



**Macatawa Area
Coordinating Council**

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MINUTES

**MACATAWA AREA COORDINATING COUNCIL
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

January 11, 2010

MACC office

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I. INTRODUCTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Members Present: Brett Laughlin (Chair), Brian White, Linda LeFebre, Al Meshkin, Sandra Cornell-Howe, Don Komejan, Scott Nienhuis, Glenn Nykamp, Bill Nelson, Steve Redmond, Sarah Van Buren, Mark Knudsen, Howard Baumann, Michael Bippley

Others Present: Peter Daining, Elisa Hoekwater, Steve Bulthuis

It was moved by Mr. Nelson and supported by Mr. Nykamp to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2009, Technical Committee meeting as presented. The motion carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Laughlin asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to speak. There was no public who wished to speak.

III. FY 2011-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Bulthuis noted that 29 projects had been received requesting approximately \$12M in federal funding. The TIP Development Committee had met, reviewed the projects and developed a list of recommendations for the expenditure of FY2012 & 2013 CMAQ as well as 2012, 2013 and 2014 STP funds. This list had been emailed late last week to committee members. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed the list of recommended projects. Mr. Nelson requested that the limits of the 48th St. project be revised to 136th-142nd and the total cost to \$1,485,000 with a local share of \$1,037,000.

Upon further discussion it was moved by Mr. Baumann and supported by Mr. Komejan to recommend that the Policy Committee authorize the staff to release the list of projects, as revised, for public input, air quality conformity and agency consultation and to place the unfunded projects on the illustrative list. Motion carried.

Mr. Bulthuis noted that he had received notification that the MACC's local FY2010 CMAQ projects had been found eligible by FHWA. Additionally, funding for the program was now available at a level that allowed all projects

to be awarded at their requested amounts. Therefore, it was necessary to amend them into the 2010 program of the FY2008-2011 TIP.

Upon review of the projects it was moved by Mr. Nelson and supported by Mr. Baumann to recommend that the Policy Committee amend the FY2008-2011 TIP as presented. Motion carried.

IV. ARRA PROJECT/PROCESS UPDATE

Mr. Bulthuis reported that he had received word that there would be no redistribution of ARRA funds from other parts of the state as was discussed last month.

V. NONMOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE

Ms. Hoekwater reported on recent activities including public input meetings held in October and November, feedback received from the Macatawa Greenway Partnership and Macatawa Cycling Club, and extended an invitation to anyone interested in participating in an Allegan County Trails Input meeting (sponsored by the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission on 1/21/2010). Input on existing and future non-motorized facilities is still needed from several MACC members. Crash Data is also being analyzed for the MACC area. One action item requested in order to finalize maps was to display non-motorized projects nominated for FY 2011 & 12 CMAQ funding and FY 2012-14 STP funding. These projects would be incorporated into maps of proposed facilities and would represent a “wish list” for the region. **It was moved By Mr. Nykamp and supported by Mr. Nienhuis to include these projects as “proposed” on maps illustrating future non-motorized facilities.**

VI. LONG RANGE PLAN ALTERNATIVES SCENARIOS UPDATE

Ms. Hoekwater invited members of the Technical Committee to a demonstration of the community planning/analysis software which will be used to test various development scenarios for impacts on the transportation network.

VII. STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS/MEMBER REPORTS

Reports from various local agencies as well MDOT and FHWA were given.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Rideshare statistics

Mr. Bulthuis distributed statistics related to the Rideshare program operated by

ITP/The Rapid which the MACC supports.

Green Commute 2010

Ms. Hoekwater reported that Green Commute 2010 will be held May 17-22 with the Leadership ride scheduled for the 17th and a community ride, sponsored by the Youth Advisory Council, occurring on the 22nd.

Western Ottawa County

Mr. Bulthuis noted that the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners was scheduled to act on the agreement to award funding to the MACC for the Western Ottawa County signal study with the Policy Committee scheduled to act at their meeting in January

X. ADJOURNMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING

It was decided that the next meeting of the Technical Committee would be:

February 8, 2010
10:00 a.m.
Location: MACC offices