

ANNUAL LIST

OF OBLIGATED PROJECTS



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Purpose

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) mandates that the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission (SWLA-RPC), referenced hereafter as the "Lake Charles Metropolitan Planning Organization" or "LCMPO", annually publish a listing of federally funded obligated projects.

The federal Metropolitan Planning statute states:

"An annual listing of projects, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, for which Federal funds have been obligated in the preceding year shall be published or otherwise made available by the cooperative effort of the State, transit operator and metropolitan planning organization for public review. The listing shall be consistent with the categories identified in the TIP (Transportation Improvement Plan)."

The annual list provides a record of project delivery for the previous federal fiscal year. This report will list all transportation projects authorized between October 1, 2024, and September 30, 2025. The list circulation also strives to increase public recognition of government expenditure on transportation projects. As applied in this document, the list heading "Obligated Federal Funds" means that a project has received federal commitment for reimbursement and does not necessarily mean that the project was initiated or completed in that year or indicate the total cost of that project.

This document is available for download on the SWLA RPC website at <https://mpo.planswla.com/>.

Background

Metropolitan areas with a 50,000 plus population can be designated a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), qualifying for federal highway and transit funding.

With a population of more than 150,000 (defined by the 2020 U.S. Census), the study area for the Lake Charles Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LCMPO) includes the municipalities of Lake Charles, Sulphur, Westlake, Iowa and a portion of unincorporated areas of Calcasieu Parish, such as Moss Bluff, Carlyss, and Gillis. (Figure 1). The greater surrounding geographic area is henceforth referred to as Lake Charles Metropolitan Planning Area (LCMPA) (Figure 2).

LCMPO has the responsibility for planning, programming, and coordinating federal-aid transportation investments within the Lake Charles Urbanized Area, and the SWLA-RPC serves as the organization's fiscal agent.

LCMPO is statutorily mandated to assess the transportation needs and deficiencies of the region with direction from public officials and citizens, along with representatives from federal, state and local planning departments. One of the primary tasks is to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process that guides investment in the regional transportation system. As established by federal regulation, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) "...shall include both long-range and short-range strategies/actions that lead to the development of an integrated, multimodal, transportation system that facilitates the safe and efficient movement of people and goods in addressing current and future transportation demand." (23 CFR 450.422, Federal Register May 27, 2016).

