

## **MoDOT Minute – Aug. 11**

Hi. This is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission has approved adding 11 rail projects totaling \$201 million to the state's five-year construction program. MoDOT now will apply for recovery act grants to fund the projects. The high-speed rail projects Missouri would tackle with the funding would enhance current capacity and make the existing train service between St. Louis and Kansas City faster over time. MoDOT would implement the upgrades incrementally as funding became available and planning and design work in cooperation with Union Pacific was completed.

The popular Highway Gardens at the Missouri State Fair will once again offer visitors a place to cool off and relax, while also learning more about Missouri transportation. This year's fair runs Aug. 13-23 in Sedalia. For more information, visit [mostatefair.com](http://mostatefair.com).

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