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MPO Policy Committee Annotated Agenda October 17, 2013 – 3:00 p.m.

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

- 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions** 3:00 p.m.

- 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements**

- 3.0 Approval of Minutes – June 13, 2013**
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- 4.0 Agency Reports**
 - 4.1 Council of Mayors' Report
 - 4.2 CMAP Board Report
 - 4.3 CMAP Staff Report

- 5.0 Nominating Committee for the office of MPO Policy Committee Vice-Chairman**
The report from the Nominating Committee appointed at the last meeting will be given and an election of a Vice-chairman will be conducted.
ACTION REQUESTED: Election of the Vice-Chairman for 2014

- 6.0 Naming of Transportation Committee Chair and Vice Chair**
The Policy Committee bylaws state that the committee will appoint one of its members or alternates as the Chair and one of its members or alternates as the Vice-Chair of the CMAP Transportation Committee.
ACTION REQUESTED: Appoint Chair and Vice-Chair of the Transportation Committee for calendar year 2014

- 7.0 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)**
The public comment period on the proposed FFY 2014-2018 CMAQ program has ended. The Transportation Committee has concurred with the staff responses to the comments received and recommends approval of the proposed program. The proposed CMAQ program with an explanatory cover memo is attached. A link to the comments and responses is included in the cover memo.
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the multi-year FFY 2014-18 CMAQ Program

8.0 Selection of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program Projects

Staff recommendations for new projects to be pursued through the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) were approved by the Local Coordinating Committee and CMAP Board on October 9th. Staff will present the proposed program to the Policy Committee for their approval.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the LTA program

9.0 National Highway System (NHS)

National Highway System revisions have been requested and have been recommended by the CMAP Transportation Committee. The changes include route deletions, modifications and additions to reflect current conditions, consistency with routes added MAP-21 and current highway planning information.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of National Highway System revisions

10.0 Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP)

The region's Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) has been updated by the RTA, subject to a public comment period and has been recommended by the CMAP Transportation Committee. The **updated HSTP** will allow Northeastern Illinois to access federal Section 5310 transportation funding. MAP-21 is designed to continue the goals and eligible activities of the previous programs including supporting capital projects that are planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities when public transportation is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable. It may also be used for public transportation projects that exceed the requirement of ADA to improve access to fixed-route service and decrease reliance by individuals with disabilities on complementary paratransit, and for alternatives to public transportation that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities.

ACTION REQUESTED: Endorsement of the updated Human Services Transportation Plan

11.0 Proposed Amendment to GO TO 2040 – Illiana Corridor

On April 10, 2013, CMAP received a formal request from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to consider including the proposed Illiana Corridor -- a new tolled expressway project -- as a fiscally constrained major capital project in the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan and also to accelerate its construction. The staff analysis was released for a 32-day public comment period for the proposed amendment that closed on September 3, 2013. The Committee will discuss a staff recommendation regarding IDOT's request that GO TO 2040 be amended to include the proposed Illiana Corridor project as a fiscally constrained major capital project. IDOT will also present the results to date of their Environmental Impact Study work. The Transportation Committee has recommended approval of the proposed amendment. The CMAP Board voted not to amend GO TO 2040 to include the Illiana Corridor project. Public comment will be allowed prior to Committee action. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. Members of the public who wish to speak will need to register prior to the start of the meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: At the request of the Illinois Department of Transportation, amend the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan to include the proposed Illiana Corridor as a fiscally constrained major capital project.
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Do not amend GO TO 2040.

12.0 Approval of GO TO 2040/TIP Conformity Determination and TIP Amendment

The public comment period for the semiannual GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendments closed September 3, 2013. Two comments were received. The Transportation Committee recommended approval of the GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendments at its special meeting on October 4, 2013.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of a Plan/TIP Amendment and Conformity Determination consistent with the previous action of the proposed Plan Amendment.

13.0 Federal Certification Review

USDOT was scheduled to conduct CMAP’s quadrennial certification review the week of October 7. Pending resolution of the federal government shutdown, the review will be rescheduled. Staff of FHWA will make brief remarks and will be available to receive Policy Committee member’s comments.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and input to FHWA

14.0 Other Business

15.0 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.

16.0 Next Meeting – Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

17.0 Adjournment

MPO Policy Committee Members:

	Kay Batey		R.A. Kwasneski		Leanne Redden
	Frank Beal		Kristi Lafleur		Jeffery Schielke
	Forrest E. Claypool		Christopher J. Lauzen		Ann Schneider
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	Elliott Hartstein		Wes Lujan		Marisol Simon
	Tina Hill		John McCarthy		Larry Walsh
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