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Proposed Amendments to the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board will hear two (2) proposed amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP in June. The TPO Technical Committee will review and make a recommendation to the TPO Executive Board regarding the proposed TIP amendments at their June 13, 2023 meeting. The TPO Executive Board will then consider the proposed TIP amendments for approval at their June 28, 2023 meeting. Both meetings are open to the public. See below for more information.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the proposed amendment, please contact Craig Luebke craig.luebke@knoxtpo.org or by phone at (865) 215-3825. Comments will be received until June 27, 2023.

The amendments are summarized below and the existing and proposed TIP pages are attached.

Amendment 23-2017-053 (Oak Ridge Signal Timing Optimization, Ph. 2) - Amend the TIP to add this exempt project for construction in FY 2023. Construction is estimated at \$2,573,400 (100% federal S-CRP [Y607]). This amendment adds \$2,573,400 (\$2,573,400 federal S-CRP/\$0 local) to the TIP. The total project cost is unchanged at \$2,855,400.

Amendment 23-2023-308 (Travel Congestion and Clean Air Improvement Grouping) - Amend the TIP to add this exempt grouping. This grouping will include locally sponsored projects to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality throughout the Knoxville TPO planning area. The grouping initially contains funding for two projects in fiscal year 2023:

- **Knoxville Area Transit (KAT): Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure** – The KAT Electric Vehicle Infrastructure project includes in-route overhead charging infrastructure at the Knoxville Station and at up to three KAT's superstops. Purchase and installation is programmed in FY 2023 at an estimated cost of \$7,500,000 CMAQ PM2.5 (\$6,000,000 federal/\$1,500,000 local).
- **Knoxville Regional TPO: School Congestion Reduction Program – Education & Outreach** program to reduce congestion and emissions around schools by encouraging alternative modes of travel to and from school, and by promoting remote pick-up and drop-off sites. Planning and implementation is programmed in FY 2023 at a cost of \$25,000 CMAQ PM2.5 (\$20,000 federal/\$5,000 local).

Public Meetings:

The TPO Technical Committee will review and make a recommendation to the Executive Board regarding the proposed TIP amendment at their June meeting. The Technical Committee meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on June 13, 2023 in the small assembly room of the Knoxville – Knox County City County Building located at 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Please visit the Knoxville Regional TPO website <https://knoxtpo.org/boards-and-committees/technical-committee/> for updates on the Technical Committee public meeting.

The TPO Executive Board will consider the proposed TIP amendment for approval at their April meeting. The Executive Board meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on June 28, 2023 in the small assembly room of the Knoxville – Knox County City County Building located at 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Please visit the Knoxville Regional TPO website <https://knoxtpo.org/boards-and-committees/executive-board/> for updates on the Executive Board public meeting.