





**FY 2006**  
**MDOT Reinstated Projects**  
**Legislative Update**

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## **INTRODUCTION:**

This briefing provides an update on the status of the seventeen Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) projects which were reinstated in the fall of 2003. This brief has been prepared in accordance with Section 376 of PA 158 of 2005. All cost and project status information is current as of October 1, 2005. For each project, the following information has been provided.

### **Reinstated Projects Key:**

- **Active Phase(s):** Provides an update of the current activities which are underway and expected completion date of that phase(s).
- **Reinstated amount:** Identifies the amount of funding reinstated towards the project in the fall of 2003.
- **Reinstated phases:** Identifies the phase toward which the aforementioned funds were reinstated.
- **Project committed through:** Identifies the phase which MDOT has committed to complete.
- **Deferred phase(s) status:** If a project has remaining deferred phases, a reference has also been included.

### **Phase Definitions:**

**Early Preliminary Engineering (EPE):** Early Preliminary engineering is generally considered the environmental clearance phase. However, in certain instances the department may elect to complete a feasibility study as a precursor to environmental clearance. EPE will also include a portion of the necessary design to help in the evaluation of alternatives and identification of impacts.

**Preliminary engineering (PE):** Preliminary engineering is defined as the design phase. Early design is utilized to determine impacts and the necessary ROW to construct the project. Final design includes the completion of project plans necessary for the project letting.

**Right-of-Way Acquisition (ROW):** The acquisition of the necessary property to construct the project.

**Construction:** The physical construction of the project.

## MDOT REINSTATED PROJECTS UPDATE

### BAY REGION:

- Project:** **M-84, north of Pierce Road to south of Delta Road, Bay & Saginaw Counties**
- **Active Phase(s):** Design has been completed and ROW acquisition is on-going for the reconstruction and widening from a 2-lane to 4-lane boulevard. Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2005.
  - **Reinstated amount:** ROW and construction were reinstated for \$13 million.
  - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
  - **Project committed through:** Construction

- Project:** **M-24, from Pratt Road to I-69, Lapeer County**
- J.N. 55908**
- **Active Phase(s):** The design phase is underway, and is scheduled to be completed in November 2005. Construction will begin following the acquisition of the necessary ROW. The letting is expected in early 2006. This project will reconstruct and widen this portion of M-24 from a 2-lane to 4-lane boulevard. Construction is anticipated to take two seasons.
  - **Reinstated amount:** ROW and construction were reinstated for \$25 million. Estimated 2006 cost to construct this project has increased to \$33 million.
  - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
  - **Project committed through:** Construction

- Project:** **US-127 North of St. John’s to Ithaca, Clinton and Gratiot Counties**
- J.N. 46269**
- **Active Phase(s):** Re-evaluation of the previously approved Environmental Impact Statement and design activities to the point of final right-of-way plans will be completed in 2006. An additional \$4 million was made available with the passage of SAFETEA-LU and will be utilized toward right-of-way acquisition.
  - **Reinstated amount:** Re-evaluation of the EIS and partial design phases were reinstated for \$1.25 million.
  - **Reinstated phases:** Re-evaluation of the EIS and partial design (The commitment was to complete design to the point of having final ROW plans)
  - **Deferred Phase(s):** The remaining design activities and the partial acquisition of the required right-of-way are being deferred to a future Five-Year Program.



**METRO REGION:**

*Project:*

**I-75/I-96, Ambassador Bridge Gateway Project, Detroit**

J.N. 37795  
60076  
60077  
60130  
76501

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction has been completed on the first two phases of the project, involving road and bridge elements previously approved. The third phase that includes a new eastbound I-96 service drive from Michigan Avenue (US-12) southerly to Vernor Highway is currently under construction and will be completed in 2006. Construction on the remaining phase, which includes construction of the mainline freeway and direct plaza access ramps, will begin in 2006. These phases will also include construction of a signature pedestrian bridge connecting East and West Mexicantown across I-75/I-96, along with extensive landscaping and architectural treatments as part of the context sensitive design. Construction is scheduled to be completed in 2008
- **Reinstated amount:** \$45 million was reinstated in 2003. The funding provided was the additional amount necessary to complete the overall project at the time the project was reinstated. Subsequently, costs have increased due to various changes and delays. It is estimated that the cost to complete this project is approximately \$150 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

*Project:*

**M-53 Interchange, Van Dyke to M-53, City of Sterling Heights, Macomb County**

J.N. 47197

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of new interchange ramps to a local widening of 18-1/2 Mile Road has been completed.
- **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$10.4 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

*Project:*

**I-96 / Beck Road Interchange, Novi**

J.N. 60074  
60082

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of this single point urban interchange is on schedule and is expected to be open to traffic in November 2005.
- **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$46 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

*Project:*

**I-696 / Franklin Road Interchange, Southfield**

J.N. 54301  
54303

- **Active Phase(s):** Environmental clearance has been obtained by the City of Southfield. The City is currently completing design and ROW acquisition activities. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2006.
- **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$20.45 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

