STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AGREEMENT ON PROJECT ASSUMPTION AND PROGRAM OVERSIGHT BY AND BETWEEN THE

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, ARKANSAS DIVISION AND THE

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

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SECTION I. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

The Federal-aid Highway Program (FAHP) is a federally-assisted program of State-selected projects. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the State Departments of Transportation have long worked as partners to deliver the FAHP in accordance with Federal requirements. In enacting 23 U.S.C. 106(c), as amended, Congress recognized the need to give the States more authority to carry out project responsibilities traditionally handled by FHWA. Congress also recognized the importance of a risk-based approach to FHWA oversight of the FAHP, establishing requirements in 23 U.S.C. 106(g). This Stewardship and Oversight (S&O) Agreement sets forth the agreement between FHWA and the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) on the roles and responsibilities, and FAHP oversight activities.

The scope of FHWA responsibilities, and the legal authority for the State Department of Transportation (State DOT) assumption of FHWA responsibilities, developed over time. The U.S. Secretary of Transportation delegated responsibility to the Administrator of FHWA for the FAHP under Title 23 of the United States Code, and associated laws. (49 CFR 1.84 and 1.85) The following legislation further outlines FHWA's responsibilities:

- Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991;
- Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998;
- Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005; and
- Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) of 2012 (P.L. 112-141).

FHWA may not assign or delegate its decision-making authority to a State Department of Transportation unless authorized by law. Section 106 of Title 23, United States Code (Section 106), authorizes the State to assume specific project approvals. For projects receiving funding under Title 23, U.S.C., and are on the National Highway System (NHS) including projects on the Interstate System, the State may assume the responsibilities of the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation under Title 23 for design, plans, specifications, estimates, contract awards, and inspections with respect to the projects unless the Secretary determines the assumption is not appropriate. (23 U.S.C. 106(c) (1)) For

projects under Title 23, U.S.C. not on the NHS, the State shall assume the responsibilities for design, plans, specifications, estimates, contract awards, and inspections unless the State determines such assumption is not appropriate. (23 U.S.C. 106(c)(2))

For all other project activities which do not fall within the specific project approvals listed in Section 106 or are not otherwise authorized by law, FHWA may authorize a State DOT to perform work needed to reach the FHWA decision point, or to implement FHWA's decision. However such decisions themselves are reserved to FHWA.

The authority given to the State DOT under Section 106(c)(1) and (2) is limited to specific project approvals listed herein. Nothing listed herein is intended to include assumption of FHWA's decision-making authority regarding Title 23, U.S.C. eligibility or Federal-aid participation determinations. FHWA always must make the final eligibility and participation decisions for the Federal-aid Highway Program.

Section 106(c)(3) requires FHWA and the State DOT to enter into an agreement relating to the extent to which the State DOT assumes project responsibilities. This Stewardship and Oversight Agreement (S&O Agreement), includes information on specific project approvals and related responsibilities, and provides the requirements for FHWA oversight of the FAHP (Oversight Program), as required by 23 U.S.C. 106(g).

SECTION II. INTENT AND PURPOSE OF S&O AGREEMENT

The intent and purpose of this S&O Agreement is to document the roles and responsibilities of FHWA's Arkansas Division Office (FHWA) and the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) with respect to project approvals and related responsibilities, and to document the methods of oversight which will be used to efficiently and effectively deliver the FAHP.

The Project Action Responsibility Matrix, Attachment A to this S&O Agreement and as further described in Section VIII of this S&O Agreement, identifies FHWA FAHP project approvals and related responsibilities State DOT assumes from FHWA on a program-wide basis pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 106(c) and other legal authorities. Upon execution of this agreement, Attachment A shall be controlling and except as specifically noted in Attachment A, no other agreements, attachments, or other documents shall have the effect of delegating or assigning FHWA approvals to State DOT on a program-wide basis under 23 U.S.C 106 or have the effect of altering Attachment A.

SECTION III. ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS ON THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM

- A. The AHTD may assume the FHWA's Title 23 responsibilities for design; plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E); contract awards; and inspections, with respect to Federal-aid projects on the National Highway System (NHS) if both the State DOT and FHWA determine that assumption of responsibilities is appropriate.
- B. Approvals and related activities for which the State DOT has assumed responsibilities as shown in Attachment A will apply program wide unless project specific actions for which the Division will carry out the approval or related responsibilities are

documented in accordance with the FHWA Project of Division Interest/Project of Corporate Interest Guide (FHWA PoDI/PoCI Guide) located at: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federalaid/stewardship.

- C. AHTD may not assume responsibilities for Interstate projects in high risk categories. (23 U.S.C. 106(c)(1))
- D. AHTD is to exercise any and all assumptions of the Secretary responsibilities for Federal-aid projects on the NHS in accordance with Federal laws, regulations and policies.

SECTION IV. ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS OFF THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM

- A. The AHTD shall assume the FHWA's Title 23 responsibilities for design, PS&Es, contract awards, and inspections, with respect to Federal-aid projects off the NHS (non-NHS) unless the State DOT determines that assumption of responsibilities is not appropriate. (23 U.S.C. 106(c)(2)).
- B. Except as provided in 23 U.S.C. 109(o), AHTD is to exercise the Secretary's approvals and related responsibilities on these projects in accordance with Federal laws.
- C. AHTD, in its discretion, may request FHWA carry out one or more non-NHS approvals or related responsibilities listed as "State" in Attachment A on a programwide basis. For a project specific request, the State may request FHWA carry out any approval or related responsibility listed in Attachment A off the NHS. Such projectspecific requests shall be documented in accordance with the FHWA PoDI/PoCI Guide.
- D. Pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 109(o), non-NHS projects shall be designed and constructed in accordance with State laws, regulations, directives, safety standards, design standards, and construction standards.

SECTION V. ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR LOCALLY ADMINISTERED PROJECTS

- A. AHTD may permit local public agencies (LPAs) to carry out AHTD's assumed responsibilities on locally administered projects. AHTD is accountable and responsible for LPA compliance with all applicable Federal laws and requirements.
- B. AHTD is responsible for ensuring LPA administered projects are carried out in accordance with the FHWA approved "Procedures for Local Public Agency Project Administration." Modifications to the procedures must be approved by FHWA.

- C. A Project Agreement will be executed between AHTD and the local agency to outline the project responsibilities of both AHTD and the local agency. AHTD will not delegate, to local agencies, approval authority in the following program elements:
 - NEPA
 - Sole Source
 - Use of force account
 - Design exceptions
 - Changes to Interstate access
 - Right of way certification
 - Engineering plan
 - DBE goal
 - Labor compliance
 - Final inspection
 - Project acceptance
- D. If an LPA administered project is selected as a PoDI, either by AHTD or FHWA, an individual project oversight plan will be prepared specifying those approval actions retained by FHWA. In these cases, AHTD will be responsible for ensuring proper coordination with FHWA.

SECTION VI. PERMISSIBLE AREAS OF ASSUMPTION UNDER 23 U.S.C. 106(c)

An assumption of responsibilities under 23 U.S.C. 106(c) may cover only activities in the following areas:

- A. Design, which includes preliminary engineering, engineering, and design-related services directly relating to the construction of a FAHP-funded project, including engineering, design, project development and management, construction project management and inspection, surveying, mapping (including the establishment of temporary and permanent geodetic control in accordance with specifications of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), and architectural-related services.
- B. PS&E, which represents the actions and approvals required before authorization of construction. The PS&E package includes geometric standards, drawings, specifications, project estimates, certifications relating to completion of right-of-way acquisition and relocation, utility work, and railroad work.
- C. Contract awards, which include procurement of professional and other consultant services and construction-related services to include advertising, evaluating, and awarding contracts.
- D. Inspections, which include general contract administration, material testing and quality assurance, review, and inspections of Federal-aid contracts as well as final inspection/acceptance.

E. Approvals and related responsibilities affecting real property as provided in 23 CFR 710.201(i) and any successor regulation in 23 CFR Part 710.

SECTION VII FEDERAL APPROVALS AND RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES THAT MAY NOT BE ASSUMED BY THE STATE DOT

- A. Any approval or related responsibility not listed in Attachment A cannot be assumed by AHTD without prior concurrence by FHWA Headquarters. The following is a list of the most frequently-occurring approvals and related responsibilities that may not be assumed by the State DOT:
 - Civil Rights Program approvals;
 - Environmental approvals, except those specifically assumed under other agreements. (23 U.S.C. 326 and 327; programmatic categorical exclusion agreements);
 - Federal air quality conformity determinations required by the Clean Air Act;
 - Approval of current bill and final vouchers;
 - Approval of federally-funded hardship acquisition, protective buying, and 23 U.S.C. 108(d) early acquisition;
 - Project agreements and modifications to project agreements and obligation of funds (including advance construction);
 - Planning and programming pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135;
 - Special Experimental Projects (SEP-14 and SEP-15);
 - Use of Interstate airspace for non-highway-related purposes;
 - Any Federal agency approval or determination under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Uniform Act), as amended, and implementing regulations in 49 CFR Part 24;
 - Waivers to Buy America requirements;
 - Approval of Federal participation under 23 CFR 1.9(b);
 - Provide pre-approval for preventive maintenance projects outside FHWA/AHTD's Preventive Maintenance Agreement;
 - Requests for credits toward the non-Federal share of construction costs for early acquisitions, donations, or other contributions applied to a project;
 - Functional replacement of property;
 - Approval of a time extension for preliminary engineering projects beyond the 10year limit, in the event actual construction or acquisition of right-of-way for a highway project has not commenced;
 - Approval of a time extension beyond the 20-year limit for right of way projects, in the event actual construction of a road on the right-of-way is not undertaken;
 - Determine need for Coast Guard Permit;
 - Training Special Provision Approval of New Project Training Programs; and
 - Any other approval or activity not specifically identified in Attachment A unless otherwise approved by FHWA, including the Office of Chief Counsel.

