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### Public Involvement and Outreach



### Did you know . . .

- A total of approximately \$6.2 million in federal funding was obligated for projects in the greater Battle Creek area in fiscal year 2015 this is significantly less than the \$19.7 million obligated in 2014, due to the large amount of funding obligated in 2014 for the major MDOT projects on I-94BL and the bridge over I-94, on the west side of Battle Creek, which were obligated in FY 2014 and constructed in FY 2015.
- Several categories of federal funding are available to the BCATS area for local projects, including: small MPO area surface transportation, transportation alternatives (formerly transportation enhancement), safety, congestion mitigation air quality improvement (CMAQ), rural, and transit operating and capital funds. In addition, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) uses many categories of federal funds to maintain and improve the interstates and state trunkline roads in the area. All categories represent federal gas tax revenues coming back to the local community.
- A total of about \$650,000 in federal funds was obligated for projects benefitting improved air quality. Obligated transit projects totaled approximately \$1.4 million in federal funds in 2015, a slight decrease from FY 2014.

See the listing on the reverse side for project details.

# **Battle Creek Area Transportation Study**

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## **BCATS Reports Obligated Federal Transportation Projects From FY 2015**

A major responsibility of federally designated metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) is the development and management of a document and process termed the <u>Transportation Improvement Program</u> or TIP. The TIP is the short-term implementation component of the 20-year long range <u>Transportation Plan</u> that each MPO develops and maintains to plan future improvements to the transportation system.

Under the federal SAFETEA-LU transportation legislation (passed in 2005), the TIP changed from a three-year to a four-year programming document and the MPOs are to report to local officials and the public an "annual listing of obligated projects" after the end of each programming year. The programming year is a fiscal year that runs from October 1st through September 30th of the following year. This requirement continued under the federal MAP-21 legislation passed in 2012 and is presumed to continue under new federal legislation (Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act) just passed in early December, 2015.

Therefore, the Battle Creek Area Transportation Study (BCATS), the metropolitan planning organization for the greater Battle Creek area, is pleased to provide a listing of the federally funded projects which were obligated during fiscal year 2015 (which ended September 30, 2015). Important to note is that the projects were "obligated" (ie: funding was appropriated) - but were not necessarily completed. Some projects actually constructed during 2015 may have been "obligated" in earlier fiscal years and will not appear on this listing. Conversely, some projects "obligated" in 2015 may not be constructed until 2016. The listing of 2015 obligated projects for the BCATS area appears on the reverse of this sheet. Any questions may be addressed to the BCATS staff office via any of the contact options at the top of this page.

### Federal Legislation just passed provides 5-year funding . . .

On December 4, 2015 a new five-year federal transportation bill, "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act", known as the FAST Act, was enacted when the President signed it into law. The new bill does not appear to make any major changes in the implementation of the federal transportation program from those already set in motion by the MAP-21 legislation in 2012. The FAST Act sets out a plan for continuing to fund a federal transportation program over the next five years. BCATS' role continues to be to administer whatever level of funding is provided for highway, transit and other modes of transportation in the greater Battle Creek area.

