



MEMORANDUM

To: Transportation Committee

From: Dolores Dowdle
Deputy Executive Director, Finance and Administration

Date: April 12, 2013

Re: FY 2014 Unified Work Program

The Unified Work Program (UWP) lists the planning projects the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) and other agencies undertake each year to enhance transportation in northeastern Illinois and to fulfill federal planning regulations. The UWP time frame is consistent with the State of Illinois fiscal year, which starts July 1. The final UWP document includes the transportation planning activities to be carried out in the region, detailing each project's description, products, costs and source of funding.

On March 21, the UWP Committee approved a proposed FY 2014 Unified Work Program, totaling \$21,801,019. This includes \$16,837,254 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds and \$4,963,765 in local match funds. Attached is the summary of the allocation of funding and awarded projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend approval of FY 2014 Unified Work Program to the MPO Policy Committee and Regional Coordinating Committee

UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Fiscal Year 2014 (FY 14) Unified Work Program (UWP) for transportation planning for northeastern Illinois programs a total expenditure of \$21,801,019 in metropolitan planning funds from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), state and local sources. The program is fiscally constrained, as the new budget totals are within the IDOT estimated funding marks. The FY 2014 UWP programs \$16,837,254 in FHWA/FTA funds and \$4,963,765 in state or local sources to provide for the necessary matching funds.

The UWP was developed through the UWP Committee of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP). The eight voting members of the UWP committee are the City of Chicago, CTA, Metra, Pace, CMAP, RTA, the Council of Mayors and the counties. IDOT chairs the committee and votes in instances of a tie. Non-voting members include IEPA, FHWA and FTA. Member agencies of the UWP Committee traditionally receive UWP funding, but any other MPO Policy Committee member agency can submit proposals or sponsor submissions from other entities.

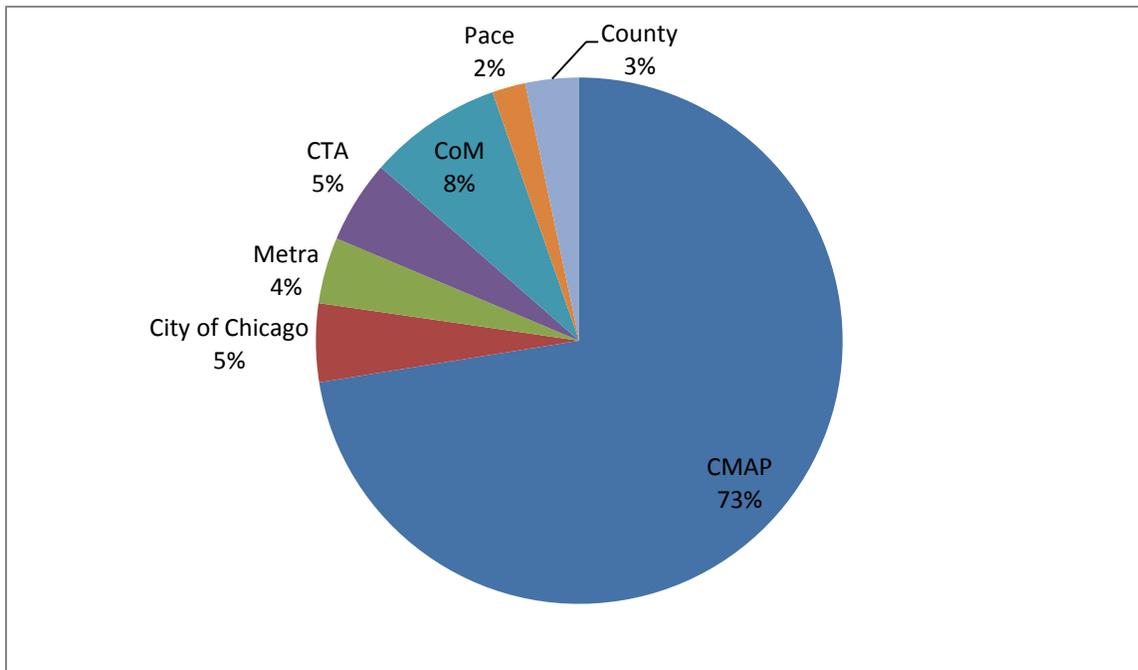
The FY 14 UWP is a one year program covering the State of Illinois fiscal year from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. The UWP Committee developed the FY14 program based on the UWP funding mark for the metropolitan planning area. Project selection was guided using a two-tiered process. The initial tier funded core elements, which largely address the MPO requirements for meeting federal certification of the metropolitan transportation planning process. The second tier, a competitive selection process, programmed the remaining funds based upon a set of FY 14 regional planning priorities developed by the UWP Committee in concert with the Transportation Committee, MPO Policy Committee and CMAP Board. The UWP Committee also utilizes a quantitative scoring process to evaluate project submissions in the competitive round.

