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**Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization
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**Annual Listing of Obligated Projects
Fiscal Year 2025**

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide a list of federal highway and transit funded projects obligated in the previous fiscal year. A project is considered obligatory when a funding contract has been completed, or a grant has been awarded. The report includes all projects in Alabama within the City of Phenix City, the City of Smiths Station, and parts of Lee and Russell Counties obligated in fiscal years 2025, which ran from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are required to produce the list annually.

Laws and Regulations

The laws governing Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are established in 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. §5303, which outline the federal requirements for metropolitan transportation planning. These statutes were amended and reauthorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), enacted in November 2021. The implementing regulations for MPOs are published in the Code of Federal Regulations at 23 CFR Part 450, Subpart C, which details the metropolitan transportation planning and programming process. 23 CFR §450.334 specifically addresses the requirement to prepare an annual listing of obligated projects.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The list of obligated projects begins with the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Federally funded projects must be included in the TIP. The TIP is a prioritized list of transportation projects adopted every four years by the MPO. The projects in the TIP are taken from 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan except for certain level-of-efforts projects. The Plan covers a 20-25-year time frame, while the TIP extends over four years. Generally, the TIP divides the Plan roadway projects into phases (e.g., preliminary engineering, right-of-way acquisition, utility relocation, and construction) and assigns a start date to each phase. The purpose of the TIP is to schedule the various phases for implementation.

Summary of Obligated Projects

A total of \$ million was obligated for the City of Phenix City, the City of Smiths Station, and parts of Lee and Russell Counties in Alabama during fiscal year 2025. Roadway projects undertaken by the Alabama Department of Transportation accounted for \$ m of that amount. Transit operations and purchases by the Phenix City Express (PEX) covered \$.

Table Format

The table is sorted by project Sponsor. The Project Number refers to the Alabama Department of Transportation project management identification code. The scope represents the phase of the project. In general, most road projects are divided into preliminary engineering (PE), right-of-way (ROW), utility relocation (UT), and construction (CN). Generally, the description starts with the type of work, followed by the road name. The Alabama Department of Transportation provided the project listing through their online portal program.

The amounts listed in the “Engineer Estimate” identifies the estimated federal funding amount. The “Fed. Obligated” column shows how much funding was committed so far. The funds in the “Fed. Expenditure” column represents what has been spent on the project. The “Balance” numbers are the amounts that have not been used. If a project is marked with a “B/P” in the last column, it includes bicycle or pedestrian facilities.

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