

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

Thursday, April 16, 2020, 10:00 a.m.  
Teleconference

*Due to the COVID-19 directives by state and federal officials for gatherings, the Technical Committee was held by teleconference to limit contact. Technical Committee members were provided with a call in number.*

*General public and media were directed to the Bi-State Regional Commission website homepage at [www.bistateonline.org](http://www.bistateonline.org) "QC MPO News" for the teleconference call-in directions to participate in the call remotely.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeff Anderson	City of Moline
Rob Bates	Illinois Department of Transportation – District 2
Jim Grafton	City of Silvis
Chelsey Hohensee	MetroLINK
Darla Hugaboom	Federal Highway Administration – Iowa Division
Tim Kammler	City of East Moline
Mike Kane	City of Rock Island
Angie Kersten	Scott County
Lisa Kotter	City of Eldridge
Brent Morlok	City of Bettendorf
John Powell	Davenport CitiBus
Brian Schadt	City of Davenport
Gary Statz	City of Davenport
Eva Steinman	Federal Transit Administration – Region VI
Betsy Tracy	Federal Highway Administration – Illinois Division

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Victor Austin	Federal Transit Administration - Headquarters
Zac Bitting	Iowa Department of Transportation - Ames
Denise Bulat	Bi-State Regional Commission
Tara Cullison	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation – Springfield
Tonnette Harris	Iowa Department of Transportation - Ames
Karla Kudart	Federal Highway Administration – Iowa Division
Sean Litteral	Federal Highway Administration – Iowa Division
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Cathy Monroe	Federal Transit Administration – Region 7
Stephen Rashid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brian Schmidt	City of Bettendorf
Jeff Von Brown	Iowa Department of Transportation - Ames
Chong Qing Wu	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. **Public Input Opportunity for Bi-State Regional Commission Transportation Management Area (TMA) Federal Transportation Certification Review.** A copy of the response to the Certification Review Questionnaire was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provided an overview the Certification Review Process and accepted comments on the major elements of the Quad Cities Area metropolitan transportation planning process, such as organization and management of the planning process, cooperative process, project selection, transportation improvement programming, long range planning and other elements. Written comments can be directed to either Darla

Hugaboom, FHWA-Iowa Division, 105 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Ames, Iowa 50010 or by e-mail at [darla.hugaboom@dot.gov](mailto:darla.hugaboom@dot.gov) or Betsy Tracy, FHWA-Illinois Division, 3250 Executive Park Drive, Springfield, IL 62703 or by e-mail [betsy.tracy@dot.gov](mailto:betsy.tracy@dot.gov) within the next 60 days. A comment form accompanied the agenda packet. The review was initiated prior to the Technical Committee meeting in a web-based format, and will conclude by the end of the working day with two other web-based sessions.

Every four years, FTA and FHWA jointly review the metropolitan transportation planning process for areas over 200,000 population, and seek input on the process. The review is to determine if the MPO is substantially performing the required elements of the planning process, identifying best practices and/or making recommendations to be considered for improving the process. Following the presentation, feedback was requested. Mr. Morlok indicated that as Technical Committee Chair, he has observed adequate participation in the planning process. Mr. Kammler echoed Mr. Morlok's statements, and indicated that the MPO staff work well with each respective state area and navigate differences between the states well. Mr. Anderson noted MPO staff being supportive of and helping to facilitate projects within the metropolitan area. Ms. Hugaboom took the comments, and any additional feedback will be incorporated into the final report.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the March 10, 2020 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Morlok requested a motion for approval of the March 10, 2020 minutes of the Transportation Technical Committee. Ms. Kotter motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Schadt seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Status of Project Progress Report. Mr. Rashid reported updates were received from East Moline and Bettendorf. Progress is being made on the Grand Illinois Trail. Each jurisdiction was asked to send in their updates of project progress reports if they had not already.
4. Consideration of FFY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revisions. Mr. Rashid noted requests for amendments from the Illinois Department of Transportation and MetroLINK. IL-21-13 IL84 at BSNF Railroad 0.4 miles north of IL92 in East Moline is requested to be added as a new project. It is a total cost of \$300,000 with a federal share of \$150,000 and \$150,000 using RR-Protect and RR-Hazard funds respectively. MetroLINK added funds from the CARES Act to ML-20-02 transit operations and added three new projects using CARES funds. These are ML-20-18 five expansion buses, ML-20-19 facility maintenance, and ML-20-20 communication equipment. MetroLINK added ML-21-08 to replace eight 30-40' buses, ML-21-09 two 35' expansion buses, and ML-21-10 five electric bus chargers with REBUILD funds. MetroLINK added Bus and Bus Facility and DERA funding sources to ML-22-08 to replace eight 30-40' buses. MetroLINK added ML-22-09 electric bus chargers (2) with a combination of 5339, Low/No Emissions, and Bus and Bus Facility funding for a total of \$153,800. Four Illinois DOT projects were noted as administrative modifications including IL-22-02, IL-20-03, and IL-20-11, all moved to current status. IL-21-12 was moved to Advanced Construction. Mr. Bates made a motion to recommend the revisions to the Transportation Policy Committee for approval. Mr. Anderson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. A copy of the revisions is included at the end of these minutes.
5. Public Comments. No public comments were made.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough directed the Committee to their agenda for recognitions of National Work Zone Awareness Week, National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and in May National Bike Month.
7. Adjournment. Ms. Kotter motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Bates seconded. The meeting was adjourned by consensus around 10:45 a.m.

