

Minutes of the
QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 11, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Third Floor Conference Room 302
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Anderson	City of Moline
Jon Burgstrum	Scott County
Brian Fries	City of Bettendorf
Jim Grafton	City of Silvis
Scott Hinton	City of Moline
Justin Johnson	City of Rock Island
Tim Kammler	City of East Moline
Dan Long	Illinois Department of Transportation - District 2
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation-District 6

OTHERS PRESENT

Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation - Office of Planning and Programming
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Geoff Olson	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Daya Snapp	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the May 14, 2013 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Burgstrum asked members to review the May 14, 2013 Transportation Technical Committee minutes for comments and/or corrections. Hearing none, Mr. Hinton motioned to accept the minutes as written, and Mr. Long seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written. As there was less than a quorum at the May meeting, Mr. Burgstrum asked members to ratify the actions taken at the May 14, 2013 Transportation Technical Committee meeting. Mr. Hinton motioned to ratify actions for approval, and Mr. Justin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. Project Progress Report. Technical Committee members were asked if there were any additions/corrections to report at the meeting that had not already been sent electronically or provided to staff in writing as part of the Transportation Improvement Program update process. Hearing none, the report would be posted to the Bi-State Regional Commission website (<http://www.bistateonline.org/ser/tra/tip.shtml>).

3. Consideration of FFY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Melton noted that annual element pages, text, and unmet needs table were sent electronically to the Technical Committee for review prior to the meeting. Full draft copies were available at the meeting for Technical Committee members to examine. He noted that the summary tables will be completed with the solidified annual elements, and that maps were also being completed to reflect an assessment of environmental justice in relation to the project locations. He directed the Committee to the funding summary tables in Section II of the TIP document. A solicitation of Surface Transportation Program projects will be sought through FFY2019 and requested in the September/October timeframe. The text also notes the new format process by ILDOT for bridge funding. The elimination of FTA 5316 (Job Access and Reverse Commute) and 5317 (New Freedom) funds were also noted. These types of projects are eligible under other existing ones.

Mr. Hinton motioned to recommend the FFY2014-2017 TIP as outlined to the Policy Committee for approval. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion, and it carried.

Mr. Melton also distributed a listing of administrative modifications to the FFY2013-2016 TIP for reference. A Rock Island project at 5th Street (RI-13-01) received additional state monies. The Forest Grove Drive project in Bettendorf was split into two projects, engineering vs. reconstruction, shown as BE-14-01 (2014) and BE-14-01 (2013).

4. Consideration of Pavement Management Data Collection in the Illinois Quad Cities. Ms. McCullough directed the Technical Committee to a proposal enclosed in Committee members' packets. A letter from Bi-State staff to ILDOT requesting additional information was also included. A proposal to add-on to the pavement data collection program already underway in the Iowa Quad Cities through Institute for Transportation (InTrans) and in cooperation with IADOT was outlined. The project was proposed at a cost of not less than \$50,500. However, in speaking with ILDOT local roads staff with an opinion from ILDOT legal counsel, it appeared that a separate procurement process would be necessary and would not be in sufficient time to coincide with the Iowa Quad Cities data collection timing. The next pavement data collection by InTrans would be in 2015. Ms. McCullough also mentioned the data collection opportunity at the May Policy Committee meeting and got general input on the use of Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds for this purpose. Illinois Quad City Policy Committee members expressed some hesitation about having match on short notice to allow matching of Surface Transportation Program funds, but didn't express concern at the use of STP funds. While STP funds would be allowable to be used, it didn't appear the timing and direct ability to partner on the InTrans effort would be possible at this time. Based on this information, Ms. McCullough recommended that the Illinois Quad Cities defer action at this time and technical staff concurred.
5. Consideration of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project Selection Process. Ms. McCullough directed the Committee to a copy of the proposed TAP project selection process manual in their agenda packets. Using slides, she reviewed the status to date of the project selection process development. No additional changes had been made to the earlier recommended eligible applicants. She requested that the Technical Committee consider regrouping the "rails to trails" type project (#6) that was shown in Priority Group B, and

change it to Group A. This would then be consistent that all projects related to trails be Priority Group A. Technical Committee members concurred. It was also recommended that Priority Group C be eliminated as a standalone project and locally ineligible. The Technical Committee concurred with this recommendation as well. In the evaluation criteria, it was clarified that inclusion in a state, regional, or local plan was the intent, not that a project would be required to be in all plans. This will be corrected with the final publication of the manual. Mr. Hinton recommended approval of the TAP Project Selection Process manual based on the revisions noted at the meeting. Mr. Kammler seconded the motion, and it carried.

6. Presentation on Quad Cities Crash Report Series – Intersections. A verbal status report was given by Ms. Snapp. A draft report with text and tables were sent electronically to Technical Committee members prior to the meeting. In the e-correspondence, Ms. Snapp asked for improvements that had been made since 2007 and 2010. Mr. Long suggested that it may be beneficial to have Technical Committee members meet at top locations and discuss ways to reduce crashes at certain intersections. The information was also shared with the Scott County Community Awareness of Roadway Safety (CARS) interdisciplinary group for feedback. No additional comments were made at the meeting. Bi-State staff would continue to finalize the report.
7. Public Comments. No comments from the public were made at the meeting.
8. Other Business. Ms. McCullough distributed a copy of an article on incorporating public health aspects into the transportation system. The Quad Cities was one of the communities featured in the May 2013 edition of the Federal Highway Administration's Public Roads publication. Technical Committee members had been invited to attend the June 5th American Planning Association audio-conference on pedestrian and bicycle planning. Extra handouts of the slides were made available, and links to the information would be sent via e-mail for those who were not able to attend. Additionally, it was noted that the published Bi-State Region ITS Architecture document accompanied the agenda packet and is also posted on the Bi-State website, as is the 2013 update of the Transit Development Plan.
9. Adjournment. Mr. Burgstrum called for the meeting to adjourn. Mr. Hinton motioned to adjourn, and it was seconded by Mr. Long. The meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.