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June 29, 2026

Amanda Barch

Missouri Department of Transportation
Transportation Planning Division
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Dear Ms. Barch

Please find attached the first amendment to the Joplin Area Transportation study Organization's FY2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

The proposed UPWP Amendment 1 contains one (1) budgetary task change and one (1) new task. The amendment was requested by the City of Joplin.

The public comment period for the FY2026 UPWP Amendment 1 began at 9 a.m., Monday, June 29, 2026, and concluded at 12 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2026.

JATSO received no comments on this amendment.

UPWP Amendment 1 was approved by the JATSO Policy Board by emergency electronic vote on July 9, 2026. Nine (9) members voted in favor and zero (0) against.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by email at rlolley@joplinmo.org or phone (417)624-0820 X 1514

Sincerely,

Robert Lolley
Transportation Planner
City of Joplin

Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization
2026 Unified Planning Work Program, Amendment 1

Summary: The proposed amendment contains one (1) new task and one (1) task change. These changes were requested by the City of Joplin.

Reflects Changes
Reflects Additions

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FY 2026 End Products

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Schedule for Completion

The Comprehensive Plan, Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)*, and Bicycle & Pedestrian Transportation Plan updates will be on-going from November 1, 2025, through October 31, 2026

Task 3 Budget Breakdown

Budget Item	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share
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Comprehensive Plan Update	$100,000	$80,000	$20,000
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NEW:

Task 7 - Aerial Photography

Objective

Maintain updated aerial photographs of the JATSO Metropolitan Planning Area.

Status

This is a two-year contract. Aerial photographs in this contract will be taken in 2026 and 2027.

FY 2026 Work Items

- Updated aerial photographs in JATSO's GIS database.

FY 2026 End Products

- JATSO GIS maps updated with 2026 and 2027 aerial photographs.

Schedule for Completion

Activities will be on-going from November 1, 2026, through October 31, 2027.

Task 7 Budget Breakdown

Budget Item	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share
Aerial Photography	$17,820	$14,256	$3,564
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Financial Summary Tables

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Source Funding Breakdown

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July 10, 2026

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SUBJECT: Joplin Urbanized Area
Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO)
FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program
Request for Approval of Amendment No. One

Dear Ms. Butler and Ms. Perkins:

As required by the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the JATSO Policy Board approved an amendment to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program on July 9, 2026. JATSO's UPWP amendment is attached for your information.

JATSO is requesting that the FY 2026 UPWP be amended in order to do the following:

- Budgetary task change
- Add Aerial Pictometry Task

Please provide approval of FY 2026 UPWP Amendment one at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Amanda Barch

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Transportation Planning Specialist

cc: Robert Lolley- JATSO
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July 13, 2026

Mr. Ed Hassinger, P.E.
Director
Missouri Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 270
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Subject: Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment

Dear Director Hassinger:

As requested in the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) letter dated July 10, 2026, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have jointly reviewed the proposed Amendment 1 to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the Joplin metropolitan planning area adopted by the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization's (JATSO) Policy Board on July 9, 2026. This amendment includes a budget modification for long-range planning activities and the addition of an aerial photography task.

Based on our review, we are approving the Amendment 1 to the 2026 UPWP as an adequate scope of work to support FHWA and FTA funded planning/technical studies and grant activities in accordance with applicable federal regulations pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 134, 135 and 505 and 49 U.S.C. 5303-5305 and 5313(b).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Cecelie Cochran of FHWA at (573) 638-2609 or Gerri Doyle with FTA at (816) 329-3928.

Sincerely,

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Carrie Butler
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration

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