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# **MPO Policy Committee**

Special Meeting DRAFT Minutes December 8, 2011 – 10:00 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois

#### **MPO Policy Committee Members Present:**

Reggie Arkell-Federal Transit Administration (Representing Marisol Simon), Frank Beal-Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Marty Buehler-Lake County, Lynette Ciavarella-Metra (Representing Alexander Clifford), Michael Connelly-Chicago Transit Authority (Representing Forest Claypool), John Donovan-Federal Highway Administration (Representing Norm Stoner), Elliott Hartstein-Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Robin Kelly-Cook County, Ken Koehler-McHenry County, Rich Kwasneski-Pace, John McCarthy-Private Providers, Michael Payette-Class I Railroads, Leanne Redden-Regional Transportation Authority, Tom Rickert-Kane County (Representing Karen McConnaughay), Jeffery Schielke-Council of Mayors, Secretary Ann Schneider-Illinois Department of Transportation, David Seglin-Chicago Department of Transportation (Representing Gabe Klein), Chris Snyder-DuPage County (Representing Tom Cuculich), Mike Sullivan-Kendall County (Representing John Purcell), Larry Walsh-Will County, Rocco Zucchero-Illinois Tollway (Representing Kristi Lafleur)

# **Absent: None**

#### **Staff Present:**

Patricia Berry, Randy Blankenhorn, Ylda Capriccioso, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Don Kopec, Holly Ostdick, Ross Patronsky, Gordon Smith

#### **Others Present:**

Mike Albin-DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, Bruce Carmitchel-Illinois Department of Transportation, Chalen Daigle-McHenry County Council of Mayors, Charles Ingersoll-Illinois Department of Transportation, Jim LaBelle-Metropolis Strategies, Mark Pitstick-Regional Transportation Authority, Kevin Schoebein-Illinois Department of Transportation, Susan Stitt-Illinois Department of Transportation, Mike Walczak-Northwest Municipal Conference

#### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chairman Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

## 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Chariman Schneider announced that since it would likely be a very short meeting, she would like the members to remain after the meeting to discuss any items they wished to bring up.

## 3.0 Approval of Minutes – October 12, 2011

On a motion by Mr. Zucchero, seconded by Mr. Rickert the minutes of the October 12, 2011 meeting of the Policy Committee were approved.

# 4.0 Approval of the Conformity Analysis and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Ms. Berry reported that IDOT requested a TIP amendment to include a project on IL 47 from Caton Farm Rd to I-80. She noted that the TIP remains fiscally constrained with this addition and that a conformity determination was required. The travel demand model was run and on-road emissions for the four scenario years were estimated.

She noted that there are no SIP budgets for the annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> and its NOx precursor. CMAP compared the emissions estimates for northeast Illinois combined with estimates from northwest Indiana to 2002, the baseline year. The total emissions were below the baseline year.

For ozone precursors, Ms. Berry said that CMAP demonstrated that the emissions estimates fell below the applicable SIP budgets.

Ms. Berry described the one comment received and IDOT's response, noting that the comment and response were posted to the CMAP website and included in members' packets. Finally, she noted that the CMAP transportation committee met immediately prior to the MPO Policy Committee and concurred in the response and recommended approval of the conformity analysis and TIP amendment. On a motion by Mayor Schielke, seconded by Mr. Hartstein, the conformity analysis and the TIP amendment were approved.

#### 5.0 Other Business

Ms. Redden from the RTA, the Policy Committee's representative to the CMAP Board, asked the Committee how they would like to see her keeping them informed regarding the activities of the CMAP Board. Several suggestions were discussed. Ms. Redden will work with staff to provide the Policy Committee members with updates prior to and after each board meeting.

#### 6.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment provided.

## 7.0 Next Meeting – Thursday, January 12, 2012

# 8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. on a motion by Mayor Schielke, seconded by Mr. Snyder.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Kopec, Secretary