

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

Tuesday, December 15, 2015, 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
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation – Springfield
Jim Grafton	City of Silvis
Gene Hellige	City of Davenport
Tim Kammler	City of East Moline
Mike Kane	City of Rock Island
Mike Kurek	City of Moline
Dan Long	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon
Brent Morlok	City of Bettendorf
Jeff Reiter	City of Bettendorf
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation – District 6
Gary Statz	City of Davenport
Betsy Tracy	Federal Highway Administration – Illinois Division
Brandon Wright	City of Davenport

OTHERS PRESENT

Taylor Beswick	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Donnie Miller	Bicycle Safety
Lisa Miller	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lindsay Whitson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 10, 2015 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting.
Mr. Kammler requested a motion for approval of the November 10, 2015 minutes of the Transportation Technical Committee. Mr. Hellige motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Anderson seconded the motion, and it carried.
2. Status of Project Progress Report. Mr. Melton asked the Committee for updates to the progress report to be provided to him. 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 noted projects at or near completion in Rock Island, Davenport, and East Moline. Mr. Long shared the progress of numerous IL DOT projects in and around the Quad Cities. Mr. Kammler provided a brief summary of East Moline’s resurfacing project on 13th St. from IL 84 to 18th Ave. He highlighted the importance of considering ADA requirements in all federally-funded projects as they can incur additional costs in all stages of the project.
3. Discussion on the 2045 Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update – Roadway Projects for Modeling Review and Fiscal Constraint Status. Mr. McFarland provided an overview of the transportation modeling process. In essence, transportation modeling is the use of a set of analytical tools to predict future travel. The model is given several inputs including: current and predicted population, housing, and employment

information from the household travel survey conducted in the fall of 2014 as well as a number of other data sources. The committee provided comments regarding bridge traffic modeling. Capacity information in some segments seemed a bit off to local engineers, and they were encouraged to provide individual input so that Mr. McFarland could address them. It was noted that capacity information was based on Level of Service D and 24-hour traffic, which may explain why areas that are anecdotally congested may not appear so on a presented map.

Ms. McCullough went through the most recent capacity project list to be included in the 2045 LRTP. She mentioned that the revenues were adjusted from the previous meeting to account for local investments based on reported Motor Fuel Tax/Road Use Funds and local input. Ms. McCullough asked the group to review the projects under their respective jurisdictions and provide final concurrence with the project list by the end of the week. Some discussion was added regarding updating Federal Functional Classification (FCC) for some of the roadways. Ms. Tracy advised that FCC reclassification must follow the DOT and FHWA processes in place, and not all local roads are appropriate to reclassify.

4. Public Comments. No public comments were made.
5. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted that the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act was signed into law this month. Staff have not reviewed the changes in detail, but Ms. McCullough noted that the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) would be rolled into a modified Surface Transportation Program. It is uncertain at this time how it will affect funding availability for TAP projects. Staff will share more information on the FAST Act as it comes available.
6. Adjournment. Mr. Anderson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kane seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.