

**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 2, 2009**

The September 2, 2009 meeting of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Conference Room on the 7th Floor of the County-City Building in South Bend, Indiana. It was noted a quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Littrell – City of South Bend
John Byorni – Area Plan Commission
Leslie Miller (for Michael Machlan) – City of Elkhart
Ralph Booker – Marshall County Plan Commission
Neal Haeck – Marshall County Highway
Mary Cripe – City of Goshen
Jessica Clark – St. Joseph County Engineering
Gary West – City of Mishawaka
John Schalliol – South Bend Regional Airport
Chris Dressel – City of South Bend
Bob Watkins – Elkhart County Planning
Dennis Pletcher – Kosciusko County Highway Dept.
Ron Robinson – Kosciusko County Administrator (by video)
Sandra Seanor - MACOG

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rick Gaul – City of Plymouth
Rick Brown – South Bend Public Transportation Corp.
Jeff Taylor – Elkhart County
Jeremy Skinner – City of Warsaw
Ken Prince – City of Mishawaka
Bill Holder – Kosciusko County GIS
Roland Chamblee – St. Joseph County Health Dept.

OTHERS PRESENT Greg Broz - INDOT - LaPorte District
Don Abraham – INDOT – LaPorte District
Marcia Blansett – INDOT, LaPorte
Timothy Weiss – McDonough Associates, Inc.
Zach Hurst – St. Joseph County
Roger Nawrot - Abonmarche
Rita Kopala – Citizen – Lakeville, IN
Jessica Mitchell - MACOG
James Turnwald – MACOG
Zachery Dripps – MACOG
Karen Hamm – MACOG
J. P. Hopman – MACOG
Sherry Sellers – MACOG

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 5, 2009 MEETING

There were no corrections to the minutes of August 5, 2009.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED BY JOHN BYORNI
AND SECONDED BY GARY WEST TO APPROVE THE
MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2009. THE MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS OF CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

1. **TTAC CHAIRMAN** – No report.
2. **TTAC SECRETARY** – No report.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Administrative Modifications, Amendments, Major Amendments to the FY2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Program

FORT WAYNE DISTRICT

Locally Initiated – Resolution – 55-09

A. Elkhart County Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Decrease Federal Funding by \$350,000 Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2010
Des# 0800045 **Location: CR 17 Fiber Optic Signal Interconnect – Phase I**
Other Project Type SFY: 2010
Total: \$1,750,000 Federal: \$1,400,000 (CMAQ) Local: \$350,000 (CN)

Jessica said Elkhart County is decreasing federal funding on this project by \$350,000 to bring their total back to \$1,400,000. Sandi said this project is not going to be let by September 30, and therefore is not eligible for 100% federal CMAQ money. This project won't be let until January 2010, so it needs to go back to the 80/20% split.

B. Elkhart Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Decrease Federal Funding by \$257,860 Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2011
Des# 0600463 **Location: Prairie St NS RR Underpass Construction**
RRxing Grade Separation SFY: 2012
Total: \$27,556,835 Federal: \$3,127,564 (CHPP) & \$3,000,000 (Grp II STP) Local: \$21,171,411 (CN)

This project is being decreased by \$257,860 in CN funds so that the PE amount can be increased by the same amount.

Elkhart Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Increase Federal Funding by \$257,860 Phase: PE Letting Date: 01/2011
Des# 0600463 **Location: Prairie St NS RR Underpass Construction**
RRxing Grade Separation SFY: 2012
Total: \$2,072,436 Federal: \$2,072,436 (CHPP) Local: \$0 (PE)

This is increasing the PE funds by \$257,860 in CHPP funds.

Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Add Project Phase: RW Letting Date: 01/2011
Des# 0600463 **Location: Prairie St NS RR Underpass Construction**
RRxing Grade Separation SFY: 2012
Total: \$5,855,820 Federal: \$0 Local: \$5,855,820 (RW)

This portion of the amendment adds local RW funds to the project.

Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Change Scope Phase PE/RW/CN Letting Date: 01/2011
Des #0600463 **Location: Prairie St NS RR Grade Separation**
RRxing Grade Separation SFY: 2012

This segment changes the name of the project to grade separation instead of underpass construction for PE/RW/CN phases.

C. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Add Project Phase: PE Letting Date: 01/2011
Des# TBA **Location: Hively Ave NS RR Grade Separation**
RRxing Grade Separation SFY: 2012

Total: \$2,007,297 Federal: \$0 Local: \$2,007,297 (PE)
Total: \$6,106,979 Federal: \$0 Local: \$6,106,979 (RW)
Total: \$20,468,919 Federal: \$0 Local: \$20,468,919 (CN)

The City of Elkhart is adding this project on Hively Ave. Sandi asked Leslie Miller what the source of funding was for this project. Sandi said the City of Elkhart needs to declare a source of funding as the FHWA requires that the TIP be fiscally constrained.

D. Middlebury Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 55-09 Increase Local Funding by \$8,063 Phase: RW Letting Date: 11/2010
Des# 0710989 **Location: Middlebury Greenway Phase II – CR 22 to Wayne**
Bicycle/Pedestrian Facility SFY: 2011

Total: \$359,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$359,000 (RW)

This project increases local money by \$8,063 on Middlebury's Greenway Phase II Bicycle/Pedestrian Facility.

Jessica asked if there were any questions on Resolution 55-09. There being none, she asked for the Policy Board's approval of this Resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT WATKINS AND SECONDED
BY JESSICA CLARK TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS
CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 55-09. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Locally Initiated – Resolution – 56-09 - ARRA

A. Elkhart Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Decrease Funding by \$145,216 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0900890 **Location: John Weaver Pkwy from CR10 to CR6**
Mill & Fill SFY: 2010

Total: \$511,620 Federal: \$511,620 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)
Total: \$ 51,160 Federal: \$ 51,160 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

Jessica said Elkhart is reducing the funding by \$145,216 on this ARRA project.

B. Elkhart Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Decrease Funding by \$301,146 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0900891 **Location: Beardsley Ave from Nappanee St to Edwardsburg Ave**
Mill & Fill SFY: 2010

Total: \$102,480 Federal: \$102,480 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)
Total: \$ 10,250 Federal: \$ 10,250 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

This project decreases funding by \$301,146 on Beardsley Ave.

Elkhart Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Change Scope Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0900891 **Location: Beardsley Ave from SR 19 to Beech**
Mill & Fill SFY: 2010

Total: \$102,480 Federal: \$102,480 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 10,250 Federal: \$ 10,250 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

The scope of the Beardsley project is also being changed. They are making it shorter.

C. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0901870 **Location: Jeanwood from 100' N of East Lake Drive N to CR 6**
HMA Overlay SFY: 2010

Total: \$188,240 Federal: \$188,240 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 18,800 Federal: \$ 18,800 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

This project is being added by the City of Elkhart.

D. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0901868 **Location: Old US 20 from Oak Manor Place to Bypass Road**
HMA Overlay SFY: 2010

Total: \$48,000 Federal: \$48,000 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 4,800 Federal: \$ 4,800 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

The City of Elkhart is also adding this project on Old US20.

E. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0901867 **Location: Bypass Road from West Lexington to 550' west of Nappanee**
HMA Overlay SFY: 2010

Total: \$68,000 Federal: \$68,000 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 6,800 Federal: \$ 6,800 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

Bypass Road is an added project for the City of Elkhart.

F. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
Des# 0901869 **Location: Lexington Avenue from Bypass Road to 370' W of 22nd St**
HMA Overlay SFY: 2010

Total: \$101,322 Federal: \$101,322 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 10,400 Federal: \$ 10,400 Local: \$0 (ARRA) (CE)

This Lexington Ave. project is also being added by the City of Elkhart.

G. Goshen Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2010
Des# TBA **Location: Clinton Street from 410 W of Tanglewood Drive to Greene Road - alt**
Mill & Fill 1 1/2' SFY: 2010

Total: \$140,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$140,000 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 21,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 21,000 (ARRA) (CE)

The City of Goshen is adding this project on Clinton Street.

H. Goshen Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2010
Des# TBA **Location: Middlebury Street from Main Street to Zollinger Road - alt**
Mill & Fill 1 1/2' SFY: 2010

Total: \$186,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$186,000 (ARRA) (CN)

Total: \$ 27,900 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 27,900 (ARRA) (CE)

This project on Middlebury Street is being added by the City of Goshen.