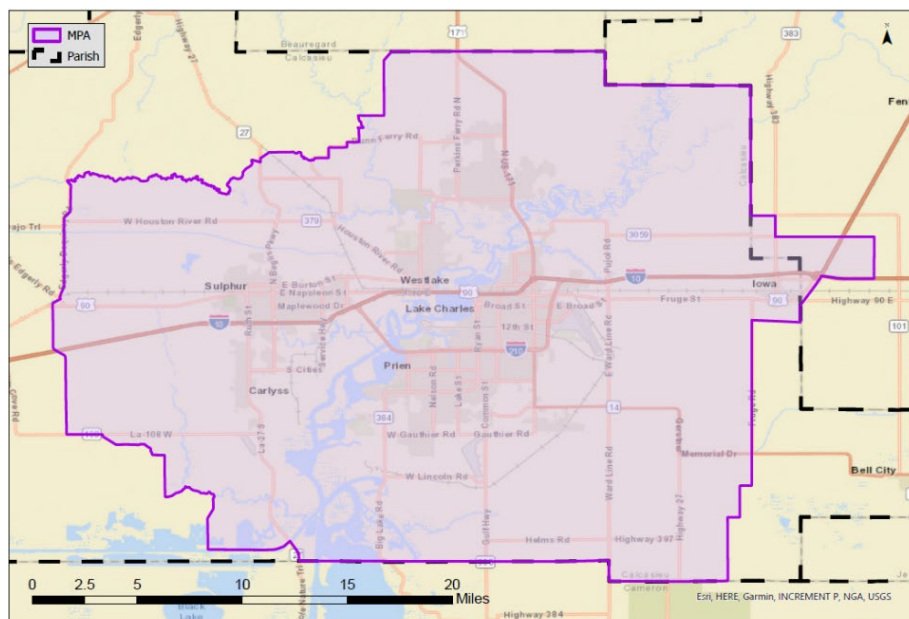


Figure 1. Lake Charles MPO 2020 Census Urbanized Area

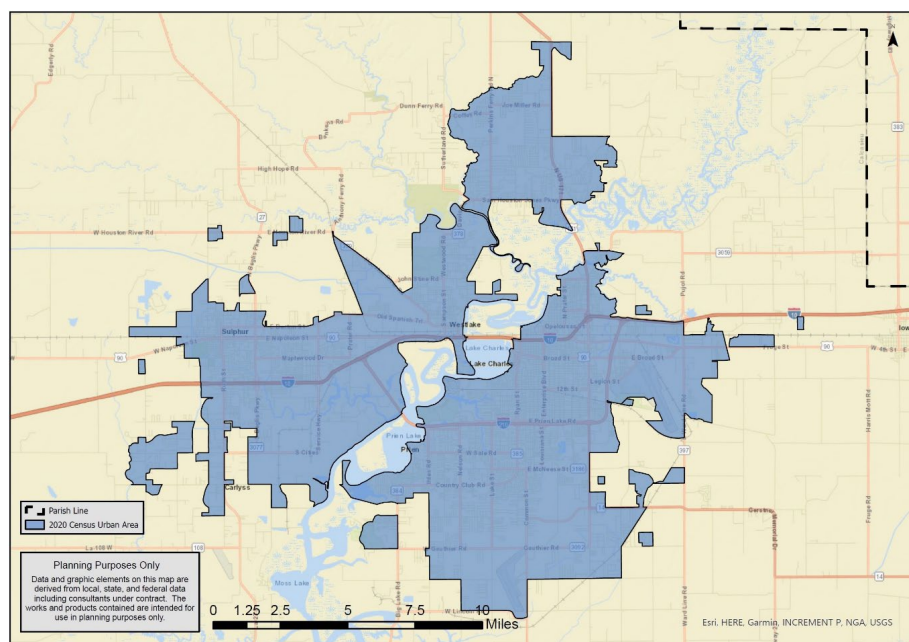


Figure 2. Lake Charles MPO Metropolitan Planning Area

The planning process produces a suite of federally mandated documents that guide investment: the long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), which programs the implementation of specific projects to address the identified issues and needs, and the annual Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Adoption of the MTP is the initial step towards the implementation of a transportation project. Following formal adoption of the plan, a project can be programmed for design, right-of-way acquisition, or construction in the short-range Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which identifies funding sources and the estimated amount of funding to be used. The TIP is a management tool for implementing the projects programmed in the MTP. The projects in the TIP move towards implementation once the funds are obligated to them.

Summary of Federally Obligated Projects

A total of \$245,179,600 was federally obligated in FY 2025 for 40 transportation projects. Of this, \$243,202,600 (99.9%) was for highway/bridge projects and \$1,977,000 (0.1%) for transit projects.