The UWP is submitted to CMAP's Transportation Committee, which recommends approval of the UWP to the Regional Coordinating Committee and the MPO Policy Committee. The Regional Coordinating Committee recommends approval of the UWP to the CMAP Board. Approval by the MPO Policy Committee signifies official MPO endorsement of the UWP. FY 14 UWP funds will be programmed to CMAP, CTA, the City of Chicago, Regional Council of Mayors, Metra, Pace, and Lake and Will Counties. The program continues to be focused on the implementation of three major pieces of legislation: the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21).

Funding by Agency

Figure 1 shows the share of FY 14 UWP funds programmed to each agency.

FIGURE 1
Share of FY 2014 UWP Funds by Agency



CMAP is receiving 73% of the FHWA PL and FTA section 5303 funds to implement the region's long range plan *GO TO 2040*, support local planning efforts, collect, analyze, and disseminate transportation data, support required MPO activities such as the TIP and Congestion Management Process, perform a range of transportation studies, provide technical assistance, and engage in coordinated regional outreach. CMAP, in coordination with RTA, will be administering the Community Planning Program, funded at \$560,000 in federal funds, and will allocate part of the funds to RTA depending of the projects.

The CTA, Metra, and Pace are receiving 5%, 4%, and 2% of the funds, respectively, for program development, participation in the regional planning process, and to perform studies and analytical work related to their systems. In the competitive round, CTA received funding for advance planning work on the Forest Park Blue Line and to implement an Asset Management Plan. Pace received funding for the Elgin/O'Hare Western Bypass Corridor Transit Service Plan. The Metra received funding for preparing Cost-Benefit Analysis report of proposed Metra expansion projects.

The City of Chicago is receiving 5% of the funds for transportation planning and programming and development of the Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan – Framework Study.

The Regional Councils of Mayors are receiving 8% of the funds. The Council of Mayors Planning Liaison (PL) program is responsible for serving as a general liaison between CMAP and local elected officials. PLs also facilitate the local Surface Transportation Program (STP) process and monitor other transportation projects from various funding sources. Will County is funded for their County Long Range Transportation Planning program. Lake County is funded for the Route 53/120 Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan.

