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MPO Policy Committee

Agenda
January 14, 2010—10:00 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room
CMAP Offices
Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

10:00 a.m.

- 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements
- 3.0 Approval of Minutes October 8, 2009 ACTION REQUESTED: Approval
- 4.0 Agency Reports
 - 4.1 Council of Mayors' Report
 - 4.2 CMAP Report

5.0 GO TO 2040

5.1 Preferred Scenario

A "preferred Regional Scenario" which describes the key policy directions covered in *GO TO 2040* was developed this fall. The Transportation Committee discussed the preferred Regional Scenario during its October and November meetings, and recommended your endorsement at its January 6th meeting. This document does not contain specific recommendations or policies, but does indicate what topics will be the focus of *GO TO 2040*. Staff requests that the Policy Committee endorse this document along with the CMAP Board. Upon receiving endorsement, staff will continue to work with the committee to develop specific recommendations or policies in the areas highlighted in the preferred Regional Scenario.

ACTION REQUESTED: Endorsement of the Preferred Regional Scenario

5.2 Financial Plan

Staff will update the committee on the development of the financial plan, including revisions to costs and core revenues, initial estimates of reasonably expected revenues, and implications for overall fiscal constraint.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

5.3 Major Capital Projects

Staff will update the committee on the description and evaluation of major capital projects, including the schedule for the remainder of the evaluation and prioritization process.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

6.0 CMAQ Funding of Private-Sector Diesel Emission Reduction Projects

At its October meeting, the MPO Policy Committee requested more detailed information on private-sector diesel emission reduction projects. A report summarizing the air-quality considerations for such projects and the history of diesel emission reduction projects in the region is included.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

7.0 Legislative Update

CMAP staff will share what legislative activity it is aware of and ask committee members to share what legislation they may be supporting, opposing or otherwise tracking.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

8.0 CMAQ and STP Rescissions

Final rescission amounts have been received from IDOT for the CMAQ program. The CMAQ Project Selection Committee (PSC) has developed a plan for addressing the funding cuts. At its November 20 meeting, the Transportation Committee recommended Policy Committee approval of the rescission implementation plan described in the attached memo. The STP rescission amount received from IDOT is currently being analyzed by staff and may require input from the SAFETEA-LU Committee.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of rescission implementation plan for CMAQ rescissions

9.0 ARRA Update

Staff will update the Policy Committee on the status of the ARRA formula programs that provided funding to IDOT, the Council of Mayors and the City of Chicago. Additionally, submittal deadlines have passed for a number of ARRA discretionary programs including the TIGER and the High-Speed Rail programs. The awards for these programs should occur in January. Staff will update the Committee on the status of the various applications.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

10.0 Regional Freight System Planning

CMAP staff will present an update on the Regional Freight System Planning Recommendations project. Staff will update the committee on the project's progress, including draft policy and project recommendations. The project web site is located at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/cmp/freightsystem.aspx.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

11.0 Other Business

12.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. The exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

15.0 Next Meeting – March 11, 2010

16.0 Adjournment

MPO Policy Committee Members:

Martin G. Buehler	R. A. Kwasneski	Richard Rodriguez
Tom Cuculich	John McCarthy	Steve Schlickman
Bob Davidson	Karen McConnaughay	Jeffery Schielke
Joseph Deal	Joseph Moreno	Marisol Simon
Gary Hannig	Philip A. Pagano	Norman R. Stoner
Elliott Hartstein	Michael Payette	Larry Walsh
Kenneth Koehler	Thomas Powers	Rocco Zucchero