

Blue Water Bridge Plaza Expansion Project Oversight Reporting Act of 2010
Annual Report

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) respectfully submits this document to meet the reporting requirements of Public Act 11 of 2010, known as the “blue water bridge plaza expansion oversight reporting act”. Public Act 11 of 2010, requires that the state transportation department provide, “as directed in this section and at reasonable intervals, a written accounting of all expenditures related to the plaza expansion project and written updates as to whether the plaza expansion project is staying within the budget for project expenditures with full explanations for any expenditures beyond those budgeted.”

This disclosure provides a written accounting of all expenditures related to the plaza expansion project. A budget category is shown for each major segment of the project with the actual expenditures incurred by job number for each of these segments.

All segments of this project are within budget.

It is the intention of MDOT to provide an update to this report on an annual basis each August 31st, until the project is complete.

Project Description

The Blue Water Bridge Plaza Project is a comprehensive plan to expand and improve the Blue Water Bridge plaza, relocate city streets, expand the Black River Bridge, and improve the I-94/I-69 freeway intersections. The improvements will provide safe, efficient, and secure movement of people and goods across the U.S./Canadian border in the Port Huron area, to support the economies of Michigan, Ontario, Canada, and the United States. The plaza expansion project will also support the mobility and security needs associated with national and civil defense.

The overall plan consists of the following segments, Early Preliminary Engineering, Freeway and Black River Bridge, City Streets, the Plaza, and Enhancements. The three major construction segments are briefly described below:

Contract 1 – The I-94/I-69 Freeway and Black River Bridge

- Reconstruction and widening of mainline I-94/I-69
- Replacement of Water Street interchange (new structure)
- New Lapeer Connector interchange (new structure)
- New Stocks Creek culvert
- Site work and utility connection for new International Welcome Center
- Black River bridge replacement
- Reconstruction of Riverside Drive
- Construction of non-motorized path across the Black River
- Construction of new International Welcome Center

Contract 2 – The City Streets

- Relocation of Pine Grove Avenue
- New Pine Grove bridge over I-94/I-69
- Utility relocation around the plaza perimeter

Contract 3 – The Plaza

- Construction of new plaza facilities for MDOT, Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and other federal agencies
- Utility relocation and feeds for the plaza

Project Budget and Costs to Date

The table below shows the amounts budgeted for each of the project segments and costs to date, as of August 31, 2011:

Segment/Contract	Budget	Costs to Date	Budget Remaining
Early Preliminary Engineering	13,665,000	13,665,000	-
Contract 1 - Interchange and Black River Bridge	162,401,574	77,457,751	84,943,823
Contract 2 - City Streets	105,098,000	14,828,631	90,269,369
Contract 3 - Plaza	294,201,925	7,914,770	286,287,155
Enhancements	9,300,000	423,833	8,876,167
Project Total	584,666,499	114,289,985	470,376,514

Expenditure amounts by Job Number detail are shown below:

Segment	MDOT Job Number	Description	Expenses to Date	Total by Segment
Early Preliminary Engineering	JN 57779	Studies	13,665,000	13,665,000
Freeway and Black River Bridge	JN 87024	I-94/I-69 Freeway	46,953,901	
Freeway and Black River Bridge	JN 106466	Bridge Replacement - I-94 at Water Street	2,788,607	
Freeway and Black River Bridge	JN 106551	Wetland Mitigation	234,737	
Freeway and Black River Bridge	JN 86951	Black River Bridge - Replacement Ramps	14,009,418	
Freeway and Black River Bridge	JN 110808	Black River Bridge Replacement	13,471,088	77,457,751
City Street Contract	JN 106607	Relocation of M-25	14,675,826	
City Street Contract	JN 106622	Utility Relocation	75,014	
City Street Contract	JN 106614	DTE Energy Facility Relocation	74,511	
City Street Contract	JN 106617	E.C. Williams Historic House Relocation	3,280	14,828,631
Plaza Contract	JN 106624	BWB Plaza Expansion	7,914,770	7,914,770
Enhancements	JN 110956	Economic Redevelopment, County	200,000	
Enhancements	JN 106336	Mitigation, County and City	223,833	423,833
Total Project Costs to Date			114,289,985	114,289,985

Significant Future Increases or Decreases

The final design and delivery of the Plaza portion of this project is contingent upon securing all necessary commitments from the Customs and Border Protection Agency (CBP) and the General Services Agency (GSA) of the U.S. Government. The size of the plaza is contingent upon GSA/CBP approvals, which are currently in process.

The budget for the Plaza could decrease significantly to reflect the final decisions of GSA/CBP. MDOT understands that the earliest GSA/CBP can submit the BWB Plaza Project for funding within the Congressional annual appropriations cycle is in Federal Fiscal Year 2012, for the Federal Fiscal Year 2013 budget.