



MINUTES

CMAQ Project Selection Committee

Tuesday, October 30, 2012 - 2:00 p.m.

CMAQ Offices

Committee Members Present: Ross Patronsky, Chair (CMAQ), Chris Snyder (counties), Bruce Carmitchel (IDOT), Jeff Schielke (Council of Mayors) – via phone, Mark Pitstick (RTA), Keith Privett (City of Chicago), Mike Rogers (IEPA) – via phone

Staff Present: Patricia Berry, Claire Bozic, Kama Dobbs, Doug Ferguson, Don Kopec, Tom Murtha, John O’Neal, Jose Rodriguez, Joy Schaad

Others Present: Bill Baltutis, Kate Barney, Todd Bright, Bruce Christensen, Chalen Daigle (via phone), Wally Dietrick (via phone), John Donovan, Laura Fedak, Carl Gerhardstein (via phone), Terry Heffron, Christina Kupkowski, Tam Kutzmark, Aimee Lee, Tom Livingston, Brian Lovering, Erik Morimoto, Tom Rickert, Sarah Siwek (via phone), Chris Staron, Mike Sullivan (via phone), David Tomzik, Thomas Vander Woude, Mike Walczak, Thomas Weaver

1.0 Call to Order

Committee Chairman Ross Patronsky called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

None

3.0 Approval of Minutes— August 28, 2012

On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and a second by Mr. Snyder, the minutes of the August 28, 2012 meeting were approved with a correction to Item 8.0.

4.0 Upcoming Program Development

4.1 Draft Program Development Schedule

On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel and a second by Mr. Snyder, the schedule was approved as presented.

4.2 Program Focus Groups

Ms. Bozic presented an overview of the proposed RTOC CMAQ Project Review Criteria memo. Mr. Snyder requested that System Modernization and ITS preferred project types be clarified to include a reference to signal interconnect projects and intersection improvements. Ms. Bozic noted that intersection improvements would only be considered a preferred project type when they are located on the Congestion Management Process (CMP) Highway System or are Strategic Regional Arterials (SRA). Discussion of the CMP occurred and a link to a map of these facilities will be added to the RTOC memo. It was agreed that projects which may not be on the CMP but that have a direct effect on the CMP will also receive preferred status. On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Pitstick the RTOC memorandum was accepted, as clarified.

Mr. Rickert presented an overview of the proposed Focused Programming for Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Projects memo. Mr. Donovan noted that comments following the last call for projects were largely related to dissatisfaction that the selected projects did not include all of the Bicycle Pedestrian Task Force recommendations and suggested that guidance for the upcoming call should clearly state that task force recommendations are not binding on the Project Selection Committee. In response to the discussion, Mr. Rickert clarified that the task force intent regarding pedestrian facilities providing access to high ridership transit stops is to encourage multi-modal arterial systems and that locations that had potential for high ridership, but lacked multi-modal access would be considered. On a motion by Mr. Snyder and a second by Mr. Carmitchel the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force memo was accepted.

Mr. Rodriguez presented an overview of the proposed Transit Focus Group Evaluation Criteria and Performance Measurement memo. On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and a second by Mr. Snyder the Transit Focus Group memo was accepted.

Mr. Patronsky presented an overview of the Direct Emissions Reduction Guidance memo. On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Rogers the Direct Emissions Reduction Focus Group memo was accepted.

5.0 Program Monitoring

5.1 Programming Project Status Sheets

Mr. Ferguson noted that many of the changes reported are a result of information received through the October Status Update.

5.2 Deferred Projects Update

Mr. Pitstick requested that summary totals by FFY be included in the future to guide cost increase request discussions.

5.3 Bringing "B" List Projects into the Program

The committee discussed timing for making decisions regarding funding availability for B List projects. It was stated that the lead time required to process projects through IDOT makes an earlier decision more desirable. It was noted that at the time projects were placed on the B List, there was no obligation goal and that sponsors were informed that if projects were progressing they could request to be

brought forward at any time. It was also noted that after a new program is developed in 2013, the existing B List would no longer be valid.

6.0 Obligation Goals

Mr. Patronsky provided an overview of the current apportionment and 2013 program of projects. Actual apportionments are approximately \$15 million higher than anticipated during the 2012-2016 program development. Deferrals have resulted in \$42 million in funds available for programming. Because of the availability of these funds and transit projects moving forward into 2012, there are unprogrammed balances totaling roughly \$63 million in 2014, 2015 and 2016 combined. As a result, staff proposed that the next call for projects include federal fiscal years 2014 – 2018.

Mr. Ferguson reported that MAP-21 includes an emphasis on particulate matter (PM) reduction. States that contain a PM nonattainment area are now required to obligate 25% of a state's annual CMAQ apportionment on projects that will reduce PM. He noted that guidance on what projects will be considered as reducing PM has not been issued. CMAP will work with IDOT to make sure projects are identified and correctly processed.

7.0 2013 Meeting Schedule

On a motion by Mr. Snyder and a second by Mr. Pitstick, the 2013 schedule was approved as presented.

8.0 Project Changes

8.1 CDOT - Bloomingdale Trail (TIP ID 01-08-0002)

The sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$2,750,000 (\$2,200,000 federal) for construction, the transfer of funds from phase II engineering in the amount of \$2,800,000 (\$2,240,000 federal) to construction and to move forward the funds currently programmed for construction in FY 2015 to FY 2013. On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the request was approved.

