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Transportation Committee

Agenda
Friday, August 1, 2014
9:30 a.m.
Cook County Conference Room
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order/Introductions **9:30 a.m.**

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes—June 6, 2014

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports
The Regional Coordinating Committee met June 11, 2014. A report on the meeting will be given by the Transportation Committee's representative. The next Local Coordinating Committee meeting will be September 8, 2014.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

5.0 FFY 10-15 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modifications – Leroy Kos
TIP Revisions that exceed financial amendment thresholds have been requested. Revisions include line items that have been awarded, moved, or deleted. The TIP amendments and modifications are attached. The State/Regional Resources table was revised to account for RTA Board action.
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of TIP amendments

6.0 Transportation Alternatives Program – Jesse Elam
With the expectation that Congress will extend MAP-21, CMAP is working to ensure that the region is prepared with a program of projects that can utilize TAP funds. Staff has developed proposals regarding the programming of the FFY 2015-2016 round of TAP funding as well as general policies for management of the program.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

7.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program Call for Projects – Dan Olson
LTA Call for Projects ended June 26. Staff will present an overview of the project applications received. A memo with a description of the new project applications is included in the packet.

The program evaluation discussion will be continued at the transportation committee's September meeting.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

8.0 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Process Review Update - Jesse Elam

CMAP has been reviewing the procedures and project ranking methods used in the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program with the Project Selection Committee and other stakeholders. A periodic review is important as CMAP improves its procedures and encourages effective uses of the region's available funding. Staff will update the Transportation Committee on the review to date.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

9.0 GO TO 2040 Update – Drew Williams-Clark

The public comment period for the plan update ends today. A series of open houses has taken place around the region to address questions and solicit input from the public. Staff anticipates Board and MPO approval of the update in October, in accordance with federal requirements. Throughout the process, staff has apprised all CMAP committees on the status of the update. This is the final opportunity for the Transportation Committee to make comments before the public comment period is closed. The staff will prepare a summary of public comments that will be available at the September meeting of the Transportation Committee.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

10.0 FFY 2014-19 Transportation Improvement Program – Kama Dobbs

Public comment for the 2014-19 TIP was held concurrently with that for the plan update. Staff will prepare a summary of public comments that will be available at the next Transportation Committee meeting. Consideration of the proposed TIP by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee is anticipated in October, per federal requirements.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

11.0 Regional Freight Leadership Task Force Report – Alex Beata

Established by the CMAP Board in June 2013, the Regional Freight Leadership Task Force first met in October 2013 and prepared its final report in May 2014. The Board charged the Task Force with exploring the creation of a "Regional Freight Authority," including consideration of revenue sources and governance issues. This presentation will discuss the group's proceedings and three main recommendations.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

12.0 Status of Local Technical Assistance Program

The updated status report on the LTA program is attached.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

13.0 Other Business

14.0 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. It should be noted that the time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

15.0 Next meeting – September 19, 2014

16.0 Adjournment

Committee Members

_____	Michael Connelly, Chair*	____	Alicia Hanlon	_____	Leon Rockingham
_____	Charles Abraham	____	Robert Hann	_____	Mike Rogers
_____	Reggie Arkell***	____	Emily Karry	_____	Steve Schlickman
_____	Michael Bolton	____	Jennifer (Sis) Killen**	_____	Joe Schofer
_____	Bruce Carmitchel	____	Fran Klaas	_____	Peter Skosey
_____	Lynnette Ciavarella	____	Wes Lujan	_____	Kyle Smith
_____	Wally Dittrich	____	Randy Neufeld	_____	Chris Snyder
_____	John Donovan***	____	Holly Ostdick	_____	Steve Strains
_____	John Fortmann	____	Leanne Redden	_____	Ken Yunker
_____	Luann Hamilton	____	Tom Rickert	_____	Rocco Zucchero

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Transportation Committee

Draft Minutes

June 6, 2014

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Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

Committee Members Present:	Chair Michael Connelly – CTA, Reggie Arkell – FTA, Brian Carlson – IDOT District One, Lynette Ciavarella – Metra, Scott Gryder – Kendall County, Alicia Hanlon – Will County, Vice Chair Sis Killen – Cook County, Emily Karry – Lake County, Don Kopec – CMAP, Aimee Lee – ISTHA, Randy Neufeld – Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force (via phone), Jason Osborn – McHenry County, Mark Pitstick – RTA, Tom Rickert - Kane County, Mayor Leon Rockingham – Council of Mayors, Chris Schmidt – IDOT OP&P, David Seglin – CDOT, P.S. Sriraj – Academic & Research, Peter Skosey – MPC, Kyle Smith – CNT, Lorraine Snorden – Pace, Chris Snyder – DuPage County.
Absent:	Charles Abraham – IDOT DPIT, John Donovan – FHWA, Robert Hann – Private Providers, Wes Lujan – Class 1 Railroads, Mike Rogers – IEPA, Steve Schlickman – Academic & Research, Steve Strains – NIRPC, Ken Yunker – SEWRPC.
Others Present:	Mike Albin, Garland Armstrong, Heather Armstrong, Jennifer Becker, Bruce Christensen, Chalen Daigle, Rick Harnish, Mike Klemens, Christina Kupkowski, Sharon Lowhim, Chad Riddle, Chris Staron, Tammy Wierciak, Tom VanderWoude, Mike Walczak, Barbara Zubek.
Staff Present:	Patricia Berry, Bob Dean, Kama Dobbs, Akshali Gandhi, Jessica Gershman, Ben Gilbertson, Lindsay Hollander, Leroy Kos, Holly Ostdick, Ross Patronsky, Emily Plagman, Gordon Smith, Kyle Syers, Drew Williams-Clark.

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Committee Chair Michael Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Mr. Connelly encouraged members to review the GO TO 2040 Update materials, including the summary report and appendices and the FY 2014-19 TIP document on the CMAP website, in lieu of requesting printed copies. He announced that an additional committee

meeting will be scheduled for October 3, 2014. He reported that a Notice of Proposed Rule Making for the Metropolitan Planning process has been posted in the Federal Register for comment. He announced that agenda item 6.0 will be deferred. He announced that this would be Don Kopec's final committee meeting and thanked him for his years of service to the committee, CATS, and CMAP.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – April 25, 2014

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2014 meeting as presented made by Mr. Skosey, seconded by Mayor Rockingham, carried.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

Ms. Killen reported that the Local Coordinating Committee met on May 14, 2014. They received a presentation from the Chicago Department of Planning and Development about their Neighborhood Now program. They received an update on recently completed and upcoming model toolkits and ordinances, the call for Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects and the status of active LTA projects.

The Regional Coordinating Committee will meet on June 11, 2014.

5.0 FFY 10-15 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications

Mr. Kos reported that TIP amendments and modifications were attached to the agenda. He stated that new Transportation Enhancement projects are included in the amendments. He reported that the State/Regional Resources table was revised to account for recent RTA Board action. Ms. Killen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Seglin, to approve the FFY 10-15 TIP amendments and accept the resources table. The motion carried.

6.0 US DOT Certification

Deferred.

7.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program

Mr. Dean reported that over the next several months, CMAP will engage its working committees and other partners in an evaluation of the first three years of the LTA program, with the intent of using the results to focus future resources most effectively. This will be a multi-part discussion, held over a series of committee meetings. For the initial discussion, Bob presented an overview of the program to date including the background of the program, statistics on the progress of individual projects, and results of post-project surveys. He reported that the survey results show that over 90% of LTA recipients are satisfied with the program and the results in their communities. He explained that staff will be preparing quarterly report on the progress of the implementation of the plans developed through the LTA program, with a final report completed two years after each plan is complete.

Mr. Dean said the evaluation will inform the future direction of the LTA program in a number of ways. It will help determine the types of projects that are most successful, the characteristics of communities that sponsor successful projects, and the most effective use of CMAP staff and consultants. It may identify topical or geographic gaps in the program that need to be addressed. Ultimately, the evaluation of the LTA program will be used to

focus future resources most effectively. He then invited committee feedback.

Mr. Kyle Smith stated that he is impressed with the number of projects that have been completed and the geographic distribution of those projects. He added that CNT has been encouraging local agencies to participate in the program and noted that sponsors that have completed plans are now seeking ITEP, CMAQ and STP funds to implement the transportation elements of the plans. He stated that the LTA program is a national success story; other areas make plans, but this region is implementing the plans we are making.

Mr. Rickert stated that the LTA program is not a required or mandated program; it is a way that CMAP stays connected with local concerns, using professional staff to address the needs of smaller and disadvantaged communities. He added that the program is a way to get Best Management Practices to local governments. Mr. Rickert said there are cost savings for the region with the development of plans and toolkits; each community does not need to start from square one with their planning activities. CMAP needs to continue developing ways to assess community commitment to implementing plans; involvement in implementation should be undertaken by locals, not CMAP. He suggested that other resources, such as the planning liaisons, can step up to facilitate implementation. Mr. Dean noted that there will be further discussion regarding the implementation of plans at the next meeting and that the number one driver of success is local commitment. He stated CMAP would like to have more substantive discussions with counties, councils and COGs about local commitment when reviewing applications.

Mr. Seglin stated that the program has been a success; however he is concerned about decisions to provide funding verses staff assistance on specific projects. He noted that Chicago had a project selected for assistance, but due to changes in project scope, CMAP has determined that the project is no longer a good fit for LTA assistance. Mr. Dean stated that CMAP has been discussing the project scope with Chicago and that occasionally situations like this occur. Mr. Dean noted that CMAP works out the details of how assistance will be provided with individual sponsors, based on sponsor needs and resource allocations. Mr. Osborn noted that with a new program, there are bound to be different expectations, which may be related to the size of an agency, and that the few dissatisfied participants do not indicate an unsuccessful program.

Mayor Rockingham noted that the program helps underfunded communities to work through local and regional goals. He noted that we need to get the word out about the program in the North part of the region. Ms. Killen added that the program is not just about the end product. There is also an educational component for the local agency allowing their staff to become more self-sufficient in the future. In response to a question from Mr. Snyder, Mr. Dean noted that the post-implementation analysis will look for trends and adjustments to the program may be made based on those findings.

Mr. Rickert stated that he believes that input from the members, through the working committees is necessary to vet projects and that the recommend program should not just be a staff decision. He also stated that there are hundreds of other plans being developed in the region, and that those plans developed through the LTA program should not be given a higher priority for targeted infrastructure funding in the future. Mr. Dean stated

that CMAP thinks that a good plan, regardless of who developed it, should drive investments. Mr. Carlson stated that IDOT wants to be more involved in the implementation of planning recommendations impacting the state system. He stated that implementation of the plans is an excellent opportunity for IDOT to enhance outreach to communities. Mr. Smith noted that among the hundreds of plans that Mr. Rickert mentioned, the RTA Community Planning program should be considered equally with the LTA program. Mr. Dean noted that the two programs share a single application process and that CMAP and RTA staff decide which program is the best fit for each project. Mr. Pitstick added that RTA administered projects become a part of the UWP. In response to a question from Ms. Snorden, Mr. Dean explained that now that HUD funding is no longer available for the program, CMAP has secured approximately $900,000 from other external sources. He stated that the TIGER application submitted by CMAP would not fund the LTA program; those funds, if received would be used to fund phase 1 engineering for projects seeking CMAQ or TAP funds.

8.0 Draft GO TO 2040 plan update

Mr. Williams-Clark provided an update on the progress of the GO TO 2040 plan update and noted that a summary was posted in May for committee feedback. He added that revisions were made to the summary based on committee comments and invited additional comments during the public comment period which will begin on June 13 and end on August 1. He also reported that a schedule of public meetings to be held throughout the region was included in the agenda and encouraged members to spread the word about those meetings. Mr. Rickert complemented staff on pulling together and addressing comments throughout the update process and for responding to requests for additional information.

