

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Transportation

HB Section(s): 4.565

Program Name: Freight Enhancement Funds

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Freight Enhancement Funds

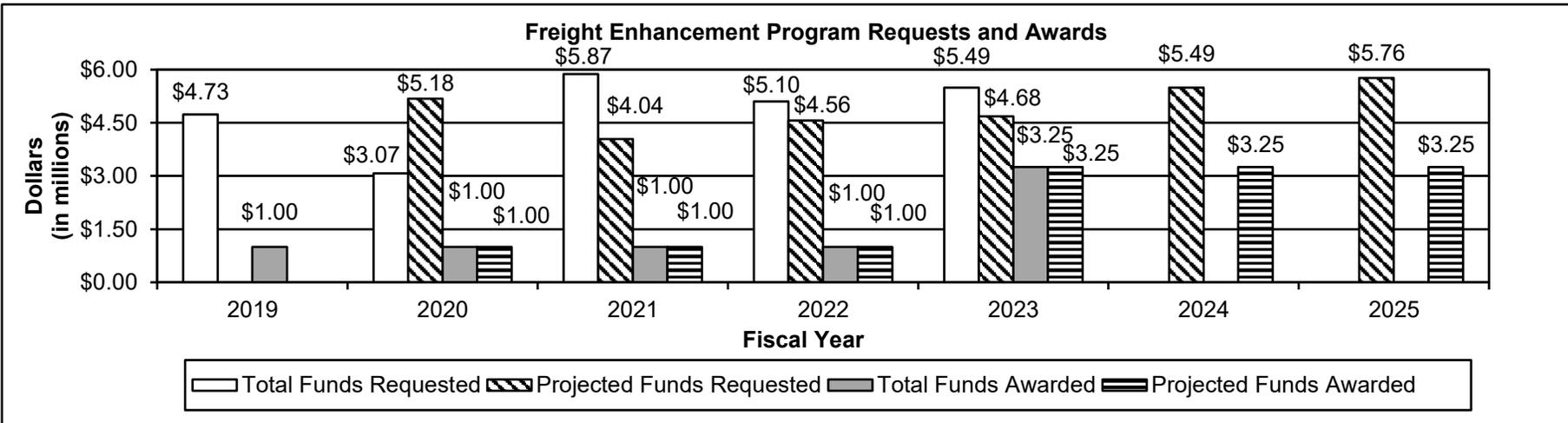
1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Service - providing outstanding customer service, delivering efficient and innovative transportation projects and operating a reliable transportation system

1b. What does this program do?

This program establishes funding for non-highway freight-focused capital improvement projects to increase use of waterways, rail and air; remove modal bottlenecks; and improve connections between modes. The funding provides no more than 80 percent of the total cost of projects with local entities providing the remaining amount. Freight efficiency depends upon the connectivity, safety, reliability and condition of the transportation system. Maintaining low transportation costs is critical to retain and expand current businesses in Missouri and attract new businesses to create new employment. Missouri's central location within 600 miles of 50 percent of all US households is a natural advantage to attract the freight industry. Missouri's transportation assets in rail, water, interstate highways and airports combined with Missouri's strategic location provides great opportunity to become the freight center of the nation. Continued investment in these transportation assets is critical to leverage Missouri's central location for business growth and job creation.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



The 2024 projection for total funds requested was established by taking the average of the actuals for the last three years. The 2025 projection for total funds requested was established by projecting a five percent increase from the projection for 2024. The 2024 and 2025 projections for funds awarded are based on the appropriation authority.