## **Obligated FY 2015 Federally Funded Transportation Projects**

| Implementing<br>Agency | Phase of<br>Project | Project Name  | Improvement(s)   | Programmed Total<br>Phase Cost | Federal<br>Fund<br>Source | Federal Funds<br>Programmed (1) | Federal Funds<br>Obligated (2) | Federal Funds<br>Remaining (3) | Actual Total Phase<br>Cost (4) |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| LOCAL                  |                     |   |  |                                |                           |                                 |                                |                                |                                |
| CBC                    | CON                 | McCamly Street @ Michigan Avenue  | Modernization and upgrade of traffic signal at intersection  | \$ 300,000                     | СМ                        | \$ 296,547                      | \$ 296,547                     | \$-                            | \$ 355,176                     |
| BCATS                  | EPE                 | Metropolitan Area-wide Transportation Planning/Fed Highway                  | Multi-modal transportation planning & coordination among Federal, State, & local agencies in the BC Metropolitan Area:<br>Cities of BC & Springfield; Townships of Bedford, Pennfield, Emmett, Leroy, & Newton | \$ 202,748                     | PL                        | \$ 165,950                      | \$ 165,950                     | \$-                            | \$ 202,748                     |
| BCATS                  | EPE                 | Metropolitan Area-wide Transportation Planning/Fed Transit                  | Multi-modal transportation planning & coordination among Federal, State, & local agencies in the BC Metropolitan Area:<br>Cities of BC & Springfield; Townships of Bedford, Pennfield, Emmett, Leroy, & Newton | \$ 53,723                      | 5303                      | \$ 42,978                       | \$ 42,978                      | \$-                            | \$ 53,723                      |
| CBC                    | CON                 | W. Van Buren Street   | Resurfacing from Washington Street to Elm Street (1.02miles)   | \$ 487,600                     | STUL                      | \$ 276,480                      | \$ 276,000                     | \$ 480                         | \$ 557,748                     |
| CBC                    | CON                 | Emmett Street   | Resurfacing from M-66 (Capital Avenue NE) to East Avenue (.26 miles)   | \$ 120,000                     | STUL                      | \$ 76,000                       | \$ 76,000                      | \$-                            | \$ 144,121                     |
| CBC                    | CON                 | Propane Fueling Station   | Construct propane fueling station to service propane vehicles in the City of Battle Creek fleet  | \$ 250,000                     | СМ                        | \$ 200,000                      | \$ 200,000                     | -                              | \$ 250,000                     |
| CCRD                   | CON                 | B Drive N @ Beadle Lake Road  | Modernization and upgrade of traffic signal at intersection  | \$ 174,000                     | СМ                        | \$ 174,000                      | \$ 154,986                     | \$ 19,014                      | \$ 155,736                     |
| TRANSIT                |                     |   |  |                                |                           |                                 |                                |                                |                                |
| CBC/BCT                | Т-Сар               | Community Action & Marian Burch Adult Day Care Center<br>Capital Assistance | Replace a total of 6 existing small vehicles - CA replace four 12-14 passenger vans - Marian Burch Adult Day Care replace two medium duty 29 foot buses (Awarded in 2015 for the 2016 program)                 | \$ 162,000                     | 5310                      | \$ 130,000                      | \$ 130,000                     | \$-                            | \$ 162,000                     |
| CBC/BCT                | Т-Сар               | Marian Burch Adult Day Care Center Capital Assistance                       | Replacement of 2 medium-duty 29' buses   | \$ 178,000                     | 5310                      | \$ 142,000                      | \$ 142,000                     | \$-                            | \$ 178,000                     |
| CBC/BCT                | T-Ops               | BCT Transit Operating Assistance  | Federal operating assistance to Battle Creek Transit (BCT)   | \$ 3,250,983                   | 5307                      | \$ 1,026,861                    | \$ 1,027,000                   | \$-                            | \$ 3,629,014                   |
| CBC/BCT                | Т-Сар               | BCT Transit Facility Improvements   | Replace equipment, upgrades and repairs to BCT facilities  | \$ 120,660                     | 5339                      | \$ 96,528                       | \$ 96,528                      | \$-                            | \$ 120,660                     |
| <u>STATE</u>           |                     |   |  |                                |                           |                                 |                                |                                |                                |
| MDOT                   | SUB                 | M-37 over Wabascon Creek  | Joint replace, approaches (.16 miles)  | \$ 11,097                      | ST                        | \$ 9,083                        | \$ 9,083                       | \$ -                           | \$ 11,097                      |
| MDOT                   | PE                  | M-37 over Wabascon Creek  | Joint replace, approaches (.16 miles)  | \$ 22,506                      | ST                        | \$ 18,421                       | \$ 18,421                      | \$ -                           | \$ 22,506                      |
| MDOT                   | CON                 | M-37 over Wabascon Creek  | Joint replace, approaches (.16 miles)  | \$ 163,000                     | ST                        | \$ 133,416                      | \$ 165,869                     | \$ (32,453)                    | \$ 202,651                     |
| MDOT                   | PE                  | I-194   | Restore and rehabilitation: M-66 - Van Buren Street to Capital Avenue and I-194 - Golden Avenue to Hamblin Avenue (1.85 miles)   | \$ 58,200                      | ST                        | \$ 47,637                       | \$ 52,380                      | \$ (4,743)                     | \$ 101,345                     |
| MDOT                   | CON                 | M-89  | Resurfacing from Augusta Drive to Custer Drive (1.18 miles)  | \$ 694,200                     | STRG                      | \$ 568,202                      | \$ 441,248                     | \$ 126,954                     | \$ 539,093                     |
| MDOT                   | CON                 | I-94  | Resurfacing from I-94BL (Michigan Avenue) to M-311 (11 Mile Road) (1.22 miles)   | \$ 1,002,800                   | ST                        | \$ 902,520                      | \$ 857,699                     | \$ 44,821                      | \$ 952,999                     |
| MDOT                   | CON                 | M-96 (Helmer Road)  | At Columbia Avenue - installation of pedestrian countdown signals  | \$ 4,739                       | NH                        | \$ 4,739                        | \$ 4,408                       | \$ 331                         | \$ 4,739                       |
| MDOT                   | SUB                 | M-311   | Bridge over the Kalamazoo River - Replacement (.5 miles)   | \$ 408,255                     | ST                        | \$ 334,157                      | \$ 334,157                     | \$-                            | \$ 408,255                     |
| MDOT                   | PE                  | M-311   | Bridge over the Kalamazoo River - Replacement (.5 miles)   | \$ 65,745                      | IM                        | \$ 53,812                       | \$ 53,812                      | \$-                            | \$ 65,745                      |
| MDOT                   | PE                  | I-94  | Restore and rehabilitate from 6 1/2 Mile Road to 11 Mile Road (4.81 miles)   | \$ 1,840,000                   | ST                        | \$ 1,656,000                    | \$ 1,656,000                   | \$ -                           | \$ 1,840,000                   |