9.0 FFY 2014-19 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Ostdick reported that the TIP must be updated along with GO TO 2040 and will undergo public comment concurrent with the plan update. In addition to a list of projects, she stated, the TIP contains five chapters. The chapters include a discussion of:

- How the TIP coincides with the metropolitan transportation planning process and the implementation of GO TO 2040,
- Explanation of the agencies involved in the TIP development and project implementation,
- The fund sources used,
- The expected revenues and expenditures for the time frame of the TIP,
- Responses to federal regulations,
- An overview of the TIP database,
- Appendices that include TIP change procedures,
- Agreements,
- MPO endorsement documentation.

She reported that the proposed list of projects for FFY 2014-19 TIP includes over $12 billion for more than 2,300 line items, including over $100 million for I-90 access and capacity improvements, over $100 million for Metra bridges, construction of the Navy Pier flyover and Major Capital Projects included in GO TO 2040 and described in chapter one of the TIP document. Mr. Rickert stated he had questions about chapters three and four

that he would discuss with Ms. Ostdick. In response to a question from Mr. Snyder, Ms. Ostdick noted that although there is information from GO TO 2040 that is repeated in the TIP, the TIP must fully explain how GO TO 2040 will be implemented in the short term.

10.0 RTA Capital Program Development Process

Ms. McCluskey presented an overview of the Capital Program components of the RTA's Business Plan process, including the 2015 development calendar. She reported that preliminary federal funding has been posted and programming marks will be developed in cooperation with the service boards over the summer. The capital program will be released for public hearings in October/November of 2014. In response to a question from Mr. Snyder, Ms. McCluskey stated that any local initiative ideas can be discussed with both the RTA and the service boards, as appropriate for the project, for inclusion in the capital program. In response to questions from Mr. Skosey and Mr. Arkell, Ms. McClusky stated that the forecasts are simply forecasts and that it is too early to commit to specific figures with the operators. She stated the RTA is using the Capital Optimization Support Tool (COST) to analyze progress toward achieving a state of good repair. She noted that the RTA Board just took action in March on last year's allocations to the states of Wisconsin and Indiana and that the RTA is collaborating with the service boards to develop sub-allocations.

11.0 State Legislative Update

Mr. Gordon Smith provided an updated report on the spring state legislative session. He reported that the IDOT budget included a $3 million appropriation for Metropolitan Planning and Research Purposes at CMAP, which will partially cover the local match for federal planning funds. He reported that the Pace Bus on Shoulders bill passed both houses. A $1.1 billion capital bill also passed both houses. In response to a question from Mr. Snyder, Mr. Carlson explained that the bill included $1 billion to advance shovel ready state projects and $100 million for local projects, which is the fifth and final installment of the Illinois Jobs Now program. Mr. Riddle added that the $100 million is not new, but that the bill will allow the funds to be distributed to local agencies sooner. In response to a question from Ms. Lee, Mr. Smith stated that CMAP is tracking federal legislation through the Policy Updates section of the CMAP website.

12.0 Status of Local Technical Assistance Program and Major Capital Projects

Mr. Connelly noted that an updated LTA status report was provided with the agenda.

13.0 Other Business

In response to a question from Mr. Rickert, Mr. Kopec stated that the CMAP FY 2015 Work Program will be considered by the CMAP Board on June 11, 2014 and comments or questions should be directed to Dolores Dowdle.

Mr. Skosey reported that MPC's annual luncheon featuring the gubernatorial candidates will be held on August 28. He stated the location and time have not yet been determined and encouraged members to save the date.

14.0 Public Comment

Mr. Garland Armstrong asked how the construction on Grand Ave. from Pulaski to Division is progressing. Mr. Seglin stated that Mr. Armstrong should call him at his office for an update. Mr. Armstrong stated that there are no sidewalks in Tinley Park by 159th Street and Oak Park Avenue and the area is unsafe for pedestrians. He asked Mr. Connelly how the introduction of the 5000 new rail cars is coming along. Mr. Connelly stated that 4 or 5 cars are being put into service each week.

Mr. Rick Harnish, Executive Director of the Midwest High Speed Rail Association, stated that he appreciates the reference to CrossRail Chicago in GO TO 2040. He submitted an overview of CrossRail Chicago and three resolutions to the committee which encourage CMAP to include CrossRail Chicago in the fiscally unconstrained project list in GO TO 2040 from the Illinois House, Illinois Senate, and the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association Transportation Committee. He stated that the projects contained in CrossRail Chicago are not new, and that similar to the CREATE program, when connected into a program, the value of the individual projects is increased. He stated that there is a significant gap in consistent and reliable rail service to O'Hare and encouraged CMAP to embrace the concept of linked projects and rail service through Chicago to O'Hare airport.

15.0 Next Meeting

The Transportation Committee is scheduled to meet next on August 1, 2014. Mr. Connelly stated that as mentioned earlier, an additional meeting to consider the GO TO 2040 update and FFY 14-19 TIP has been scheduled for Friday, October 3. Meetings are scheduled for August 1, September 19, October 3, and November 14.

12.0 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 10:50 am, made by Mr. Pitstick, seconded by Mr. Snyder, carried.

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Transportation Committee**

From: CMAP staff

Date: August 2014

Re: Programming of the Federal Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Transportation Alternatives Program Funds and Management of the Program

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Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) created the new Transportation Alternatives program (TAP) to fund non-motorized transportation, giving larger MPOs such as CMAP the responsibility to program a portion of each state's apportionment. Earlier this year, the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee approved the programming of the FFY 2013-2014 TAP funds suballocated to northeastern Illinois.

As it appears likely that Congress will extend MAP-21 (although probably only for a short duration), it is important to ensure that the region is prepared with a program of projects that can utilize these funds when they are authorized and establish regular procedures for program management. This memo describes how staff proposes to program the next round of TAP funding and describes general policies for the ongoing management of the program.

Overall Process

Based on **previous guidance** from the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee, the TAP program would focus on bicycle facilities. It is not anticipated that a higher funding level will be authorized for the program. In consequence, the relatively small amount of funding from TAP (anticipated at approximately $7.5 million per year) should not be spread among additional project categories given the known demand for bicycle facilities. Because of uncertainty around longer-term authorization of the program, staff recommends programming only two years of funding. The program development cycle would match that of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program. The call for proposals is anticipated to be in January 2015, the specific schedule will be available to sponsors prior to the call.

Projects would be scored by first applying a set of basic screening criteria, then ranking the remaining projects according to evaluation criteria. It is proposed that the criteria remain the same as in the FFY 2013-14 program. The prospects for timely implementation will continue to be a major factor in project selection. Staff will hold one-on-one meetings or phone calls with the

sponsors of the higher-ranking projects to verify project details and assess complications that might affect project readiness. The CMAP Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force will be consulted during the development of the recommended program.

The recommended program would be presented to the Transportation Committee during the summer of 2015 with a request to release the program for public comment. During the public comment period staff would seek the feedback of the other Working Committees. Staff will respond to public comments and make adjustments to the recommend program as necessary prior to bringing the proposed program back to the Transportation Committee for its consideration. Following Transportation Committee approval, the proposed program will be considered by the Regional Coordinating Committee followed by the CMAP Board, as well as by the MPO Policy Committee. The target for final program approval is October 2015.

Project Scoring

The screening criteria would be as follows:

1. Sponsors must have substantially completed Phase I Engineering prior to the programming of funds.
2. Sponsors must show that their project is featured in at least one formally adopted or approved bike plan, comprehensive plan, or other plan by a local government, subregional council, CMAP, or the State of Illinois.

Following screening, projects would be evaluated on a 100-point scale using the same criteria as in the FY 13-14 program shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Evaluation criteria for Transportation Alternatives program

Completion of Regional Greenways and Trails Plan (30 points max)	
30 Points	Connects two existing trail sections
25	Extends an existing regional trail
20	Builds a new isolated section of planned regional trail
10	Builds a new facility that intersects an existing regional trail
Population + Employment Density within Buffer Area [proxy for usage] (30 max)	
30	Top quartile of region
24	Second quartile
16	Third quartile
8	Lowest quartile
Level of accommodation for non-motorized transportation (30 max)	
(Score after less score before) * 6	Safety/attractiveness rating: 0: Impassable barrier for walking and bicycling 1: Arterial road with no bike/ped accommodation 2: Arterial road with some bike/ped accommodation, including marked shared lanes, and collector streets with no accommodation; 3: Low-speed, local streets with no bike/ped accommodation 4: Unprotected bike lane; local and collector streets with full accommodation 5: Trail or arterial sidepath, cycletrack, protected bike lane, or buffered bike lane
Bonus (10 max)	

5	No ROW or easements to obtain
5	Phase II Engineering complete
100	**Points total**

These criteria were originally chosen because GO TO 2040 specifically recommends prioritizing greenway trails in the programming of Transportation Enhancements (now Transportation Alternatives) funding. GO TO 2040 also uses miles of trails completed as an indicator of plan implementation. The level of accommodation for non-motorized transportation, as measured by the "safety/attractiveness rating," has been used successfully by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, and density in the vicinity of the project is a basic proxy for the market for the facility. Other things being equal, a better facility is one that is likely to receive more use.

Management of Program

Funding Sunsets and Project Accomplishment Goals

MAP-21 included fairly stringent funding sunsets for the Transportation Alternatives program, with funds available for three years from the end of each federal fiscal year in which funding was authorized. As this helps to stimulate timely project implementation, sponsors will be asked to meet the interim milestones described below. Monitoring sponsors' progress toward interim milestones should help keep projects on track and, for projects that do not stay on track, also give time for CMAP to reprogram the funds to other projects that are proceeding. Without this active program management, funding could be rescinded or lapse and become unavailable to the region. Given this, staff recommends the following active program management techniques.

Regardless of the fiscal year for which funding is programmed, the following milestones should be met. For projects not requiring easements or right-of-way (ROW) acquisition:

- By the end of February 2016, project sponsors must submit locally-executed agreements for Phase II Engineering to IDOT (if Phase II Engineering will be federally funded).
- By the end of July 2016, a Phase II Engineering kickoff meeting between the sponsor and IDOT's Bureau of Local Roads and Streets must have taken place.
- By the end of June 2017, pre-final plans must have been submitted to IDOT.
- By the end of September 2017, federal authorization of construction must have taken place.

For projects requiring easements or ROW acquisition, the following milestones should be met:

- By the end of February 2016, project sponsors must submit locally-executed agreements for Phase II Engineering to IDOT (if Phase II Engineering will be federally funded)
- By the end of July 2016, a Phase II Engineering kickoff meeting between the project sponsor and IDOT's Bureau of Local Roads and Streets must have taken place.
- By the end of September 2016, plats and legal documentation must have been prepared.
- By the end of December 2016, appraisals must have been prepared.

- By the end of June 2017, ROW negotiations must be concluded.
- By the end of June 2018, pre-final plans must have been submitted to IDOT.
- By the end of September 2018, ROW must be certified by the IDOT Bureau of Land Acquisition.
- By the end of September 2018, federal authorization of construction must have taken place.

Following project selection, CMAP staff will monitor progress toward completing projects. To do this, CMAP staff will request status updates after every milestone listed above. If three milestones are missed or it is clear that a project is falling severely behind schedule, CMAP staff may bring the project to the CMAP Transportation Committee to request its removal from the program due to lack of progress. If the project is removed from the program, staff may recommend reprogramming the funding towards another eligible project. The project removed from the program will be eligible to reapply during a future call for projects if progress has been made towards accomplishment.

