

**Minutes of the**  
**REGION 9**  
**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
*Serving Rural Scott County and all of Muscatine County*

Wednesday, September 13, 2006, 10:00 A.M.  
Muscatine City Hall  
Lower Level Conference Room  
215 Sycamore Street  
Muscatine, Iowa

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mark Anderson	City of Wilton
Steve Boka	City of Muscatine
Jon Burgstrom	Scott County
Ann Harrison	Muscatine Transit
Randy Hill	City of Muscatine
Dennis Michael	Muscatine County
Randy Zobrist	River Bend Transit, Inc.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Doug DeLille	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 28, 2006 Region 9 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Zobrist called the meeting to order. He asked for approval of the June 28, 2006 Region 9 Transportation Technical Committee minutes. Mr. Hill moved for approval of the minutes as revised. Ms. Harrison seconded the motion and it carried.
2. Discussion of Iowa Region 9 Long Range Plan Update. Ms. McCullough referred the Committee to the draft table of contents and regional goals included in their agenda packets. She noted the Iowa DOT has provided some general guidelines of what should be included in the update plan. The new plan will focus on movement, land-use, balance, safety, security, special needs, modes, and preservation. The existing plan will be used as a basis. Bi-State will be facilitating public informational meetings on the Long Range Transportation Plan process. The meetings will be conducted in a focus group style to encourage public participation and input on transportation issues. Interactive discussions will address intermodal issues; interconnections; access between modes; safety and security; and other transportation related topics. Bi-State feels the timeline for completion of the new plan is realistic and attainable. The goal is to complete the plan by the end of Bi-State's current fiscal year.
3. Discussion of Passenger Transportation Development Plan (PTDP). Ms. McCullough noted the proposed content of the Passenger Transportation Development Plan (PTDP) was in the agenda packets. A transit planning and programming flowchart is also included for

reference. Iowa DOT has extended the PTDP deadline from December 15, 2006 to February 15, 2007. This is still a tight schedule since a lot of data is required for the plan. The PTDP outline is very prescriptive. It will be an evolving document and updated every year. A Coordinated Human Services Plan will be an element of the PTDP. It will be both Regional and Urban in scope with the goal being coverage of the five-county Bi-State area.

4. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
5. Other Business. Mr. DeLille reported on two TIP amendments needing Committee action. Both items are for the FFY 2007 TIP. They are listed under Muscatine Transit and are identified as items MTS-07-04 and MTS-07-05 in the distributed handout. The amendments were recommended to the Region 9 Transportation Policy Committee for approval; the recommendation carried by consensus. Final copies of the 2007-2010 Iowa Region 9 TIP will be distributed shortly.

Ms. McCullough distributed a handout of Power Point presentation addressing the impact of ethanol on Iowa's transportation system. Discussion ensued regarding some of the issues related to the new plant being developed in Buffalo.

The Committee was informed of some upcoming funding opportunities and grant deadlines. The Rail Revolving Loan applications are due on October 20, 2006. ICAAP applications are due October 1, 2006. Federal RTP, Iowa Statewide Enhancements and Safe Routes to Schools applications are also due October 1, 2006. National Scenic Byway discretionary grant program applications will likely be due later this year or early next year.

6. Adjournment. Mr. Hill motioned to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 11:10 a.m.