

PINE BLUFF AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
JEFFERSON COUNTY, PINE BLUFF AND WHITE HALL
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2010

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INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

Pursuant to the planning regulations established jointly by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, the Pine Bluff Area Transportation Study has adopted the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a compilation of the transportation projects improvements scheduled to be implemented in the Pine Bluff Area Transportation Study (PBATS) Study Area Boundary during the next four years (FY2007-2010). The projects comprising the four year TIP were developed through the PBATS comprehensive, coordinated and continuous transportation planning process. The projects are consistent with the Long-Range Transportation Plan adopted by the Policy Committee of PBATS.

The purpose of the TIP is to be used as a program management tool to implement the long range transportation plan as well as meeting present day transportation needs. The TIP contains only those projects that have been identified as scheduled to be implemented in the next four years based on estimated available funds designated to be used for the implementation of the projects.

Local, State, Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration can request the TIP be amended by the PBATS Policy Committee. The listing of projects in the TIP does not guarantee that the project will be funded by the agencies shown, or that it will be constructed during the program period. It only suggests that the project has met the necessary requirements to receive funding. Project readiness and the availability of funding from the different sources also affect the project implementation time frame.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMANCE

The MPO, Southeast Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, has been advised by the EPA that the Pine Bluff Area Transportation Study Area is in attainment status. In accordance with guidelines for air quality conformity, as determined by a joint agreement between EPA and FHWA, no air quality conformity submission is necessary at this time.