Scope Changes and Cost Increase Requests

Given the screening criteria of having substantially completed Phase I Engineering and inclusion within a plan, cost estimates should be well-developed and the priority of the project for the sponsor should be evident. These factors, together with the extremely limited funding, lead to the recommendation that cost increases not be allowed for projects programmed with TAP funds. This approach promotes realistic cost estimates and submission of the highest priority projects for funding, and furthermore makes clear from the outset what the sponsor's responsibilities are regarding cost increases. Given the scope definition that occurs in preliminary engineering, major scope changes (a change in **work type** in the TIP or a TIP amendment for a location change) should not be needed for projects that are selected for funding. Minor scope change requests may be submitted to staff, which will be responsible for making changes in the TIP for consideration at the following Transportation Committee meeting.

Action Requested: Discussion

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Summary of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Applications
July 7, 2014

CMAP has established the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program to direct resources to communities to pursue planning work that helps to implement GO TO 2040. In conjunction with the RTA's Community Planning program, CMAP held a call for LTA projects in spring and summer 2014. Applications were due on June 26, 2014.

The remainder of this document provides basic statistics about the applications received, describes the project selection process, and includes short summaries of each project submitted. CMAP's understanding of some of these projects may change through discussions with the applicants, so the descriptions and figures in this document should be considered preliminary.

Basic application statistics

In total, 104 applications were submitted by 77 different applicants to the LTA program. An additional 22 applications were submitted to the RTA for consideration through their Community Planning program. Details of the projects being reviewed by the RTA are available on their website.

Applications were received from across the entire region. The chart below shows applications received by geography, using County and Council of Mayors boundaries. Please note that projects may be placed in multiple geographies if they cross geographic boundaries.

Geography	Number of applications	Number of applicants
Chicago	17	12
North / Northwest Cook	9	8
West Cook	4	4
Southwest Cook	8	4
South Cook	23	15
DuPage	20	17
Kane	10	7
Kendall	4	4
Lake	8	6
McHenry	14	10
Will	13	7
No specific geography	2	2

A variety of project types were submitted. Projects addressing zoning or other regulations were the most common, with 20 submitted. Plans that dealt with a specific corridor or subarea were also common, as were transportation plans. A few new project types – analysis of development review processes, and capital improvement plans – were specifically solicited, and six projects of these types were received.

Project type or topic	Number of applications
Zoning	20
Subarea or corridor plan	18
Transportation plan	17
Comprehensive plan	14
Sustainability or other environmental focus	11
Development review process	4
Capital improvement plan	2
Other	18

Comparisons to previous years

This is the fourth year that CMAP has offered the LTA program, so comparisons to the first three years of the program may be useful. The number of applications received was roughly similar to 2012, and significantly higher than last year. CMAP did more promotion of the LTA program this year, as compared to 2013; activities included co-hosting the GreenTown conference and doing direct outreach to low-capacity communities to encourage them to request assistance.

	2014	2013	2012	2011
Projects submitted	104	67	109	226
Applicants	77	58	88	140

Some applicants have had past experience with the LTA program. Of the 77 applicants, 32 have already submitted at least one successful application in past years; some of them have submitted follow-up projects, and others have submitted entirely new ideas. The remaining 45 are new to the LTA program. Some (17) submitted unsuccessful projects in previous years, but most (28) are entirely new applicants.

Geographic comparisons are shown below. This year, more applications were received from south Cook County than any other geography (23), and this was by far the most applications ever submitted from south Cook County. DuPage County, the City of Chicago, McHenry County, and Will County were also notable for submitting a high number of applications. In contrast, relatively few applications were received from west Cook County.

Geography	2014	2013	2012	2011
Chicago	17	7	10	16
North / Northwest Cook	9	4	10	19
West Cook	4	10	8	15
Southwest Cook	8	1	3	8
South Cook	23	7	9	15
DuPage	20	7	9	20
Kane	10	5	11	9
Kendall	4	4	2	2
Lake	8	10	11	16
McHenry	14	7	6	10
Will	13	4	3	8
Regional	2	1	6	2

Project types this year showed some variation from past years. Zoning projects were the top type of applications received, in a significant change from past years. This corresponds well to CMAP's increasing focus on plan implementation, which involves zoning and other regulatory updates. In contrast, comprehensive plans have become less common – from being the most common type in 2011 and 2012 to the fourth-most common this year. No new projects were received that focused on housing, but projects that focused on other issues – including economic development, local food, health, arts and culture, and any other issues – increased from past years.

Project type or topic	2014	2013	2012	2011
Zoning	20	7	12	23
Subarea plan	18	14	20	36
Transportation	17	14	16	40
Comprehensive plan	14	12	22	48
Sustainability or other environmental focus	11	6	19	45
Housing	0	2	6	11
Development review process	4	0	0	0
Capital improvement plan	2	1	0	0
Other	18	11	14	26

Selection criteria

Criteria for the LTA program include alignment of the project with the recommendations of GO TO 2040; local need for assistance; feasibility and ability to implement; collaboration with other groups, including neighboring governments and nongovernmental groups; input from relevant Counties and Councils of Government (COGs); and geographic balance. This year, CMAP is paying particular attention to the criteria involving feasibility and ability to implement, in line with the overall focus on directing resources to plans that will be implemented.

Review process and timeline

Applications for the LTA program were due on June 26, and will be presented to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee for approval in October. In July and August, a summary of applications received will be shared with CMAP's working committees for discussion and comments. The same will occur with other stakeholder groups, including technical assistance providers, transit agencies, Counties, the City of Chicago, COGs, and others. Comments can also be sent directly to CMAP; please email Bob Dean at bdean@cmap.illinois.gov or call 312-386-8834 with direct comments on any projects. All stakeholders are requested to provide comments to CMAP by **Friday, August 22.**

Recommendations will be discussed with CMAP's Transportation committee on October 3. Recommendations will be brought to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee at their meetings in October. The Local Coordinating Committee will discuss the recommendations immediately prior to the Board meeting on October 8, and also may have a special meeting to review the applications in more detail in late September (scheduling TBD).

Following the Board and MPO meetings, CMAP will work closely with the sponsors of selected projects to handle any needed administrative work, develop full project scopes and schedules, and get projects started. It is expected that newly selected projects will be initiated on a rolling basis beginning in winter and spring 2015.

Project descriptions

Projects are organized by geography. Please note that not all projects below are entirely consistent with the purpose of CMAP's local programs, and more information is needed to fully understand many of them; project proposals are described regardless of eligibility and completeness. Any suggested edits to these descriptions should be sent to Bob Dean at bdean@cmap.illinois.gov. Full applications are available on CMAP's LTA webpage.

City of Chicago

Advanced Community Planned Communications Network Working Group

- Assist with **broadband connectivity and planning**. This mapping and planning will facilitate the development of high-speed assets in nine south side communities of Douglas, Grand Boulevard, Kenwood, Oakland, Washington Park, Woodlawn, South Shore, Grand Crossing, and Hyde Park.

Bridgeport Business Association

- Based off of previous economic development work, develop a **Corridor Vision Plan** for Halsted Street from Archer Avenue to Pershing Road. The plan should have a strong retail development component and identify redevelopment opportunities as a way to combat vacancy and guide future development along Bridgeport's main commercial corridor.

Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT)

- Develop a "**Rain Ready" Plan** (including a Community Needs Assessment) for two neighborhoods in Chicago – **Chatham and Albany Park** – to combat recent flooding. The focus of these plans should be on streets, alleys, parkways, trails, parking lots and transit and should be in line with the Rain Ready grassroots initiative, which determines the link between rain readiness, land use, transportation, and housing.

Chicago Department of Planning and Development

- Using the Chicago Neighborhoods 2014 framework developed in partnership with the Chicago Community Trust (CCT), identify priority neighborhoods that would benefit most from detailed planning. Of these, develop **three comprehensive neighborhood plans** under the LTA program.

Chicago Department of Transportation

- Develop a **sidewalk pedestrian level-of-service study** to increase pedestrian level-of-service at peak times on high demand. The study should analyze pedestrian count data (collected by the City of Chicago) and recommend methods to improve pedestrian flows and limit obstructions on city-owned sidewalks.

- Develop a city-wide **Livable Streets Master Plan** that combines and overlays both existing and proposed improvements from various existing plans.

- Augment the existing **Chicago Truck Planning Study** (currently in draft form) with an **outreach supplement** that includes stakeholder presentation materials, a proactive outreach strategy, and a Chicago Truck Route Fact Sheet for industry.

Endeleo Institute Community Development Corporation

- Develop a **95th Street Planning Priorities Report** to identify community needs and priorities within four blocks of the soon-to-be-transformed 95th Street CTA station. This would include guidance on how to maximize community input, as well as analysis of local data and past planning work. It is an intermediate step toward implementation of a 95th Street TOD. Potential partners include the City of Chicago, CTA, and CHA.

Far South Community Development Corporation

- Develop a **Cultural Plan** for the **Roseland** neighborhood focusing on arts and culture development in the Roseland community. The Plan will include an arts and culture assessment, a commercial and recreational market study, urban design recommendations, transportation study, and an implementation strategy.

National Parks Conservation Association

- NPCA has proposed the creation of an urban national historic park in Chicago's Pullman neighborhood and is working with the Chicago chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) to organize a design charrette to identify community desires for streetscape and other improvements. Technical assistance is requested to develop recommendations into **potential capital improvements** and **implementation plan**.

North River Commission

- Develop a **comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian plan** for Chicago's North River community. This plan would focus on integrating bike and pedestrian routes with public transportation information in order to draw more visitors and residents to the North River area.

Rogers Park Business Alliance

- Conduct a **Streetscape and Parking Study** that would be used to establish a more pedestrian-friendly business district, explore parking management strategies, and improve wayfinding along Sheridan Road between Devon and Farwell.

- Conduct a **Commercial Corridor Study** along Clark Street in Rogers Park to support revitalization of the streetscape and roughly 150 businesses that lie along the corridor.

South Loop Neighbors (SLN) and Greater South Loop Association (GSLA)

- Collaborate to establish **a pre-development framework** for the currently undeveloped 62-acre site called "Riverside Park" on the Chicago River south of Roosevelt Road. This framework would help to coordinate redevelopment of the site, planning of new road infrastructure, and rehabilitation of the adjacent riverbank. This framework format

would be similar to past LTA work on Harper's Court in Hyde Park, as well as Delta Institute's work on the Crawford/Fisk Task Force.

South Shore Planning and Preservation Coalition

- Create a **Community Vision Plan** similar to the Chinatown LTA project. Identify community needs and desires, challenges and opportunities, and create a vision and set of short- and long-term goals and strategies to implement them.

- Conduct a **market analysis** of the South Shore trade area to identify economic and demographic opportunities and gaps in the area. This study will help inform future comprehensive plans.

Sustainable Englewood Initiatives

- Coordinate intergovernmental assistance toward the planning, concept design and marketing of the **New ERA Trail (also known as the Englewood Line)**, an abandoned elevated rail spur set to become an urban park and recreation corridor.

North / Northwest Cook

Cook County Department of Planning and Development

- Develop a **comprehensive plan for unincorporated areas of Cook County within Maine and Northfield Townships**. The Plan should bring the unincorporated areas into conformance with the codes and regulations of surrounding municipalities, as well as standardize service provisions and study incorporation options for unincorporated lands.

Des Plaines

- Update the 2007 **Comprehensive Plan** and **revise and implement the draft Unified Development Ordinance**, which would replace the City's existing Zoning and Subdivision regulations.

