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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMENTS SOUGHT

OKLAHOMA CITY -- -- ACOG invites citizens throughout Central Oklahoma to review and comment on a <u>preliminary version</u> of the next Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The TIP identifies all federally funded surface transportation projects (transit, bicycle, highway, airport, etc.) expected to be carried out by city, county, state and local transportation agencies during federal fiscal years 2018-2021 in the Oklahoma City Area Regional Transportation Study (OCARTS) Area. This region includes Oklahoma and Cleveland Counties and parts of Canadian, Grady, Logan and McClain Counties.

Federal law recognizes ACOG as the metropolitan planning organization responsible for long and short-range transportation planning for Central Oklahoma. As such, ACOG maintains a four-year TIP for the region, which will implement the long-range plan.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), the Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority (COTPA), operator of EMBARK in Oklahoma City, Cleveland Area Rapid Transit (CART) in Norman, Citylink in Edmond, and other local governments and transportation agencies developed the preliminary TIP and will implement the activities outlined in the program.

Beginning May 4, copies of the preliminary TIP will be available for citizens' review at metropolitan area libraries and on the ACOG Web site at www.acogok.org. Those interested in requesting a copy may contact Kathryn Wenger at ACOG at kwenger@acogok.org or (405) 234-2264. Written comments on the TIP will be accepted through May 31.

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