CMAQ Project Selection Committee Meeting
Annotated Agenda (Revised)
May 6, 2010
2:00 p.m.

Cook County Conference Room  
CMAP Offices

Note: the meeting materials can be found at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/cmaq/minutes.aspx

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions 2:00 p.m.
Ross Patronsky, Committee Chair

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of March 25, 2010 Minutes
The draft minutes for the March 25, 2010 meeting are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the minutes.

4.0 Project Changes
4.1 Kane County DOT IL 64 from Randall Rd to Burlington Rd (TIP ID 09-09-0013)
The sponsor is requesting the limits be on IL 64 from Randall Rd to Burlington Rd and Burlington Road from IL 64 to Kane County DOT offices. Staff recommends approval.

4.2 McHenry County DOT – Miller Rd/Bull Valley Rd. at N. Front St and Green St (TIP ID 11-06-0043)
The sponsor is requesting that $295,800 be used for PHII engineering and the remainder be placed in Construction. Staff undertook this as an administrative modification.

4.3 Metra - Installation of GenSets on Two Metra Switch Engines (TIP ID 13-10-0007)
The project sponsor is requesting the project be moved from FFY11 into the current year of the TIP. Staff recommends approval.

4.4 Villa Park South Villa Ave Sidewalk from Wildwood Ave to Park Blv (TIP ID 08-06-0004 combined into 08-00-0049)
The project sponsor is requesting their project be combined with an STP Project TIP ID 08-00-0049). Staff undertook this as an administrative modification.

4.5 Chicago DOT – Grayland Station Parking – Milwaukee North Line (TIP ID 18-04-0561)
The sponsor is requesting the sponsorship be transferred to Metra. Metra has agreed with the request. Staff undertook this as an administrative modification.
5.0 **Program Management**

5.1 **State Appropriation**
An update on State Appropriation will be given to the committee.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

5.2 **Agreement Processing**
Some project sponsors are concerned regarding IDOT’s timeframe for processing agreements. It has been explicitly stated that agreements will take 7-8 months for processing. This will affect actively managing the CMAQ program.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

5.3 **May Status Update**
According to the programming policies adopted by the MPO Policy Committee in March 2009, new project sponsors must submit their Job Number Request Form (JNRF) to IDOT or grant application to FTA before the May status update. An e-mail will be distributed notifying all project sponsors with phases in 2010 that a May status update needs to be completed.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

5.4 **Rescission**
The reversal of the $8.7 billion rescission imposed at the end of SAFETEA-LU has been formalized in a notice from the Federal Highway Administration. However, there is no additional obligation authority, so the restored funds will be competing with other funds for the limited pool of obligating authority. In fact there is now less obligating authority in relative terms because most of the equity bonus funds that were rescinded (and are now restored) had special obligating authority, which was not restored. The restored funds have been restored as 2010 funds, so they won’t lapse until the end of FFY 2013. This is in contrast to the funds that were rescinded, much of which came from FFY 2007 and would lapse at the end of September.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

6.0 **CMAQ and High Speed Rail**
USDOT has confirmed CMAQ funds can be used for High Speed Rail within Non-attainment areas.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

7.0 **Soft Match**
Several questions have been received on the use of soft match. A policy from IDOT has been attached for discussion.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

8.0 Programming Approaches
At the last CMAQ PSC meeting staff suggested considering different approaches to programming CMAQ funds. A memo describing some possible approaches is attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

9.0 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 exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

10.0 Other Business

11.0 Next Meeting
The next meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2010 at 2 p.m. at the CMAP offices.

12.0 Adjournment

CMAQ Project Selection Committee Members:
___Ross Patronsky, Chair       ___Mark Pitstick       ___Jeff Schielke
___Martin Buehler             ___Mike Rogers
___Luann Hamilton             ___Susan Stitt

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