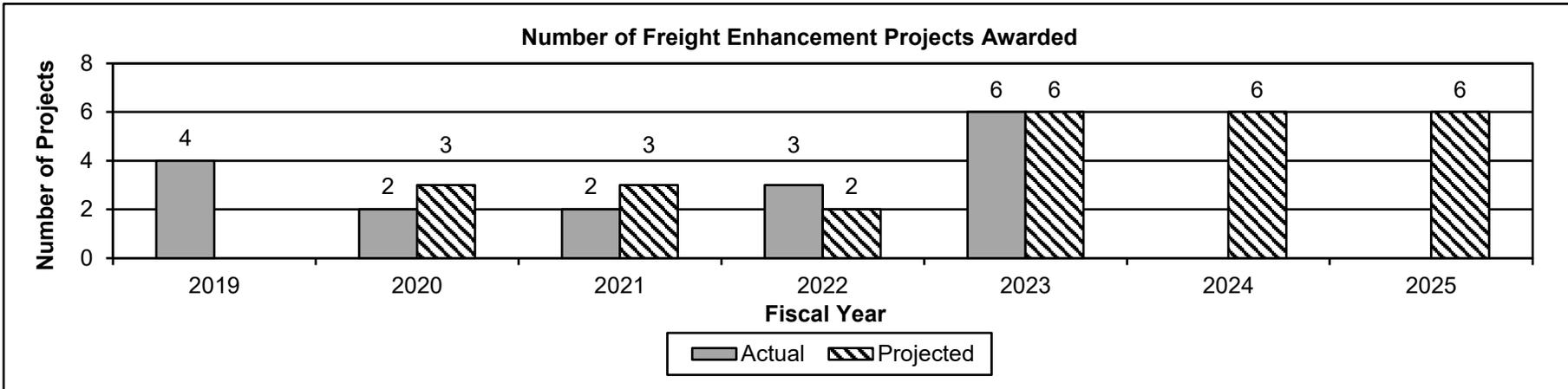
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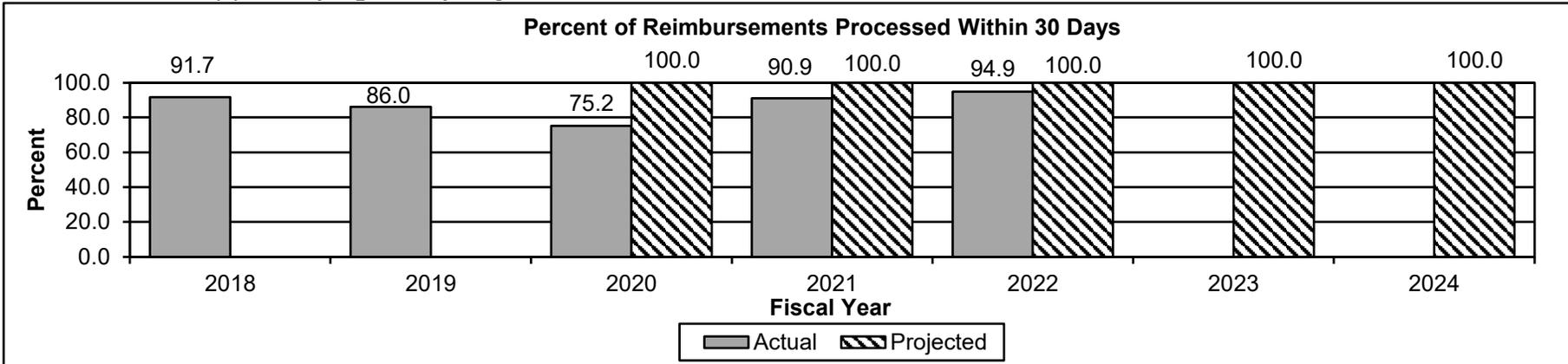
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The 2024 and 2025 projections are based on the number of projects that a \$3.25 million appropriation is able to fund.

2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



The ports receive funding by submitting their expenses to MoDOT for reimbursement. The main reason for reimbursements not being processed within 30 days is the delay in receiving additional documentation from the ports. The 2023 and 2024 projections were set at 100 percent due to recent processing enhancements.

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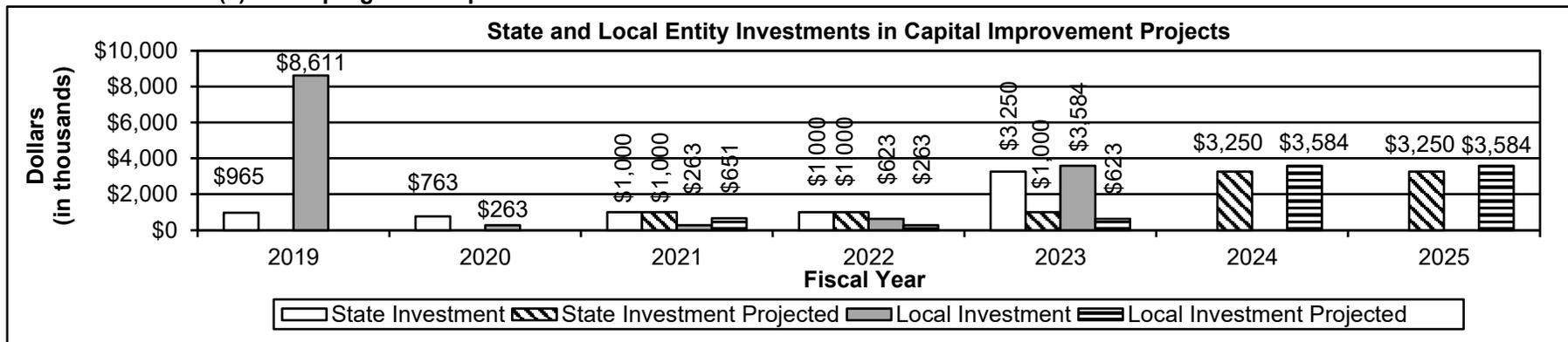
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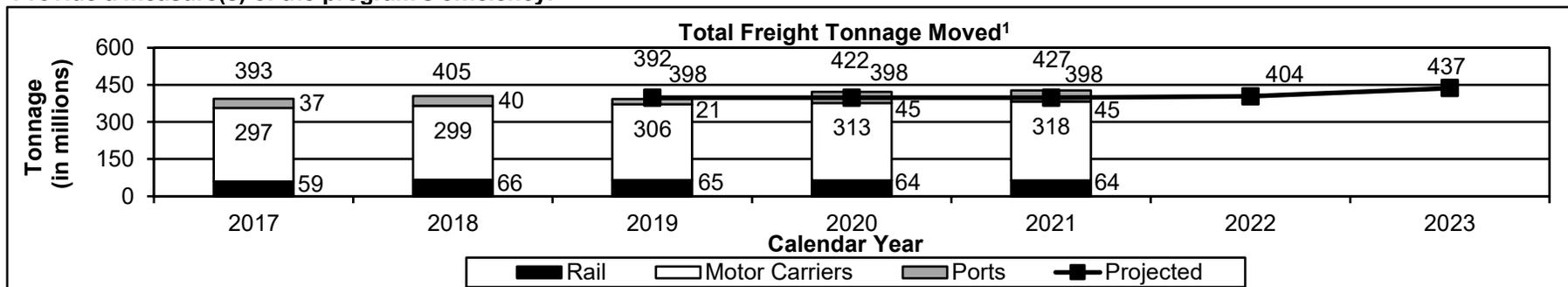
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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



