

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – Meeting Minutes
MACC Office - 301 Douglas Ave., Holland, MI 49424

February 14, 2022
10:00 AM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was unofficially called to order at 10:09 AM

Present:

- Luke Walters – MDOT
- Melissa Veldheer – Zeeland Charter Township
- Steve Bulthuis – Holland Charter Township
- Dennis Kent – MDOT
- Tyler Kent – MDOT
- Alec Miller – MACC
- Jason Latham – MACC
- Elisa Hoekwater – MAX

Zoom:

- Heather Bowden – MDOT
- Matt Block – MDOT
- Jon Roberts – MDOT
- Brian White – MDOT

2. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 13, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

There was no official approval due to the lack of present voting members.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MACC Staffing Update

Jason Latham (Executive Director) and Alec Miller (Transportation Planner) both introduced themselves and gave a brief background.

B. FY 2021 Obligated Project List

Luke Walters explained that this is the obligated project cost vs. what was programmed into JobNet. Only two projects (JN: 212203 & 212204) do not show obligated amounts, but that's because they were advanced constructed (AC). All other jobs have been obligated.

C. FY 2022 IIJA Funding Allocations

Luke Walters explained that there had been a subgroup meeting a few weeks ago in order to get these funds correctly allocated to existing jobs. None of the four jobs (JN: 206324, 213136, 206347, 206321) needed amendments since the overall cost stayed the same; the money was used to replace local overmatch.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendments

JN: 206346 – Blue Star Highway Non-Motorized Pathway

An amendment is needed because there has been an updated cost estimate from the consultant resulting in an increase in budget, and the scope is being slightly reduced.

JN: 212791(PE & CON) - Striping

An amendment is needed because this restriping project was abandoned due to high costs at the moment.

JN: 214956 (PE & PES) – I-196 over the CSX Railroad Bridge Rehabilitation

An amendment is needed because this is a new project. This project was able to happen due to the IIJA creating new funding sources specifically for bridges.

6. COMMENTS BY MDOT

Luke Walters explained the new IIJA amounts and CMAQ reductions Allegan County is a non-attainment area, therefore they are not getting reduced. Ottawa County is a LOMA (Limited Orphan Maintenance Area) and will be cut *roughly* 45 percent. This makes us over-programmed for FY23-FY26.

FY23: **\$67,866** (\$285,000-\$217,134) Blue Star Highway is \$50,000 federal for MACC/
\$350,000 federal for RTF 8B

FY24: **\$91,213** (\$312,689 – \$ 221,476)

FY25: **\$86,783** (\$312,689 – \$225,906)

FY26: **\$82,265** (\$312,689 – \$230,424)

However, there is a new Carbon Reduction Program which most CMAQ projects will be eligible for.

FY 2023 Estimate: \$219,000

FY 2024 Estimate: \$223,000
FY 2025 Estimate: \$227,000
FY 2026 Estimate: \$232,000

Any CMAQ changes that need to be done, must be done by March 1st. Those present at the meeting recommended replacing the loss in CMAQ funds with the Carbon Reduction funds and bring forward the leftover Carbon Reduction funds to the committee in the future.

7. COMMENTS BY MACC STAFF

Jason and Alec further explained their backgrounds and stated they were happy to be here. Jason stated he got his email up and running: jlatham@the-macc.org

8. MACC MEMBER REPORTS / STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS

Steve Bulthuis – an intergovernmental project between Holland Charter Township and the City of Holland is being discussed. An 8th Street corridor study from Lincoln on the west, to Paw Paw Drive on the east, was done in order to find a way to improve both motorist and pedestrian safety. WSP conducted the study and will be going to the Township board in March. A wide shoulder and a 6-foot concrete sidewalk on the south side will be created. It will also be going from a 4-lane to a 3-lane (two continuous sections and a middle turn lane).

Elisa Hoekwater – MAX put in an order for two buses and they're awaiting them due to shortages.

Tyler Kent & Matt Block – Provided updates for the I-196 rebuilding project from Byron Road near Zeeland to 32nd Avenue in Hudsonville. Some tree clearing will be required for the project and must be completed prior to April 1st. MDOT staff also discussed the reconstruction project on US-131 between I-196 and Central Avenue.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was ended at 11:08 AM.

The next regularly-scheduled TAC meeting will be held on March 14, 2022 at 10:00 AM