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Tier II Consultation Meeting DRAFT Minutes – April 20, 2017

Participants:

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Ron Shimizu WSP/Parson's Brinkerhoff Brian Kapala WSP/Parson's Brinkerhoff

Michael Leslie EPA Mark Pitstick RTA

David Bloomberg IEPA – via phone
Buzz Asselmeier IEPA – via phone
Matt Fuller FHWA – via phone
Chris Schmidt IDOT OP&P – via phone

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

10:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 a.m. All participants introduced themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – February 21, 2017

On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Leslie, the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting were approved as presented.

4.0 I-290

Peter Harmet from IDOT gave a presentation on IDOT's I-290 managed lanes project: http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/documents/10180/639110/I-290+Tier+II+Conformity+4-20-17.pdf/94fa6b18-3f4f-4e56-821e-445832ce89ee. Mr. Harmet stated that IDOT was looking to receive a record of decision by June 30, 2017. He stated that after the record of decision

funding is the next issue that will need to be addressed. Mr. Harmet added that IDOT would be in discussions with CTA regarding transit service. In conclusion, Mr. Harmet stated that after 3 rounds of analysis, discussion, and feedback from stakeholders that IDOT's preferred option was for an HOT 3+ lane in each direction on I-290 between Racine Ave and I-88, which was somewhat different than the HOT 2+ lanes that CMAP had previously modeled.

Mr. Patronsky asked what CMAP needed to do regarding the Long Range Plan, TIP, and modeling. Mr. Heither stated that CMAP last modeled the project as part of the conformity amendment approved in March as an HOT 2+. He also stated that how tolling, specifically toll plaza delay, is modeled has changed, which will be reflected in future modeling efforts. Ms. Dobbs stated that with regard to the TIP the limits of the project needed to be updated and the inclusion of the pump station added. Additionally the funding and maps need to be updated and transit work types added to the project in the TIP.

Mr. Harmet asked how the bridges should be represented in the TIP. Ms. Dobbs stated that bridge work types should be added as well as a bridge line item but that each bridge did not need to be listed separately.

Mr. Patronsky asked if we needed to do a new conformity amendment, which could be prepared and released for public comment at the upcoming Transportation Committee meeting. Regarding the need for a plan amendment, Mr. Donavan stated that FHWA still needed to discuss if a plan amendment is needed but thought at the very least that a conformity amendment should be done. Mr. Carlson stated that IDOT would be updating the cost for the project in the TIP. Mr. Leslie stated that EPA's main concern was modeling the project and how quickly that could be done and reviewed. Mr. Patronsky noted that a cost change to the TIP could be brought to the June Transportation Committee meeting. He also stated that CMAP would go forward with a conformity amendment.

The consensus of the Consultation Team was that CMAP should proceed with a conformity amendment.

5.0 Ozone SIP development

Mr. Patronsky noted that the attainment year was 2015, but the region did not reach attainment. This resulted in the region being bumped up to moderate nonattainment. Mr. Asselmeier stated that IEPA had been using 2014 as base year when the region was in marginal nonattainment; now they need to use 2011 as the base year. This resulted in a need to re-model 2011 using MOVES2014a. Mr. Asselmeier provided a table of proposed mobile source budgets:

http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/documents/10180/639110/budget.pdf/4b066f3b-51d6-4944-

<u>a892-c91987628d9c.</u> He noted that the region had a safety margin and did achieve an 18% reduction as required.

Mr. Patronsky also stated that the 133 tons in the VOC budget should be enough to account for future changes in inputs and modeling. Mr. Patronsky stated that CMAP was good with the proposed budgets. Mr. Leslie stated that the EPA was also fine with the proposed budgets but still wanted to have some follow up discussions with IEPA concerning the modeling and development of the safety margin.

6.0 Ozone designation

Mr. Leslie state that the US EPA is considering designations for the 2015 ozone NAAQS and that the plan was to have a 120 day letter out at the beginning of June 2017. If that were to occur, a final decision regarding designations could come in October.

7.0 Updated Transportation Conformity SIP

Mr. Asselmeier stated that IEPA is working on this.

8.0 Major Capital Project Updates

A brief update on the status of Major Capital Projects is available on the Transportation Committee <u>minutes page</u>. Some committee members asked CMAP staff to check the status – the listing appears to be out of date.

9.0 Other Business

Mr. Schmidt noted that Holly Ostdick has been appointed Bureau Chief of Planning.

10.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

11.0 Next Meeting

Mr. Patronsky reported that the next meeting will be on call; one is anticipated to be in conjunction with CMAP's conformity analysis in the fall.

12.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.