- B. For all projects and programs, AHTD will comply with Title 23 and all applicable non-Title 23, U.S.C. Federal-aid program requirements, such as metropolitan and statewide planning; environment; procurement of engineering and design related service contracts (except as provided in 23 U.S.C. 109(o)); Civil Rights including Title VI of the *Civil Rights Act*, and participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises; prevailing wage rates; and acquisition of right-of-way, etc.
- C. This Agreement does not modify FHWA's non-Title 23 program approval and related responsibilities, such as approvals required under the Clean Air Act; National Environmental Policy Act, Executive Order on Environmental Justice (E.O. 12898), and other related environmental laws and statutes; the Uniform Act; and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes.

SECTION VIII. PROJECT ACTION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX

Attachment A, Project Action Responsibility Matrix, to this Agreement identifies FAHP project approvals and related responsibilities. The Matrix specifies which approvals and related responsibilities are assumed by AHTD under 23 U.S.C. 106(c) or other statutory or regulatory authority, as well as approvals and related responsibilities reserved to FHWA.

SECTION IX. IDENTIFYING PROJECTS OF DIVISION INTEREST

A. In May/June of each year, FHWA and AHTD will assess the current list of PoDIs to plan for the upcoming federal performance year. Existing PoDIs may be removed if the identified risk areas have been either mitigated or surpassed. New PoDIs will be identified for consideration through (but not limited to) a review of active PE and construction projects, the current STIP, and the outcome of process/program reviews and project inspections completed in the year.

In general, the following are considered PoDI projects: Major Projects (>\$500M); TIGER Discretionary Grant Projects; NHS Projects with Retained FHWA Project Approval; Non-NHS Projects with Retained FHWA Project Approval; and Projects Selected by FHWA for Risk-based Stewardship & Oversight. Regardless of retained project approval actions, any Federal-aid Highway Project either on or off the NHS that the Division identifies as having an elevated level of risk can be selected for riskbased stewardship and oversight and would then be identified as a PoDI.

- B. FHWA and AHTD agree additional PoDIs may be added during the year as new projects or risk elements are identified.
- C. An updated PoDI list will be maintained in a manner that is easily accessible and readily available to both FHWA and AHTD project staff.
- FHWA will determine, based on risk, which project actions FHWA will take on each individual PoDI. This will be documented in a PoDI plan for each PoDI project.
 PoDI plans will be made available to AHTD.

SECTION X. HIGH RISK CATEGORIES

- A. In 23 U.S.C. 106(c), Congress directs that the Secretary shall not assign any approvals or related responsibilities for projects on the Interstate System if the Secretary determines the project to be in a high risk category. Under 23 U.S.C. 106(c)(4)(B), the Secretary may define high risk categories on a national basis, State-by-State basis, or national and State-by-State basis.
- B. The Division has determined there are no high risk categories.

SECTION XI. FHWA OVERSIGHT PROGRAM UNDER 23 U.S.C. 106(g)

- A. In 23 U.S.C. 106(g), Congress directs that the Secretary shall establish an oversight program to monitor the effective and efficient use of funds authorized to carry out the FAHP. This program includes FHWA oversight of the State's processes and management practices, including those involved in carrying out the approvals and related responsibilities assumed by the State under 23 U.S.C. 106(c). Congress defines, at a minimum, the oversight program shall be responsive to all areas relating to financial integrity and project delivery.
- B. FHWA shall perform annual reviews that address elements of the AHTD's financial management system in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 106(g)(2)(A). FHWA will periodically review AHTD's monitoring of sub-recipients pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 106(g)(4)(B).
- C. FHWA shall perform annual reviews that address elements of the project delivery systems of AHTD, which elements include one or more activities that are involved in the life cycle of project from conception to completion of the project. FHWA will also evaluate the practices of AHTD for estimating project costs, awarding contracts, and reducing costs. 23 U.S.C. 106(g)(2) and (3).
- D. To carry out the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 106(g), FHWA will employ a risk management framework to evaluate financial integrity and project delivery, and balance risk with staffing resources, available funding, and the State's transportation needs. FHWA may work collaboratively with AHTD to assess the risks inherent with the FAHP and funds management, and how that assessment will be used to align resources to develop appropriate risk response strategies

Techniques the Division and AHTD will use to identify and analyze risks and develop response strategies include the following:

- Program Assessments;
- FIRE Reviews;
- Program Reviews;
- Certification Reviews;
- Recurring reviews such as the Compliance Assessment Program (CAP); and

• Inspections of project elements or phases.

These techniques will be carried out in a manner consistent with applicable Division Standard Operating Procedures or other control documents relating to program assessments, FIRE, program reviews CAP, etc.

The following techniques and processes will be used by the Division to carry out the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 106(g):

- Risk Assessment Annually, FHWA conducts a formalized review of their oversight of the FAHP as part of the annual Unit Plan Cycle. This assessment includes evaluation of each Program Area by the Arkansas Division. These reviews are analyzed to determine the Arkansas Division's Top Risks/Top Opportunities for the upcoming Performance Year (PY). Strategies to mitigate those risks are defined and implemented throughout the PY.
- Unit Plan Annually the Arkansas Division evaluates its resources against the needs of the FHWA strategic goals. Division staff works with team leaders to develop activities, program reviews, program assessment, and SOPs to be included in the Unit Plan. On a quarterly basis these activities are updated and reviewed by management to ensure that deliverables are on track for the current PY.
- Project/Program Involvement Continually, Arkansas Division staff stay involved in project and program concerns, current project issues, PoDIs, and any other areas of concern.

E. Program Responsibility Matrix

Attachment B to this S&O Agreement is the Program Responsibility Matrix example that identifies all relevant FHWA program actions, and Division and AHTD program contact offices.

F. Manuals and Operating Agreements

AHTD manuals, agreements and other control documents approved for use on Federal-aid projects are listed in Attachment C to this S&O Agreement.

G. Stewardship and Oversight Indicators

FHWA and AHTD have jointly agreed upon Stewardship and Oversight Indicators (Indicators). These indicators are listed in Attachment D to this S&O Agreement. Stewardship and Oversight Indicators should be reviewed on an annual basis.

SECTION XII. STATE DOT OVERSIGHT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A. AHTD Oversight and Reporting Requirements

AHTD is responsible for demonstrating to FHWA how it is carrying out its responsibilities in accordance with this S&O Agreement. In order to fulfill this responsibility, AHTD will

- Carry out design quality assurance reviews on all Federal-aid projects prior to advertisement;
- Develop construction cost estimates per AHTD's procedures;
- Conduct construction activities as set forth in the project's sealed construction documents and in accordance with AHTD's Standard Specifications for Highway Construction; and
- Conduct project inspections in accordance with the AHTD's Resident Engineer's Manual and AHTD's Standard Specifications for Highway Construction.

AHTD will maintain individual Federal-aid project files that will include documentation of all required FHWA actions and AHTD's assumed project approvals as set forth in this Agreement. AHTD will provide FHWA access to the project files when requested.

At least monthly, AHTD will provide FHWA with the AHTD Staff Minutes and a Construction Status Report.

- The Staff Minutes should summarize the status of each Federal-aid project under development, the proposed letting date, and identify any unique issues associated with the project.
- The Construction Status Report should summarize the status of active construction projects to include work complete, time charged, and estimated completion date.
- B. AHTD Oversight of Locally Administered Projects

AHTD is required to provide adequate oversight of sub-recipients including oversight of any assumed responsibilities they delegate to a LPA. AHTD is responsible for ensuring compliance with reporting and other requirements, such as monthly reporting requirements under the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, PL 109-282 (as amended by PL 110-252). AHTD is to exercise similar judgment as FHWA based on Federal laws, regulations, and policies, in carrying out its responsibilities for a sub-recipient oversight program (23 U.S.C. 106(g)(4)), subgrantee awareness of grant requirements, management of awards and sub-awards, and pass through entities responsibilities (2 C.F.R. 220.331 Requirements for Pass-thru Entities). AHTD will ensure the following:

• Maintain a sufficiently staffed LPA Administration Section.

• Administer the LPA program in accordance with the FHWA approved Procedures for Local Public Agency Project Administration.

