



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

233 South Wacker Drive
Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois 60606
312 454 0400
www.cmap.illinois.gov

Regional Coordinating Committee

Annotated Agenda

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

8:00 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room

233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800

Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order 8:00 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes – March 12, 2014

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

4.0 Unified Work Program

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) lists the planning projects the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) and other agencies undertake each year to enhance transportation in northeastern Illinois and to fulfill federal planning regulations. The final UPWP document includes the transportation planning activities to be carried out in the region, detailing each project's description, products, costs and source of funding.

On March 20, the UWP Committee approved a proposed FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program, totaling \$21,305,358. This includes \$16,757,725 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds and \$4,547,633 in local match funds. Attached is the summary of the allocation of funding and awarded projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend to CMAP Board approval of FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program

5.0 GO TO 2040 Update

As required under MAP-21, staff has been in the process of updating the GO TO 2040 plan since the summer of 2013. Staff has prepared a **draft plan update** consisting of a summary document and a series of appendices that describe each of the key elements of the project in technical detail. As discussed at previous meetings, none of the plan's recommendations have been revised. Staff anticipates release of the draft for public comment on June 13. Outreach meetings have been

scheduled across the region through the end of the public comment period on August 1. Staff anticipates adoption of the final plan update at the October meetings of the Board and MPO Policy Committee.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

6.0 O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill-Down Report

The O'Hare subregion is a critical node for freight and manufacturing activity in the CMAP region. The area is home to 20 percent of the region's freight and manufacturing cluster employment, and one in four jobs within the subregion are part of the cluster. This concentration of freight and manufacturing activity is capitalizing on the subregion's assets, which include unique proximity to rail, truck, and air transportation networks, as well as access to a highly trained workforce. CMAP's new **O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill-Down Report** assesses how local conditions support the competitiveness of the subregion's freight and manufacturing cluster and describes opportunities to ensure its continued success.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

7.0 Preview of Economic Indicators

To inform communities and policy makers about the health of the region's economy, next month CMAP will roll out a new web microsite with data and analysis tracking a wide variety of regional economic indicators. Focusing on four major economic themes, the site's analysis covers broad economic trends and major industry clusters, as well as workforce and innovation metrics outlined in GO TO 2040. Staff will present a preview of the website and the analysis supporting it.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

8.0 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Process Review

During FY14, CMAP has been conducting a process review of the staff functions associated with the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program. CMAQ is a federal fund source that CMAP programs through a competitive call for projects. The process review has examined the evaluation methods and project ranking procedures in use at CMAP, resulting in initial recommendations on **technical enhancements to program development** by using a larger set of criteria to help evaluate projects. Staff will provide a brief update on the process review and next steps.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

9.0 Other Business

10.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience.
The Chair will recognize non-committee members as appropriate.
Non-committee members wishing to address the Committee should so signify by raising their hand in order to be recognized by the Chair.
The Chair will have discretion to limit discussion.

11.0 Next Meeting- October 8, 2014

12.0 Adjournment

Committee Members:

___ Elliott Hartstein, chair

___ Frank Beal

___ Pat Carey

___ Allison Clement

___ Michael Connelly

___ Roger Claar

___ Sheri Cohen

___ Jack Darin

___ Al Larson

___ Andrew Madigan

___ Ed Paesel

___ Leanne Redden

___ Peter Silvestri

___ Thomas Weisner