

MoDOT Minute – March 10, 2010

Hi. This is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

MoDOT has announced dramatic cost savings measures made necessary by stagnant state revenues, uncertain federal funding, rising employee benefit costs and no more money coming from Amendment 3 mandated bonds. MoDOT Director Rahn said the department will save \$203 million over the next five years by cutting costs and eliminating 400 salaried positions without lay-offs by June 30, 2013.

MoDOT will implement a hiring freeze and reduce the number of offices and buildings it owns. The agency will also do less mowing and litter pickup, replace signs less often and find a less expensive way to do striping. The five-year plan will focus on keeping the existing transportation system in good condition and meeting all commitments made in the five-year Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

That's been your MoDOT Minute. Remember to check back every Tuesday for new information.