



# Blount County Government

TO: Blount County Commissioners

FROM: Highway Department

RE: MACTO Interlocal Agreement

DATE: July 29, 2024

The Maryville – Alcoa Central Traffic Operations group (MACTO) has provided services for joint traffic operations in Maryville and Alcoa since June 5, 2012. The Blount County Highway Department is requesting to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with this group.

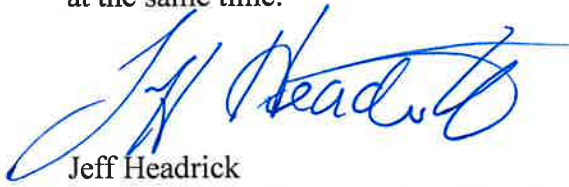
The Blount County Highway Department currently uses Progression Electric to provide all emergency maintenance services for our signalized intersections. By entering into an agreement with MACTO we will be able to move from our current reactive maintenance regime to a proactive program that will focus on preventive maintenance and cost-effective equipment upgrades. This will help to mitigate any future life safety hazards that would adversely impact the citizens of Blount County.

The Highway Department has six signalized intersections total, only five of which would be maintained by MACTO the Signalized intersection located at Burnett Station and Chapman Highway is to far outside of MACTOs' maintenance area to be included in the agreement.

The signalized intersections will need to be upgraded to meet MACTO standards. Once the work is complete the Blount County Highway Department would enter into a MOU with MACTO. The MOU will specify that MACTO will own all equipment, maintain all equipment, provide any required emergency response to the intersections, provide emergency repairs and keep all five intersections in compliance with any future regulatory requirements. The Highway Department will work with MATCO to establish a fee for services on an annual basis.

The Blount County Highway Department working with MACTO will create a centralized signalization continuity, taking advantage of MATCOs specialized staff, equipment and their ability to maintain and respond on a 24/7 emergency basis. This agreement offers the County the

unique opportunity to save money on a long-term basis and enhance services to the community at the same time.

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Jeff Headrick  
Blount County Highway Superintendent