

**Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute
Budget No. 627
House Bill No. 1020**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2019-21 legislative appropriation	43.88	\$4,396,329	\$18,895,894	\$23,292,223
2017-19 legislative appropriation	<u>43.88</u>	<u>3,543,174</u>	<u>18,817,068</u>	<u>22,360,242</u>
2019-21 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2017-19 appropriation	0.00	\$853,155	\$78,826	\$931,981

Item Description

Road and bridge study - In Section 1 of House Bill No. 1020, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$875,000 of ongoing funding from the general fund to conduct road and bridge condition analyses for county and township roads each biennium and to develop and maintain a county road and bridge asset management system.

Road train pilot program study - The Legislative Assembly, in Senate Bill No. 2176 (2019), provided for a Legislative Management study of a road train pilot program in consultation with UGPTI.

Status/Result

The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI) has spent \$374,117 through March 2020 on its study of the condition and investment needs of county and township roads and expects to spend the entire appropriation by the end of the 2019-21 biennium. The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute anticipates completing its study and making the results available in the fall of 2020.

The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute testified before the interim Agriculture and Transportation Committee regarding road trains and infrastructure in October 2019. The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute said the study would need to determine the axle configurations, gross vehicle weight, number of trailers, and length to determine and evaluate adequately the potential impacts of a road train on existing bridge and pavement infrastructure.