I. Goshen Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 56-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2010
Des# TBA **Location: Dierdorff Road from CR 40 to Kercher Road - alt**
HMA Overlay SFY: 2010
Total: \$142,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$142,500 (ARRA) (CN)
Total: \$ 21,400 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 21,400 (ARRA) (CE)

The City of Goshen is also adding this project on Dierdorff Road.

There was an error on the TTAC agenda. The alternate projects were listed as 100% federal funds, but they should be listed as 100% local funds. This change involved Items G, H, and I.

Jessica asked for questions. There being none, she requested the approval of the Policy Board for Resolution 56-09.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RON ROBINSON AND SECONDED
BY MARY CRIFE TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS IN
RESOLUTION 56-09 WITH THE CHANGE OF MAKING ITEMS
G, H, AND I LOCAL FUNDS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

District Initiated – Resolution – 57-09

Jessica indicated that all of the items on this resolution are regular projects, they are not ARRA projects, and they are all initiated by INDOT – Fort Wayne District. Sandi noted that these funds are all State STP funds. There isn't any urban or rural money involved.

A. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 04/2010
Des# 0800138 **Location: Various at various bridge structure locations within the FW District**
Bridge Painting / Rehabilitation SFY: 4/2010
Total: \$420,000 Federal: \$336,000 (STP) State: \$84,000

These are bridge painting jobs in Elkhart County.

B. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 04/2010
Des# 0710925 **Location: Various at various bridges throughout the FW District**
Bridge Maintenance & Repair / Rehabilitation SFY: 4/2010
Total: \$530,000 Federal: \$424,000 (STP) State: \$106,000

These projects involve bridge maintenance and repair.

C. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 04/2010
Des# 0800166 **Location: Various at various locations within the FW District**
Raised Pavement Markings SFY: 4/2010
Total: \$250,000 Federal: \$250,000 (100% STP)

These projects are for raised pavement markings.

D. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 04/2010
Des# 0800967 **Location: SR 15 from 1.92 miles N of US 20 to SR 120**

HMA Overlay SFY: 2010

Total: \$452,000 Federal: \$361,600 (STP) State: \$90,400

INDOT is adding this project on SR15.

E. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: PE/CN Letting Date: 04/2011

Des# 0901859 **Location: US 30 over Deeds Creek (eastbound), 0.96 miles east of SR 15**
Replace Structure/ Rehab SFY: 2010/2011

Total: \$102,000 Federal: \$ 91,800 (STP) State: \$10,200 (PE)

Total: \$880,000 Federal: \$792,000 (STP) State: \$88,000 (CN)

This added project replaces structure on US30 over Deeds Creek eastbound.

F. INDOT Fort Wayne Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 57-09 Add Project Phase: PE/CN Letting Date: 04/2011

Des# 0901860 **Location: US 30 over Deeds Creek (westbound), 0.96 miles east of SR 15**
Replace Structure/ Rehab SFY: 2010/2011

Total: \$102,000 Federal: \$ 91,800 (STP) State: \$10,200 (PE)

Total: \$880,000 Federal: \$792,000 (STP) State: \$88,000 (CN)

This added project replaces structure on US30 over Deeds Creek westbound.

Jessica asked for questions and then the approval of the Policy Board.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN SCHALLIOL AND SECONDED
BY ROBERT WATKINS TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS
CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 57-09. THE MOTION CARRIED.

LaPorte District

Locally Initiated – Resolution 58-09

A. St. Joseph County: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Change Scope Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009

Des # 0901343 **Location: Brick Road from Gumwood Road to Fir Road- alt**
Mill & Fill: SFY 2010

Total: \$430,000 Federal: \$ - Local: \$430,000 (CN)

Total: \$ 43,000 Federal: \$ - Local: \$ 43,000 (CE)

This project is a change of scope on a project on Brick Road in St. Joseph County. This is an alternate project involving local funds.

