

# FY 2014 TwinCATS Obligated Projects Report

The Southwest Michigan Planning Commission (SWMPC) is pleased to present the FY 2014 list of obligated projects using federal transportation funds for the Twin Cities Area Transportation Study (TwinCATS). Among its other duties, SWMPC is tasked by federal transportation legislation with developing and managing the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the TwinCATS Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The TIP is a short range implementation plan for the 20-year long transportation plan. The TIP contains a list of projects over a four year cycle. The current TIP runs from FY 2014-FY 2017. Fiscal year 2014 began October 1, 2013 and ended September 30, 2014.

When a project is entered in the TIP and approved by the Federal Highway Administration, it is simply a promise or pledge of federal funds, not a guarantee. Project applicants must still complete design work and obtain necessary permits to the satisfaction of the Michigan Department of Transportation's Local Agency Programs (MDOT LAP) guidelines. When Local Agency Programs verifies that all required tasks have been completed, the project is sent for "obligation." Obligation is the point at which federal funds are guaranteed to a specific project, provided that some construction expenditures are billed to MDOT within twelve months of obligation.

For public transit projects, obligation is the point at which a project authorization is issued by MDOT, allowing transit agencies to put the project out for bid from contractors.

It should be noted that in FY 2014, the state ran out of obligation authority---Michigan's ability to assign funds to specific projects--- in late July. At that point, any projects that were not obligated went unfunded in FY 2014, and it was up to the MPOs and the local agencies to either remove the unfunded projects from the TIP, or find funding in later years to obligate them. Project applicants are always strongly encouraged to obligate their projects early in the fiscal year to avoid these issues.

The list on Page 2 contains all projects in the TwinCATS FY 2014-2017 that were obligated in FY 2014. Please note that this list does not contain projects that may have been obligated in earlier years but constructed during FY 2014. Similarly, just because a project was obligated in FY 2014, does not mean that construction has been completed as yet. Construction may take place in later fiscal years.

In FY 2014, the TwinCATS MPO also had several projects that were obligated using only state funds. These are listed on Page 3.

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Obligation of Federally Funded Transportation Projects in the TwinCATS MPO— October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014

Implementing Agency	Project Phase	MDOT Job Number	Project Name and Limits	Description	Total Phase Cost	Federal Amount Programmed	Federal Funding Source	Federal Amount Obligated	Unobligated Funds
MDOT	PE	118792	I-196 NB from I-94 to North of M-63	Mill Existing & Multiple Course HMA Overlay on 8.09 miles.	\$1,800,000	\$1,620,000	IM	\$1,620,000	\$0
MDOT	EPE	122186	I-94 over Pipestone Road between Nickerson and Napier	Bridge Consultant Scoping	\$266,000	\$239,400	IM	\$239,400	\$0
MDOT	EPE	122702	I-94 Westbound over Pipestone Road between Nickerson and Napier	Bridge Scoping	\$20,000	\$18,000	IM	\$18,000	\$0
MDOT	PE	116509	Napier Avenue Carpool Lot	Expansion and Resurfacing	\$10,000	\$8,185	STP	\$8,185	\$0
Berrien County	CON	122748	Brown School Road from Cleveland Avenue West to the Village of Shoreham	Resurface and place 5-foot wide shoulders	\$134,080	\$107,080	STP	\$102,539	\$4,541
Berrien County	CON	121002	Roosevelt Road from Hidden Pines Trail	10 foot wide non-motorized path from Roosevelt Road south to Hidden Pines trail	\$159,000	\$127,200	CMAQ	\$127,200	\$0
City of Benton Harbor	CON	118067	Pipestone St from Empire to Clay	Traffic Signal Modernization	\$238,770	\$238,770	CMAQ	\$238,770	\$0
City of Benton Harbor	CON	112087	Broadway Avenue and Colfax Avenue from Pipestone St to Empire Avenue;	Resurfacing	\$655,510	\$526,444	STP	\$526,444	\$0
SWMPC	CON	120085	Countywide Rideshare	Rideshare Program	\$12,000	\$12,000	CMAQ	\$12,000	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Ops		Regular Operating Funds	Regular Operating Funds	\$1,921,614	\$784,984	5307	\$777,804	\$7,180
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Ops		Mobility Manager Grant	Assistance to Low Income Populations	\$75,000	\$75,000	5317	\$75,000	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Ops		Jobs Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) funds	Providing Additional Hours	\$87,000	\$87,000	5316	\$384,457	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Cap		Administrative Vehicle	Replace 2003 Buick for Staff Use	\$20,961	\$16,769	5339	\$16,769	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Cap		Bike Racks	Install 17 bicycle racks on vehicles	\$17,434	\$13,947	5339	\$16,252	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Cap		Replacement Buses	Replace 3 buses	\$174,000	\$174,000	CMAQ	\$174,000	\$0
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA)	T-Cap		Replacement Buses	Replace 3 buses	\$174,000	\$174,000	5307	\$174,000	\$0

Obligation of Transportation Projects using only State Funds within the TwinCATS MPO- October 1, 2013- September 30, 2014

Implementing Agency	Project Phase	MDOT Job Number	Project Name and Limits	Description	Total Phase Cost	State Amount Programmed	State Funding Source	State Amount Obligated	Unobligated Funds
City of St. Joseph	CON	118615	Park St under CSX Railroad	Bridge Preventative Maintenance	\$828,000	\$786,600	MCS	\$321,912	\$464,688
MDOT	PE	122969	M-63 over Hickory Creek	Bridge Preventative Maintenance	\$3,696	\$3,696	RRRF	\$5,610	\$0
MDOT	SUB	122969	M-63 over Hickory Creek	Bridge Preventative Maintenance	\$8,304	\$8,304	RRRF	\$5,004	\$1,390
MDOT	CON	122969	M-63 over Hickory Creek	Bridge Preventative Maintenance	\$118,000	\$118,000	RRRF	\$138,793	\$0
City of Bridgman	CON	123739	Red Arrow Highway from South City Limits to North City Limits	Resurfacing	\$1,035,000	\$1,035,000	RRRF	\$1,035,000	\$0
MDOT	CON	124833	M-63 from M-139 to I-94	Milling and Two Course Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay	\$695,000	\$695,000	PRIP	\$702,479	\$0
MDOT	CON	124252	North Shore Drive at CSX Railroad Tracks	Upgrade Rail Flashers	\$25,000	\$25,000	MRR	\$17,817	\$7,183