

**Minutes of the**  
**DAVENPORT-ROCK ISLAND-MOLINE, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**URBANIZED AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 10:00 A.M.  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
Third Floor Conference Room 302  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jon Burgstrum	Scott County
Gene Hellige	City of Davenport
Scott Hinton	City of Moline
Mike Kane	City of Rock Island
Tom Kelso	Illinois Department of Transportation-OPP
Betsy Tracy	Federal Highway Administration-Illinois Division
Brian Schmidt	City of Bettendorf
John Massa	Rock Island County
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
Denny Snyder	City of Bettendorf
Dan Long	Illinois Department of Transportation
Mike Clarke	City of Davenport
Jeff Anderson	City of Moline

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Doug DeLille	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Donnie Miller	Bicycle Safety Consultant
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission-IAQC Transit Coordinator
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Daya Snapp	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Geoff Olson	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Craig Harper	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the November 13, 2012 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Copies of the minutes of the meeting were enclosed in the Committee members' packets. Mr. Kane motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Hellige seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as written.

2. Project Progress Report Mr. Melton gave a status update on current projects. Kennedy Dr. from IL-92 to Avenue of the Cities is 90% complete. The Coal Valley Safe Routes to School (SR2S) project on 1st Street is 100% complete.
  
3. Consideration of the Surface Transportation Program (STP) Evaluation Process Candidate Projects. Ms. McCullough and Mr. Patel gave an overview of the STP evaluation process and ranking of projects. The Iowa Quad Cities had 6 projects and the Illinois Quad Cities had 13 projects for consideration. Ms. McCullough explained that the estimated amounts of STP funds to be programmed through FFY2017 were noted on the agenda as \$2.38 million in Illinois Quad Cities and \$11.27 million in the Iowa Quad Cities. Subsequently, new targets were made available and the total available funds through FFY2017 are \$2.6 million in the Illinois Quad Cities and \$11.8 million in the Iowa Quad Cities. Total project funds being requested are \$24.5 in the Illinois Quad Cities and \$22.3 million in the Iowa Quad Cities. Selected projects are required to be amended into the TIP after consideration of approval.

Community submitted average daily traffic counts were presented for consideration of approval by the Technical Committee and included Kimberly Road at Forest Road intersection (IA-04) and Eastern Avenue from 46th Street to Veteran's Memorial Parkway (IA-06) projects. A motion to approve these traffic counts was made by Mr. Hellige and seconded by Mr. Snyder. The traffic counts for these locations were approved for use in the analysis. Mr. Shea asked if any STP projects that are a truck route are eligible as a special consideration. It was said that all truck routes are eligible for special considerations, if requested by the jurisdiction to be considered. The following projects were requested to be added as special considerations: U.S. 67 from Valley Road in Bettendorf, IA to May Street in LeClaire, IA (IA -01) and the U.S. 6 and Kimberly Road intersection (IA-04). Mr. Shea motioned for the projects to be considered as special consideration for truck routes and was seconded by Mr. Hellige. The motion was approved. Mr. Massa requested the Rock Island County project of County Highway 6 from Illinois State Route 84 to County Highway 25 (IL-07) also be given special consideration for truck routes. Mr. Kane motioned for this project to be considered as noted and was seconded by Mr. Hinton. This motion was approved. All remaining special considerations requested for projects in the Iowa and Illinois Quad Cities were motioned for approval by Mr. Hinton and seconded by Mr. Clarke. They were approved as presented.

The following Illinois Quad Cities' projects were ranked in priority order and recommended to be approved included 16th Street (52nd Avenue to John Deere Road) in Moline (IL-11), River Drive (23rd to 34th Streets) in Moline (IL-12), and 38th Street (31st Avenue to Black Hawk Road) in Rock Island (IL-15). These projects were agreed to be funded proportionately, based on the funding available through FFY2017, with a maximum of 80% . This resulted in a revised total cost of each project IL-11 \$673,423, IL-12 \$936,937 IL-15 \$1,639,640 and 80% federal share. This new option to fund the projects proportionately was named "Option 1 1/2," with a total available funding of \$2.6 million. The motion to recommend approval of the Illinois projects to the Policy Committee as discussed in Option 1 ½ was stated by Mr. Hinton and seconded by Mr. Kane. The motion was approved with one abstention.

The Iowa Quad Cities' projects were ranked in priority order as follows: 76th Street (east of Hancock Court to Division Street) in Davenport (IA-03), Forest Grove Drive (Eagle Ridge Road to International Drive) in Bettendorf (IA-02) and U.S. 67 (Valley Drive in Riverdale to May Street in LeClaire). Mr. Clarke motioned for the priority of the Iowa Quad Cities' projects be switched, giving top priority to Forest Grove Drive in Bettendorf followed by IA-03 and IA-01,

funding the top three priorities at 80% federal share. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schmidt. The motion was approved. With an estimated available funding of \$11.8 million for the Iowa Quad Cities, there was an additional \$400,000 available. Mr. Schmidt requested the remaining funds go toward the Forest project as first priority, adjusting the total cost, similar to the Illinois STP action. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarke. The motion was approved.

4. Recommendation to Utilize the Urban Area Boundary for MAP-21 Funding Allocation Decisions (STP and Transportation Alternatives (TA)) in the Iowa Quad Cities. Ms. McCullough introduced the topic of STP and TA funding based on the Census Urbanized Boundary as the default for funding determination. A draft joint agreement outlining the topic was enclosed in Committee members' agenda packets. After each decennial census, Iowa DOT requires each MPO to file which boundary will be used to base STP and TA funding from. MPOs can choose the Census Urbanized Boundary (UZA), the Urbanized Area Boundary (UAB), or the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Boundary. By choosing the Urban Area Boundary (UAB), the majority of the Iowa Quad Cities' corporate limits are included and the amount of funds awarded may be increased while still allowing sufficient funds be available to rural communities outside the boundary, which would be considered Region 9. Sam Shea reiterated the differences for additional clarity for the Committee. Mr. Schmidt motioned to use the Urban Area Boundary (UAB), and was seconded by Mr. Clarke. The motion was approved to recommend the UAB to the Transportation Policy Committee for use in determining STP and TA funding distribution between the MPO and Region 9 Planning Area.
5. Status on Crash Report Ms. Snapp reported on the status of the crash report and asked for any feedback or comments based on previous crash studies. She asked if there were any issues related to crash information that needed to be addressed in the report beyond intersection crashes and to let her know by e-mail if there were any suggestions.
6. Public Comments Mr. Miller thanked the committee for approving to fund US 67 project because it will allow for greater bicycle access to the Mississippi River Trail and Complete Streets Policy in the Quad Cities.
7. Other Business Brandon Melton updated the committee on TIP revisions.
8. Adjournment Mr. Clarke motioned for the meeting to be adjourned and it was seconded by Mr. Schmidt. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.