*Project:*

**M-59 / Adams Road Interchange, Rochester Hills**

J.N. 77200  
77201

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of this project was completed and opened to traffic in June, 2005. Some minor additional work will be needed when Oakland County completes the relocation of Adams Road.
- **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$18 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Right-of-way acquisition and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction



*Project:*

**J.N. 49565**

**I-75, at Crooks Road and Long Lake Road, Troy**

- **Active Phase(s):** Design has been delayed in light of FHWA’s request for environmental re-evaluation. MDOT is currently working with the City of Troy to complete an Environmental Assessment (EA). MDOT anticipates the EA will be completed in 2007. The City of Troy is responsible for providing all necessary ROW for this project.
- **Reinstated amount:** The design phase was reinstated for \$4 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design (Right-of-way acquisition will be provided locally)
- **Project committed through:** Design. (Construction funding will be identified in a future Five Year Program, contingent upon the City providing all necessary ROW and resolution of local issues).

**GRAND REGION:**

*Project:*

**J.N. 46274**

**I-196 /Chicago Drive (Baldwin Road) Interchange, Grand Rapids**

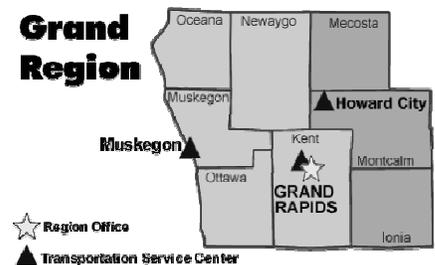
- **Active Phase(s):** Early preliminary engineering. Environmental clearance will be completed in 2005. Design is scheduled to begin in 2006.
- **Reinstated amount:** Design was reinstated for \$2.5 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design
- **Project committed through:** Construction
- **Deferred Phase(s):** Right-of-way acquisition and construction have been deferred to a future Five-Year Program.

*Project:*

**J.N. 45271**

**I-96 / 36<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange, Grand Rapids**

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction began in 2005 and will be completed in 2006.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$20.4 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design, ROW, and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction



## NORTH REGION:

*Project:*

### M-42, from old US-131 to new US-131, Manton

**J.N. 58344**

- **Active Phase(s):** Construction was completed in late 2004 on this project.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$1.3 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** ROW, and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

*Project:*

### M-72, US-31 to Arnold Road, Traverse City

**J.N. 52688**

- **Active Phase(s):** A feasibility study between US-31 and Lautner Road was completed in 2005. The feasibility study identified interim operational improvements at the intersection of M-72 and US-31. MDOT will utilize SAFETEA LU earmarks to implement this recommendation.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$100,000
- **Reinstated phases:** Early Preliminary Engineering (feasibility only)
- **Project committed through:** Early Preliminary Engineering



## SOUTHWEST REGION:

*Project:*

### US-131, State Line to Lockport Twp., St. Joseph County

**J.N. 46269**

- **Active Phase(s):** Early Preliminary Engineering was reinstated to develop a fifth alternative. The draft EIS was completed in 2005 with a public hearing held in March, 2005. MDOT is developing a recommended alternative for inclusion in the final EIS, and will complete Environmental Clearance in late 2005.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$1 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Early Preliminary Engineering
- **Project committed through:** EPE is committed for the entire corridor.
- **Deferred Phase(s):** Partial design and ROW acquisition have been deferred to a future Five-Year Program (dependent upon selected alternative).

*Project:*

### US-31, Napier to I-94, Berrien County

**J.N. 49719**

- **Active Phase(s):** Environmental clearance was obtained from FHWA in 2004. The Design phase has begun and will continue through 2006. Partial ROW acquisition is currently underway and will continue through 2007.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$11.5 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design, and partial ROW acquisition
- **Project committed through:** Construction
- **Deferred Phase(s):** The construction phase of this project has been deferred to a future Five-Year Program.



## SUPERIOR REGION:

*Project:* **US-2, Washington to Michigan Ave. in Iron Mountain**

- **Active Phase(s):** Design and right-of-way acquisition phases were ongoing in 2004 and construction was completed in 2005. This project widened this segment of US-2 to a five-lane facility.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$7.5 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction



## UNIVERSITY REGION:

*Project:* **M-59, I-96 to US-23, Livingston County**

J.N. 55918  
48762

- **Active Phase(s):** Environmental clearance was obtained in 2005. Design for the section of M-59 from east of I-96 to Michigan Avenue is scheduled to be completed in 2006. Design for the section of M-59 from Michigan Avenue to Old US-23 is scheduled to start in 2006 and be completed in 2007. Right-of-way preservation efforts have been on-going within the corridor.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$25.0 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design and ROW acquisition
- **Project committed through:** Construction
- **Deferred Phase(s):** The construction phase of this project has been deferred to a future Five-Year Program. However, within the project limits, construction of the improved M-59/US-23 Interchange was completed in late 2004. This project has improved capacity, safety and traffic operations at the M-59/US-23 interchange.