Table 1. List of Obligated FY2025 Highway/Bridge Projects

Route/Project Name and Description	Project Limits	Federal Funding Source	Program Funds	Federally Obligated Amount	State Amount	Other Amount	Other Source	Total Amount
Calcasieu Parish Overlay (Phase 1B)	Multiple Overlay Projects	STP50-200K	TIP	\$ 2,430,000	\$ -	\$ 486,096	CPPJ	\$ 2,916,096
Chennault Area Traffic Study	Chennault Airpark Area	STP50-200K	TIP	\$ 280,000	\$ -	\$ 70,000	MPO	\$ 350,000
US 90/ I-10 Overpass@Lockmoor	Trousdale Road-Westlake	FBRON/NHPP/STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 9,916,000	\$ 2,479,000	\$ -		\$ 12,395,000
I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge Reconstruction	Maple Fork-US 171	STCASH/STBONDS/TOLLS	STIP/TIP	\$ -	\$ 800,000,000	\$ 700,000,000	TOLLS	\$ 1,500,000,000
Myrtle Springs Road	LA 379-Woodell Lane	STP50-200K	STIP/TIP	\$ 1,265,600	\$ -	\$ 296,400	MPO	\$ 1,562,000
LA 378 Widening-Westlake to Moss Bluff	John Stine Road-LA 378 Spur	STPFLEX/NFI	STIP	\$ 68,841,600	\$ 17,210,400	\$ -		\$ 86,052,000
LA 397-New Bridge at UPRR	Leslie Lane-LeBleu Cemetery Rd.	STPFLEX/NFI	STIP	\$ 15,800,000	\$ 3,950,000	\$ -		\$ 19,750,000
I-210/Nelson Road Interchange Improvements	W Prien Lake Rd-Contraband Pkwy	STBONDS/LOCAL	STIP	\$ -	\$ 7,800,000	\$ 7,800,000	LOCAL	\$ 15,600,000
LA Hwy 384 Widening/Intersection Improvements	(Big Lake Rd to McNeese St)	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 600,000	\$ -		\$ 3,600,000
Lake Charles ITS Phase 4	MPO Regional Area	NHPP	STIP	\$ 1,128,000	\$ 282,000	\$ -		\$ 1,410,000
LA 378 Cal. West Fork Bridge Rehabilitation	South bridge end-north bridge en	STPFLEX	STIP/TIP	\$ 13,320,800	\$ 3,330,200	\$ -		\$ 16,651,000
LA 3092@Gauthier/Lake Roundabout	800 feet in advance of intersectio	HSIP/HSIPPEN	STIP/TIP	\$ 3,193,600	\$ 798,400	\$ -		\$ 3,992,000
I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge Interim Repairs	West bridge end-east bridge end	NHPP/HSIPPEN	STIP/TIP	\$ 7,595,100	\$ 843,900	\$ -		\$ 8,439,000
LA 378@Phillips Road Improvements	800 feet in advance	STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 800,000	\$ 200,000	\$ -		\$ 1,000,000
US 171 Traffic Study	Broad Street-English Bayou	NHPP	STIP	\$ 280,000	\$ 70,200	\$ -		\$ 350,200
Ryan St. Intersection Improvements	McNeese Street-Eddy Street	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 6,967,200	\$ 1,741,800	\$ -		\$ 8,709,000
I-210 Widening, Bridge, Cable Barrier	Nelson Road-Ryan Street	NHPP/STBONDS	STIPTIP	\$ 45,672,000	\$ 11,418,000	\$ -		\$ 57,090,000
I-210 New Auxiliary Lanes	Nelson Road-Ryan Street	STBONDS/HSIPPEN/NHPP	TIP	\$ 36,346,400	\$ -	\$ 27,699,600	LOCAL	\$ 64,046,000
LA 397-Turn Lanes@Rice Mill	1000 feet in advance of entrance	STBONDS	STIP	\$ -	\$ 2,745,000	\$ -		\$ 2,745,000
LA 383 Corridor Study_Stage 0 Feasibility Study	US 90-LA 3059	STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 295,200	\$ 73,800	\$ -		\$ 369,000
LA 14 Access Management-Bike/Ped Upgrades	US 90-Power Center Drive	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 243,200	\$ 60,800	\$ -		\$ 304,000
Guillory Street Shared Use Path	Bob Hardey Drive-John Stine Road	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 404,800	\$ 101,200	\$ -		\$ 506,000
I-210 Eastbound/Ryan Street Exit Modifications	I-210-College Street	HSIP	STIP	\$ 333,000	\$ 37,000	\$ -		\$ 370,000
Russell St. Bridge over Farmer's Rice Canal	Bridge End to End Replacement	FBROFF	STIP	\$ 2,083,500	\$ -	\$ 231,500	LC	\$ 2,315,000
LA 14@Corbina Road	800 feet in advance of intersectio	HSIP	STIP	\$ 2,556,800	\$ 639,200	\$ -		\$ 3,196,000
US 90	LA 397-Jeff Davis Line	STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 6,096,800	\$ 1,524,200	\$ -		\$ 7,621,000
Lake St./Ryan St. RR Warning Signals	RR crossing locations	STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 240,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -		\$ 300,000
Picard Road Bridge over SRD Canal	South bridge end-north bridge en	FBROFF/STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 521,100	\$ -	\$ 57,900	SULPHUR	\$ 579,000
Louisiana Ave. Bridge over Contraband Bayou	South bridge end-north bridge en	FBROFF/STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 1,206,900	\$ -	\$ 134,100	LC	\$ 1,341,000
LA 1256@Patch St./W. Calcasieu Boulevard	800 feet in advance of intersectio	HSIPPEN	STIPTIP	\$ 538,400	\$ 134,600	\$ -		\$ 673,000
Nelson Road/L'auerge Blvd. Corridor Impr.	Nelson/Hollyhill/Contraband	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 5,194,400	\$ 1,298,000	\$ -		\$ 6,492,400
LA 14 Structural Overlay	LA 397-LA 3092	STPFLEX	STIP	\$ 3,892,000	\$ 973,000	\$ -		\$ 4,865,000
LA 383	US 90-I-10	STP<5K	STIP	\$ 642,600	\$ -	\$ 71,400	IOWA	\$ 714,000
W. Sale Road Sidewalks	Lake Street-Ryan Street	HSIPPEN	STIP	\$ 5,600	\$ 1,400	\$ -		\$ 7,000
Guillory Street Off System Bridge	Garden Drive-John Stine Road	STP50-200K	TIP	\$ 2,112,000	\$ -	\$ 528,000	MPO	\$ 2,640,000
			TOTAL -	\$ 243,202,600	\$ 858,372,100	\$ 737,374,996		\$ 1,838,949,696

Table 2 Transit Project Listings in the FY2023-26 TIP

State Project Number	Project Description	Proposed Improvement	Cost (x \$1,000)	Federal Amount (x \$1,000)	Match (x \$1,000)	Funding Source	Letting Date	Comments
FY 2025 (OCTOBER 2024 – SEPTEMBER 2025)								
	Lake Charles Transit	Capital Assistance Grant – Bus Stop Shelter	\$ 30	\$ 24	\$ 6	Section 5307	N/A	PLACEHOLDER
	Lake Charles Transit	Capital Assistance Grant – Bus Support Equipment	\$ 38	\$ 30	\$ 8	Section 5307	N/A	PLACEHOLDER
	Lake Charles Transit	Capital Assistance Grant – Bus Capital	\$ 750	\$ 600	\$ 150	Section 5307	N/A	PLACEHOLDER
	Lake Charles Transit	Operating Assistance	\$ 2,001	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	Section 5307	N/A	PLACEHOLDER
	Lake Charles Transit	Capital Assistance Grant – Bus Capital	\$ 380	\$ 323	\$ 57	Section 5307	N/A	PLACEHOLDER
	Subtotal by 5307Funding Source (FTA)		\$ 3,199	\$ 1,977	\$ 1,221			
	Grand Total by Funding Source (FTA) FY'25		\$ 3,199	\$ 1,977	\$ 1,221			