

Secretarial Notes
DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Date: Thursday, August 12, 2021
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Place: ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wally Wernimont**
<i>City of Dubuque</i>
(proxy Jason Duba) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz
<i>City of Asbury</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loras Herrig
<i>City of East Dubuque</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Tammy Henry
<i>Dubuque County</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gus Psihoyos (chair)
<i>Engineer,</i>
<i>City of DBQ</i>
(proxy Bob Schiesl) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Bardgett(v-chair)
<i>Engineer,</i>
<i>DBQ County</i>
(proxy Russell Weber) | <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Keeffer
<i>Engineer,</i>
<i>Jo Daviess County, IL</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dave Lambert
<i>Engineer</i>
<i>Grant County, WI</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vacant**
<i>Jule Transit</i>
(proxy Jake Ironside) | <input type="checkbox"/> Amanda Dupont
<i>Regional Transit</i>
<i>Authority (RTA)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troy Maggied
<i>SWWPRC</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Kelley Deutmeyer**
<i>ECIA</i>
(proxy Amanda Dupont) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kris Tobin**
<i>Illinois DOT</i>
(proxy Rob Bates)
(proxy Doug DeLille) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stephen Flottmeyer**
<i>Wisconsin DOT</i>
(proxy Francis Schelfhout) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sam Shea*
<i>Iowa DOT</i>
(non-voting member) | |

Others Present: Ryan Sempf

Staff Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chandra Ravada
*Non-Voting Member | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Fox
Voting member by Proxy | <input type="checkbox"/> Sarah Berning | *Attendance by phone |
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A quorum was present for DMATS Technical Advisory Board

Call to Order

The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Technical Advisory Board Chair, Gus Psihyos.

Review/Approve the Agenda for the Thursday, August 12, 2021 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Motion by Herrig, second by Bardgett to approve the agenda for the Thursday, July 8, 2021, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday July 8, 2021 meeting

Motion by Bonz, second by Herrig to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday July 8, 2021 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Projects Chapter 7

Ravada stated Chapter 7- Projects, addresses future projects on a corridor level. Corridor level allows DMATS to examine the collective impact of all projects on the transportation network. There are 40 project corridors within the region. The projects were evaluated using the DMATS Travel Demand Model and the LRTP project ranking process. Ravada stated that the board has 30 days to review the draft Chapter 7 and provide comments.

Motion by Bardgett, second by Herrig to recommend to the DMATS Policy Board the DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Projects Chapter 7. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Environmental Chapter 8

Ravada stated that the purpose of Chapter 8 -Environmental is to analyze the projects from Chapter 7-Projects, for any environmental impacts. A preliminary environmental impact screening can identify potentially serious impacts that could delay projects. Early “fatal flaw” analysis helps reduce the risks that are inherent in transportation planning process. Ravada stated staff looked at minor, moderate and major impacts of each category; floodplain, environmental sensitive areas, social facilities, household income, and minority population. Ravada stated that the board has 30 days to review the draft of chapter 8 and provide comments.

Motion by Duba, second by Herrig to recommend to the DMATS Policy Board the DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Environmental Chapter 8. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Project Prioritization Chapter 9

Ravada explained the process of project prioritization divides the projects into real projects and illustrative projects. All projects are ranked by using the following criteria, safety, economic impact, system preservation, local and regional impact, accessibility and mobility, complete streets, air quality and freight. Ravada stated only 22 projects will be funded, due to the funds received.

Bardgett asked is the infrastructure bill will affect current projects.

Ravada stated it is possible depending on if the bill is passed. If passed MPO could receive more funding which would allow more projects to be completed.

Discussion followed.

Ravada stated that the board has 30 days to review the draft of chapter 9 and provide comments.

Motion by Herrig, second by Bardgett to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the DMATS LRTP 2050 Draft Project Prioritization Chapter 9. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend amendments to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ravada referred to the TIP handout stating the City of Dubuque project SW Arterial corridor between US 20 to US 151/61 right of way received \$580,000.00, although the final cost ended up being \$639,899.00. Amendment is to add additional funding from DMATS STBG funds for the SW Arterial right of way. Ravada stated staff had a conversation with the IA DOT and once amendment is passed the IA DOT will amend the STBG contract with the City of Dubuque.

Motion by Duba, second by Bardgett to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the amendments to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Update on Administrative Modification on DMATS FFY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program

Ravada stated the administrative modification is for the Illinois DOT project ED2204 project, stating this project received advance authorization to start construction on this project.

Comments from public on an item that did not appear on the agenda

No comments were made by the public.

Other Business

L RTP

Ravada stated staff will be conducting a public input process meeting in August, which will be an online meeting.

IL DOT

Illinois DOT is currently accepting Safe Routes to School (SRTS) applications through the end of September.

Adjournment

Motion by Herrig, second by Bardgett to adjourn the Thursday, August 12, 2021 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada
ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning