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# Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force Agenda

1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2015

DuPage County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Sears Tower Chicago, Illinois

### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Tom Rickert, Chairman

1:00 p.m.

## 2.0 Approval of Meeting Notes from September 17, 2014

Meeting notes are posted at <a href="http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/bikeped/minutes.aspx">http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/bikeped/minutes.aspx</a> SUGGESTED ACTION: Approval of meeting notes

#### 3.0 Local and Regional Planning

#### 3.1 FUND 2040

CMAP has proposed the creation of FUND 2040 to support prioritized infrastructure investments that help the region meet its goals for quality of life and economic prosperity, and launched a campaign to build a coalition to support the Fund. The Fund would support projects in three categories – transportation, water, and open space – that contribute to implementation of the GO TO 2040 regional plan. Staff will provide a brief overview of the proposal and the process envisioned for creating and administering the Fund.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and discussion

#### 3.2 Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission Bikes on Trains Study

NIRPC has undertaken a survey to gauge community interest in allowing bicycles on the South Shore trains. The survey is one step in a study, being conducting to determine the feasibility of providing the accommodations necessary to support boarding and securing bikes. Jack Eskin, formerly with NIRPC and now Deputy Director of the Redevelopment Commission of the City of Gary, will present on this effort.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and discussion

#### 3.3 Forest Preserve District of Cook County – Southern Extension of the North Branch Trail

Pamela Sielski, Landscape Architect/Project Manager and Bike-Ped Task Force representative for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, will present on the planning and programming of the Southern Extension of the North Branch Trail. The new trail segment will extend the 18-mile North

Branch Trail four miles south, from Devon to Foster Avenue on FPDCC property within the City of Chicago. Ms. Sielski will give overview of the project, including plan development, outreach, the challenges faced, and next steps.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and discussion

#### 3.4 Village of South Elgin Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Stacey Meekins, of Sam Schwartz Engineering, will present on the South Elgin Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, which was undertaken through CMAP's LTA Program, and which recently won a Best Region: Metropolis, City and Town Plan award from the Congress for New Urbanism. The presentation will cover plan development, methods, and contents, as well as actions and strategies for implementation. SUGGESTED ACTION: *Information and discussion* 

#### 4.0 Pedestrian and Bicycle Project Programming

### 4.1 Update on TAP and CMAQ Programs

CMAP recently released a combined call-for-projects for CMAQ (FY2015-20) and TAP (FY2015-16). The call closed earlier this month. Staff will give an overview of the response to the call, and a brief review of the project evaluation process and timeline.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and discussion

### 5.0 Project Updates

Implementing agencies will be invited to provide a brief update regarding the status of programmed projects. Staff is requesting information on recently let projects, completed projects, and project delays which need attention by CMAP staff.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information, discussion, and referral to staff

#### 6.0 Public Comment, Announcements, and Other Business

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.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information, Discussion

#### 7.0 Meeting Dates

Staff proposed the following meeting dates for 2015

- Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.
- · Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.
- · Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Information** 

| 8.0 | Adjournment | 3:15 p. | m. |
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