Franklin Park (also West Cook and DuPage County)

- Develop a **truck routing and infrastructure plan for the eleven-community O'Hare subregion** that addresses disconnected truck routes, poor roadway conditions and congestion. The proposed plan is aligned with recommendations made in the O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill-Down Report.

Niles

- Develop an **arts and culture comprehensive plan** to provide direction for ongoing efforts and build off of CMAP's Arts and Culture Toolkit.

Northbrook

- Develop a **bike and pedestrian** plan that builds off of the Northbrook Bike Plan (2003) and establishes coordination between modes of transportation and community

destinations. Involving commuters, local schools and the Park District in the planning process is a priority.

Northwest Municipal Conference

- Conduct a **Bike Sharing Feasibility Study** analyzing the potential for Divvy extension or standalone operations. This would address the "last mile" of transit connectivity (from downtown train or bus to a person's destinations.

Roselle (also DuPage County)

- Create a new **comprehensive plan** for the Village reflecting the economic realities of the last several years. The Village's revenues have dropped significantly and have defunded some of what used to be considered basic services, lowered some basic service levels, and eliminated 20% of its positions. Addressing land use and transportation corridors would be the major focus of any new Comprehensive Plan.

Schaumburg (also DuPage County)

- Obtain services of a consultant to complete an update of the **comprehensive plan**. Substantial development has occurred in the Village since 1996, and many directives in the comprehensive plan are outdated and no longer reflect village policies. This reduces the Village's ability to rely on its plans to provide direction to make land use decisions.

- Update the Village's **Comprehensive Green Action Plan** due to an evolution of sustainability planning documents. These types of plans have become more robust in regards to local food systems, municipal policies, economic development, and environmental equity. The updated plan should include indicators and implementation strategies to measure progress toward achieving the goals in the plan so they can be quantified and reported to the community.

West Cook

Berwyn

- Develop a more comprehensive and feasible **Stormwater Management Plan**, using the City's draft Stormwater Management Plan to build off of. The Plan would include both field work and selection of Best Management Practices (BMPs) to improve water quality.

Brookfield

- Complete a long-range **Comprehensive Plan** to replace Brookfield's 2004 "comprehensive plan," which was only a business corridor plan. Creating a new comprehensive plan in the near term would allow Brookfield to ensure that future capital investments are aligned with regional goals and reflect local community priorities.

Franklin Park (also Northwest Cook and DuPage County)

- Develop a **truck routing and infrastructure plan for the eleven-community O'Hare subregion** that addresses disconnected truck routes, poor roadway conditions and congestion. The proposed plan is aligned with recommendations made in the O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill-Down Report.

Oak Park

- Update the current **Zoning Ordinance** to align it with the newly adopted comprehensive plan. The ordinance should be user friendly and incorporate best practices including sustainable development practices and smart growth principles. The current Zoning Ordinance is inefficient due to it being amended numerous times.

South Cook

Blue Island (also Southwest Cook)

- Create a **Capital Improvement Program** to implement the Blue Island Comprehensive Plan. The CIP should improve the City's public infrastructure, emphasizing long-term sustainability, fiscal efficiencies, project prioritization and enhanced quality of life for residents.

- Conduct an analysis and develop recommendations for the improvement of the City's **development review process**, specifically for project sites that are high-interest and high-priority and feature a high level of visibility due to site locations. The end goals should be implementation of a fully integrated, transparent development review process with inter- and cross-departmental input and collaboration.

Blue Island Park District (also Southwest Cook)

- Create an updated, more robust **Park District Master Plan**, including an assessment of existing facilities as well as recommended upgrades or renovations to existing parks and facilities. In addition, the Plan should specifically address strategies for newly acquired parcels of land.

Calumet Park

- Update the Village's **Comprehensive Plan** (last updated in 1989). The Village would like to address topics such as current economic conditions, housing and demographic changes, environmental impact and sustainability, community identity, transportation needs, and regional projects already underway.

- Update the Village's **Zoning Code**. The update should establish clearly defined and uniform regulations to promote the beneficial and sustainable use of the Village's land, as well as alleviate administrative confusion, outline standards, improve access to information, and streamline the zoning process for potential developers and prospective business owners.

Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT)

- Partner with the Army Corps of Engineers to develop a **"Rain Ready" Plan** (including a Community Needs Assessment) for the Village of Midlothian, a community that has suffered from repetitive and severe flooding. The Plan should explore all opportunities, including green infrastructure within public rights-of-way, as well as individual property improvement recommendations.

Chicago Heights

- Update the **City's Zoning Ordinance** (which is now more than 15 years old) to comply with its soon-to-be-adopted updated Comprehensive Plan.

Harvey

- Develop **a comprehensive plan** for the City that will position Harvey to be a fiscally sound, sustainable, eco-friendly and safe community with a thriving local economy. The Plan should "bridge the gap" between research and practice to help the City more effectively respond to the fiscal challenges currently facing local governments.

Matteson

- Complete a **comprehensive zoning ordinance update**. The Village is particularly interested in addressing regulations regarding parking, bulk standards and signage.

- Develop a **comprehensive plan** (first adopted in 1987). A plan update was initiated in 2007; however, it was never completed or adopted due to budget constraints.

Olympia Fields

- Conduct a **Zoning Ordinance and Map Update** to accommodate new uses and remove outdated terms and placed into a table for easy comparison. The last major update was in 1981 after being developed in 1971. Illustrations are needed to clarify the code. There are no provisions for promoting sustainability within the code and updating it will address the issue and assist in addressing recommendations.

Richton Park

- Generate a **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP**) to identify capital investments needed in the community. The completion of the CIP is the next logical step following the completion of the comprehensive land use plan. The Village's capital needs relate to infrastructure, transportation, environmental, planning, equipment, facilities, technology, etc.

- Composing a **Comprehensive Stormwater Management Study** will address the problem of stormwater runoff, which currently impacts commercial, industrial or housing development potential. Historically there have been incidents of major flooding, particularly in the Town Center area of the community, caused by the east branch of Butterfield Creek.

- In partnership with the Village of Matteson, evaluate opportunities for regional cooperation and **potential consolidation of the Villages' Fire and Rescue Services**. The report should analyze present resources available to meet emergency services requirements, including an inventory of both manpower and equipment and its distribution throughout the service areas.

Riverdale

- Update the **municipal-wide zoning ordinance.** The current zoning code is from 1980 and there have been many law and code changes since then. A basic overhaul of the zoning map is needed.

Sauk Village

- Develop a **comprehensive plan** that will provide a holistic approach for the next four generations of current and future residents. The Village seeks assistance to improve the quality of life for the residents, develop a safe community, and support a thriving economy. The plan looks to address the opportunities for capacity building, market strategy, and regional mobility so that there is a more efficient government and livable community.

South Chicago Heights

- Update the Village's **zoning ordinance**. An updated zoning ordinance will be an important tool to revitalize the Village business areas and certain residential areas. The Village has suffered during the recent economic recession and through 2013 the assessed values of properties within the Village continued to decline, despite efforts to maintain stability.

South Holland

- Evaluate, update and expand the **strategic plan** to address land use, economic development, housing, natural resources, transportation, community facilities, image and identity, and implementation of this plan.

- Create a **Subarea Plan for the Village Interstate Zoning** to determine how to best establish and promote the Interstate Zoning District. There are five sub-zones within the district that are intended to create uses unique to each zone. This district offers some of the most attractive property within the area and the appropriate development can spur enormous economic growth.

South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA)

- Develop a **Comprehensive Retail Development Strategy** for the municipal members of *Select Chicago Southland*, a new retail development group. This study would analyze and propose types of regional tools that would enhance these municipalities to more effectively attract new development, with particular attention given to infrastructure, marketing, and innovative funding mechanisms to finance these improvements.

- Develop a **Chicago Road Corridor Plan** to improve the safety, attractiveness, and economic potential of Chicago Road in the communities of Chicago Heights, South Chicago Heights, and Steger. This plan would include recommendations to balance pedestrian and vehicular travel, expand public transit, coordinate land uses, implement "complete streets" and develop attractive aesthetic features.

- Develop a **Tax Impact Assessment** for the 43 municipalities of SSMMA that would examine the impact of high municipal taxes on residential and business location decisions. CMAP would define the methodology of the study and could help refine the scope: SSMMA suggests that Cook may want a county-wide study.
  This request is a "placeholder" pending definition of partners, parameters, and scope.

Steger (also Will County)

- Develop a **comprehensive plan** to establish a vision for the Village and guide its future development. The plan should focus on the redevelopment of the downtown area and provide recommendations for the development of a successful pedestrian-oriented and mixed-use downtown. The transportation recommendations should focus on improved pedestrian access and safety in the downtown area along with improved vehicular flow throughout the Village.

Southwest Cook

Blue Island (also South Cook)

- Create a **Capital Improvement Program** to implement the Blue Island Comprehensive Plan. The CIP should improve the City's public infrastructure, emphasizing long-term sustainability, fiscal efficiencies, project prioritization and enhanced quality of life for residents.

- Conduct an analysis and develop recommendations for the improvement of the City's **development review process**, specifically for project sites that are high-interest and high-priority and feature a high level of visibility due to site locations. The end goals should be implementation of a fully integrated, transparent development review process with inter- and cross-departmental input and collaboration.

Blue Island Park District (also South Cook)

- Create an updated, more robust **Park District Master Plan**, including an assessment of existing facilities as well as recommended upgrades or renovations to existing parks and facilities. In addition, the Plan should specifically address strategies for newly acquired parcels of land.

Lemont (also Will County)

- Analyze the Village's **development review process** and outline recommendations for improvements to increase efficiency, clarity and coordination among consultants and

Village staff. The Village is particularly interested in learning how other communities address similar issues and processes.

- Develop a **corridor plan** for State Street that allows for limited commercial use, while addressing design considerations in this predominantly residential corridor. Improving the pedestrian and bicycle realm through urban design is also desired.

- Develop a **water supply and distribution sustainability plan** that addresses the Village's future projected growth and demand on its groundwater resources.

- Develop an **economic subarea plan** for one or more economic activity centers as identified and recommended in the Village's comprehensive plan. The plan would address land use and design considerations, infrastructure capacity, and economic feasibility of the proposed land uses.

Palos Park

- Improve the **Zoning Ordinance,** including its enforcement, application, administration, appropriateness, and interpretation. There is concern with the development of smaller vacant residential parcels in a consistent manner with existing adjacent residential properties.

DuPage County

Aurora (also Kane, Kendall, and Will Counties)

- Create an **Arts and Culture Plan** for Aurora, as well as a Downtown Arts District based on CMAP's Arts & Culture Toolkit. The Plan should provide guidelines to evaluate arts based proposals, such as live-work spaces, affordable housing for artists and studio, display, rehearsal and performance spaces to reflect Aurora's growing creative economy.

- Update and enhance the City's 2006 **Downtown Master Plan** with walkability, bikeability and transit components to return the downtown to its historic reputation for transit oriented development.

- Update the 2009 **Sustainability Plan** with new resources from the Sustainability Toolkit; the updated Plan should reflect changes in technology, the economy, community priority, and resident interest.

Bensenville

- To effectively implement the Comprehensive Plan and Homes for a Changing Region projects undertaken recently in Bensenville, conduct a comprehensive revision to the current **Zoning Ordinance** is requested. Only task-specific amendments have been made to the Zoning Ordinance by the Village since 2004. The Village is interested in incorporating form-based code concepts into the final product.

Clarendon Hills

- Develop a **comprehensive plan for the Village's South Side** that addresses current challenges faced by the neighborhood including the perceived disconnection from the Village, incomplete infrastructure system, and inaccessibility, among others. Community outreach and participation as part of the planning process, is a priority for the Village.