B. Mishawaka: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Reduce Funds by \$29,500 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009

DES #: 0900858 **Location: Traffic Signal Modernization / Energy Efficiency Upgrade**
Traffic Signal SFY: 2010

Total: \$368,450 Federal: \$368,450 (CN) (ARRA 100%)

Total: \$ 36,550 Federal: \$ 36,550 (CE) (ARRA 100%)

The City of Mishawaka is reducing funds by \$29,500 on their Traffic Signal Modernization project.

Mishawaka: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Reduce Funds by \$65,000 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009

DES #: 0900915 **Location: Large Overhead ID Signage**
Traffic Signal SFY: 2010

Total: \$59,275 Federal: \$59,275 (CN) (ARRA 100%)

Total: \$ 5,725 Federal: \$ 5,725 (CE) (ARRA 100%)

There is a reduction of \$65,000 on the federal funds on this large overhead ID signage project in the City of Mishawaka.

Mishawaka Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Increase Funds by \$30,484 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
DES #: 0900856 **Location: Fir Rd from McKinley Ave to Spur Line of Railroad**
Mill & Surface SFY: 2010

Total: \$152,354 Federal: \$152,354 (CN) (ARRA 100%)
Total: \$ 15,546 Federal: \$ 15,546 (CE) (ARRA 100%)

The City of Mishawaka is increasing funds by \$30,484 on this mill and surface project on Fir Road as the engineer's estimates came in higher than anticipated.

Mishawaka Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Increase Funds by \$3,065 Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
DES #: 0900857 **Location: McKinley Ave (US 20) from Division St to Home St**
Mill & Surface SFY: 2010

Total: \$475,180 Federal: \$475,180 (CN) (ARRA 100%)
Total: \$ 50,570 Federal: \$ 50,570 (CE) (ARRA 100%)

This project on McKinley is being increased by \$3,065.

C. Mishawaka Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Change Scope Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
DES #: 0900857 **Location: McKinley Avenue (US 20) from 600 feet East of Chestnut**
Street to Home Street
Mill & Surface SFY: 2010

Total: \$475,180 Federal: \$475,180 (CN) (ARRA 100%)
Total: \$ 50,570 Federal: \$ 50,570 (CE) (ARRA 100%)

The City of Mishawaka is changing the scope on this McKinley Avenue mill & surface project.

D. Mishawaka Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 58-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 12/2009
DES #: TBA **Location: Bremen Highway from Ireland Rd to US 20 By-Pass - alt**
Mill & Surface SFY: 2010

Total: \$300,000 Federal: \$- Local: \$300,000 (CN) (ARRA)
Total: \$ 45,000 Federal: \$- Local: \$ 45,000 (CE) (ARRA)

This alternate project for ARRA is being added by the City of Mishawaka.

James asked for questions. There being none, he requested the approval by the Policy Board of Resolution 58-09.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JESSICA CLARK AND SECONDED
BY GARY WEST TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS IN
RESOLUTION 58-09. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Locally Initiated – Resolution 59-09

A. Marshall County: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Marshall County, IN
Resolution 59-09 Reduce Funds by \$50,000 Phase: PE Letting Date: 2010
Des # 0810140 **Location: 7th(a) Road from Pine to new US31 - 7th Road Interchange**
New Road Construction: SFY 2014

Total: \$686,928 Federal: \$572,440 (TCSP) Local: \$114,488

Marshall County is reducing PE funds by \$50,000 on this 7th(a) Road project.

Marshall County: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Marshall County, IN
Resolution 59-09 Add Funds by \$50,000 Phase: RW Letting Date: 2011
Des # 0810140 **Location: 7th(a) Road from Pine to new US31 - 7th Road Interchange**
New Road Construction: SFY 2014
Total: \$62,500 Federal: \$50,000 (TCSP) Local: \$12,500

Marshall County is adding \$50,000 to the RW phase of this project.

B. Marshall County: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Marshall County, IN
Resolution 59-09 Add Funds by \$1,700,000 Phase: CN Letting Date: 01/2014
Des # 0810140 **Location: 7th(a) Road from Pine to new US31 - 7th Road Interchange**
New Road Construction: SFY 2014
Total: \$7,817,225 Federal: \$3,400,000 (Group IV) Local: \$4,417,225

Marshall County is adding \$1,700,000 in Group IV money to the CN phase of this project.

