

**Minutes of the**  
**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**URBANIZED AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, March 10, 2015, 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
Dan Long	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon
John Massa	Rock Island County
Gary Statz	City of Davenport

OTHERS PRESENT

Taylor Beswick	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation – Springfield
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission – IAQC Transit
Lindsay Whitson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the January 13, 2015 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Hellige requested a motion for approval of the January 13, 2015 minutes of Transportation Technical Committee. Mr. Kane motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Hinton seconded the motion, and it carried.
2. Project Progress Report and FFY2015-18 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revisions. Mr. Melton informed the Committee of updates to the progress report. Updated progress reports are posted following the Technical Committee meetings at: <http://bistateonline.org/index.php/transportation/quad-cities-metro-planning/2012-11-13-20-10-34/quad-cities-metro-tip-transportation-improvement-program>. Mr. Melton presented revisions to the FFY 2015–18 TIP, including three transit related amendments to ML-15-11 (new), CB-15-09 (funding adjustment) and CB-14-10 (funding adjustment). Mr. Hinton motioned to recommend approval of the revisions to the Policy Committee. Mr. Kane seconded the motion, which carried. Mr. Melton also reported on beginning the FFY2016-19 TIP development process and request for project updates and status of projects.
3. Consideration of Bi-State Region Transit Development Plan (TDP) 2015 Update. A draft copy of the TDP was provided to the Technical Committee in advance of the meeting for their review via the Bi-State Regional Commission website. Ms. Whitson presented a brief overview of the Transit Development Plan (TDP). She noted that Bi-State staff update the document annually, and completes a full update every four years. Ms. Whitson discussed the format of the plan, the public input process, goals, and common issues and barriers experienced throughout the Bi-State Region. Lastly, she discussed the updates that were included in this year’s annual TDP update. A few updates that were noted include alternative

transportation options now offered in the region, facility updates, service updates, and updated maps for the rural areas. Mr. Hinton motioned to recommend approval of the update to the Policy Committee. Mr. Kane seconded the motion and it carried.

4. Presentation on FY2016 Transportation Planning Work Program. Ms. McCullough provided a presentation on the FY2016 Transportation Planning Work Program for the Bi-State Regional Commission. She described the tasks and activities to be undertaken by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the coming fiscal year. These include: conducting coordinated, continuing, and comprehensive transportation planning, outlining requirements for various agencies toward planning efforts, establishing products, purposes and general methods for transportation planning activities, and developing a budget for MPO transportation planning funds and associated tasks/activities. Major transportation issues identified for the region include: improving river crossing capacity, reducing congestion and improving mobility choices to improve air quality, coordinating modes of transportation for sustainability, implementing long range transportation projects, coordinating passenger transportation opportunities, integrating safety and security into the transportation system, and implementing new planning regulations and monitoring reauthorization of the transportation act.

Ms. McCullough identified four work categories in the TPWP: program support and administration, general development and comprehensive planning, long-range transportation planning, and short-range transportation planning. A sampling of tasks accomplished in fiscal year 2015 were shared and included programming and project selection for \$2.8 million in Transportation Alternatives Program funds. Ms. McCullough reported transportation planning fund targets for FY2016. At this time, with the information available, the targets reflect static funding levels: Iowa FTA (5303) - \$52,474, Iowa FHWA Planning - \$211,704 (without carryover), Illinois FTA (5303) - \$74,226, and Illinois FHWA Planning - \$275,854. Also included in the planning targets were FTA 5307 Urban Transit Planning funds for the metropolitan transit systems. The process for and groups involved in approval of the TPWP were outlined. She noted that the Technical and Policy Committees provided information and feedback on the program activities while the Bi-State Regional Commission approves the budget and contracts. There were no additions recommended at this time from the Technical Committee.

5. Presentation on Additional Analysis of the Quad Cities Household Travel Survey. Taylor Beswick provided an overview of the Quad Cities Household Travel Survey main facts. The survey was conducted in the fall of 2013 and published in 2014. There were three sub-contractors that had certain roles in completing the survey. The data from the survey is only a sampling of the total Quad Cities population and does not completely represent the travel habits of everyone.

He shared a series of maps where additional analysis was done using the original data. Overall, the results were consistent and supported local knowledge of the general sense of travel in the metro area. A map of the bi-state trips by bridge used was shown. Labelling and visual analysis was briefly explained to the committee. Another map illustrated trip departure from origin time of day: 06:00 – 09:00 a.m. Clusters in downtown areas were noted. Trip departure from origin time of day: 15:00 – 18:00 was shown. Additionally, trips by non-auto mode used were shown. Pie charts displayed the percentage of non-auto and auto based trips and trips by non-auto mode used. The modes displayed were biking, walking, public transit, and school bus.

Mr. Beswick reported on trips by trip purpose, including work and consumer activities. He pointed out clusters in different areas of the Metro Area related to work travel. He analyzed the trip purpose

related to consumer activities. This variable included activities that involve spending money. A brief explanation of the data displayed and a visual analysis was given to the committee pointing out clusters in different areas of the Metro Area. The analysis of trip purpose by drop-off included drivers who are dropping off or picking up as well as passengers. These were slightly more scattered. Lastly, he showed trips for the purpose of social and family activities. At the end of his presentation, he took questions. It was noted that the base map did not include the West Rock River Bridge.

6. Public Comments. No public comments were provided.
7. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted that the next meeting would be Tuesday, April 14.
8. Adjournment. Mr. Hinton motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Statz seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:50 a.m.