Implementing Agency Codes: CBC=City of Battle Creek; CBC/BCT=Battle Creek Transit; CCRD=Calhoun County Road Department; CSPR=City of Springfield; BCATS=Battle Creek Area Transportation Study; MDOT=Michigan Department of Transportation. Phase of Project Codes: SUB = special preliminary engineering for bridge projects; PE=preliminary engineering; EPE=early PE or Planning funds; CON=construction or purchase; ROW=right-of-way acquisition; T-Ops=Transit Operations; T-Cap=Transit Capital Federal Fund Source Codes: STP=Surface Transportation any area; STRG=Surface Transportation Program Safety Rail-Highway and Incentive—100% federal; STUL=STP urban local (<200,000 population); STG=STP Safety 100% Federal; PL=STP Planning; CM=Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program; ST=Surface Transportation - SAFETEA-LU; IM=Interstate Maintenance - No Added Lanes; 5303=Federal Transit planning funds; 5307=Federal Transit Section 5339 - Bus and Bus Facilities

(1) "Federal Funds Programmed" is the amount of Federal \$ initially programmed for the project in BCATS' Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). (2) "Federal Funds Obligated" is the amount of Federal \$ actually contracted for the project. (3) "Federal Funds Remaining" is the programmed \$ amount; dollar figures in () indicate a negative value of the obligated \$ in excess of the programmed \$. Small variances, positive or negative, are generally due to the nearest thousand in the programming document. (4) "Actual Total Phase Cost" is all Federal, State, & Local \$ allocated to this phase of the project. --- All figures are to the best of BCATS' knowledge at the time of publication.