DuPage County DOT

- Develop a framework plan for future **bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements** along the Elgin O'Hare Expressway (I-390) facility in corridor communities and unincorporated DuPage County. This framework may include sidewalk and trail connections, existing and future transit, and community points of interest.

DuPage County Health Department

- Partner with Impact DuPage, a collaborative human services organization formed in 2013, to create a **web-based community dashboard** that is integrated with similar regional efforts. CMAP is requested to develop best practices related to data sharing and multi-sectoral partner engagement.

Elmhurst

- Craft a comprehensive community-wide **Sustainability Plan** that includes both incorporated and unincorporated residents, businesses, and community-based institutions and organizations.

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

- Conduct a **feasibility study** for the final link of the West Branch DuPage River Trail. This study should address a crossing of Roosevelt Road and the West Branch of the DuPage River as well as identify any other on-street routes or trail alignments that could be designated as the West Branch DuPage River Trail instead of a grade-separated crossing. This study will be conducted in partnership with the DuPage County Division of Transportation.

Franklin Park (also West and Northwest Cook County)

- Develop a **truck routing and infrastructure plan for the eleven-community O'Hare subregion** that addresses disconnected truck routes, poor roadway conditions and congestion. The proposed plan is aligned with recommendations made in the O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill-Down Report.

Glen Ellyn

- Prepare a comprehensive **zoning code update** as identified in the Village's Comprehensive Plan (2001) and Downtown Strategic Plan (2009). The Village is particularly interested in reevaluating regulations in the downtown central business districts, and balancing historic preservation with transit oriented development.

Mary Ann Kaufman

- Provide **funding assistance to build and test a ½ scale "living wall"** for suitability as a roadway sound wall replacement. Project would take place on the resident-facing side of IL-53 at 2S154 Churchill Lane near Huntington.

Roselle (also Northwest Cook County)

- Create a new **comprehensive plan** for the Village reflecting the economic realities of the last several years. The Village's revenues have dropped significantly and have defunded some of what used to be considered basic services, lowered some basic service levels, and eliminated 20% of its positions. Addressing land use and transportation corridors would be the major focus of any new Comprehensive Plan.

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- Update the Village's **Comprehensive Green Action Plan** due to an evolution of sustainability planning documents. These types of plans have become more robust in regards to local food systems, municipal policies, economic development, and environmental equity. The updated plan should include indicators and implementation strategies to measure progress toward achieving the goals in the plan so they can be quantified and reported to the community.

Villa Park

- Update the Village's **Zoning Code**. The Village adopted a TOD Overlay District as part of the Zoning Code, but it affects less than 1% of the total land area and the code needs to address the entire Village. The update will address issues and offer an opportunity to institute necessary changes to further the comprehensive plan, and recognize technological and environmental advancement since the current code's adoption.

Warrenville

- Develop a **Comprehensive Plan** for the City to replace its existing plan adopted in 1984. The Plan should accommodate more dense residential development, be reflective of market realities, encourage efficient land use, and be fiscally and socially sound. In addition, the Plan should include a sub-area plan for the Route 59/Route 56 arterial intersection, a real estate market analysis, and incorporate scenario-based planning.

Wayne

- Develop a **new zoning ordinance** that is more consistent with the goals of the Plan to maintain the Village's semi-rural character and its designated historic districts. The results will offer defined land use regulations, less administrative confusion for property owners, developers and Village staff in interpreting and implementing the regulations.

There will be fewer variations from land use and preservation of historic structures will allow adaptive re-use and more attractive opportunities for development in the Village.

Willowbrook

- Perform a **southeast sub-area comprehensive plan update**. The area is comprised by a mix of commercial and low impact mixed office and industrial uses on fairly small lots. There are various challenges and opportunities that impact the existing residential properties, some of which are solid, and some that may be suitable for redevelopment. The Village's southeast area continues to generate interest from uses in the area that might not be supported without a new vision and plan for accommodating them.

Winfield

- Implement a **Zoning Code Update** to modernize our zoning codes. After recently completing an update of the Village's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Village officials believe conducting a zoning code update will result in more effective and appropriate rezoning. The Village would be able to utilize the current planning momentum from updating the Village's Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Kane County

Aurora (also DuPage, Kendall, and Will Counties)

- Create an **Arts and Culture Plan** for Aurora, as well as a Downtown Arts District based on CMAP's Arts & Culture Toolkit. The Plan should provide guidelines to evaluate arts based proposals, such as live-work spaces, affordable housing for artists and studio, display, rehearsal and performance spaces to reflect Aurora's growing creative economy.

- Update and enhance the City's 2006 **Downtown Master Plan** with walkability, bikeability and transit components to return the downtown to its historic reputation for transit oriented development.

- Update the 2009 **Sustainability Plan** with new resources from the Sustainability Toolkit; the updated Plan should reflect changes in technology, the economy, community priority, and resident interest.

Fox River Study Group

- Assist Fox River Watershed communities develop **community-specific watershed plans** to achieve the nutrient pollution load reduction targets and watershed improvement strategies called for by the Fox River Implementation Plan (FRIP). The plans will cover municipalities downstream of Stratton Dam/Chain O'Lakes.

Huntley (also McHenry County)

- Prepare a **form-based code for the Village's Downtown** and surrounding area as recommended in the Downtown Revitalization Plan (2010). The new code would

complement several efforts such as the adoption of a TIF district, streetscape plan and façade improvement assistance program for Downtown Huntley.

Kane County

- Develop a **health chapter for a comprehensive plan** that will assess one municipality but can be used as a model for the region. The incorporation of health into a comprehensive plan will enable a municipality to fully support and enhance local and regional health-related programs; it will assist the municipality in attaining future grants and technical assistance; and it will prepare the municipality for the utilization of health impact assessments (HIA) in local decision making. Multi-department application from the Development & Community Services Dept., Health Dept., and Division of Transportation.

- Conduct a **health impact assessment (HIA) on the Model Transit Zoning Ordinance** included in the Kane County Primary Transit Network (PTN) Study, a 2013 LTA project. This HIA would provide additional information and recommendations to improve health outcomes associated with the model zoning ordinance ahead of its adoption by Kane County municipalities in the coming years. Multi-department application from the Development & Community Services Dept., Health Dept., and Division of Transportation.

Montgomery (also Kendall County)

- Update the **zoning ordinance** for the Village's Downtown/Mill District to facilitate the implementation of the Village's comprehensive and TOD plans.

South Elgin

- Conduct **elected official zoning training** in order to focus on the public hearing process, current zoning laws, and provide a general discussion of the Village's roles in the planning and development proposals. The Village has developed high-quality long range plans and will be working to overhaul the development ordinance making them consistent with range plans and will be working to renovate the development ordinances while making them consistent with these plans.

Kendall County

Aurora (also DuPage, Kane, and Will Counties)

- Create an **Arts and Culture Plan** for Aurora, as well as a Downtown Arts District based on CMAP's Arts & Culture Toolkit. The Plan should provide guidelines to evaluate arts based proposals, such as live-work spaces, affordable housing for artists and studio, display, rehearsal and performance spaces to reflect Aurora's growing creative economy.

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Joliet (also Will County)

- Update the City's community-wide **zoning ordinance** to include an assessment of the current ordinance, an updated set of regulations, and allowance for administrative variances, where possible.

Kendall County

- Conduct a comprehensive **market study** of the comparative advantage for **industrial development** in each community within Kendall County. This study would identify current and future industry clusters, analyze workforce and infrastructure suitability, and provide guidance on sustainable tax structures and necessary infrastructure improvements.

Montgomery (also Kane County)

- Update the **zoning ordinance** for the Village's Downtown/Mill District to facilitate the implementation of the Village's comprehensive and TOD plans.

Lake County

Fox Lake (also McHenry County)

- Develop a **refined development review process/zoning code update** within the Community Development Department. The new review process should address unclear expectations held by stakeholders, ensure appropriate development through the use of adequate zoning, and incorporate concepts/regulations that promote environmental protection and sustainability.

- Create a **parks and recreation master plan** which will improve regional connectivity, enhance recreational facilities, strengthen the local economy, and provide healthy, environmentally-friendly transportation options.

- Review **Village ordinances and codes** to prioritize changes and develop a timeline for implementation. The project will encompass all stakeholders including all Village departments, Plan Commission, Zoning Board, businesses and residents.

Grayslake

- Develop a **bicycle and pedestrian plan** that builds off of the existing bike path system and past plans while focusing on land use, linkages, signage and safety enhancements.

Gurnee

- Update the Village's **comprehensive plan** (last updated in 1997). The plan should focus on affordable housing, mixed use and transit oriented development, multi-modal transportation, walkability, access to parks and open space, and sustainability.

Lake County Division of Transportation

- Develop a **greenway corridor plan** to enhance transportation and recreational use of the Robert McClory Bike Path, which was recently designated as part of US Bike Route 37 in May 2014. This project would improve safety, appearance, wayfinding, and local connections to the trail in areas under the jurisdiction of Lake County, the Village of Lake Bluff, the City of Lake Forest, and the City of Highland Park.

Lake Zurich

- Update the Village's **comprehensive plan** (last updated in 2003) and provide public outreach. The updated plan would tie into the Route 53 Land Use Planning Study, currently coordinated by CMAP, and help implement the Village's five year strategic plan.

Lakemoor (also McHenry County)

- Prepare a **Town Center subarea plan** that focuses on mixed use development, community identity, walkability and sustainability to strengthen the Village's center of activity. The plan would fulfill an implementation strategy of the Village's comprehensive plan, prepared by CMAP.

McHenry County

Bull Valley

- Develop a **strategic action plan** for the Village of Bull Valley. The Village adopted an updated Comprehensive Land Use and Preservation Plan in 2011, and has since developed or begun work on various other plans focusing on affordable housing, green infrastructure/greenways, and commercial development. A strategic action plan would provide the Village with a long range action plan that outlines goals, objectives and action steps to guide the implementation and fiscal viability of all plans.

- Develop a **green infrastructure and/or commercial development plan** as recommended by the Village's 2011 Comprehensive Plan.

Cary

- Update and combine the Village's Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance into a **Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)** as recommended by Cary 2020, the Village's updated comprehensive plan. The UDO could include: expanded definitions and illustrations; new and/or condensed zoning districts; revised standards for variations

and conditional uses; an administrative review and approval process for basic variations and small subdivisions; and an updated permitted and conditional use list.

Fox Lake (also Lake County)

- Develop a **refined development review process/zoning code update** within the Community Development Department. The new review process should address unclear expectations held by stakeholders, ensure appropriate development through the use of adequate zoning, and incorporate concepts/regulations that promote environmental protection and sustainability.

- Create a **parks and recreation master plan** which will improve regional connectivity, enhance recreational facilities, strengthen the local economy, and provide healthy, environmentally-friendly transportation options.

- Review **Village ordinances and codes** to prioritize changes and develop a timeline for implementation. The project will encompass all stakeholders including all Village departments, Plan Commission, Zoning Board, businesses and residents.

Huntley (also Kane County)

- Prepare a **form-based code for the Village's Downtown** and surrounding area as recommended in the Downtown Revitalization Plan (2010). The new code would complement several efforts such as the adoption of a TIF district, streetscape plan and façade improvement assistance program for Downtown Huntley.

Lakemoor (also Lake County)

- Prepare a **Town Center subarea plan** that focuses on mixed use development, community identity, walkability and sustainability to strengthen the Village's center of activity. The plan would fulfill an implementation strategy of the Village's comprehensive plan, prepared by CMAP.

McHenry County

- Request assistance in developing a **Multi-County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).** The Rockford Regional Economic Development District (RREDD) has applied for USEDA funds to develop the CEDS, but CMAP technical assistance is required to identify, prioritize, and evaluate the economic impact of projects in the McHenry County portion.