A large portion of the local matching funds in fiscal year 2019 is from the Sedalia Rail project. This program only provided a small portion of the Sedalia Rail projects construction costs. Local entities are required to provide 20 percent matching funds to be eligible for funding through this program. In all years, local matching funds have well exceeded the minimum matching requirements. The 2024 and 2025 projections are based upon the level of state and local investment in 2023.

2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



¹ Includes Aviation tonnage; however, it is a minimal amount of 300 tons or less.

Tonnage is based on data from the Bureau of Transportation Statistics and US Army Corps of Engineers. Each loaded barge can carry 1,500 tons of bulk products such as fertilizer, grain, aggregate, steel and timber on the rivers in lieu of 58 or more semi trucks on congested roadways. The 2022 and 2023 projections are based on the rate of growth anticipated by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics. Calendar year 2022 data was not available at the time of publication.

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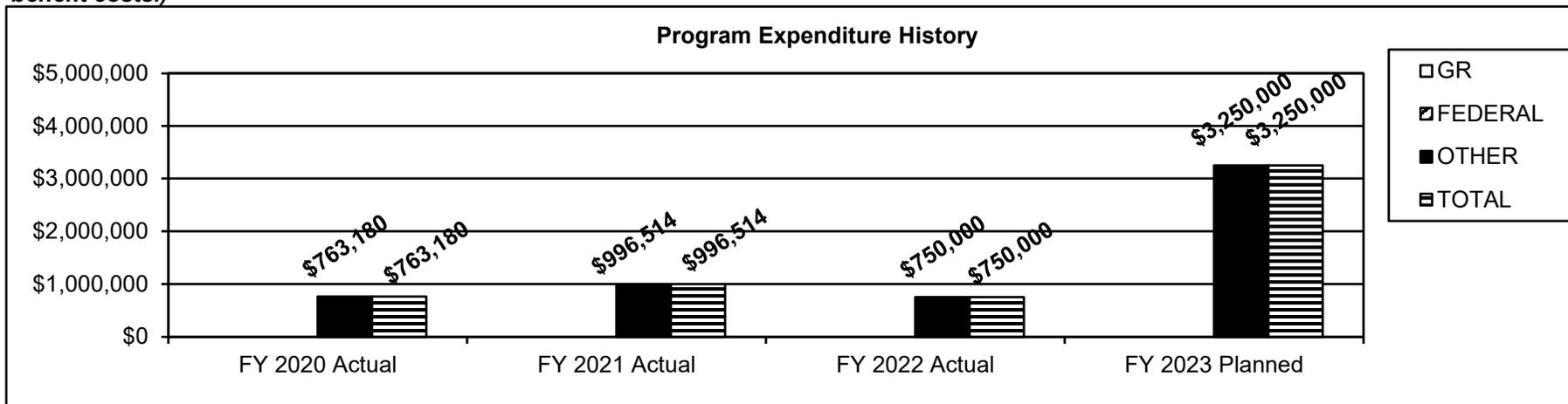
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



4. What are the sources of the "Other" funds?

State Transportation Fund (0675)

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

Article IV, Section 30(c), MO Constitution and 226.225, RSMo.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No