AHTD agrees to maintain and administer the AHTD Local Public Agency Projects Manual, such that they, at a minimum, allow AHTD to

- Determining whether a sub-recipient of Federal funds has adequate project delivery systems for locally administered projects and sufficient accounting controls to properly manage such Federal-aid funds.
- Determine whether a sub-recipient is staffed and equipped to perform work satisfactorily and cost effectively, and adequate staffing and supervision exists to manage the Federal project(s).
- Determine whether sub-recipient projects receive adequate inspection to ensure they are completed in conformance with approved plans and specifications.
- AHTD will ensure, if applicable, an LPA-administered Federal-aid project is constructed in accordance with the current edition of AHTD's Standards and Specifications.
- Ensure when LPAs elect to use consultants for engineering services, the LPA, as provided under 23 CFR 635.105(b), shall provide a full-time employee of the agency to be in responsible charge of the project.
- The activities for ensuring compliance, at a minimum, oversight should cover these areas:
 - a. Consultant selection and management;
 - b. Environment;
 - c. Design;
 - d. Civil Rights;
 - e. Financial management including audits and indirect cost allocation plans;
 - f. Right-of-way;
 - g. Construction monitoring, including Quality Control/Quality Assurance (QC/QA); and
 - *h*. Contract administration including the State DOT's responsibility to approve a sub-recipient to pursue a contract procurement method other than competitive bidding.

AHTD will maintain a project filing system that will include documentation of all required FHWA actions and AHTD's assumed project approvals as set forth in this Agreement. AHTD will provide FHWA access to the project files when requested.

AHTD will provide FHWA with AHTD's Staff Minutes, which will include the status of each active LPA project in project development stage. This will include at a minimum the current phase and any approval milestones made by AHTD. AHTD will also provide FHWA with a construction status report. This will include, at a minimum, the percent complete, the amount LPA has billed to AHTD, and the date of substantial completion for each LPA project under construction.

SECTION XIII. IMPLEMENTATION AND AMENDMENTS

- A. This S&O Agreement will take effect as of the effective date of the signature of the FHWA Arkansas Division Administrator, who shall sign this S&O Agreement last.
- B. The Division and AHTD agree updates to this Agreement will be considered periodically on a case-by-case basis or when:
 - Significant new legislation, Executive orders, or other initiatives affecting the relationship or responsibilities of one or both parties to the S&O Agreement occurs;
 - Leadership, or leadership direction, changes at AHTD or FHWA; or
 - Priorities shift as a result of audits, public perception, or changes in staffing at either AHTD or the Division Office.
- C. The Division and AHTD agree changes may occur to the contents of the Attachments to this S&O Agreement and documents incorporated by reference into the S&O Agreement. Except as provided in paragraph XIII.D and E, changes to the Attachments and documents incorporated by reference will not require the Division and AHTD to amend this S&O Agreement. The effective date of any revisions to one of these documents shall be clearly visible in the header of the revised document. This Agreement and any revised document shall be posted on the Division's S&O Agreement internet site within five (5) business days of the effective date.
- D. Any changes to the high risk categories must be documented by an amendment to this S&O Agreement.
- E. Any changes to the Project Action Responsibility Matrix must be approved by the FHWA Office of Infrastructure in writing and documented by an amendment to this S&O Agreement.

EXECUTION BY THE FHWA ARKANSAS DIVISION OFFICE

h Executed this 29 _ day of april _, 2015

Sandra L. Otto

Division Administrator

EXECUTION BY THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Executed this <u>29th</u> day of <u>APRIL</u>, 2015

Scott E. Bennett Director of Highways and Transportation

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ATTACHMENT A PROJECT ACTION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX (As of February 6, 2015)

In the matrix, actions marked with an asterisk ("FHWA*") are those FHWA has retained but could have been assumed by the State through FHWA discretion (on the NHS) or by right (off the NHS). Projects requiring those actions are PoDI¹ projects because of FHWA's retained authority. Those projects will be governed by a separate PoDI Plan.

The State DOT is responsible for ensuring all individual elements of the project are eligible for FAHP funding, but all final eligibility and participation determinations are retained by FHWA.

PROJECT ACTION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX (as of February 6, 2015) (Excluding PoDIs, which are subject to separate PoDI Plans)						
	AGENCY RES	SPONSIBLE				
ACTION	PROJECTS ON THE NHS	PROJECTS OFF THE NHS				
PROGRAMMING (All phases)						
Ensure project in Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)/Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	STATE	STATE				
Identify proposed funding category	STATE(1)	STATE(1)				
FINANCIAL MANAGMENT (A)	ll phases)					
Obligate funds/approve Federal- aid project agreement, modifications, and project closures (project authorizations) (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA				
Authorize current bill (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA				

¹ The following are considered PoDI projects: Major Projects (>\$500M); Appalachian Development Highway Projects; TIGER Discretionary Grant Projects; NHS Projects with Retained FHWA Project Approval; Non-NHS Projects with Retained FHWA Project Approval; and Projects Selected by FHWA for Risk-based Stewardship & Oversight. Regardless of retained project approval actions, any Federal-aid Highway Project either on or off the NHS that the Division identifies as having an elevated level of risk can be selected for risk-based stewardship and oversight and would then be identified as a PoDI. Please see "Projects of Division Interest (PoDI)/Projects of Corporate Interest (PoCI) Guidance (available at http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federalaid/stewardship/

PROJECT ACTION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX (as of February 6, 2015) (Excluding PoDIs, which are subject to separate PoDI Plans)							
	AGENCY RES						
ACTION	PROJECTS ON THE NHS	PROJECTS OFF THE NHS					
Review and Accept Financial Plan and Annual Updates for Federal Major Projects over \$500 million [23 U.S.C. 106(h)] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					
Review Cost Estimates for Federal Major Projects over \$500 million [23 U.S.C. 106(h)] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					
Develop Financial Plan for Federal Projects between \$100 million and \$500 million. [23 U.S.C. 106(i)]	STATE	STATE					
ENVIRONMENT (All phases)							
All EA/FONSI, EIS/ROD, 4(f), 106, 6(f) and other approval actions required by Federal environmental laws and regulations. (Note: this action cannot be assumed by STATE except under 23 U.S.C. 327)	FHWA(2)	FHWA(2)					
Categorical Exclusion approval actions (Note this action cannot be assumed by the State except through an assignment under 23 U.S.C. 326 or 327, or through a programmatic agreement pursuant to Section 1318(d) of MAP-21 and 23 CFR 771.117(g))	FHWA(2)	FHWA(2)					
	PRELIMINARY DESIGN (Design Phase)						
Consultant Contract Selection	STATE (3)	STATE (3)					
Sole source Consultant Contract Selection	STATE (3)	STATE (3)					
Approve hiring of consultant to serve in a "management" role (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State) [23 CFR 172.9]	FHWA	FHWA					

PROJECT ACTION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX (as of February 6, 2015) (Excluding PoDIs, which are subject to separate PoDI Plans)							
	AGENCY RES	SPONSIBLE					
ACTION	PROJECTS ON THE NHS	PROJECTS OFF THE NHS					
Approve consultant agreements and agreement revisions (Federal non-Major Projects) [23 CFR 172.9]	STATE	STATE					
Approve consultant agreements and agreement revisions on Federal Major Projects [23 CFR 172.9] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					
Approve exceptions to design standards [23 CFR 625.3(f)]	STATE	STATE					
Interstate System Access Change [23 USC 111] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	N/A					
Interstate System Access Justification Report [23 USC 111] (Note: action may be assumed by State pursuant to 23 USC 111(e))	FHWA*	N/A					
Airport highway clearance coordination and respective public interest finding (if required) [23 CFR 620.104]	STATE	STATE					
Approve Project Management Plan for Federal Major Projects over \$500 million [23 USC 106(h)] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					
Approve innovative and Public- Private Partnership projects in accordance with SEP-14 and SEP- 15 (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					
Provide pre-approval for preventive maintenance project (until FHWA concurs with STATE procedures) (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA					

DETAILED / FINAL DESIGN (D	esign Phase)			
Provide approval of preliminary plans for unusual/complex bridges or structures on the Interstate. [23 USC 109(a) and FHWA Policy]	FHWA(4)	N/A		
Provide approval of preliminary plans for complex/unusual structures (non-Interstate). [23 USC 109(a) and FHWA Policy]	STATE	STATE		
Approve retaining right-of-way encroachments [23 CFR 1.23 (b) & (c)]	STATE	STATE		
Approve use of local force account agreements [23 CFR 635.104 & 204]	STATE	STATE		
Approve use of publicly owned equipment [23 CFR 635.106]	STATE	STATE		
Approve the use of proprietary products, processes [23 CFR 635.411]	STATE	STATE		
Concur in use of publicly furnished materials [23 CFR 635.407]	STATE	STATE		
RIGHT-OF-WAY (Design and O	perational Phases)			
Make feasibility/practicability determination for allowing authorization of construction prior to completion of ROW clearance, utility and railroad work [23 CFR 635.309(b)]	STATE	STATE		
Make public interest finding on whether State may proceed with bid advertisement even though ROW acquisition/relocation activities are not complete for some parcels [23 CFR 635.309(c)(3)	FHWA for Interstate STATE for Non-Interstate	STATE		
Ensure compliant ROW certificate is in place [23 CFR 635.309(c)]	STATE	STATE		