McHenry County Department of Planning and Development

- Technical assistance to create and maintain a **Comprehensive Agricultural Resource Guide**, which would serve as an online clearinghouse for all agriculture-related information in McHenry County. Information included could benefit municipalities, agencies, residents, and farmers, and would help implement recommendations of the McHenry County Local Food Assessment, as well as GO TO 2040.

McHenry County Convention and Visitors Bureau

- Assistance in developing a **Wayfinding Signage Master Plan** to help residents and visitors navigate to McHenry County's rural and suburban destinations. A recent Destination Assessment identified the need for consistent directional wayfinding signage throughout the County; this plan would include recommendations for design and placement of all signage.

Oakwood Hills

- Assist the Village to **re-structure the Comprehensive Plan and adopt the appropriate code and ordinance recommendations.** Many of the villages' ordinances are outdated and do not conform to best practices. The village needs assistance in implementing and crafting codes, policies and ordinances for adoption by the village board.

Richmond

- Update the **Comprehensive Plan** to address the historic district, downtown business area, neighborhoods, countryside, economic development and transportation network. The majority of the adjacent land to the Village is farm and wetland. This plan will support the development and implications of multimodal transportation plans for environmental protection and mitigation. This will involve existing bodies of water, aquifers, floodways, floodplains, and drainage ways.

Woodstock

- Conduct an **IL Rt. 47 Improvement Economic Impact Study** that would demonstrate the economic effects of traffic improvements made to Route 47. This report could become a regional model and be applied to other urban road improvement projects.

Will County

Aurora (also DuPage, Kane, and Kendall Counties)

- Create an **Arts and Culture Plan** for Aurora, as well as a Downtown Arts District based on CMAP's Arts & Culture Toolkit. The Plan should provide guidelines to evaluate arts based proposals, such as live-work spaces, affordable housing for artists and studio, display, rehearsal and performance spaces to reflect Aurora's growing creative economy.

- Update and enhance the City's 2006 **Downtown Master Plan** with walkability, bikeability and transit components to return the downtown to its historic reputation for transit oriented development.

- Update the 2009 **Sustainability Plan** with new resources from the Sustainability Toolkit; the updated Plan should reflect changes in technology, the economy, community priority, and resident interest.

Forest Preserve District of Will County

- Prepare a **Will County Bikeway Plan** that will coordinate with the County's upcoming 2040 Transportation Plan. Will County is the only county without a bikeway plan in the CMAP planning area. This plan would inventory existing assets and give short-term and long-term recommendations on how to connect communities and encourage the use of non-motorized transportation throughout Will County.

Joliet (also Kendall County)

- Update the City's community-wide **zoning ordinance** to include an assessment of the current ordinance, an updated set of regulations, and allowance for administrative variances, where possible.

Lemont (also Southwest Cook County)

- Analyze the Village's **development review process** and outline recommendations for improvements to increase efficiency, clarity and coordination among consultants and Village staff. The Village is particularly interested in learning how other communities address similar issues and processes.

- Develop a **corridor plan** for State Street that allows for limited commercial use, while addressing design considerations in this predominantly residential corridor. Improving the pedestrian and bicycle realm through urban design is also desired.

- Develop a **water supply and distribution sustainability plan** that addresses the Village's future projected growth and demand on its groundwater resources.

- Develop an **economic subarea plan** for one or more economic activity centers as identified and recommended in the Village's comprehensive plan. The plan would address land use and design considerations, infrastructure capacity, and economic feasibility of the proposed land uses.

Mokena

- Prepare a comprehensive **non-motorized traffic and transportation plan** that focuses on transportation and land use. Key stakeholder and public participation is a priority for the Village.

Steger (also Cook County)

- Develop a **comprehensive plan** to establish a vision for the Village and guide its future development. The plan should focus on the redevelopment of the downtown area and provide recommendations for the development of a successful pedestrian-oriented and mixed-use downtown. The transportation recommendations should focus on improved pedestrian access and safety in the downtown area along with improved vehicular flow throughout the Village.

Will County

- Conduct a **comprehensive food assessment and develop a Local Food Plan** to clearly identify the demand for fresh fruits and vegetable. The study should develop a strategy for strengthening the economy through job training and job creation in the emerging fields of local food growing. There are various ways for processing and distributing food, ensuring access to healthy food to all residents, reducing food shipping distance and preserving farmland while enhancing livability of all the municipalities within the county.

- Develop a **community plan** with implementation strategies for the Preston Heights/Patterson Road area. Throughout the County there are certain pockets of land that are developed, but have never been annexed to a municipality. The plan would include: recommendations for future land use development, implementation strategy for infrastructure improvements, economic development, to build community synergy, and to expanding public areas and culture.

Regional

Chicago Metro Metal Consortium (CMMC)

- **Assess and prioritize proposed transportation projects** for submittal to the US DOT's TIGER Discretionary Grant program, for which CMMC is likely to receive preferential consideration. The goal is to secure TIGER funding for at least one regionally significant transportation project that will improve the movement of goods and workers in metal manufacturing.

Cook County Bureau of Economic Development + Chicago Regional Truck Permitting Working Group

- Create a **Chicago Regional Truck Permitting Plan** to streamline the multiple truck permit systems in place within the northeastern Illinois region. The Plan should evaluate multiple options for regional cooperation, recommend strategies for streamlining the truck permitting process and identify next steps and resources for implementation.

RTA Community Planning Program Applicants

The following projects have been reviewed by both CMAP and RTA and have been determined to fall under RTA's evaluation jurisdiction:

City of Aurora	Station Boulevard Trolley Access Improvements
City of Aurora	Pedestrian Access Study
City of Des Plaines	Oakton Station Feasibility Study
City of Evanston	TOD Zoning Parking Requirements
City of Highwood	TOD Zoning Update
City of West Chicago	Developer Discussion Panel
Pace	North Avenue Corridor Study
Village of Bartlett	Downtown / TOD Plan
Village of Brookfield	TOD Zoning Update
Village of Calumet Park	TOD Plan
Village of Forest Park	TOD Zoning Code – Blue Line
Village of Forest Park	Roosevelt Road Zoning Code Overlay
Village of Forest Park	Harlem Avenue Zoning Code Overlay
Village of Franklin Park	Developer Discussion Panel
Village of Libertyville	TOD Plan
Village of Mount Prospect	Rand Road Corridor Plan
Village of Palatine	Downtown Zoning and Sign Ordinance
Village of Palos Park	Transit Access / Bike Access
Village of River Grove	Developer Discussion Panel
Village of Skokie	Innovative TOD Implementation Project
Village of South Holland	Town Center Area Plan / SouthEast Service TOD
Village of Worth	TOD Plan

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Transportation Committee**

From: CMAP Staff

Date: August 2014

Re: Update on CMAQ program

Over the past year, CMAP has been reviewing how it carries out the staff functions associated with the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program. A periodic review like this is important to look for ways to improve how CMAP serves the region and to achieve as much as possible with the funding. Staff has had extensive discussions with the CMAQ Project Selection Committee (PSC), a special purpose committee formed at the inception of the CMAQ program to guide programming decisions. The following are the outstanding issues:

- ***CMAQ Programming and Management Policies***. This document spells out policies having mostly to do with cost increases, project accomplishment, etc. Staff proposed a number of changes to the last approved *Policies* document. The main sticking points discussed at the last PSC meeting were a new requirement that projects submitted for funding be found in a local or agency plan document and the handling of engineering for transit projects, but time was not available to discuss several other issues. The PSC will meet again to discuss the *Policies* later in August. The intent is to have the *Policies* document considered at the September Transportation Committee meeting and approved by the MPO Policy Committee in October.

- **Proposed scoring process**. After reviewing **CMAQ programming methods used by other MPOs**, staff proposed a **multi-criteria system** for evaluating CMAQ projects. It largely standardizes the application of performance measures that had already been used by expert committees (the CMAQ "focus groups") to guide project selection in previous funding rounds. The details of this scoring process are still being discussed with the PSC and individual stakeholders. The intent is to finalize the scoring process by mid-fall.

The FY16-20 call for projects is anticipated to open in January 2015 with consideration of program approval by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in October 2015. Sponsors will still be expected to have Phase I Engineering substantially complete before inclusion in the draft program developed mid-summer 2015.

Action requested: Information

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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Transportation Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: August 1, 2014

Re: Public Comment Release: Draft GO TO 2040 plan update

Staff released a draft plan update for public comment on June 13, following meetings of the Board and MPO Policy Committee. Stakeholders and the public have had the opportunity to provide comment at a series of open houses over the summer and online at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/about/2040/update. The official public comment period ends August 1, so the August meeting will be the last opportunity for committee members to comment on this draft.

The full draft plan update that was released for public consists of the following documents, which are available for your download and review in PDF form at the links below:

- GO TO 2040 plan update summary draft for public comment
    - Appendix: Major Capital Projects
    - Appendix: Financial Plan for Transportation
    - Appendix: Socioeconomic Forecast Update Overview
    - Appendix: Implementation Action Areas
    - Appendix: Indicator Methodology
    - Appendix: Transportation Conformity Analysis
    - Appendix: Travel Model Documentation
    - Appendix: Public Engagement Summary (available *following* the public comment period)

A summary of comments received and a revised full plan will be presented for discussion at the September committee meeting. It is anticipated that staff will seek a formal recommendation for MPO Policy Committee approval of the final plan update at the October 3 meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Board and Committees

From: CMAP Staff

Date: July 2, 2014

Re: Local Technical Assistance Program Update

The CMAP Board and committees receive regular updates on the projects being undertaken through the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program, including those receiving staff assistance and grants. To date, 137 local projects have been initiated. Of these, 77 projects have been completed, 52 are fully underway, and 8 will get actively underway in the near future. Projects that appear in this document for the first time, or that were recently completed, are noted and highlighted in italics.

Further detail on LTA project status can be found on the attached project status table. Please note that to reduce the volume of material sent, the LTA Program Updates will continue updates to the "Completed Projects with Active Implementation" on a quarterly basis. This memo contains a quarterly update for July. The next implementation report with these updates will be sent in October.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion.

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Projects Currently Underway

Project	CMAP lead	Timeline	Assistance type	Status and notes
Algonquin-Carpentersville Fox River corridor plan	Brian Daly	May 2014-Aug. 2015	Staff assistance	Documentary research and key person interviews for Existing Conditions Report are underway. Staff has begun to draft the ECR. The public kickoff will be held in Algonquin on July 29.
Alsip zoning revisions	*Jake Seid*	*Sept. 2013-June 2014*	*Staff assistance*	*Newly completed. Annotated Ordinance and recommendations summary were approved by the Steering Committee and Village staff June 17.*
Arlington Heights bicycle-pedestrian plan	John O'Neal	May 2014-Apr. 2015	Staff assistance	Project kick-off meeting with Steering Committee took place on June 16. Data collection for ECR is underway. Outreach plan is being drafted.
Barrington area bikeway feasibility study	Jack Pfingston	June 2014-June 2015	Consultant assistance	Interviews and selection of project consultant will take place in July.
Bensenville comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Mar. 2013-Oct. 2014	Staff assistance	Meeting held with Village staff to discuss draft plan. Staff has limited comments and has forwarded plan to Village Manager and other departments for review and comment. Comments to be received by early July.
Berwyn capital improvements plan	Bob Dean	Mar.-Oct. 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	Met with key staff on June 18 to review potential prioritization method. Full steering committee scheduled for July 14.
Berwyn parking study (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	Nov. 2013-Jan. 2015	Staff assistance	Key person interviews, turnover survey, and expanded parking occupancy survey completed. Existing conditions report drafting underway. The public survey is available online and being promoted through various outlets.
Berwyn zoning revisions (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Jan. 2013-Sept. 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	CMAP staff is creating a first draft of the zoning ordinance based on the approved recommendations memo.
Calumet City comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	June 2013-July 2014	Consultant assistance	Presentation of draft plan before City Council in late June went well. Plan adoption expected in July.
Campton Hills zoning and subdivision regulations	Kristin Ihnchak	May 2014-Aug. 2015	Consultant assistance	The CMAP Board approved the selected contractor at its May meeting. Contract negotiations are underway.

