co.jackson.ms.us>

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Kenneth,

The Jackson County Board of Supervisors is requesting \$200,000 in GRPC planning money to perform a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for a potential interchange at I-10 and Old Fort Bayou Road. The county would provide the \$50,000 match for an estimated project cost of \$250,000.

As you probably know, there is currently an I-10 overpass of Old Fort Bayou Road, and Right of Way was set aside for a future interchange at this location when the interstate was built.

Traffic growth and residential development in the area has reached the point where we need to explore opportunities for improvements to the transportation network.

Through the PEL study, we plan to identify environmental, community, and economic goals, and use the information, analysis, and environmental review to determine if the potential project is feasible for advancement into an Interstate Access Request and NEPA process.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Brian



W. Brian Fulton, County Administrator

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Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Studies/Projects Group

Project “Scoping” is the phase in the Project Development process that moves a recognized problem from an idea through the development of alternatives and environmental screening.

Agency	Number	Project Description	Phase	Funding	Date added	Federal Funds
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Gulfport		Pavement Management	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$80,000
Bay St. Louis	108452	City ADA Improvements	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$50,000
Long Beach	108517	Beatline Parkway	ENV	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$150,000
				HIP Congressional Earmark	12/8/2022	\$150,000
GRPC	109397	Airport Connector Feasibility Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/8/2022	\$80,000
GRPC	109330	Moss Point Interstate Interchange Study	Scoping	HB 1413	3/9/2023	\$300,000
D'Iberville	109542	Rodriguez Street / I-110 Traffic Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	3/9/2023	\$78,400
Pascagoula	109553	14th Street Road Diet	Scoping	Non-Urban STBG	11/2/2023	\$39,920
Jackson County	109585	Slider Road	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/11/2023	\$30,400
Jackson County		Ocean Springs Middle School	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/11/2023	\$36,000
Jackson County		I-10 Interchange @ Fort Bayou Rd	PEL	TMA - STBG	2/13/2025	\$200,000



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