Summary of UWP Projects and Budgets by Recipient Agency

Agency	Project Title	FTA	FHWA	Local Match	Total
CMAP	MPO Activities	1,186,825	10,454,374	2,910,300	14,551,499
CMAP	Community Planning Program		560,000	140,000	700,000
CMAP Total		1,186,825	11,014,374	3,050,300	15,251,499
CTA	Program Development	300,000		75,000	375,000
CTA	Asset Management & Project Determinations	335,000		83,750	418,750
CTA	Forest Park Blue Line Reconstruction and Modernization Planning	221,000		55,250	276,250
CTA Total		856,000		214,000	1,070,000
City of Chicago	Transportation and Programming	640,000		160,000	800,000
City of Chicago	Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan	170,784		42,696	213,480
City of Chicago Total		810,784		202,696	1,013,480
Council of Mayors	Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming and Management		1,384,270	554,269	1,938,539
Council of Mayors Total			1,384,270	554,269	1,938,539
County of Will	Long Range Transportation Planning	240,000		60,000	300,000
County of Lake	Route 53/120 Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan	315,000		625,000	940,000
Counties Totals		555,000		685,000	1,240,000
Metra	Cost Benefit Analysis of Proposed Metra Expansion Projects	365,000		91,250	456,250
Metra	Program Development	320,000		80,000	400,000
Metra Totals		685,000		171,250	856,250
Pace	TIP Development and Modeling	40,000		10,000	50,000
Pace	Rideshare Services Program	60,000		15,000	75,000
Pace	Elgin/O'Hare Western Bypass Corridor Transit Service Plan	245,000		61,250	306,250
Pace Totals		345,000		86,250	431,250
FY 14 UWP Total		4,438,609	12,398,644	4,963,765	21,801,018

Brief Synopses of FY 2014 Recommended UWP Projects

<p>MPO Activities</p> <p>Purpose: CMAP is responsible for the implementation of the region's long range plan GO TO 2040; supporting local planning efforts; collecting, analyzing and disseminating transportation data; supporting required MPO activities such as the TIP and Congestion Management Process; performing a range of transportation studies; providing technical assistance; and engaging in coordinated regional outreach. Some of the major areas to be addressed in this program include transportation financing and tax policy, the connections between transportation and economic development (with a focus on the freight industry), housing/job access, and legislative and policy analysis efforts. CMAP provides regional forecasts and planning evaluations for transportation, land use and environmental planning.</p>	<p>\$14,551,499</p>
<p>Community Planning Program</p> <p>Purpose: CMAP will provide planning assistance to local governments to undertake planning activities that integrate transportation – particularly transit – with land use and housing. Projects will be selected through a competitive application process administered jointly by CMAP and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). CMAP will suballocate to RTA for projects with a heavy transit focus.</p>	<p>\$700,000</p>
<p>Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)</p>	<p>Agency Total: \$15,251,499</p>
<p>Program Development</p> <p>Purpose: The program facilitates CTA's efforts to coordinate the provision of capital projects for customers in its service area to projects identified within the Chicago area regional five-year Transportation Improvement Program. Major tasks include: Develop CTA's capital programs for inclusion in the five-year regional TIP; Identify and analyze potential capital projects for funding eligibility; Prioritize capital projects for inclusion in the CTA's capital program and the constrained TIP; Monitor capital program of projects progress and adjust as needed for amending or for inclusion into the TIP.</p>	<p>\$375,000</p>
<p>Asset Management and Project Determinations</p> <p>Purpose: CTA will determine appropriate structure and references to critical policies and procedures for the Asset Management Plan (AMP). The goal of implementing a comprehensive AMP is to enhance the data, reports and tools available for the prioritization of capital investments and preventive maintenance activities, thereby maximizing the benefits from limited available resources and minimizing lifecycle asset costs. Implementation will assure compliance with recent federal mandates (MAP 21) as well as provide a more comprehensive, cross-functions view of CTA's asset portfolio and software systems.</p>	<p>\$418,750</p>
<p>Forest Park Blue Line Reconstruction and Modernization Planning</p> <p>Purpose: To complement the IDOT's planning for the reconstruction of I-290, CTA will study funding strategies; conduct preliminary reconstruction and preliminary engineering; inventory facilities including tracks, trackbeds, power systems, signals, yard, and stations; identify facility needs such as American Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant amenities and modern customer facilities; design alternative location of station, egress points, and track design to improve efficiency of the line; identify conceptual construction, engineering, and integration with roadway designs.</p>	<p>\$276,250</p>
<p>CTA</p>	<p>Agency Total: \$1,070,000</p>
<p>Transportation and Programming</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this project is to support regional objectives by providing for the strategic participation of the City of Chicago in the region's transportation planning process including the development of the RTP and the TIP, by identifying and developing potential transportation projects and policies and to provide technical analysis and other requested</p>	<p>\$800,000</p>