Carol Stream comprehensive plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Feb. 2014-Apr. 2015	Staff assistance	In June, CMAP staff drafted the existing conditions report and conducted final key person interviews. In July, staff will be presenting the comprehensive plan process to several businesses at a Chamber of Commerce event. An initial draft of the comprehensive plan is anticipated to be completed mid-summer.
Chicago Pilsen-Little Village neighborhood plan (see website)	Evy Zwiebach	Dec. 2013-Mar. 2015	Staff assistance	CMAP staff and DPD completed stakeholder interviews with community leaders and groups. CMAP staff continues to work with DPD on existing conditions analysis and data collection. The next set of public workshops will focus on housing and are scheduled for late July and early August.
Chicago West Pullman neighborhood plan	Evy Zwiebach	July 2014-Aug. 2015	Consultant assistance	Scoring of RFP submissions is in progress. Interviews with finalists will take place in July.
Chicago Heights comprehensive plan (see website)	Kendra Smith	Apr. 2013-Oct. 2014	Staff assistance	Drafting of plan is underway.
Chinatown neighborhood plan (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Apr. 2013-July 2014	Staff assistance	Following the initial internal review, draft plan was revised and forwarded to various City departments, including the Department of Planning and Development, Department of Transportation, and Choose Chicago. Following this City review, plan was forwarded to main community partner and relevant aldermen.
Cicero comprehensive plan	Jonathan Burch	Apr. 2014-June 2015	Consultant assistance	A project kickoff meeting was held on June 25. Lakota is now working on the existing conditions phase of the project.
Cook County consolidated plan (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Apr. 2013-Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	The data-oriented front half of the plan along with a recommendations memo has been sent to Bureau senior staff. CMAP will participate in a half-day workshop this month to discuss the drafts and make critical decisions prior to drafting the second half of the plan.
Crete comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	May 2014-June 2015	Consultant assistance	Village administrator will be leaving in early July. The consultant (Houseal Lavigne) was informed and all parties agree to put project on hold until Crete has a strategy to continue or a new administrator in place.
Crystal Lake transportation plan	Nora Beck	Mar. 2014-Feb. 2015	Staff assistance	CMAP staff reviewing previous planning work, developing outreach strategy, and drafting existing conditions report. Public kick-off open house is scheduled for July 16.
Dixmoor planning prioritization report	Jessica Gershman	Jan.-Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Project website was created, and data collection and mapping activities are underway. Staff have conducted stakeholder interviews and met twice with the Village's local business group through the spring.

DuPage County / Addison Homes for a Changing Region project	Kendra Smith	Sept. 2013-Oct. 2014	Staff assistance	Municipal recommendations were sent to participating communities for review July 1. Project staff will start drafting subregional recommendations.
DuPage County / Hanover Park Homes for a Changing Region project	Drew Williams-Clark	Sept. 2014-Aug. 2015	Consultant assistance	Representatives from Glendale Heights, Hanover Park, West Chicago, and DuPage County met to review a draft scope of work that will be used to inform the development of an RFP for consultant services on the project.
DuPage County sustainability plan	Louise Yeung	June 2014-July 2015	Staff assistance	Scope and deliverables have been finalized, and a kick-off meeting is being scheduled with the County and project Steering Committee.
Elmwood Park zoning assessment	Kristin Ihnchak	Nov. 2014-Aug. 2015	Staff assistance	Project scoping with Village continues.
Evanston bicycle plan	Jack Pfingston	June 2013-July 2014	Grant funds	Plan expected to go before Council in July.
Franklin Park industrial areas plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Apr. 2013-Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	In June, CMAP staff completed an initial draft of the industrial plan. The plan is currently under internal review and will be presented for Village staff review in late July or early August. It is anticipated that the steering committee will meet in early fall to review and discuss the plan.
Harvard comprehensive plan	Liz Panella	May 2014-July 2015	Staff assistance	Initial steering committee meeting took place June 23. CMAP staff also presented to City Council on this date. Key person interviews will begin in July.
Hinsdale parking study (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	Nov. 2012-July 2014	Staff assistance	A final presentation will be made to the Village Board of Trustees on July 7.
Kane County health impact assessment	Stephen Ostrander	July 2014-Mar. 2015	Staff assistance	Draft scope completed and is being reviewed by Kane County Development & Community Services Department.
Kane County transit plan implementation (see website)	Trevor Dick	July 2012-Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	CMAP staff is updating the draft report based upon County staff review. Currently discussions are occurring regarding potential corridor routes and lengths. The next step is to distribute the report to the Steering Committee for review and comment.
Kane County / Geneva Homes for a Changing Region project (see website)	Drew Williams-Clark	July 2013-Aug. 2014	Staff assistance	CMAP staff continues the design and layout of the final plan, which is expected to be complete in August.

Kedzie Avenue (Garfield Park) corridor plan (see website)	Samantha Robinson	July 2013-July 2014	Consultant assistance	Project will conclude with transmittal of existing conditions analysis and key recommendation directions to Aldermen and other key stakeholders.
Lake County Route 53/120 land use plan (see website)	Jason Navota	Nov. 2013-Dec. 2015	Staff and consultant assistance	The land use planning effort is underway and project team is gathering data and information, meeting with corridor municipalities and other stakeholders, to inform the Existing Conditions Assessment. The IL Route 53/120 Corridor Plan Land Use Committee met on March 18 and May 8. Next meeting is anticipated for July 21.
Lake County sustainability plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Mar. 2012-Aug. 2014	Staff assistance	A public open house and meeting with municipal leaders took place on June 12. The document is being prepared for presentation to the Planning, Building, and Zoning Commission.
Lake County / Round Lake Homes for a Changing Region project	Stephen Ostrander	July 2014-June 2015	Staff assistance	Project team from CMAP, MPC, and Lake County Community Foundation met with municipal representatives on June 3 to provide an overview of project scope and timeline. Scope was finalized and municipalities began passing resolutions approving participation in the project. On June 25, the Daily Herald published an article on planning in the sub-region that discussed the upcoming project.
Lan-Oak Park District master plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Oct. 2013-Oct. 2014	Staff assistance	Staff is currently working on the draft Master Plan. The draft plan will include relevant recommendations from the Village's Comprehensive Plan and the Cook County Department of Public Health.
Lansing comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Oct. 2012-July 2014	Consultant assistance	Plan adoption meeting to be held in early July.
Lyons comprehensive plan (see website)	Sef Okoth	July 2013-Oct. 2014	Staff assistance	Staff worked on the initial draft of the Comprehensive Plan. Plan chapters are currently undergoing internal review.
Morton Grove industrial areas plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Feb. 2012-Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Village and CMAP staff are preparing for an industrial business meeting in mid-July. During the workshop, CMAP staff will present and seek feedback on the draft plan. All public feedback will be presented to the steering committee in late July.
North Aurora comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	Jan.-Dec. 2014	Consultant assistance	Work continues on existing conditions, with a market analysis presentation before the steering committee set for later in July.

North Chicago comprehensive plan	Jake Seid	May 2014-Sept. 2015	Staff assistance	Project team held kick-off meetings with the Steering Committee and representatives from MPC on June 11 and another with the City Council and Plan Commission on June 19. Public engagement process will begin in earnest through July and August.
Northwest Municipal Conference Des Plaines River trail access plan (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	May 2013-Aug. 2014	Consultant assistance	Revised draft plan will be sent to project team and Steering Committee the week of July 7. On August 6, the NWMC Executive Board will vote on approval of the final plan.
Olympia Fields subarea plan (see website)	Drew Williams-Clark	Apr. 2013-Aug. 2014	Consultant assistance	The Village has completed its review of the draft plan. Consultants are in the process of making revisions for a final public hearing and presentation to the Village Board at the end of August.
Openlands local food policy	Jason Navota	Feb. 2013-Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Scope of work for a Regional Food System Study is nearly final and a potential funder for the study has been identified. A funding proposal will be generated in early July for consideration.
Oswego market analysis (see website)	*Trevor Dick*	*Mar. 2013-June 2014*	*Staff assistance*	*Newly completed. The report was unanimously adopted by the Village Board on June 17.*
Oswego-Montgomery-Yorkville shared services study	Louise Yeung	May 2014-Mar. 2015	Staff assistance	Held the kick-off Advisory Committee meeting in June to launch the project. Staff has begun to collect data, conduct research, and schedule focus group workshops with municipal staff. An RFP for a consultant to serve in an advisory role to provide feedback and guidance for CMAP staff was released on June 25.
Park Forest active transportation plan	Lindsay Bayley	Mar. 2014-Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	First draft of Existing Conditions Report under internal review, draft will be sent to Steering Committee in July.
Park Forest zoning revisions (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	June 2013-Nov. 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	CMAP staff has submitted a revised recommendations memo based on Steering Committee comments. After the memo is approved by Village staff, the team will move forward with drafting the Unified Development Ordinance.
Pingree Grove comprehensive plan	Trevor Dick	July 2014-Aug. 2015	Consultant Assistance	Submittals were received on June 27 and are now under review.
Prospect Heights comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	Aug. 2013-Aug. 2014	Consultant assistance	Draft plan reviewed by CMAP and partners, and went before the steering committee on June 19.
Richton Park comprehensive plan (see website)	Kendra Smith	Aug. 2012-Sept. 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultant has received all comments for the draft plan. Edits for the final plan are underway.

Richton Park zoning revisions	TBD	Sept. 2014-June 2015	Consultant assistance	Following the completion of the comprehensive plan, the consulting firm will update Richton Park's zoning ordinance to be consistent with the newly adopted plan.
Riverdale comprehensive plan	Erin Aleman	Nov. 2013-July 2014	Consultant assistance	Plan reviewed with Plan Commission on June 12. Adoption expected in July.
Rosemont comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Oct. 2013-Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	Recommendations memo being drafted and to be completed in early July.
South Elgin bicycle and pedestrian plan (see Facebook page)	*John O'Neal*	*July 2013-June 2014*	*Consultant assistance*	*Newly completed. Plan adopted by Village Board on June 16.*
SSMMA Calumet Green Manufacturing Partnership	Brian Daly	May 2014-Nov. 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	The Chicago Jobs Council (CJC) continues to work on Phase 1: Research and Best Practices.
SSMMA Complete Streets plan	Lindsay Bayley	July 2014-Aug. 2015	Staff assistance	Previous plan summaries and initial data collection underway. Project team meeting with SSMMA expected in July.
Summit comprehensive plan (see website)	Nora Beck	Dec. 2013-Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	Public Visioning Workshop on Tuesday, June 17 was well attended. CMAP staff now drafting recommendations memo.
UIC multimodal transportation plan (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	June 2013-Jan. 2015	Staff assistance	Steering Committee reviewed the Recommendations Memo and provided feedback. Final plan drafting underway.
Waukegan subarea plan (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Oct. 2012-Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Following internal review, draft plan was revised and forwarded to City for review.
Westchester comprehensive plan (see website)	*Samantha Robinson*	*Nov. 2011-June 2014*	*Staff assistance*	*Newly completed. The plan was adopted on June 24.*
West Suburban Chamber of Commerce and Industry cargo-oriented development plan	Evy Zwiebach	June 2014-June 2015	Staff assistance and small contract	Resolution and MOU were adopted during WSCCI's June Board Meeting. CMAP staff is kicking off the first phase of the project, an examination and prioritization of potential cargo-oriented development sites.
Winthrop Harbor comprehensive plan	Sam Shenbaga	Sept. 2014-Sept. 2015	Staff assistance	Project to be initiated in fall as per Village request.

