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MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO, TCC, & CAC Members

FROM: Robert E. Smith Jr., Director of Planning/MPO Director

DATE: May 11, 2011

RE: Request for Input in the Development of the Fiscal Years
2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

This memo is to advise that the MPO transportation planning staff is requesting input into the development of the **Draft Fiscal Years 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) document**.

The TIP is a short-range transportation improvement program that has included in it the transportation improvements that will be funded and constructed within a 4 year time frame. This document must be financially constrained in order to gain federal and state approval. This means that any project(s) submitted must have funding sources clearly identified inclusive of any required local match. Also, we have more Federal requirements that we must follow for the updated document based on the new Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFFETEA-LU).

This memo is to notify you of the opportunity to identify projects for inclusion in the draft TIP. We are requesting you to submit specifics detailing any transportation improvement project(s) you believe will further area-wide transportation improvement goals. Non-capacity expansion projects must be on functionally classified (federal aid) roadways range from a major rural collector and above to an interstate.

Projects that substantially expand road capacity by adding additional through lane(s) must be in the approved **Montgomery MPO Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan** (LRTP) and must have all funding sources identified. Projects that are in the Long Range Transportation Plan have been modeled using our regional travel demand model during the last update in July 2010. Projects that will add roadway capacity that are not in the 2035 LRTP will have to be modeled and justified for inclusion into the TIP.

An estimated \$3,864,990 is available for FY-2012-2015 for municipal and county government projects. All projects and funds in FY-2011 that haven't been authorized will be carried forward to FY-2012. Use of these funds will require the provision of 20% local matching funds by the sponsoring local or state government entity unless the ratio is changed and approved by ALDOT or Federal government source. To date all projects that are programmed in FY-2011 are viable projects and each jurisdiction is assumed to want to keep projects as they are programmed (further discussion can and likely will be held).

You may propose a project(s) for State and Federal funding and, if appropriate, this type of project will be included in the draft TIP document that is provided to the ALDOT. The ALDOT will have the option to fund or not to fund these projects. Those that the State will support will remain in the TIP in the funding category identified by the ALDOT. Those that the ALDOT will not fund will be removed.

Transit projects must likewise have federal and local matching funds identified.

This is the first step in developing a new TIP. All projects in the current TIP that are not authorized in FY-2011 will be automatically included or carried-over to FY 2012, but changes can be made.

The time to make adjustments to all projects is now. Please take the time to review all projects that you have programmed and make adjustments if needed. For old and new projects please use the attached forms to provide new estimated project information and revised project information.

An equity table that shows how we can equitably distribute funds for projects based on population is also included for your review and use. Table one shows total county populations for portions of each county in the MPO area, and what percentage is in each. Also, you will see based on the allocation that we have been estimated to receive for FY-2012-2015 how much based on an equitable distribution how much each county can get for projects. The last table shows 2010 population for each county portion and municipalities and what percentage of the total lies with each government. Lastly, at the bottom of each table is how much from an equity standpoint how much each government would get based on the percentage of their population in dollars.

Let's keep in mind that the annual allocation is based on the Montgomery urbanized area population (196,892) within the City of Montgomery, with a small portion in Montgomery County. The Census 2010 urbanized area(s) have not been released, so this is what every MPO nationwide is faced with using until it is released.

The MPO Transportation Planning Staff will be available at 241-2218, 241-2734, or 241-2754 to answer questions you may have. Please provide your response to this

project request as soon as possible so that extra projects can be included in the draft TIP in order to go through the public involvement process.

Also, let's remember that this is a **3-C's process (Continuing, Cooperative and Comprehensive)**. We must all get along to grow together if this MPO process is to be a success. Remember, we are all connected by way of the existing roadway infrastructure and other natural features alike. Let's do the appropriate transportation planning that will make for a better quality of life for everyone in the River Region.

Montgomery MPO Equity Spreadsheet FY 2012-2015 TIP Annual Allocation Per MPO Portion of Each County

<u>Portion of County in MPO Area</u>	<u>2010 Population</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Montgomery	224,366	68%
Elmore	59,776	18%
Autauga	45,098	14%
TOTAL	329,240	100%

FY 2012-2015 TIP Annual Allocation For Montgomery MPO Based on Census 2000
 Montgomery Urbanized Area Population in City of Montgomery **3,864,990.00**

<u>Share by County</u>		US Dollars in Millions
Montgomery	68%	2,628,193.20
Elmore	18%	695,698.20
Autauga	14%	<u>541,098.60</u>
Total	100%	3,864,990

**Note: Each County Includes Cities and Towns Within MPO Study Area Only, Plus County Portion
 And Not Each County As a Whole**

**Montgomery MPO Equity Table for FY 2012-2015 TIP Annual Allocation Per MPO
Portion of Each County and Municipality Per Capita**

MPO Area Municipalities & Counties	2010 Population	% of Total
Montgomery County*	13,196	4.01%
Elmore County*	33,174	10.08%
Autauga County*	12,932	3.93%
Town of Coosada	1,224	0.37%
City of Deatsville	1,154	0.35%
Town of Elmore	1,262	0.38%
City of Millbrook	14,640	4.45%
City of Montgomery	205,764	62.50%
City of Pike Road	5,406	1.64%
City of Prattville**	33,960	10.31%
City of Wetumpka	6,528	1.98%
TOTAL MPO Study Area Population	329,240	100%
*County population within Sruudy area and outside municipalities.		
**City of Prattville 1,794 population in Elmore County and 32,166 in Autauga County.		

FY 2012-2015 TIP Annual Allocation For Montgomery MPO
Based on Census 2000 Montgomery Urbanized Area

\$3,864,990.00

MPO Area Municipalities & Counties	% of Total	US Dollars in Millions
Montgomery County*	4.01%	\$154,910
Elmore County*	10.08%	\$389,434
Autauga County*	3.93%	\$151,810
Town of Coosada	0.37%	\$14,369
City of Deatsville	0.35%	\$13,547
Town of Elmore	0.38%	\$14,815
City of Millbrook	4.45%	\$171,861
City of Montgomery	62.50%	\$2,415,490
City of Pike Road	1.64%	\$63,462
City of Prattville**	10.31%	\$398,661
City of Wetumpka	1.98%	\$76,633
TOTAL	100.00%	\$3,864,990
*County population within MPO Study area and outside of municipalities.		
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Project Development Form (for Proposed TIP Projects)

Sponsor: _____

Location (Road/Highway): _____

Cross Street (from): _____

Cross Street (to): _____

Project Description: _____

Distance: _____ miles

Project Summary (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Widen to State standards | <input type="checkbox"/> Add lanes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Replace bridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Correct drainage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Replace/extend culvert | <input type="checkbox"/> Resurface |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corridor Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad crossing upgrade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Replace/upgrade signalization | <input type="checkbox"/> Add signalization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Signage | <input type="checkbox"/> Build new road |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Add turn lanes | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle (Signs/Lanes) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk(s) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

Project Scope Estimates (expressed in total dollars):	Start Date (Month/Day/Year)
PE: \$ _____	_____
UT: \$ _____	_____
RW: \$ _____	_____
CN: \$ _____	_____

Traffic counts expressed as AADT (location, date): _____

Accident data: _____

Bridge sufficiency rating (if applicable): _____

Lanes before: _____ Lanes after: _____

Local Matching Funds Dollar Amount: \$ _____

Work to be performed by: _____

Please provide a project location map. Also, please attach additional pages as needed.