

June 30, 2026



Public Review and Comment Period

The Rapides Area Planning Commission (RAPC), serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Alexandria–Pineville Metropolitan Planning Area, invites the public to review and comment on the following proposed transportation planning document:

FFY 2023–2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Amendment No. 11

Purpose of the Amendment

The proposed amendment revises the programmed phase and funding for the **Masonic Drive: Texas Avenue – Lee Street Project (State Project H.016252)**. Specifically, **Amendment No. 11** proposes to remove the **Feasibility** phase and associated funding and add a **Construction** phase in the amount of **\$600,000**, funded with **STP50-200K** funds at an **80/20 federal/local match** in **Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026**.

This amendment is being processed to correct a prior administrative modification that changed the project from the Feasibility phase to the Construction phase. Because this change should have been processed as a formal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment, Amendment No. 11 is being processed to accurately reflect the project's programming.

The project includes improvements to **Masonic Drive** consisting of **pavement striping, pedestrian refuge islands, and bicycle lanes**.

This amendment does not add a new project or increase the total amount of federal funding programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program. It only revises the programmed project phase for an existing project.

In accordance with **23 CFR 450.316** and the Alexandria–Pineville Metropolitan Planning Organization's Public Participation Plan, the proposed amendment will be available for public review and comment for a minimum period of **fourteen (14) days**.

The public comment period will begin on **June 30, 2026**, and continue through **July 14, 2026**.

Review the Proposed Amendment

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The proposed amendment may be reviewed online at: www.rapc.info/transportation

Printed copies are also available upon request at:

Rapides Area Planning Commission
803 Johnston Street
Alexandria, LA 71301

or by calling (318) 487-5401 or emailing jmcbride@rapc.info.

Submit Comments

Interested persons are encouraged to submit comments using one of the following methods:

By Mail

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By Email

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Online

Through the APMPO Public Comment Form available at:

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All written comments must be received no later than **July 14, 2026**.

All comments received during the public comment period will be provided to the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) for consideration prior to taking action on the proposed amendment.

Following the close of the public comment period, the proposed amendment will be presented to the Transportation Policy Committee for consideration and possible action at a publicly noticed meeting.

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