Worth planning prioritization report	*Stephen Ostrander*	*Oct. 2013-June 2014*	*Staff assistance*	*Newly completed. Draft report was presented to Village Board on June 3 and approved by the Board on June 17. The final report was submitted as part of Worth's application to the RTA Community Planning program for assistance with developing a TOD plan for the area immediately surrounding the Village's Metra station (which was the primary recommendation of the priorities report).*
Zion comprehensive plan	Nora Beck	Feb. 2014-Jan. 2015	Consultant assistance	Consultant is collecting data, conducting stakeholder interviews, distributing surveys, and releasing project website.

Completed Projects with Active Implementation*

* Some projects do not have active implementation steps, or are being implemented through a follow-up project listed above; these projects are not listed below. A full list of completed projects is available at www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta.

Project	CMAP lead	Completion date	Assistance type	Recent implementation progress (updated quarterly)
Addison comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Jan. 2013	Staff assistance	No updates this quarter.
Alsip comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	Land Use Framework Plan for the Cicero Avenue Corridor Plan completed in June, Transportation Plan to be completed in August. CMAP on Steering Committee.
Berwyn comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Oct. 2012	Staff assistance	Year-long zoning ordinance revision project underway. CMAP is drafting the ordinance currently.
Blue Island comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	June 2012	Staff assistance	CMAP organized a Chicago Community Trust dinner event held in Blue Island on May 12 to brainstorm ideas for implementation. CMAP reviewing RFPs issued by City for rowing center feasibility study in June and providing input on consultant selection. The City has completed studies to evaluate the condition of the Chatham Street and Division Street bridges, recommended in the Comprehensive Plan. The Division Street bridge is scheduled to reopen to all modes of transportation in June 2015, as per an announcement by the Mayor in May 2014. City has received CMAQ funding for the Chatham street bridge repair and is requesting release of funds earlier than scheduled (2016). IDOT is currently reviewing the engineering report submitted by the City and will make a decision regarding release of funds accordingly.
Bronzeville Alliance Retail corridor study, phase 2 (see website)	Sef Okoth	July 2013	Staff assistance	The Bronzeville Alliance, in partnership with the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) and a number of community partners, launched a 'Storefront Pop Up' initiative aimed at activating abandoned retail spaces and vacant storefronts in the commercial corridors by providing retail spaces on a temporary basis to incubate emerging entrepreneurs, artisans and cottage industries. QCDC installed new banners on 47th Street to improve the appearance of the commercial corridor.

Campton Hills comprehensive plan (see website)	Jason Navota	Aug. 2012	Staff assistance	CMAP will undertake (via consultant) a zoning and subdivision code revision to be consistent with the comprehensive plan. Consultant is under contract.
Carpentersville "Old Town" Area Action Plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	July 2012	Staff assistance	The Village received an OSLAD grant to make improvements to Carpenter Park and create a greenway to the Fox River. The village continues to meet with major land owners along the river to pursue property acquisitions or easements to create more public open space.
Chicago "Green Healthy Neighborhoods" plan for Englewood, Woodlawn, and Washington Park (see website)	Jason Navota	Mar. 2013	Staff assistance	The Food Land and Opportunity initiative of The Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust and the Kinship Foundation has invited proposals of up to $75,000 to fund urban farm enterprises in the GHN area.
Chicago Housing Authority LeClaire Courts redevelopment (see website)	Sef Okoth	Dec. 2013	Consultant assistance	CHA continued working on the RFP for commercial and mixed-use development along Cicero Avenue. CHA and City continued working with an agency that is interested in building a charter school at the LeClaire Courts site. The state (IEPA) issued a 'No Further Remediation' letter for the seven acres of land that is being considered for construction of the school.
Elmwood Park comprehensive plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	Elmwood Park continues to implement recommendations from the comprehensive plan. The Drop-Off Center, which is a new public development near the train station, is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by the end of the summer. The center supports the plan's recommendation for pedestrian, bicycle, and train station enchantments. Redevelopment also continues in the Grand and Harlem Avenues commercial node, as Elmwood Park has demolished the remaining Village-owned properties in preparation for their redevelopment. In addition, the Village recently acquired a parcel along North Avenue to be used as a shared parking lot for nearby commercial businesses and installed pedestrian enhancements along the corridor. Other implementation efforts include enhanced code enforcement, installation of 775 LED streetlights, and major infrastructure improvements as part of Phase I of the Flood Mitigation Project. Finally, the Village is currently preparing for a zoning review led by CMAP staff.

Hanover Park corridor study (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Dec. 2012	Staff assistance and small grant	An agreement is in place for Harper College and Elgin Community College to jointly open the Education and Work Center at the Hanover Square shopping center in Hanover Park on Barrington Road; the center, which official hope to open in the fall, aims to reduce unemployment in the area through classes and job counseling programs. The RTA and ULI Chicago published a report that summarizes the recent developer discussion panel focused on Hanover Park's Village Center and TOD area; the goal of the ULI panel was to gain feedback on the challenges being faced for development in the area, the highest and best uses of key available sites that can support transit service, and how the Village may best encourage development. This key area is also the focus of a new initiative led by IFF, funded by the Chicago Community Trust, which will evaluate the feasibility of potential sites in the TOD area for sustainable development; initial scoping meetings with the community, involving CMAP as a partner, along with initial feasibility assessments are expected to begin in the next quarter.
Homes for a Changing Region in northwest Cook (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Jan. 2013	Staff assistance	The Northwest Housing Partnership has been selected to administer the handyman program. The collaborative is looking to hire an intern for the summer that will work on compiling senior resources and explore a format that would maximize its use in these communities
Joliet "Old Prison" redevelopment (see website)	Trevor Dick	May 2012	Staff assistance and small grant	To close out its two years of implementation assistance post-plan adoption, CMAP staff submitted a memo in June 2014 (posted on the project website) that described major implementation efforts that have occurred to date, and proposed ideas for priority implementation items for the next three years. CMAP will continue to check in on implementation progress on an annual basis.
Lakemoor comprehensive plan (see website)	Nora Beck	Feb. 2013	Staff assistance	The Village received a grant from ComEd's Green Regions program to continue acquiring small parcels located in floodplain and near existing parks to expand open space along Lily Lake. Village staff is in the process of updating the zoning and subdivision ordinance; will coordinate with CMAP's Conservation Design model ordinance in the coming months.

Liberty Prairie Conservancy local food system plan (see website)	Jessica Gershman	June 2013	Staff assistance	The Lake County Local Food Working group meets periodically since summer 2013, with the goal of carrying forward the recommendations from the Lake County Sustainable Local Food Systems Report. Lake County Board adopted UDO amendments to support local food growing and bee/chicken keeping on residential property. CMAP drafted a new policy for the Lake County FPD to allow/encourage food production on a portion of FPD-owned agricultural land that will be prioritized for such use by the District.
Niles environmental action plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Feb. 2013	Staff assistance	The Village is applying for CMAQ funding to implement some of their bicycle and pedestrian plan's recommendations (plan was funded by LTA). Niles is also working with Pace to plan for the implementation of arterial rapid transit along Milwaukee Avenue and assess its Free Bus system. In addition, Niles is in the process of updating their zoning ordinance; CMAP staff will provide feedback as needed on how to translate related EAP recommendations to effective regulations. The Village has negotiated significant waste-related recommendations into the Village's waste hauler's contract, to be approved soon. CMAP staff will continue to forward relevant grant opportunities.
Norridge comprehensive plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Oct. 2012	Staff assistance	No updates this quarter.
Norridge zoning revisions	Jake Seid	July 2013	Staff assistance	Village staff and its ZBA continue to work through the recommendations outlined in the zoning analysis provided by CMAP. According to staff the ZBA discusses recommendations and items within that report at their monthly meetings and continues to work on updating components of their ordinance accordingly.
Northlake comprehensive plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	May 2013	Staff assistance	No updates this quarter.

Park Forest sustainability plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	May 2012	Staff assistance	The Chicago Community Trust's third grant to Park Forest, announced in May 2014, directly implements the recommendations of this project. LTA staff are working on updating the Village's zoning and subdivision ordinances and also recently kicked off the creation of a bicycle and pedestrian plan. To close out its two years of implementation assistance post-plan adoption, CMAP staff submitted a memo in June 2014 (posted on the project website) that described major implementation efforts that have occurred to date, and proposed ideas for priority implementation items for the next three years. CMAP will continue to check in on implementation progress on an annual basis.
Red Line livability project (see website)	Kendra Smith	Nov. 2012	Staff assistance	DCP, CMAP and CTA utilized project materials during recent Community Education and Visioning sessions as well as in interaction with elected officials.
Regional arts and culture toolkit (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	June 2013	Staff assistance	On April 30, CMAP staff presented the content of the toolkit at the quarterly workshop for all City of Chicago chambers of commerce and neighborhood business organizations, sponsored by the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (which oversees primary City funding and training for the chambers through their Neighborhood Business Development Center program). In addition to highlighting how the toolkit can be put to use, chambers were encouraged to consider submitting applications to the LTA program for projects that combine neighborhood planning and arts/culture planning.
Regional climate change adaptation toolkit (see website)	Louise Yeung	June 2013	Staff assistance	No updates this quarter.
Riverside Central Business District plan (see website)	Nora Beck	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	The Village of Riverside was awarded two ITEP grants for renovating the Riverside Train Station and updating Burlington Street. The Village has also hired a Community Development Director, who will assist in plan implementation. The Riverside Economic Development Commission and Riverside Chamber of Commerce are continuing to implement a shop local campaign. The Olmstead Society hosted their annual housewalk in June, which included bike rentals for the tours. The Riverside Farmer's Market has returned and the Riverside Train Station is undergoing further updates to include the future visitor's center.

Round Lake Heights comprehensive plan (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Oct. 2013	Staff assistance	Scoping of a follow-up LTA project (a *Homes* study with Round Lake, Round Lake Beach, Round Lake Heights, Round Lake Park, and Hainesville) is underway and a resolution should be passed in July.
SSMMA housing investment prioritization (see website)	Nicole Woods	June 2012	Staff assistance	To date, the organization has used the tool for four major site-prioritization and assessment projects. Most recently the tool has been presented to the South Suburban Land Bank and Development Authority (SSLBDA) for their consideration and potential use in allocating the Illinois Attorney General Bank Foreclosure Settlement funds. This funding is intended to help rebuild neighborhoods that have been hardest hit by foreclosure by through various actions including rebuilding and rehabilitating vacant and abandoned properties and neighborhoods.
Silver Creek and Sleepy Hollow Creek watershed plan implementation (see website)	Nora Beck	Nov. 2013	Staff assistance	In Crystal Lake, one of the participating communities, City staff are currently reviewing different ways to incorporate the recommendations. In addition, CMAP is assisting the community with a separate LTA project to create a Transportation Master Plan for the community. This project will work to include the water quality recommendations made in the watershed plan implementation report.
Will County Fairmont neighborhood plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Apr. 2012	Staff assistance	To close out its two years of implementation assistance post-plan adoption, CMAP staff submitted a memo in June 2014 (posted on the project website) that described major implementation efforts that have occurred to date, and proposed ideas for priority implementation items for the next three years. CMAP will continue to check in on implementation progress on an annual basis.