



## CMAQ Project Selection Committee

DRAFT Minutes – January 30, 2020

- Committee Members:** Doug Ferguson, Chair (CMAQ), Darwin Burkhardt (IEPA) (via phone), John Donovan (FHWA), Mark Pitstick (RTA), Tom Rickert (Counties), Mike Sullivan (IDOT), Jeffrey Sriver (CDOT)
- Staff Present:** Erin Aleman, Teri Dixon, Jesse Elam, James Gross, Kathleen Lane, Jen Maddux, Amy McEwan, Laura Wilkison
- Others Present:** Christopher Beckert (via phone), Kevin Berry, Elaine Bottomley, Len Cannata, Emily Daucher, Jackie Forbes, Tim Gustafson, MeLena Hessel (via phone), Kendra Johnson, Mike Klemens, Daniel Knickelbein, Chris Lirot, Paul Mizner, Matthew Pasquini, Kelsey Passi, Ryan Peterson, Leslie Phemister, Keith Privett, Briget Schwab, Troy Simpson, Brian Stepp, Joe Surdan, Dave Tomzik (via phone), Tim Weidner

### 1.0 Call to Order

Mr. Ferguson called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

### 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

### 3.0 Approval of Minutes—October 31, 2019

On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Sriver, the minutes of the October 31, 2019 meeting were approved.

### 4.0 Program Monitoring

#### 4.1 Project Programming Status Sheets

Ms. Maddux presented the program status sheets for active and deferred CMAQ and TAP-L funded projects.

#### 4.2 Programming Summary and Obligation Goal

Ms. Maddux presented the CMAQ programming summary and obligation goal for 2020. The region's cumulative CMAQ obligations stand at approximately negative \$10 million due to adjusted obligations from prior years and low obligations in the current year.

Mr. Pitstick asked about the challenge in programming in the current year. Ms. Maddux answered that programming is dynamic and requires balancing individual project schedules, in addition to challenges resulting from IDOT's Advanced Construction cash flow technique, while maintaining fiscal constraint in the TIP.

Mr. Pitstick asked whether the project change requests to program more projects in 2020 would result in overprogramming. Mr. Ferguson responded that because of Advanced Construction, the programs are not over-programmed.

## 5.0 Project Changes

- 5.1 IDOT – Willow Rd at Pfingsten Rd (02-14-0004)  
Cost increase – Increase of \$356,000 CMAQ (\$444,000 total) for construction in FFY 2020
- 5.2 IDOT – Golf Rd at Harms Rd (02-16-0006)  
Cost increase – Increase of \$363,000 CMAQ (\$84,000 total) for construction in FFY 2020
- 5.3 Franklin Park – Franklin Ave Shared Use Path (04-19-0005)  
Cost change – Transfer \$78,000 CMAQ (\$108,000 total) from design engineering in FFY 2021 to construction in FFY 2022
- 5.4 Oak Brook – Harger Rd Multi-use Path (08-19-0020)  
Schedule change – Move \$1,556,986 CMAQ (\$1,946,233 total) for construction from FFY 2021 to FFY 2020
- 5.5 Pace – Randall Rd Transit Access Pedestrian Improvements (09-14-0005)  
Scope change – Expend \$55,953.10 CMAQ grant balance on five additional bus stops
- 5.6 Aurora – Aurora Transportation Center (ATC) Enhancements (09-16-0004)  
Cost increase – Increase of \$1,778,000 CMAQ (\$2,222,000 total) for construction in FFY 2020
- 5.7 Lake County DOT – Butterfield Rd from Allanson Rd to Buckley Rd/Peterson Rd (10-16-0002)  
Schedule change – Move 2,094,400 CMAQ (\$2,618,000 total) for construction from FFY 2020 to FFY 2021
- 5.8 IDOT – U.S. 6 at Gougar Rd (12-12-0005)  
Reinstatement – Reinstatement \$2,820,000 CMAQ (\$4,004,000 total) for construction in FFY 2020
- 5.9 Pace – Purchase Vanpool Vehicles (17-94-0002)  
Cost change – Transfer \$8,952.60 CMAQ from a bus purchase line item to a vanpool purchase line item within the same FTA grant
- 5.10 Skokie – Skokie Valley Trail – Golf Rd to Dempster St (02-18-0001)  
Cost change – Transfer \$160,000 TAP (\$200,000 total) from right of way to design engineering in FFY 2020
- 5.11 Schaumburg – Higgins Rd Bike Path (03-18-0002)  
Cost increase – Increase of \$129,640 TAP (\$162,050 total) for construction/construction engineering in FFY 2020
- 5.12 Arlington Heights – Buffalo Creek Multi-use Trail Extension (03-19-0018)  
Cost increase – Increase of \$75,900 TAP (\$94,900 total) for construction in FFY 2020
- 5.13 Lake County Forest Preserve – Millennium Trail - Rt. 45 Underpass (10-19-0017)

Schedule change and cost increase – Move \$3,450,024 TAP (\$5,226,530 total) for construction from FFY 2022 to FFY 2020 and increase of \$414,000 TAP (\$518,000 total) for construction in FFY 2020

5.14 Forest Preserve District of Will County – Veterans Memorial Trail from Spring Creek to 159<sup>th</sup> St (12-11-0033)

Schedule and cost change – Move \$5,353,791 TAP (\$6,692,239 total) for construction from FFY 2023 to FFY 2020 and transfer \$48,000 TAP (\$60,000 total) from construction to right of way in FFY 2020

5.15 Sauk Village – Sauk Trail/Cottage Grove Ave Bike Trail Improvements (07-16-0001)  
Sponsor change – Change sponsor from Sauk Village to Cook County DOTH

Mr. Pitstick asked the City of Aurora to present on their requested project change.

Mr. Lirot explained that the project is under construction and approximately 70% complete. The project was scheduled to be completed in October 2019 but experienced several delays due to flooding and change orders. Mr. Lirot stated that the project will be completed in summer 2020 and this will be the final project change.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick, and seconded by Mr. Sriver, the requested project changes were approved.

## 6.0 Program Development

In preparation for the next call for CMAQ and TAP-L projects, Mr. Ferguson requested committee discussion on the recommended modifications to phase I engineering requirements for project applications as described in the memo included in today's meeting materials.

Mr. Ferguson explained that instead of a requirement that a draft PDR be submitted by June 1 to make a determination on the status of phase I engineering, the determination would be made at time of application (early March) and require the applicants to submit proof that phase I engineering is sufficiently complete. CMAP staff will work with IDOT staff to develop application instructions that define sufficiently complete.

Mr. Ferguson stated that, if approved, the modifications would be implemented under the next call for projects, beginning in January 2021, to be consistent with policies already approved for the STP-Shared program and to avoid confusion among project applicants.

Mr. Pitstick stated that it makes sense to be consistent with the STP-Shared program requirements and noted that there were some concerns with highway project implementers.

Mr. Rickert expressed his concern over the shorter time period, but he stated that he understands the importance and thinks it will work under IDOT and CMAP staff discretion.

Mr. Donovan confirmed that IDOT will providing confirmation to CMAP staff and CMAP staff will make a final determination on eligibility.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick, and seconded by Mr. Rickert, the modifications to phase I engineering requirements for project applications were approved.

**7.0 Other Business**

Mr. Ferguson announced that this is Ms. Maddux's last meeting with the committee and thanked her for her service.

**8.0 Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

**9.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

**10.0 Adjournment**

On a motion made by Mr. Rickert, and seconded by Mr. Sriver, the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.