**April 16, 2020 - Transportation Technical Committee - FFY2020-2023  
Transportation Improvement Program**

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED													
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER													
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT ROUTE	PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PLAN JUST.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE*	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	NOTES
<b>State of Illinois - IL</b>													
IL-21-13	2021	IL84	At BNSF RR - 0.4 Mi N of IL92 in East Moline	RR Crossing Improvement (new gates, cantilevers, LED lights)	MAINT	\$300,000	\$150,000 / \$150,000	RR-Protect / RR Hazard					New Project
TRANSIT													
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	NOTES	
<b>MetroLINK - ML</b>													
ML-20-02	2020	Transit Operations	O	\$25,047,895	\$3,000,000	CARES ACT	\$16,281,132	STA	\$5,766,763	LOC		Adding Federal CARES Act Funding - Total funding remains the same, reducing local obligation	
ML-20-18	2020	Five Expansion 32' Buses (5)	C	\$2,200,000	\$2,200,000	CARES ACT			\$0			New Project	
ML-20-19	2020	Facility Maintenance	C	\$750,000	\$750,000	CARES ACT			\$0			New Project	
ML-20-20	2020	Misc Communications Equip	C	\$2,895,043	\$2,895,043	CARES ACT			\$0			New Project	
ML-21-08	2021	Replace Eight 30-40' Buses (8)	C	\$7,319,088			\$7,319,088	REBUILD	\$0			New Project	
ML-21-09	2021	Two 35' Buses for Expansion (2)	C	\$1,694,772			\$1,694,772	REBUILD	\$0			New Project	
ML-21-10	2021	Electric Bus Chargers (5)	C	\$500,000			\$500,000	REBUILD	\$0			New Project	
ML-22-08	2022	Replace (8) 30-40' Buses	C	\$6,000,000	\$4,800,000	5339/Low-No/Bus&BusFacil/DERA	\$0		\$1,200,000	LOC		Added Bus & Bus Facility & DERA funding sources and bus sizes	
ML-22-09	2022	Electric Bus Chargers (2)	C	\$153,800	\$107,660	5339/Low-No/Bus&BusFacil	\$0		\$46,140	LOC		New Project	

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - NO COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED													
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<b>State of Illinois - IL</b>													
IL-20-03	2020	I-80	0.5 mi E of I-74/80 Intchg to 0.5 mi W of ILL 82	crack and joint sealing	MAINT	\$500,000	\$450,000	NHPP	\$50,000	STA			Moved to Current Status
IL-20-11	2020	I-74 / I-280	Over Mosquito Creek	Bridge Cleaning and Painting	MAINT	\$90,000	\$81,000	NHPP	\$9,000	STA			Moved to Current Status
IL-22-02	2020	ILL5/IL 92	IAIS RR 0.2 mi NE of ILL 84 JCT	Bridge Rehab	Maint	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	STP>200k	\$400,000	STA			Moved to Current Status
IL-21-12	2021	IL 92	7th Ave, 18th Ave, 31st Ave in Rock Island	Lighting	OTHER	\$475,000	\$380,000	NHPP	\$95,000	STA			Moved to Advanced Construction