

Minutes

Bi-State Region Air Quality Task Force

Friday, November 8, 2013, 11:00 A.M

Bi-State Regional Commission
Rock Island County Office Building
Third Floor Room 320
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

1. Introductions and Consideration of August 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Introductions of those in attendance were requested. Participating by conference call were Betsy Tracy, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Matthew Johnson and Jim McGraw Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IADNR). Task Force members were asked if there were any comments or corrections to the previous meeting's minutes. Hearing none, Mr. Statz motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Boka seconded the motion which carried.
2. Update from Resource Agencies on Current Air Quality Status/Issues. Mr. McGraw reported that there were no exceedences in Iowa for PM10, Lead, or Ozone for 2013. There were 4 PM 2.5 exceedences between Sioux City and Muscatine and 58 exceedences for SO2 as of October 8, 2013. Mr. McGraw also reported that Iowa DNR is working with four highest contributors of SO2 on control strategies as part of non-attainment designation.

Mr. McGraw also reported on the status of revisions of the (75 ppb) 2008 NAAQS for Ozone. The EPA is in various stages of developing a recommendation including a second draft of a risk and exposure assessment. There was no proposed release of proposal of revision due to status of litigation at the time of the meeting.

Regarding Muscatine, Mr. McGraw also provided that Annual PM 2.5 designations are due mid-December from EPA. Iowa DNR is working on how to handle Muscatine County as most of the state is unclassifiable. Also, the new value could change due to data incorporated from end of year monitor data. Mr. McGraw said to watch for Iowa DNR recommendations over the next month.

3. Make Clean Air Visible 2 – Strategic Plan Draft Input. Mr. Melton reported that a draft of the Make Outdoor Air Quality Visible Strategic Plan Update was emailed to the Air Quality Task Force for their review. No significant issues were communicated prior to the meeting. Mr. Boka recommended that a reference to Blue Zones efforts in Muscatine be noted on page 10 in response to comments made as part of the SWOT analysis. Ms. Olson requested that her name be corrected under the listing of task force members and that Don Pauken be removed from the list. Jim mentioned that Matthew Johnson would follow up with input following the meeting.
4. Our Built Environment. Mr. Statz presented on Davenport, Iowa's efforts to improve the built environment. Their efforts include a number of ICAAP funded projects involving retiming of traffic signals through corridors and improving Intelligent Transportation System

infrastructure. A traffic operations center is schedule to be implemented in 2015. The system will allow traffic personnel to change timings from the office and view traffic patterns where cameras are installed. This will prevent many unnecessary trips and chasing false alarms.

Ms. Hohensee presented on ongoing projects for MetroLINK. These included increasing their alternative fuel bus fleet, utilizing compressed natural gas and hybrid electric technology. Construction of a Transit Maintenance Facility that is expected to achieve Silver or better LEED certification is in the works. And a new Rock Island Transfer Station was under construction at the time of the meeting.

Mr. Miller gave an overview of the current state of the bicycle network in the Metropolitan Quad Cities area. He also showed bikeway plans for the larger communities in the region as well as established biking trails. A list of planned and current trail projects were also provided to the Task Force.

5. Local Status Report on Air Quality Issues. The local air quality status report was attached in the agenda packet and was briefly reviewed by the task force.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough provided a brief update on the status of the Household Travel Survey to be conducted in the Quad Cities metropolitan region.
7. Scheduling of Next Meeting. The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 10, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.
8. Adjournment. Mr. Dougherty motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Williams seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by consensus around noon.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD
MEMBERS, GUESTS & STAFF
(Please Print Legibly)**

Meeting of: Bi-State Region Air Quality Task Force

Date: 11/8/13 Time: 11:00 a.m To _____ Minutes: Yes X No _____

Place of Meeting: Rock Island County Third Floor Conference Room 320

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