Approve Hardship and Protective Buying [23 CFR 710.503] (If a Federal-aid project) (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
Approve Interstate Real Property Interest Use Agreements [23 CFR 710.405] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	N/A	
Approve non-highway use and occupancy [23 CFR 1.23(c)]	FHWA for Interstate STATE for Non-Interstate (3)	STATE (3)	
Approve disposal at less than fair market value of federally funded right-of-way, including disposals of access control [23 U.S.C. 156] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
Approve disposal at fair market value of federally funded right-of- way, including disposals of access control [23 CFR 710.409] (Note: 23 CFR 710.201 authorizes FHWA and STATE to agree to scope of property-related oversight and approvals for all actions except those on the Interstate System)	FHWA for Interstate STATE for Non-Interstate (3)	STATE (3)	
Requests for credits toward the non-Federal share of construction costs for early acquisitions, donations or other contributions applied to a project (note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
Federal land transfers [23 CFR 710, Subpart F] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
Functional replacement of property [23 CFR 710.509] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
SYSTEM OPERATIONS AND P	RESERVATION (Design Phase)		
Accept Transportation Management Plans (23 CFR 630.1012(b))	STATE	STATE	

Approval of System Engineering Analysis (for ITS) [23 CFR 940.11]	STATE	STATE	
PS&E AND ADVERTISING (Des	sign Phase)		
Approve PS&E [23 CFR 630.201]	STATE	STATE	
Authorize advance construction and conversions [23 CFR 630.703 & 709] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA	
Approve utility or railroad force account work [23 CFR 645.113 & 646.216]	STATE	STATE	
Approve utility and railroad agreements [23 CFR 645.113 & 646.216]	STATE	STATE	
Approve use of consultants by utility companies [23 CFR 645.109(b)]	STATE	STATE	
Approve exceptions to maximum railroad protective insurance limits [23 CFR 646.111]	STATE	STATE	
Authorize (approve) advertising for bids [23 CFR 635.112, 309]	STATE	STATE	
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All contracts to be done by competent Approve cost-effectiveness determinations for construction work performed by force account or by contract awarded by other than competitive bidding [23 CFR 635.104 &.204]	STATE	STATE	
Approve emergency determinations for contracts awarded by other than competitive bidding [23 CFR 635.104 &.204]	STATE	STATE	
Approve construction engineering by local agency [23 CFR 635.105]	STATE	STATE	
Approve advertising period less than 3 weeks [23 CFR 635.112]	STATE	STATE	
Approve addenda during advertising period [23 CFR 635.112]	STATE	STATE	

Concur in award of contract [23 CFR 635.114]	STATE	STATE
Concur in rejection of all bids [23 CFR 635.114]	STATE	STATE
Approval of Design-Build Requests-for-Proposals and Addenda [23 CFR 635.112]	FHWA*	STATE
CONSTRUCTION (Construction	Phase)	
Approve changes and extra work [23 CFR 635.120]	STATE	STATE
Approve contract time extensions [23 CFR 635.120]	STATE	STATE
Concur in use of mandatory borrow/disposal sites [23 CFR 635.407]	STATE	STATE
Accept materials certification [23 CFR 637.207]	STATE	STATE
Concur in settlement of contract claims [23 CFR 635.124]	STATE	STATE
Concur in termination of construction contracts [23 CFR 635.125]	STATE	STATE
Waive Buy America provisions [23 CFR 635.410] (Note: this action cannot be assumed by State)	FHWA	FHWA
Final inspection/acceptance of completed work [23 USC 114(a)]	STATE	STATE
CIVIL RIGHTS (All phases)		
Approval of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Project Contract Goal set by the State DOT under 49 CFR 26.51(d). [49 CFR 26.51(e)(3)]	STATE	STATE
Acceptance of Bidder's Good Faith Efforts to Meet Contract Goal [49 CFR 26.53] or of Prime Contractor's Good Faith Efforts to Find Another DBE Subcontractor When a DBE Subcontractor is Terminated or Fails to Complete Its Work [49 CFR 26.53(g)] (Note: this action cannot be performed by FHWA)	STATE	STATE

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Contract Compliance Review [23 CFR Part 230, Subpart D]).	FHWA*	STATE
Training Special Provision –		
Approval of Project Goal for	STATE	STATE
training slots or hours	STATE	STATE
[23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A]		
Training Special Provision –		
Approval of New Project Training		
Programs (Note: this action	FHWA	FHWA
cannot be assumed by State)		
[23 CFR 230.111(d), (e)]		
FOOTNOTES:		

(1) State is responsible for ensuring all individual elements of the project are eligible. FHWA will check the scope of the project as described in submitted project agreement is eligible for the category of funding sought. All final eligibility and participation determinations are retained by FHWA.

(2) If there is a 23 U.S.C. 326 or 325 assignment or PCE agreement, decisions are handled in accordance with those assignments or agreements.

(3) State's process and modifications to, or variation in process, require FHWA approval.

(4) Unusual/Complex bridges and structures are those that the Division determines to have unique foundation problems, new or complex designs, exceptionally long spans, exceptionally large foundations, complex hydrologic (including climate change and extreme weather events) aspects, complex hydraulic elements or scour related elements, or that are designed with procedures that depart from currently recognized acceptable practices (i.e., cable-stay, suspension, arch, segmental concrete, moveable, truss, tunnels, or complex geotechnical walls or ground improvement systems)

ATTACHMENT B PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX

PROGRAM ACTION RESPONSIBILITY

Activity	Authority	Frequency	Due Date	FHWA HQ Program Office	FHWA Division Responsible Program Office	State DOT Responsible Program Office	Remarks
Appropriations, Allotments, Obligations	31 USC 1341(a)(1)(A)& (B); 31 USC 1517(a); 23 USC 118(b), 23 USC 121	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	State will monitor appropriations, allotments and obligations to ensure that all funding is used efficiently within each quarter and use all Obligation Authority (OA) by the end of the year.
Approval of Indirect Cost Allocation Plans (ICAPs)	2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E: (previously 2 CFR 225); ASMBC-10	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	The State will certify that the ICAP was prepared in accordance with 2 CFR 200 Subpart E.
FIRE Program Activities	FHWA Order 4560.1C (or as superseded)	Ongoing		Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	State will continue to provide oversight and conduct reviews to ensure Federal-aid compliance. FHWA will review and monitor. State responsibilities include multiple tasks in support of risk assessments, conducting reviews and implementation of recommendations.
Audit Coordination/FHWA Financial Statement Audit/State External Audit Reviews/State Internal Audit Reviews	FMFIA,2 C.F.R Part 200, Subpart F ; GAAP, CFO Act of 1990; DOT Order 8000.1C	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	State assures corrective action is taken to resolve audit findings and FHWA will monitor activities to ensure implementation.

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Improper Payments Review	Improper Payments Information Act of 2002, PL 107-300, Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010, PL 111-204, Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act of 2012, PL 112-248	Annually		Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	State will provide all information necessary to document sampled payments and FHWA offices will review and complete appropriate data submittal forms.
Transfer of Funds between programs or to other FHWA offices or agencies as requested by State	23 USC 126, 23 USC 132, and FHWA Order 4551.1	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	State will submit requests for transfer and FHWA approves and processes the funding transfers between programs, to other States, to other agencies, and to FHWA HQ, Federal Lands, or Research offices.
Reviews of State Transportation Departments Financial Management Systems - Financial Integrity	23 USC 106(g)(2)(A)	Annually	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	23 USC 106(g)(2)(A) states that the Secretary shall perform annual reviews that address elements of the State transportation departments' financial management systems that affect projects approved under subsection (a).
Review Adequacy of Sub-recipient Project Delivery Systems and Sufficient Accounting Controls to Manage Federal Funds	23 USC 106(g)(4)(A)(i)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Periodic Reviews of States Monitoring of sub- recipients	23 USC 106(g)(4)(B)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	

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Approval of Increased Federal Share Agreement (Sliding Scale)	23 USC 120(b)(2)	As determined by the Federal Share Agreement	Not Applicable	Office of Chief Financial Officer	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	A State must enter into an agreement with FHWA for use of the increased Federal share allowable under this section, which must be reviewed and updated periodically as agreed to in the agreement. States must demonstrate that they are in compliance with the statute and the agreement.
Prepare / Review Title VI Plan Accomplishments and Next Year's Goals	23 CFR 200.9(b)(10)	Annually	1-Oct	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews and comments.
Prepare / EEO Contractor Compliance Plan accomplishments and next year's goals	23 CFR 230, Subpart C, Appendix A, Part I, III	Annually	1-Oct	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews and comments.
Prepare / Review State Internal EEO Affirmative Action Plan (Title VII) Accomplishments and Goals	23 CFR 230.311	Annually	1-Oct	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Courtesy copy to HQ.
Review DBE Program Revisions	49 CFR 26.21(b)(2)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Engineer	Division sends to HCR for review and approval as
Prepare / DBE Uniform Awards and Commitment Report	49 CFR 26, Appendix B	Semi-Annual	June 1st December 1st	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Engineer	Division Office reviews and sends to HCR
Prepare / Annual Analysis and Corrective Action Plan (if necessary)	49 CFR 26.47(c)	Annual (as necessary)	December 31st	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Engineer	Division Office approves sends copy to HCR
Prepare / State DBE Program Goals	49 CFR 26.45(f)(1)	Triennial	August 1st	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Engineer	Division reviews and approves; HCC provides legal sufficiency review and approval sends copy to HCR
Prepare / Review On-the- Job-Training (OJT) goals & accomplishments	23 CFR 230.111(b)	Annually	ТВА	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews and comments.
Approval of OJT and DBE Supportive Services fund requests	23 CFR 230.113 & 23 CFR 230.204	Annual	ТВА	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division recommends approval submits to HCR for final approval