8.2 Elk Grove Village - IL72/Higgins Road Overpass in Busse Woods (TIP ID 03-10-0005, CMAQ ID BP03123695)

The sponsor is requesting to be brought off the Multi-year B List and have construction in the amount of \$4,360,000 (\$3,140,000 federal) moved in to the current year's program. On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Snyder, the request was approved.

8.3 Bedford Park - BRC, Clearing Yard Switcher Retrofit (TIP ID 06-09-0004)

The sponsor is requesting a scope change to purchase 5 additional 710 ECO switcher locomotives with a cost increase of \$8,912,925 (\$5,793,401 federal) which is a 65% federal contribution. On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the request was approved.

8.4 Riverdale - CSXT Barr Rail Yard Switch Engine Retrofit (TIP ID 07-08-0010)

The sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$1,200,000 (\$780,000 federal) which is a 65% federal contribution. On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel and a second by Mr. Rogers, the request was approved.

8.5 Lake County DOT – Cab Connector (TIP ID 10-09-0009)

- The sponsor is requesting a scope change to use the remainder balance of \$60,563 (federal) on a new Lake County Employer TDM program. On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel and a second by Mr. Privett, the request was denied.
- 8.6 McHenry - IL 31 from McCullom Lake Rd to IL 120 (TIP ID 11-03-0007)**
The sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$3,594,000 (\$2,785,200 federal). On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel and a second by Mr. Snyder, the request was approved.
- 8.7 McHenry County DOT - Johnsburg Rd IL 31 - Chapel Hill Rd (TIP ID 11-04-0001)**
The sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$2,591,235 (\$2,072,988 federal). On a motion by Mr. Snyder and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the request was approved.
- 8.8 Crystal Lake - Crystal Lake Bikeway Corridor Improvements (TIP ID 11-12-0004)**
The sponsor is requesting a scope change that will add additional routes and for road surface improvements and a cost increase in the amount of \$912,415 (\$729,932 federal). On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the request was tabled to give the sponsor time to modify the request.
- 8.9 CTA – Suburban Station Bike Parking Improvements (TIP ID 13-10-0001)**
The sponsor is requesting a scope change to include the Central Station on the Purple line. On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Snyder, the request was approved.
- 8.10 IDOT – I-55 Bus on Shoulder Demonstration Project (TIP ID 01-09-0034)**
The sponsor is requesting a scope change to extend the eastern limits to I-90/I-94 interchange and a cost increase in the amount of \$36,376 (\$29,101 federal). On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and a second by Mr. Rogers, the request was approved.
- 8.11 IDOT – IL 47/72/Higgins Rd at US 20 (North Junction) (TIP ID 09-12-0003)**
The sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$1,550,000 (\$1,240,000 federal). This was combined with item 8.12.
- 8.12 IDOT – IL 47/27 at US 20 (South Junction) (TIP ID 09-12-0007)**
The Sponsor is requesting a cost increase in the amount of \$750,000 (\$600,000 federal). On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel and a second by Mr. Snyder, the requests were approved.
- 8.13 Schaumburg - Schaumburg and Barrington Roads Intersection Improvements (TIP ID 03-00-0108)**
The sponsor requested \$108,342 federal be transferred from construction to right-of-way and to withdraw \$81,476 federal from construction. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.
- 8.14 Oak Park - Bike Parking along North Blv from Marion St to Forest Av (TIP ID 04-12-0005) and Covered Bike Parking along CTA Blue Line (TIP ID 04-12-0003)**
The sponsor requested the projects to be combined under TIP ID 04-12-0005. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.
- 8.15 University Park - Cicero Ave Shared Use Path (TIP ID 07-06-0002)**
The sponsor requested to have the funding for phase I engineering restored from the deferral list in the amount of \$60,000 federal. The sponsor demonstrated project phase readiness by submitting a locally executed LAA to IDOT for execution. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.
- 8.16 Lake County DOT - Washington St Bike Path (TIP ID 10-10-0002)**

The sponsor requested \$107,373 federal be transferred from construction to phase II engineering. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.

8.17 McHenry County DOT - IL 31 West Bypass of Algonquin (TIP ID 11-00-0201)

The sponsor withdraws the CMAQ funding programmed for the construction of the signal interconnect for this project in the amount of \$316,000 federal. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.

8.18 Frankfort – St Francis Rd Multi-Use Trail (TIP ID 12-12-0004)

The sponsor requested \$12,000 federal be transferred from phase II engineering to construction. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.

8.19 Lake County DOT - Roberts Rd at River Rd (TIP ID 10-00-0128)

The sponsor requested \$141,461 federal be transferred from right-of-way and construction to phase II engineering. Staff undertook this as an administrative change.

8.0 MAP-21

Mr. Donovan reported that formal guidance on some portions of MAP-21 has been released by FHWA. There will be further guidance issued on the topics of operational assistance and the new provisions, however, a time frame is not known at this time.

9.0 Other Business

There was no other business.

10.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

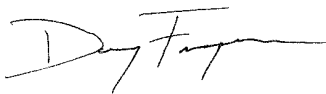
11.0 Next Meeting

The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2012.

12.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Privett and a second by Mr. Carmitchel the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Ferguson
Committee Liaison
11-29-12