

February 5, 2019

The Honorable Gregg C. Smith  
Chairman  
Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission  
P.O. Box 270  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Chairman Smith,

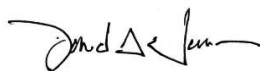
We are writing on behalf of the East West Gateway Council of Governments, Mid-America Regional Council and Ozarks Transportation Organization to express our shared concerns about proposed changes to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) allocation formula. We understand that potential changes to the longstanding program formula were discussed earlier today at a Commission workshop and that they are proposed for consideration at your regular meeting on February 6, 2019.

In the spirit of our longstanding planning partnership with MoDOT and the Commission, we believe that any proposed changes to this formula should be shared with the public and with your statewide planning partners to allow an opportunity to understand their impacts and provide comments before any final actions are taken to revise the statewide distribution of transportation funds. We respectfully request that you defer action on this proposal until MoDOT has provided an opportunity for public review and comment.

Sincerely,



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