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Return of any unused discretionary grant program funding	23 CFR 230.117(2)	Annual	ТВА	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division works with HCR and CFO
Prepare / Review of Report on Supportive Services (OJT & DBE)	23 CFR 230.113(g), 230.121(e), 230.204(g)(6)	Quarterly		Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews and comments.
Prepare / Review Annual Contractor Employment Report (Construction Summary of Employment Data (Form PR-1392)	23 CFR 230.121(a); Appendix D to Subpart A, Part 230, General Information and Instructions	Annually	1-Dec	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Recommendation sent to HQ for approval.
Prepare / Review State DOT Employment Statistical Data (EEO-4)	23 CFR, Subpart C, Appendix A	Biannual	1-Dec	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Report sent to HQ quarterly for informational purposes and recommendation sent to HQ annually for approval.
Prepare / Review Annual Federal Projected Awards Reports - Historically Black Colleges & Universities/Tribal Colleges & Universities/Hispanic Serving Institutes, American Indian Alaskan Native, Asian Pacific & American Islander.	Presidential Executive Orders: 13230, 13256,13270, 13361, 13515	Annual	ТВА	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Divisions submit data to HCR who prepares report for DOCR
Prepare / Review ADA Complaint Reports of Investigation	28 CFR 35.190	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews, FHWA HQ approves and issues finding.
Review Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) /Sec. 504 Program Plan accomplishments and next year's goals	49 CFR 27.11(c), EO 12250	Annually	1-Oct	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Division office reviews and comments.

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Return of unexpended funds used for Summer Transportation Institutes	23 CFR 230.117(2)	Annual	August 30; however, State procurement rules may govern	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Divisions work with HCR and CFO
Prepare / Review Request for National Summer Transportation Institute (NSTI) Proposals (SOWs)	23 USC 140(b)	Annual	ТВА	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Divisions recommend approval. HCR gives final approval
Prepare / Review NSTI Report (questionnaire)	23 USC 140(b)	Annual	October 15th	Office of Civil Rights	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Divisions provide to HCR
Receipt of State Consultation Process with Tribal Governments	23 CFR 450.210(c)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Federal Lands Highway	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Informational Purposes.
Approval of Contracting Procedures for Consultant Selection	23 CFR 172.5 & 172.9	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Determination of High Risk Categories - Limitation on Interstate Projects	23 USC 106(c)(4)(B)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	ADA or FO Team??	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Office of Program Administration determines national categories and must concur on any State designations.
Approval of State 3R Program	23 CFR 625.4(a)(3), 23 USC 109(n)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Verify adoption of Design Standards (National Highway System, including Interstate)	23 CFR 625, 23 USC 109(b), 23 USC 109(c)(2), 23 USC 109(c)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA HQ regulatory action to adopt NHS standards.
Approval of preliminary plans of Major and Unusual Bridges on the Interstate Highway System	(M1100.A)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Director of HIBT has approval of preliminary plans of Major and Unusual Bridges on the Interstate Highway System (M1100.A)
Approval of State Standard Specifications	23 CFR 625.3	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Verify State Design Exception Policy complies with FHWA Policy	23 CFR 625.3	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval.

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Approval of State Standard Detail Plans	23 CFR 625.3	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Approval of Pavement Design Policy	23 CFR 626.3	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Review of Value Engineering Policy and Procedures	23 CFR 627.1(b)&(c), 23 CFR 627.7 FHWA Order 1311.1B	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Review.
Review of Value Engineering Annual Report	23 CFR 627.7, FHWA Order 1311.1B	Annual	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office collects, reviews, and submits to HQ for review and reporting.
Review and Approval of Interstate Access Requests	23 USC 111, 23 CFR 710, 74 FR 43743-43746 (Aug. 27, 2009)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office approval with concurrence from HQ on more complex access requests.
Approval of Liquidated Damages Rate	23 CFR 635.127	Every 2 years	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer - Operation	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Approval of Quality Assurance Program	23 CFR 637.205	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	State administers, with programmatic agreement by the Division Office, as part of their materials testing and construction quality assurance/acceptance program.
Assure Central Laboratory accredited by AASHTO Accreditation Program or FHWA approved comparable program	23 CFR 637.209	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	State administers, with programmatic agreement by the Division Office, as part of their materials testing and construction quality assurance/acceptance program.
Assure Non-STD designated lab performing Independent Assurance sampling and testing accredited by AASHTO Accreditation Program or FHWA approved comparable program	23 CFR 637.209	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	State administers, with programmatic agreement by the Division Office, as part of their materials testing and construction quality assurance/acceptance program.

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Assure Non-STD designated lab used in dispute resolution accredited by AASHTO Accreditation Program or FHWA approved comparable program	23 CFR 637.209	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	State administers, with programmatic agreement by the Division Office, as part of their materials testing and construction quality assurance/acceptance program.
Review Independent Assurance Annual Report	23 CFR 637.207	Annually	1-Mar	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	State administers, with programmatic agreement by the Division Office, as part of their materials testing and construction quality assurance/acceptance program.
Assure Labor Compliance - Prevailing Wage Rate	23 USC 113	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Review and Approval
Determination of Eligible Preventive Maintenance Activity - Cost-Effective Means of Extending Useful Life Determination	23 USC 116(e)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	System Information and Research Division	FHWA Division Office Approval
Approval of Utility Agreement / Alternate Procedure	23 CFR 645.119	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval
Approval of Utility Accommodation Policy	23 CFR 645.215, 23 USC 109(I), 23 USC 123	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	FHWA Division Office Approval
Review Bridge Construction, Geotechnical, and Hydraulics	23 CFR 650	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Review Plans of Corrective Action established to address NBIS compliance issues	23 CFR 650, 23 USC 144	Annually		Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Division office performs annual compliance review and reports results to HQ.
Review NBI Data Submittal	23 CFR 650 Subpart C, Annual Memo from HQ, 23 USC 144	Annually	1-Apr	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Division resolve errors with States; States submit to HQ.
Review NTIS Data Submittal	FHWA Guidance Memo to be provided.	Annually	TBD	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Division resolves errors with States; Submittal requirements TBD.

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Review Plans of Corrective Action established to address NTIS compliance issues	FHWA Guidance Memo to be provided.	Annually	TBD	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Division office performs annual compliance review and reports results to HQ.
Review structurally deficient bridge construction Unit Cost submittal	23 USC 144	Annually	1-Apr	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Submit to HQ.
Review Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act Submittals (Bridge Permits)	23 CFR 650 Subpart H; 33 CFR 114 & 115	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning / Design	
Approval for reduction of expenditures for off- system bridges	23 USC 133(g)(2)(B)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	The FHWA Administrator may reduce the requirement for expenditures for off-system bridges if the FHWA Administrator determines that the State has inadequate needs to justify the expenditure.
Determination on Adequacy of State's Asset Management Plan	23 USC 119(5)	Annually beginning second fiscal year after establishment of the process		Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Certification and Recertification of States Process for Development of State Asset Management Plan	23 USC 119(6)	Recertification every four years after establishment of the process		Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Review Reporting on Performance Targets	23 USC 150(e)	Beginning four years after enactment of MAP-21 and biennially thereafter		Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	

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Review National Highway System Performance Achievement Plan for Actions to achieve the targets (when State does not achieve or make significant progress toward achieving)	23 USC 119(7)	Required if State does not achieve targets (or significant progress) for 2 consecutive reports		Office of Infrastructure	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
States and sub-recipient failure to maintain projects - Notice and withholding Federal-aid Funds	23 USC 116(d)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Emergency Relief (ER) Damage Assessments and Reports	23 CFR 668 23 USC 120 and 125	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Perform with State.
Toll Credit and Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Calculation and Agreement	23 USC 120(i)	Annually		Office of Infrastructure	N/A	N/A	State will calculate the amount of eligible toll credit and submit for approval. FHWA will review and approve the request.
Local Public Agency (LPA) Oversight	2 CFR 200.331;23 USC 106(g)(4)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	States are responsible to ensure that LPAs are aware of all the applicable Federal-aid Program requirements; States are responsible to ensure monitoring and oversight to assure compliance with Federal requirements. 23 USC further reinforces stressing accountability on "project delivery systems" and "accounting controls."
Approval to Sell, Lease or Otherwise Dispose of a Ferry Purchased with Federal-aid Funds	23 USC 129 (c)(6)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Infrastructure	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Division Office reviews and submits for Office of Program Administration for Administrator Approval
Territorial Highway Program - Approval of Territory Agreement	23 USC 165(c)(5)	Reviewed and Revised as needed every two years		Office of Infrastructure	N/A	N/A	Division Office works with Office of Program Administration and HCC
TIFIA Credit Program	23 USC 601-609	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Project sponsors submit requests for credit assistance to the TIFIA JPO for review; approval by the Secretary

