

CMAQ Project Selection Committee

September 13, 2004

Meeting Agreements

1. Staff informed the Committee that no new information is available on the federal transportation reauthorization but that the FY 2006 transportation appropriation does appear to be larger than first anticipated. This is due to increases in the revenues generated from the federal gas tax and could lead to a larger than estimated mark for the CMAQ program. However, it is too soon to estimate a new mark.
2. Staff reviewed the Public Comments received on the proposed FY 2005 CMAQ program and the staff analysis of them.
3. The Committee approved recommending the proposed FY 2005 CMAQ program to be sent to the Work Program Committee for recommendation to the CATS Policy Committee for adoption.
4. If additional funding becomes available, the Committee will consider recommending the following projects:
 - TI02052391, Skokie, Oakton New Station on Yellow Line, (engineering only), \$417,000 federal
 - CP13052392, CATS, Rideshare/Carpool Lots at Area Interchanges, (phase 1 engineering only), \$350,000 federal
 - II12052357, Romeoville, IL 53/Independence Blv at University Pwy, ENG/CONST, \$542,000 federal
 - OT01052396, CDOT, Purchase Automobiles for I-GO Carsharing Program, IMPL, \$419,024 federal
5. The deadline for responding to the annual follow-up questionnaire is September 17. To date, staff has received 8 responses from the 27 project sponsors contacted. The staff will obtain responses to the remaining follow-up questionnaires and report to the Committee at the next meeting.
6. Staff informed the Committee that the Illinois Department of Natural Resources is working with Chicago Heights on the Old Plank Rd Trail Extension from Western to Euclid (TIP ID 07-01-0004) project and they are making progress in moving the project forward. No action is necessary at this time.
7. The Committee approved the scope change request from the Village of Palos Park for the 86th Ave Multi-use Path (TIP ID 06-04-0002) project. The project's type will change to pedestrian facility and description will change to 121st St and 80th Ave Pedestrian Path. The federal funding will remain the same.

8. The Committee approved the project sponsor change for the Buffalo Grove Rd from Whispering Oaks to Indian Creek project (TIP ID 10-94-0015) from the Village of Buffalo Grove to the Lake County Division of Transportation.
9. The Draft FY 2006 CMAQ Program Development Schedule was discussed.
10. The next CMAQ Project Selection Committee Meeting is tentatively set for 10 a.m. November 5, 2004.

The above summary is based on staff meeting notes. Anyone who takes exception to the information contained in this summary should forward comments to Ross Patronsky at (312) 793-3474 within one week of the submission date noted below.

Summary submitted by Ross Patronsky September 15, 2004.