information to agencies, elected officials and the general public. Such policy, funding and planning assistance facilitates the full and effective participation of the City of Chicago in the regional planning process.	
<p>Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan – Framework Study</p> <p>Purpose: City of Chicago will prepare city-wide plans focused on various strategic initiatives, consistent with its “Chicago Forward Action Agenda.” These plans include: Streets for Cycling, Streetscapes, Pedestrians, and BRT. An overall framework for a Comprehensive Transportation Plan will integrate these city- and district-based plans, objectives, and processes with regional transportation plans, priorities, and goals.</p>	\$213,480
City of Chicago	Agency Total: \$1,013,480
<p>Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming and Management</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose is to provide for strategic participation by local officials in the region’s transportation process as required by MAP-21, the Regional Planning Act and future legislation and to support the Council of Mayors by providing STP, CMAQ, SRTS, BRR, HPP, ITEP and other program development and monitoring, general liaison services, technical assistance and communication assistance</p>	\$1,938,539
Council of Mayors	Agency Total: \$1,938,539
<p>County of Will, Long Range Transportation Plan</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose is to provide for the ongoing development and maintenance of the Cook County 2040 Transportation Plan, which is needed to manage future growth and travel demand. The Transportation Plan is a tool that guides the programming and planning of transportation infrastructure improvements, projects, and services and the allocation of financial resources.</p>	\$300,000
<p>County of Lake, Route 53/120 Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan</p> <p>Purpose: The County of Lake will develop the Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan to integrate the Illinois Tollway’s Central Lake County Corridor: IL 53 North and IL 120 Limited Access project with land use, transportation, economic development and open space through active and collaborative local government participation.</p>	\$940,000
County Projects	Agency Total: \$1,240,000
<p>Program Development</p> <p>Purpose: This program helps facilitate Metra’s efforts in capital transit planning and administration. Metra is responsible for developing the capital and operating programs necessary to maintain, enhance, and expand commuter rail service in northeastern Illinois. Metra participates in the MPO process accordingly. Core element activities done by Metra include: regional transportation planning efforts; transit planning; private providers coordination; planning with protected populations; safety and security planning; facilitation of communication between local and regional governmental entities.</p>	\$400,000
<p>Cost Benefit Analysis of Proposed Metra Expansion Projects</p> <p>Purpose: Metra will perform cost benefit analysis on proposed Metra projects to assist in prioritization of projects identified as potential long-term expansion projects in Metra’s Strategic Plan.</p>	\$456,250
Metra	Agency Total: \$856,250
<p>Rideshare Services Program</p> <p>Purpose: The Pace Rideshare program supports individuals and employers in the Northeastern Illinois region in forming carpools and vanpools to reduce single occupancy vehicle trips, thereby reducing traffic congestion and air pollution, as well as providing</p>	\$75,000

transportation to improve job accessibility. A critical component of the program involves strategic marketing that achieves critical mass to improve the matching potential of the participants	
TIP Development and Modeling Purpose: Pace will develop a fiscally constrained Pace bus Capital Improvement Program for the Northeastern Illinois region which is consistent with and supportive of the five-year regional TIP.	\$50,000
Elgin/O'Hare Western Bypass Corridor Transit Service Plan Purpose: Pace will create an incremental transit plan to grow the transit market in relation to economic development and land use development. The Elgin/O'Hare Western Access project is identified in GO TO 2040 as a major capital project under Regional Mobility and part of the recent Federal corridor approval. The market analysis will include short, midterm and long range design and development of a construction mitigation plan.	\$306,250
Pace	Agency Total: \$431,250