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GARVEEs	23 USC 122; GARVEE Guidance 3/14	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	MOUs strongly suggested for each GARVEE issue. FM contacts OIPD for review/concurrence before final approval
State Infrastructure Banks	NHS Act Section 308; 23 USC 610; SIB Guidance 3/14	Annual Report	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Finance Team	Assistant Chief Administration	Division sends copy of report to OIPD. SIB submits annual report to Division Office.
Section 129 Tolling Authority Requests	23 USC 129(a)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	N/A	N/A	At the option of the project sponsor, may execute a Tolling Eligibility MOU with the Division Office; HIN coordinates FHWA HQ review
Section 166 HOV/HOT Lanes Tolling Authority Requests	23 USC 166(d)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	N/A	N/A	At the option of the project sponsor, may execute a Tolling Eligibility MOU with the Division Office; HIN coordinates FHWA HQ review
Value Pricing Pilot Program Tolling Authority Requests	ISTEA Section 1012(b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	N/A	N/A	Requests submitted to HIN to coordinate review; approval by the Administrator
Interstate System Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot Program Tolling Authority Requests	TEA-21 Section 1216(b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Applications submitted to HIN to coordinate review; approval by the Administrator
Annual Audit of Toll Facility Records and Certification of Adequate Maintenance - Report Submittal	23 USC 129(a)(3)(B); TEA-21 Section 1216(b)(5)(B); SAFETEA-LU Section 1604(b)(3)(A); ISTEA Section 1012(b)(3)	Annually		Office of Innovative Program Delivery	N/A	N/A	Division Office to receive the reports.
Project Management Plan (Major Projects)	23 U.S.C. 106(h)(2)	Prior to first federal authorization of construction funds for a Major Project	Not Applicable	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Division Office will conduct concurrent review with HQ Office of Innovative Program Delivery.	State DOT or Project Sponsor will prepare and submit Project Management Plan.	Division Office will provide approval after receiving concurrence from HQ Office of Innovative Program Delivery.

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Financial Plan (Major Projects)	23 U.S.C. 106(h)(3)	Prior to first federal authorization of construction funds for a Major Project and then annually.	Annually as noted in the approved Initial Financial Plan	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Division Office will conduct concurrent review with HQ Office of Innovative Program Delivery.	State DOT or Project Sponsor will prepare and submit annual Financial Plans.	Division Office will provide approval after receiving concurrence from HQ Office of Innovative Program Delivery.
Financial Plan (Other Projects)	23 U.S.C. 106(i)	Prior to first federal authorization of construction funds for an Other Project and then annually.	Annually as noted in the approved Initial Financial Plan	Office of Innovative Program Delivery	Division Office will review and approve Financial Plans for Other Projects in accordance with its stewardship and oversight agreement with the State DOT or Project Sponsor.	State DOT or Project Sponsor will prepare and submit annual Financial Plans to the Division Office, only upon request.	Other Projects are defined as projects with an estimated total cost of \$100 million or more that have not been designated as Major Projects.
Review Designation and Re-designation of Primary Freight Network	23 USC 167(d)	One year after enactment of MAP-21 and every ten years thereafter		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Under development, initial PFN designation scheduled for Spring 2014 completion.
Review Development and Update of National Freight Strategic Plan	23 USC 167(f)	Three years after enactment of MAP-21 and every five years thereafter		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	OST lead
Review Freight Transportation Conditions and Performance Report	23 USC 167(g)	Two years after enactment of MAP-21 and every two years thereafter		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	OST lead
Review HOV Operations Report for Tolled Use and Low-Emission and Energy-Efficient Vehicle Use	23 USC 166(d)	Annually		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team??	N/A	
Congestion Partnerships Assessment	Annual Memo from HQ	Annually	1-Jul	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Complete with partners and forward to HQ.

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Traffic Incident Management Self- Assessment	Annual Memo from HQ	Annually	1-Jul	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Complete with partners and forward to HQ.
Work Zone Self- Assessment	Annual Memo from HQ	Annually	7/1/2013, This project is currently on hiatus and has not been determined whether it will be reestablished or not.	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	Complete with partners and forward to HQ.
Approval of State- Prepared Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices - State Traffic Control Manuals	23 CFR 655.603, 23 USC 109(d)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	
Review Vehicle Size & Weight Enforcement Plan	23 CFR 657.11, 23 USC 127	Annually	1-Oct	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	
Review Vehicle Size & Weight Enforcement Certification	23 CFR 657.13, 23 USC 141	Annually	1-Jan	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	
Approval of National Network Modifications	23 CFR 658.11	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Intelligent Transportation System Architecture & Standards	23 CFR Part 940	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Operations	
Approval of Work Zone Significant Project Determination	23 CFR 630.1010	As needed		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Exceptions to Work Zone Procedures for Interstate Projects	23 CFR 630.1010	As needed		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Work Zone Policy and Procedures Conformance Review	23 CFR 630.1014	At appropriate intervals		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design / Operations	
Process Review of Work Zone Safety and Mobility Procedures	23 CFR 630.1008, 23 USC 109(e)(2), 23 USC 112(g)	Every 2 years		Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design / Operations	

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Approval of State Planning Work Program and Revisions (Part 1)	23 CFR 420.111, 23 CFR 420.115, and 23 CFR 420.209	Annually	Prior to Program Period	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Approval of State Research and Development Work Program (Part 2)	23 CFR 420.111, 23 CFR 420.115, and 23 CFR 420.209	Annually	Prior to Program Period	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Approval of State's Distribution of Planning Funds Formula - Allocation Formulas for PL Funds	23 CFR 420.109, 23 USC 104(d)(2)(A)(i)	When Revised	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Review of State Public Involvement Procedures	23 CFR 450.210(a)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Review to Assure Compliance.
Receipt of State Consultation Process for Non- metropolitan Local Officials	23 CFR 450.210(b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Informational Purposes.
Review of Long-range Statewide Transportation Plan	23 CFR 450.214	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Review to Assure Compliance.
Approval of Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)	23 CFR 450.216, 23 CFR 450.218(a) & (c), 23 USC 135(g)(7)	At least every 4 years	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Joint FHWA and FTA approval.
Approval of STIP Amendments	23 CFR 450.218(a) & (c)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Joint FHWA and FTA approval.
Finding of Consistency of Planning Process with Section 134 and 135	23 USC 135(g)(8), 23 CFR 450.218(b)	Concurrent with STIP approval	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA and FTA issue a joint finding concurrent with STIP approval.
Review of State Self- certification that Planning Process is in Accordance with Applicable Requirements	23 CFR 450.218(a)	Submitted with proposed STIP or STIP amendments	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Received with STIP.

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Approval of Transportation Management Area (TMA) MPO Unified Planning Work Programs (UPWP)	23 CFR 450.308(b) and 23 CFR 420 (Subpart A)	Prior to Program End	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of Non-TMA UPWA	23 CFR 450.308(b) and 23 CFR 420 (Subpart A)	Prior to Program End	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	May use simplified work statement.
Approval of UPWP Revisions and Amendments (All MPO's)	23 CFR 420.115	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Review of UPWP Performance and Expenditure Reports (All MPO's)	23 CFR 420.117(b)	Not more frequently than quarterly	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of Report Before Publication (All MPO's)	23 CFR 420.117(e)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Waiver may be granted.
Approval to use Planning Funds outside Urbanized Areas for States Receiving Minimum Apportionment	23 USC 104(d)(1)(A)(ii)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Review of Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary (Establishment and Changes)	23 CFR 450.312	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Approval by MPO and the Governor, shape files forwarded to HQ. (Comment: No action is required by FHWA/FTA).
Review of Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organizations (MPO) Designation and Re- designation	23 CFR 450.310	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Require agreement between Governor and local governments.
Review of Metropolitan Planning Agreements (MPA) for Attainment or Entire Nonattainment Area	23 CFR 450.314(a)	When Completed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Between MPO/State DOT/Transit Operator. Included in UPWP or Prospectus (23 CFR 450.314(d)).

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Review of MPA - for MPA that do not include the entire nonattainment or maintenance area	23 CFR 450.314(b), 23 USC 109(j)	When Completed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Between MPO/State DOT/State AQ Agency.
Review of MPO Public Participation Procedures	23 CFR 450.316(a)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Must be developed and published.
Review of Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) in Attainment Areas (and Updates)	23 CFR 450.322	Every 4 years	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Review of MTP in Non- Attainment and Maintenance Areas (and Updates)	23 CFR 450.322	Every 5 years	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Review of MTP Amendments	23 CFR 450.322(c)	As Needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Air Quality Conformity Determination on LRTP in Non-attainment and Maintenance Areas	23 CFR 450.322(d)	Concurrent with LRTP updates at least every 4 years and as needed on amendments	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	After receipt of MPO determination; Joint FHWA and FTA determination; In consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
Review of Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	23 CFR 450.300(a); 23 CFR 450.324(b); 23 CFR 450.328(a), 23 USC 134(j)(1)(D)	Prior to Program Period	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	No succinct Federal approval action is required for the TIP. FHWA/FTA approval of the TIP is through the STIP approval process.
Review of TIP Amendments	23 CFR 450.324(a); 23 CFR 450.328(b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	No succinct Federal approval action is required for the TIP. FHWA/FTA approval of the TIP is through the STIP approval process.