C. Marshall County: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Marshall County, IN
Resolution 59-09 Change Scope Phase: PE, RW, CN Letting Date: 01/2014
Des # 0810140 **Location: 7th(a) Rd from Michigan St to new interchange at US31 - 7th(a) Rd**
New Road Construction: SFY 2014
Total: \$ 686,928 Federal: \$ 572,440 (TCSP) Local: \$ 114,488 (PE)
Total: \$ 62,500 Federal: \$ 50,000 (TCSP) Local: \$ 12,500 (RW)
Total: \$7,817,225 Federal: \$3,400,000 (Group IV) Local: \$4,417,225 (CN)

The final change on this project is a change in scope of the 7th(a) Road project.

There being no questions on this resolution, James asked for the Policy Board's approval of Resolution 59-09.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED BY TTAC MEMEBERS TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 59-09. THE MOTION CARRIED.

INDOT LaPorte District Initiated – Resolution 60-09

A. INDOT Laporte: Administrative Modification Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 60-09 Change Funding Type Phase: CN Letting Date: 2010
Des # 0900052 **Location: SR 23 from 0.1 mi. N of US6 (Tyler) to 0.3 mi S of SR4 (King)**
HMA Overlay
Total: \$2,002,000 Federal: \$1,601,600 (ST STP) State: \$440,000

James Turnwald indicated that INDOT is changing the funding type on this project to State STP funds.

B. INDOT Laporte: Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN
Resolution 60-09 Add Project Phase: CN Letting Date: 2010
Des # 0400228 **Location: US 31 from W interchange with US 20 to bridge over Toll Rd**
HMA Functional Overlay
Total: \$550,000 Federal: \$440,000 (NHS) State: \$110,000

INDOT is adding a project on US31 for an HMA Functional Overlay.

James asked for questions. There being none, he asked for the Policy Board's approval of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RON ROBINSON AND
SECONDED BY JESSICA CLARK TO APPROVE THE
AMENDMENTS IN RESOLUTION 60-09. THE MOTION
CARRIED.

**Transit Amendments
Resolution 61-09**

A. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 61-09 Add Project SFY: 2010

Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area

**Flex CMAQ Funds from FHWA to FTA for Operating Assistance for
the Interurban Trolley**

Total: \$160,000 Federal: \$128,000 Local: \$32,000

Karen Hamm said that this resolution will flex CMAQ funds from FHWA to FTA for Interurban Trolley Operating Assistance. Sandi mentioned that there will be a new route starting around September 21st. This new route will connect Elkhart with Mishawaka.

B. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 61-09 Delete Project SFY: 2009

Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area

Flex to FTA New Route Operations

Total: \$812,500 Federal: \$650,000 Local: \$162,500

This project is being deleted from the TIP. This project is not something that will be used. It is an old item that needs to be cleaned out of the TIP.

Karen asked for questions. There being none, she requested the approval of the Policy Board.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN SCHALLIOL AND
SECONDED BY JESSICA CLARK TO APPROVE THE TIP
AMENDMENTS CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 61-09.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

STAFF UPDATE:

Transportation Enhancement Update

Sandi said rural communities are technically not required to send their applications to MACOG. However, MACOG sets a 30-day date before the actual date they are due at the districts for a reason. MACOG wants to see the rural community applications ahead of time, so we can make sure the application is complete and correct. MACOG then signs the application and it goes to the district. If there is something in the application that might be a red flag, MACOG would like to catch it before it goes to the district. The date that the applications are due to MACOG is put out on the website. There were two applications that came in this year, a little bit too late to be gone over properly, therefore, they were not signed by MACOG. Sandi said that when a call is put out for projects, MACOG faxes, emails, calls and gives out information at TTAC and Policy Board meetings, so everyone should be aware of the timeframes that are involved.

LPAs Present at Meetings

Sandi said that the Employee in Responsible Charge (ERC) requires that a person that is employed by the City, Town or County be the person that is the responsible person with federal funds. MACOG has a policy that if we talk to a consultant about a project, the LPA has to be present. This is required by the federals. This is to make sure that the LPA understands what is going on and agrees to it.

TIP and Long Range Plan

The new TIP is being working on, as well as the amendments to the Long Range Plan. These will be out for Public Review from September 21st to October 20th. The Open House will be on October 6th. This year's TIP will cover FY2010-2014.

Group III

A Call for Projects will be issued on September 21st. The projects will be due to MACOG by October 23rd.

ARRA Update

Sandi had a handout sheet containing a recap of the ARRA funds for each jurisdiction, the number of regular projects, alternative projects and the amount of funds involved. Sandi said that the MPO Council met with Audra Butts on September 24th concerning ARRA projects. She is in charge of making sure that everything matches up on ARRA projects. Stimulus lettings will take place every month. The last letting looked like the MACOG area was low on what the costs came in at. Audra said she is seeing price favorability around the 20-30% range. Additional rural projects need to be in by tomorrow. Sandi said this area is hoping for the projects in Bremen and Marshall County.

The MPOs are very concerned that there will not be time to make sure that all of the money is spent. That is why you have been asked to do alternates. INDOT has also asked that we identify current STP projects that might be on a January letting. MPOs have also asked FHWA to consider letting us use 80/20% money to get the alternate projects done.

TIGER Grants

There is about \$1.5 billion dollars available nationwide. That is about \$30 million per state. The projects that are on state roads, the state will probably not provide concurrence with. The federals have said you can submit your TIGER Grant, even if it is not going to be open to traffic by 2012, but you will receive less consideration. Projects under \$20 million may actually be encouraged, because this may be their way to target smaller communities. The state has five projects that they are pursuing. Port to Port, Hoosier Heartland an I-69 (there are two projects on two of those). The state thinks they have a pretty good shot, because all of the projects can be open to traffic by 2012. MACOG staff is working on TIGER Grants for Marshall County, 7th Road and also CR17 in Elkhart. These grants are by the 15th of September.

INDOT Funding Report for SAFETEA-LU STP-Urban Funds

Sandi gave a recap of the projects and their current status for the current bill. There is a small window of opportunity. She asked that everybody that has projects listed in the current TIP to get those things to a letting date as soon as possible. Sandi said some money may have to be shifted around at end, because we want to spend all of our money. Sandi also discussed CMAQ projects and Elkhart/Goshen Group II projects.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Carl Littrell mentioned that Greg Broz is going to be transferring to the INDOT – Central office in Indianapolis. He will be working in the Construction Management Division. Greg was thanked for all his help and hard work.

Gary West also thanked INDOT and MACOG for all their hard work in connection with the ARRA projects. He also gave an update on their underpass project.

Leslie Miller spoke about Hively Ave. The final quarter should be finished by the end of the year. Roundabouts should be open by the end of the week.

Mary Cripe spoke concerning their CSO project.

Jessica Clark talked about the Bittersweet/Cleveland project. This should be open in October. McKinley should be open to restricted traffic in a month.

Ralph Booker mentioned that the US31 project is finding a lot more muck than they had originally thought.

Neal Haeck reported on the Pine Road project.

Dennis Pletcher and Ron Robinson talked about the Western Route. There were going to be three roundabouts, but now there will only be two.

Chris Dressel said the City of South Bend is adding 10 miles of bike routes per year. The signature project is the extension of Riverside Trail, Phase II.

Carl Littrell said they just finished Riverside Trail except for a small part that is held by a retaining wall that has failed twice. He asked that in financing recreational trails and bikeways if anyone has used Local Road and Street account for your match. He said they asked the State Board of Accounts if this could be done and they said no. Sandi said they should be able to use this account for matching funds. She said perhaps the State Board of Accounts did not fully understand what was being asked.

John Schallioli said they are out for bid for the second time on the terminal expansion project. He also said there is a private company, Free Enterprise out of either Lansing, IL or Jeffersonville, IN that will be providing shuttle service in South Bend to the football games.

Carl Litrell mentioned that NICTD is cutting their weekend service on five weekends while they are upgrading their electrical systems. John Schallioli said there is bus service that is being provided by another firm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the following action was taken.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN SCHALLIOLI AND
SECONDED BY JESSICA CLARK TO ADJOURN
THE MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Carl Littrell, Chairman

Sandra Seanor, Executive Director

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