

# AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA)

MARC MPO Transportation Project Recommendations  
March 3, 2009

# ARRA Provisions

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- Enacted Feb 17, 2009
- \$787 Billion Total
- \$27.5 B Highway Formula Funds
- \$1.5 B Discretionary Grants
- \$8.4 B Transit Formula Funds

# Highway Fund Provisions

- 50% to States per Surface Transportation Program (STP) Formula
- 50% to States per 2008 Obligation Limitation
- 3% set-aside for Transportation Enhancements (TE)
- 30% suballocated per STP rules

# Schedule Provisions

- 50% of non-suballocated funds to be obligated in 120 days or redistributed
- All funds to be obligated in 1 year or redistributed
- All unobligated funds expire after 9/30/2010

# Programming Provisions

- STP eligibility & project development rules
- Up to 100% federal share
- **Priority to projects** that can be **completed in 3 years** and are located in **economically distressed areas** as defined by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 as amended

# Accountability Provisions

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- Extensive new reporting requirements
- See [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

# MARC Timeline

- Dec 17 – Jan 7: *1<sup>st</sup> Call for Projects*
- Jan 9: *Congressional Staff Briefing*
- Jan 27: *Special Elected Officials Briefing*
- Feb 3: *Special Joint Meeting KS&MO STP/Bridge Priorities Committees*
- Feb 6-13: *Transportation Call for Projects*
- Feb 20: *Deadline to Reprioritize Projects*
- Feb 10 & 23: *MO Priorities Committee*
- Feb 12 & 25: *KS Priorities Committee*

# Transportation Applications

## Kansas

- 26 Jurisdictions
- 119 Applications
- \$254 M Requested
- \$21.8 M Available

## Missouri

- 30 Jurisdictions
- 246 Applications
- \$1.5 B Requested
- \$27.3 M Available

# Evaluation Criteria (Points)

- Project Readiness: 18
- Project Usage: 18
- System Condition: 19
- Safety: 10
- Economic Impact: 9
- Reg./Local Goals: 8
- Environment: 6
- Multiple Modes: 6
- Planned Development/  
Redevelopment: 6
- Economic Distress: 6
- 106 Points Possible

# Project Recommendations

## Kansas

- 13 Jurisdictions
- 16 Projects  
Recommended  
(includes the revised  
OP allocation)
- \$24,198,235  
Allocated

## Missouri

- 17 Jurisdictions
- 23 Projects  
Recommended
- \$27,304,447  
Allocated



# Fiscal Constraint

## Kansas

- \$21.8 Available
- \$24.2 Recommended
- Assumes some projects will be below estimate and some may not meet schedule. May require course corrections.

## Missouri

- \$27.3 Available
- \$27.3 Recommended
- Identifies partially funded projects in priority order if any projects do not meet schedule.

# Public Involvement

- Comments online since Dec 17, 2008
- 288 comments received on 6 projects
- Most comments: 268 on Lone Jack US-50 project recommended for funding
- City of Leavenworth Letter Feb 27, 2009

# Next Steps

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- Approve MARC MPO Projects
- Amend TIP using MARC Emergency Procedures--  
Include KDOT, MoDOT and Transit Capital Projects
- Ratify via Scheduled Quarterly Amendment:  
March 31 - April 28

# Recommendations

- Approve ARRA project fund allocations as recommended as by Kansas and Missouri STP/Bridge Priorities Committees.
- Provide MARC letter of support for City of Leavenworth applications to KDOT Small Cities and TE programs