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June 30, 2021

John R. Selmer, P.E.  
Director  
Nebraska Department of Transportation  
Lincoln, NE

Dear Mr. Selmer:

**FHWA/FTA Approval of Amendment 5 to the Nebraska FY 2021-2024  
Statewide Transportation Improvement Program**

This letter is to inform you of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) review and approval of the highway and transit projects contained in Amendment 5 to the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) FY 2021 -2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Amendment 5 to the FY 2021 - 2024 STIP approval incorporates an Amendment to the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA), as well as two Amendments to the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) TIP. NDOT received no comments on the proposed Amendment 5 to FY 2021 – 2024 STIP during the public comment period.

The MAPA Board of Directors approved the Amendment 5 to the MAPA TIP on May 27, 2021. NDOT found Amendment 5 to the MAPA TIP to be fiscally constrained and in accordance with the MAPA public participation plan. NDOT approved the MAPA TIP Amendment 5 for inclusion into the NDOT STIP on June 2, 2021.

The Lincoln MPO Officials Committee approved Amendments 2 and 3 to the Lincoln MPO TIP on February 24, 2021 and May 17, 2021, respectively. NDOT found Amendments 2 and 3 to the Lincoln MPO TIP to be fiscally constrained and in accordance with the Lincoln MPO Public participation plan. NDOT approved the Lincoln MPO TIP Amendments 2 and 3 for inclusion into the NDOT STIP on March 3, 2021 and May 19, 2021, respectfully.

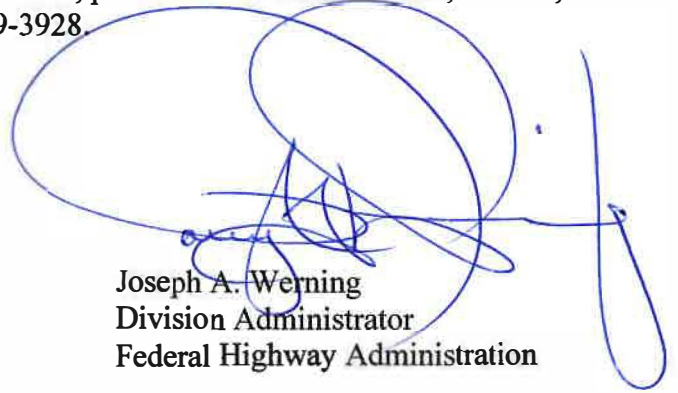
In accordance with 23 CFR Part 450.218(b) and 23 CFR Part 450.334(a), FHWA and FTA have determined that the highway and transit projects included in the Amendment 5 to the FY 2021-2024 STIP are based on a transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements. Based on the FHWA review of the FY 2021 - 2024 STIP, monitoring activities throughout the year, the MPO's self-certifications, and the planning finding, Amendment 5 to the FY 2021-2024 STIP is hereby approved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Justin Luther, FHWA, at (402)742-8464 or Gerri Doyle, FTA, at (816)329-3928.

Sincerely,



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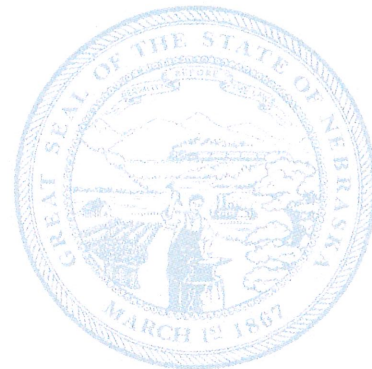
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Pete Ricketts, Governor

May 19, 2021

The Honorable Leirion Gaylor Baird  
Mayor of Lincoln  
555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln NE 68508

Dear Ms. Gaylor Baird:

SUBJECT: State Approval of Lincoln MPO FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP Amendment #3

As the Governor's designee, I am approving the Lincoln MPO FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP Amendment #3 as approved by the Lincoln MPO Technical Advisory Committee and approved by the Lincoln MPO Officials Committee on May 17, 2021.

The Nebraska Department of Transportation finds the amendment to be part of a fiscally constrained TIP and in accordance with Lincoln MPO's public participation process as outlined in their public participation plan.

Lincoln MPO's TIP is included in Nebraska's STIP by reference. These amendment projects get included in Nebraska's STIP when we notify FHWA of a STIP Revision and get their final approval. If you have any questions, please call Craig Wacker at 402-479-4623.

Sincerely,

Ryan Huff, P.E.  
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# Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization

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May 19, 2021

Mr. Craig Wacker, AICP  
Planning Manager  
Nebraska Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 94759  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759

RE: Amendment No. 3 to the Lincoln MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Wacker:

Enclosed is Resolution 2021-3 approved by the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Officials Committee at the May 17, 2021 meeting. This resolution is for the 3rd amendment to the Lincoln MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Exhibit A of the resolution shows the adding of a new project from this amendment.

We are requesting State concurrence of this amendment for inclusion in the Nebraska Department of Transportation Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Allan Zafft". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Allan Zafft, AICP  
Transportation Planner

Enclosure

cc: David Cary, Lincoln-Lancaster Planning Department  
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### **Lincoln MPO Resolution: 2021-3 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (Lincoln MPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible for undertaking the transportation planning process for the Lincoln Metropolitan Transportation Management Area (TMA), in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and 23 CFR Part 450; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lincoln MPO, pursuant to 23 CFR 450.326, adopted on May 1, 2020 a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for federal Fiscal Years (FY) 2021 through 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lincoln MPO has prepared an amendment to the MPO FY 2021-2024 TIP that adds a Nebraska Department of Transportation project as identified in Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the project included in the amendment is consistent with the currently adopted MPO Long Range Transportation Plan, *2040 Long Range Transportation Plan - 2016 Update*; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment has been reviewed and recommended for adoption by the Technical Committee of the MPO, and now requires adoption from the Officials Committee of the MPO.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization Officials Committee adopts the amendment to the MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Approved by a vote of the MPO Officials Committee and signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

Lincoln MPO Officials Committee Chair

ATTEST

Elizabeth Elliott, City of Lincoln Transportation & Utilities Director  
Lincoln MPO Technical Advisory Committee Chair