Activity	Authority	Frequency	Due Date	FHWA HQ Program Office	FHWA Division Responsible Program Office	State DOT Responsible Program Office	Remarks
Approval of Air Quality Conformity Determination on TIP	23 CFR 450.326; 23 CFR 450.328	At least every 4 years, or when the TIP has been modified (unless exempt projects)	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Applies to non-attainment and maintenance areas only. After receipt of MPO determination, joint determination with FTA (in cooperation with EPA).
Federal Finding of Consistency of Planning Process with Section 134 and 135	23 CFR 450.218(b); 23 CFR 450.334(a)	Concurrent with (S)TIP submittal	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	At least every four years, joint finding with FTA when TIP is submitted.
In Metropolitan Planning Areas, Review of State and MPO Self- certification that Planning Process is in Accordance with Applicable Requirements	23 CFR 450.334 (a), 23 CFR 218(a)	Annually or concurrent with the STIP/TIP cycle	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Required for all MPO's. May be included in the STIP, TIP, or UPWP, at least every 4 years.
In TMA's, Certification that Planning Process is in Accordance with Applicable Requirements	23 CFR 450.334(b), 23 USC 134(k)(5)	Every 4 years		Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Joint FHWA and FTA Certification.
Approval of Federal-Aid Urban Area Boundaries	23 CFR 470.105 (a), 23 USC 101(a)(33)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of Revision of Functional Classification	23 CFR 470.105 (b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval by Administrator of Interstate Additions & Revisions	23 USC 103(c)(1)(D), 23 CFR 470.111, 23CFR 470.115 (a)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Approval by HQ – Administrator.
Approval by Office Director of National Highway System (NHS) Additions and Revisions	23 USC 103(b)(3), 23 CFR 470.113 and 470.115(a)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Approved by HQ - Office Director.

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Review of CMAQ Annual Report	CMAQ Guidance Memo October 31, 2006	Annually	1-Mar	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Division provides information on CMAQ projects including: amount of obligation, project description and location, and air quality benefits. The report must be submitted via the web- based CMAQ Tracking System.
Transportation Planning Excellence Awards		Annually	1-Feb	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Call for entries for the FHWA FTA Transportation Planning and Excellence Awards.
Approval of Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Centers Work Plan and Budget	FHWA LTAP Field Manual	Annually	31-Mar	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA HQ approval.
Approval of Public Involvement Program Procedures	23 CFR 771.111(h), 23 USC 128	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of NEPA Procedures, including Section 4(f)	23 CFR 771; 23 CFR 774; SAFETEA-LU 6007 & 6009, 23 USC 109(h)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of Noise Policies	23 CFR 772.7, 772.9, and 772.13, 23 USC 109(i)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA approves State' noise abatement policy.
EIS Status Updates	FHWA Strategic Goal - EIS Timeliness	Quarterly	(Fiscal Year - Oct, Jan, Apr, Jul)	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Monitor time required to complete EIS's. Determine projects which have exceeded recommended timeline (3 years). Identify projects which should be listed as dormant. Submit to HEPE.
Endangered Species Act Cost Report		Annually	1-Mar	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Exemplary Ecosystem Initiatives Applications		Annually	1-Apr	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	

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Approval of Acquisitions, Appraisals, and Relocations Program and Procedures	49 CFR Part 24, The UA	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Early Acquisitions	23 CFR 710.501	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Local Public Agency Oversight	49 CFR 24.4(b); 23 CFR 710.201	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Field Operations Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Highway Facility Relinquishment	23 CFR 620.203	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Approval of ROW Disposal Authorization Request	23 CFR 710.409	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of ROW Operations Manual (Organization, Policies and Procedures), Updates, and Certification	23 CFR 710.201	January 1, 2001 and every 3 years thereafter or as required by changes in State law or Federal regulation or law	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Exception to Charging Fair Market Value	23 CFR 710.403 and 23 CFR 710.409	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Interstate Real Property Use Agreements	23 CFR 710.405	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Request for Federal Land Transfer	23 CFR 710.601	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	

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Approval of Request for Direct Federal Acquisition	23 CFR 710.603	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Outdoor Advertising Policies and Procedures, and Regulation and Procedure Approval	23 CFR 750.304, 23 CFR 750.705, 23 USC 131	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Requests to Exempt Certain Nonconforming Signs, Displays, and Devices	23 CFR 750.503	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Railroad Agreement Alternate Procedure	23 CFR 646.220	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Uniform Act Waivers and Waivers from Availability of Comparable Replacement Dwelling before Displacement	49 CFR 24.7, 49 CFR 24.204(b)	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Requests reviewed and approved by HEPR Office Director.
Review of Uniform Relocation Assistance & Real Property Acquisition Report -(OMB Form 2125-0030)	49 CFR 24.9c & Appendix B 49 CFR 24.603	Annually	15-Nov	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	Submitted to FHWA Headquarters (HQ).
Review of Real Property Acquisition Statistical Report	FHWA Order 6540.1	Annually	15-Nov	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Design	
Approval of Management Process and Project Selection Procedures and Certification for Research, Development & Technology Transfer Program and Revisions to Process	23 CFR 420.115 and 23 CFR 420.209	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval.

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Periodic Review of States Management Process of the Research, Development & Technology Transfer Program	23 CFR 420.209	Periodic	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Periodic Review.
Approval of Performance and Expenditure Reports for SPR Research Work Programs	23 CFR 420.117	No less frequently than annual and no more frequently than quarterly	90 Days After End Of Period	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval.
Approval of SPR research reports	23 CFR 420.117	Prior to publication unless prior approval is waved	Not Applicable	Office of Planning, Environment & Realty	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Office Approval unless waived.
Annual Traffic Reports	Traffic Monitoring Analysis System and Traffic Monitoring Guide reporting	When Published	As needed	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	When Published
Approval of Annual Field Review Report	HPMS Field Review Guidelines (June 2001) Continuous Process Improvement Model for HPMS(February 2003)	Annually	1-Nov	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Review memo to HQ.
Approval of Certified Public Road Mileage	23 CFR 460.3(b)	Annually	1-Jun	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Each year, the Governor of each State and territory or a designee must certify Public Road Mileage. FHWA division reviews the Mileage and sends to HQ with division review/concurrence. This is reported to NHTSA for Apportionment of Safety Funds.
Approval of Data Submittal	23 CFR 420.105(b), HPMS Field Manual	Annually	15-Jun	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	State DOT sends directly to Division Office and HQ.

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Highway Statistics Reports	Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics			Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	State DOT of Division Office sends directly to HQ.
Motor Fuels Report	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 2	Due 60 days after end of each reporting month		Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Vehicles and Drivers (561, 562, 566, and 571)	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 6	1-Apr	1-Apr	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	
Finance (531, 532, 541, 542, and 543 (optional)	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapters 8 and 9	1-Apr	1-Apr	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	
Transportation Bond Referendums	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 9	When Published	When Published	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	
State DOT / Toll Authority Audits and Published Annual Reports and Form 539 (optional)	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 10	When Published	When Published	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	N/A	Annually, Due as soon as available.
Finance (536)	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 11	30-Sep	30-Sep	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	Biennially for odd-numbered years. Due nine months after end of reporting year
Finance (534)	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 12	15-Jun	15-Jun	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	Annually for State, Biennially for local
Highway Finance and Tax Legislation	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 13	When Published	When Published	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	
State DOT Budgets and Published Annual Reports	A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics, Chapter 13	When Published	When Published	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Administration/Transportation Planning & Policy	
Motor Fuel Oversight Review	July 24, 2001 HQ Memo	Initial baseline reports no later than December 31, 2003		Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Annual progress reports and statement of verification by June 30. Submitted via UPACS.

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Review of Biennial - Toll Facilities in the United States	23 CFR 450.105(b) HPMS Field Manual	Biennially - Odd Years	June 15 (Odd Years)	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Division Office sends to HQ.
State Highway Maps (Tourist)		When Published	When Published	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Two copies to each Division Office and 100 copies to HQ.
Traffic Flow Maps		When Published		Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	When Published.
Vehicle Classification Data	MAP-21, HPMS Field Manual, Traffic Monitoring Guide	15-Jun	15-Jun	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Part of Annual HPMS submittal.
Highway Use Tax Evasion Grant Awards	23 USC 143	Annual	Not Applicable	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	FHWA along with the Internal Revenue Service will review applications and select awardees for projects designed to reduce or eliminate fuel tax evasion. FHWA will also review annual progress reports on projects.
Heavy Vehicle Use Tax (HVUT) – Certification of verifying proof-of- payment of HVUT	23 CFR 669.7	1-Jul	1-Jul	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Each year, the Governor of each State, or a designee must certify that the State is verifying that the HVUT has been paid before they issue or renew registrations on vehicles over 55,000 lbs. The HVUT program is administered by the Internal Revenue Service.
Heavy Vehicle Use Tax (HVUT) – Certification of verifying proof-of- payment of HVUT	23 CFR 669	Annual	1-Jan	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Each year, the Governor of each State, or a designee must certify that the State is verifying that the HVUT has been paid before they issue or renew registrations on vehicles over 55,000 lbs. The HVUT program is administered by the Internal Revenue Service.

