

**Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute  
Budget No. 627  
Senate Bill No. 2020**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2017-19 legislative appropriation	43.88	\$3,543,174 <sup>1</sup>	\$18,817,068	\$22,360,242
2015-17 legislative appropriation	<u>54.98</u>	<u>4,529,614</u>	<u>18,175,657</u>	<u>22,705,271</u>
2017-19 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2015-17 appropriation	(11.10)	(\$986,440)	\$641,411	(\$345,029)

<sup>1</sup>This amount includes \$100,000 of one-time funding. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing general fund appropriation is \$3,443,174.

**Item Description**

**FTE position reduction** - In Section 1 of 2017 Senate Bill No. 2020, the Legislative Assembly removed 11.10 FTE positions for the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI). Section 10 allows the State Board of Higher Education to adjust or increase FTE positions as needed.

**One-time funding** - In Section 3 of Senate Bill No. 2020, the Legislative Assembly identified \$300,000 of one-time funding, of which \$100,000 is from the general fund and \$200,000 is from other matching funds, for a road and bridge asset management system. Section 13 identifies the general fund appropriations for the road and bridge asset management system and provides it is available only to the extent that \$2 of matching funds have been raised for every \$1 from the general fund.

**Status/Result**

As of March 2018, UGPTI has removed 7.5 FTE positions by eliminating vacant positions and voluntary staff incentive buyouts.

The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute is currently matching the \$100,000 from the general fund with federal grants and funding from other states. As of March 2018, UGPTI has spent \$124,755, of which \$44,878 is from the general fund and \$79,877 is from other funds for a road and bridge asset management system. Funds have been used to continue the development of the road and bridge asset management system, including improving a web-based Geographic Roadway Inventory Tool used by counties to plan and monitor roadway improvements, and developing a video image tool that will assist county road managers. The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute anticipates the remaining \$175,245 will be spent by the end of the biennium.