

November 8, 2012 TAB Executive Committee meeting notes.  
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### **Chairs Report**

- TAB will implement the trial suspension of Policy and Programming Committees from November through April. Agendas will be arranged by “action” and “information” instead of by committee report, and will include “agency report”. Each presenter will be given an amount of time to present.
- The cost of streaming and recording TAB meetings is mainly in additional staff time. Other groups may also ask to be streamed.
- TAB would benefit from learning how the TAC operates. Pat Bursaw and Kevin Roggenbuck will make arrangements for a future meeting.

### **2011 regional solicitation and MAP-21**

- MAP-21 working group is looking at options. We will know more in December and January. The technical committees will develop a TIP amendment after MAP-21 work group is finished in early December.
- HSIP projects will be amended into the TIP in December.

### **“A” Minor Arterial Study**

- The technical committees will forward a recommendation of acceptance with additional comments to emphasize or clarify findings in the study.
- The draft final report has made its way through the technical committees and will be coming to the TAB for acceptance on November 28.
- After TAB accepts, the MC Transportation Committee then Council accepts; the project manager will come back to TAB with any significant comments or recommendations from the Council.

### **Regional Solicitation Evaluation Study**

- Received three RFPs. The Evaluation Panel reviewed them and chose one at our meeting on Nov 9.
- Procurement process includes signatures of the RFP evaluation, approval to offer a contract by the Regional Administrator, more signatures by the consultant and Council on the contract, and a notice to proceed around mid December.
- First task with consultant will be to finalize the work plan and schedule Steering Committee and Project Management Team meetings.

### **MnDOT State Highway Investment Plan (MnSHIP)**

- MnDOT has been conducting workshops around the state; I attended one in Richfield/Minneapolis.
- TAB does not have a role in reviewing and commenting and approving the Plan, but it is important for the TAB to understand the choices and options MnDOT is evaluating. Good discussion item for perhaps the December or January TAB meeting.

### **Updates**

- Roggenbuck went to the MAP-21 Working Group meeting in October, attended by MnDOT and MPO staff from all over the state. Group is working on strategy to address projects already programmed through 2016 and how funding will be allocated to the ATPs beginning in 2017. The complicating factors are over and under programming in different federal programs, need to meet performance targets in several programs (NHS Interstate, CMAQ, others) and changes in how the federal funds are distributed. Next MAP-21 Work Group meeting is November 19 and another meeting (unscheduled yet) in December.
- Technical Committee Work Group met on November 7 and finalized language to change our sunset date policy and institutionalize our scope change consultation process. These changes are intended to improve project delivery and provide consistency in how we review scope change requests. Recommendations will be heard by TAC F&PC on Nov. 15 and scheduled to come to TAB in December.

- TAB provided \$7.0 M in CMAQ funds for Travel Demand Management programs (promote carpooling, ridesharing, transit discounts, etc...) About \$1.15 M of 2013 money was to be made available for a solicitation for innovative programs, but the met Council wants to suspend it until MAP-21 impacts are known. This action will come to the TAB in December.
- Council hired a consultant to assess the RALF program to determine its long term effectiveness in saving money and for continued management of the program. Final report likely within 3 months.