Activity	Authority	Frequency	Due Date	FHWA HQ Program Office	FHWA Division Responsible Program Office	State DOT Responsible Program Office	Remarks
Heavy Vehicle Use Tax (HVUT) – Triennial review of State program	23 CFR 669.21	Triennial	Not Applicable	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer	Every 3 years, the local Division Office will perform a review of the State process for verifying that the HVUT has been paid before a registration can be issued or renewed for vehicles over 55,000 lbs. The HVUT program is administered by the Internal Revenue Service.
Permanent ATR Data	Heavy Vehicle Travel Information System Field Manual	Monthly	Monthly	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Submit monthly, within 20 days after the close of the month for which the data were collected.
Continuous Automatic Vehicle Classifier Data	Heavy Vehicle Travel Information System Field Manual	Monthly	Monthly	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Send up to one week of data per quarter
Weight and Vehicle Classification Data Collected at Weigh-in- motion sites	Heavy Vehicle Travel Information System Field Manual	15-Jun	As needed	Office of Highway Policy information	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	WIM data collected at non- continuous sites during a year should be submitted by June 15 of the following year. If continuous WIM data are available, then up to one week of data per quarter.
Approval of MAP-21 compliant SHSP update within the legislatively required timeframe.	23 U.S.C. 148 (d)(2)(B)	Non Recurring	By Aug. 1 of the fiscal year after the HSIP final rule is established	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	FHWA Division Offices provide copy of SHSP process approval letter to HQ.
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and Railway- Highway Crossing Program (RHCP) Reports	23 USC 148(h), 23 CFR 924.15	Annually	31-Aug	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	As per MAP-21 guidance, reports are due to FHWA Division Office by August 31st and to the Office of Safety by September 30.
Transportation Performance Management (TPM) for Safety	23 USC 150, 23 USC 134, 23 USC 135, 23 USC 148(i)	Annually	31-Aug	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Per MAP-21, States and MPOs must set targets for established measures. Targets must be assessed for achievement
Review Drug Offender Driver's License Suspension Law & Enforcement Certification (Section 159)	23 USC 159 23, CFR 192.5	Annually	1-Jan	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	Certifications due to the Division Office by January 1.

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Section 154/164 Compliance Status - Funds Reservation	23 USC 154 and 23 USC 164	Annually	30-Oct	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	States must submit a Shift letter to the Division Office by Oct. 30 indicating how to apply the penalty. New penalty states have additional time. The Office of Safety processes the compilation of information in a memo to the CFO.
Review Safety Belt Compliance Status	23 USC 153, 23 CFR 1215.6	Annually	Annually	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	NHTSA
High Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) Special Rule	23 USC 148(g)(1)	Annually	Annually	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	After the final FARS and HPMS data are available, FHWA HQ will inform the States if the HRRR Special Rule applies for the following FY.
Older Drivers and Pedestrians Special Rule	23 USC 148 (g)(2)	Annually	31-Aug	Office of Safety	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	States should include in their annual HSIP reports (due August 31st) the calculations performed, verifying whether the Older Driver Special Rule applies in the State. If the Special Rule applies to a State in a given year, the State must include in its subsequent SHSP strategies to address the increases in the fatality and serious injury rates for drivers and pedestrians over the age of 65.
FHWA Emergency Preparedness Program	Executive Order 12656 and FHWA Order 1910.2C	As needed	Not Applicable	Office of Operations	Planning and Program Development Team	Assistant Chief Engineer Planning	National Programs.

ATTACHMENT C MANUALS AND OPERATING AGREEMENTS

Manuals used by AHTD that have been approved by FHWA for use on Federal-aid projects. This list is provided as an example and is not all inclusive.

AASHTO's A Policy on Geometric Design for Highways and Streets **AHTD Affirmative Action Plan AHTD Accounting Procedures Manual AHTD Consultant Selection Procedures AHTD Procedures for Developing Cost Estimates** AHTD Resident Engineer's Manual AHTD Standard Specifications for Highway Construction **AHTD Bridge Inspection Manual** AHTD Contract Administration Manual AHTD Contract Compliance Plan AHTD Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Plan AHTD Highway Safety Improvement Plan AHTD Load Rating and Posting Manual AHTD Local Government Procedures for Compliance with the National Bridge Inspection **Standards** AHTD Local Public Agency Projects Manual and procedures Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices **AHTD Materials Manual** AHTD Policy on Work Zone Safety and Mobility **AHTD** Preventative Maintenance Agreement AHTD Procedure for Assessing the Use of Accelerated Bridge Construction Procedures for New or Revised Freeway Access in Arkansas AHTD Right of Way Division Operations Manual **AHTD Standard Drawings** AHTD Statewide Transportation Improvement Program AHTD Title VI Plan Arkansas MPO Transportation Improvement Programs AHTD Utility Manual **AHTD Work Programs** • Local/Tribal Technical Assistance Program (LTAP/TTAP)

- Statewide Planning and Research
- Transportation Management Area/Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMA/MPO)

Operating (Programmatic) Agreements

AHTD Noise Policy 2013 FHWA CatEx MOA 2014

Attachment D Stewardship and Oversight Indicators

AHTD will submit to FHWA the following indicators.

Indicator	Frequency	Due Date	Period Covered
Percent of Federal Funds Obligated for the current fiscal year.	Monthly	By the 10th of each month	Covering a period from the beginning of the fiscal year until the end of the previous month
Number and description of active construction claims for the current fiscal year.	Quarterly	January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15	Covering a period from the beginning of the fiscal year (October 1) to the end of the previous quarter (December 31, March 31, June 30, Sept 30)
Monthly construction status report, including the percent of construction projects in which the percent time used is greater than 100%.	Monthly	By the 10 th of the month	For all project under construction at the end of the previous month.
Construction Status of LPA Projects	Monthly	By the 10th of the month.	For all project under construction at the end of the previous month.
AHTD Staff Minutes (includes all AHTD and LPA administered projects)	Monthly	By the 10th of the month.	For all projects under development.

ATTACHMENT E GLOSSARY

<u>Assumption of Responsibilities</u> – The act of State DOT to accept responsibility for carrying out and approving certain actions in the place of the FHWA. Such actions are to be taken by the State DOT in conformance with Federal laws, regulations, and policies.

<u>Assumed Projects</u> – Federal projects that the State DOT reviews in the place of the FHWA and has the authority to approve certain specified actions pertaining to design; plans, specifications, and estimates; contract awards; and inspections.

<u>Certification Reviews</u> – A review that formalizes the continuing oversight and day-to-day evaluation of the planning process.

<u>Control Document</u> – Applicable laws, regulations, standards, policies, and standard specifications approved by FHWA for use on Federal-aid highway projects.

<u>Core Functions</u> – Activities that make up the primary elements of the division office's Federal- aid oversight responsibilities based on regulations and national policies. Core functions in the division office are Planning, Environment, Right-of-Way, Design, Construction, Finance, Operations, System Preservation, Safety, and Civil Rights.

<u>Locally Administered Projects</u> – For the purpose of the S&O Agreement, a Federal-aid project in which an entity other than a traditional State DOT is a sub-recipient and this entity is administering the particular phase being authorized, i.e., Preliminary Engineering, ROW, or Construction. These would include projects where the non-traditional entity will either perform the work itself or enter into a contract for services or construction. State DOT remains responsible for the local public agency's compliance on locally administered projects.

<u>Local Public Agency (LPA)</u> – Any organization, other than a traditional State DOT, with administrative or functional responsibilities that are directly or indirectly affiliated with a governmental body of any Tribal Nation, State, or local jurisdiction. LPAs would most often include cities or counties. However, an LPA, as defined here, could also include a State entity as well, perhaps even a part of a State DOT. An example could include a Port Authority or Toll Authority that had not traditionally worked with the Federal-aid highway program (FAHP).

<u>Oversight</u> – The act of ensuring that the FAHP is delivered consistent with laws, regulations, and policies.

<u>Program Assessments</u> – This evaluation technique may take many forms, including joint risk assessments and self-assessments. These tools are based on the common concepts of identifying strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities and the identification and sharing of "best" practices to continually improve the program.

<u>Program Reviews</u> – A thorough analysis of key program components and the processes employed by the State DOT in managing the program. The reviews are conducted to: 1) ensure compliance with Federal requirements; 2) identify areas in need of improvement; 3) identify opportunities for greater efficiencies and cost improvement to the program; and/or 4) identify exemplary practices. <u>Projects of Division Interest (PoDIs)</u> – PoDIs are those projects that have an elevated risk, contain elements of higher risk, or present a meaningful opportunity for FHWA involvement to enhance meeting project objectives.

For PoDIs, FHWA has made a risk-based decision to retain project approval actions or conduct stewardship and oversight activities for the project as provided for in 23 USC 106.

<u>Recurring Reviews</u> – Reviews that the division office conducts annually or on a regular periodic basis. Examples include NBIS, HPMS, HVUT, etc.

<u>Risk Assessment</u> – The process of identifying a risk event, determining the likelihood of the event happening, determining the impact (positive or negative) of the event on the delivery of the FAHP, and identifying an appropriate risk response strategy.

<u>Risk-Based Approach</u> – Incorporating risk assessment and risk management into investment and strategic decision making (the means by which limited resources are focused).

<u>Risk Management</u> – The systematic identification, assessment, planning, and management of threats and opportunities faced by FHWA projects and programs.

<u>Stewardship</u> – The efficient and effective management of the public funds that have been entrusted to the FHWA.

<u>Unit Performance Plan</u> – The annual performance plan prepared by an individual FHWA unit that address unit responsibilities and priorities taking into account the National Performance Objectives and National Initiatives identified in the FHWA's Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP) as well as specific initiatives identified at the unit level based on risk.