

May 9, 2013 TAB Executive Committee meeting notes.
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Members present: Bill Hargis, Scott McBride, Randy Maluchnik, Adam Duininck, Pat Bursaw, Arlene McCarthy.

Chairs Report: TAB meeting structure

- Executive Committee reviewed an action transmittal to extend the current meeting format three months and form a task force to revise the TAB Bylaws.
- Action on today's agenda.

2014-2017 TIP

- Draft 2014-2017 TIP on today's agenda for the purpose of holding a public hearing on June 19 and public comment period.
- Staff from MnDOT and Met Council will make presentations on the funding sources, amounts and process use to program projects in the TIP.
- TAB adoption scheduled for August; Council concurrence in September.

Regional policies on federal fund management

- Executive Committee discussed the current policies on managing the regional solicitation funds that are awarded to projects through the regional solicitation process.
- MAP-21 has changed how the TAB manages its funding; TAB had to go beyond its policies to manage the 2013 program and re-allocate funds.
- The Regional Solicitation Evaluation will call out the need to improve local project delivery and be the impetus for a TAC work group to develop a list of options and revise and update TAB's program management policies.

Scope change consultation process

- Executive Committee discussed the scope change consultation process that was tabled by the TAB in December; sticking point was what to do when a scope change looks like a new project.
- Want to maintain the integrity of the solicitation process; do not want to develop a process to substitute one project for another.

TAB membership and task force membership

- TAB should stress diversity with appointing agencies like Metro Cities.

TAB meeting mailings and information sharing

- Want to be sure to provide the right information to the TAB prior to the meetings.
- Council wants to be more sustainable; asking TAB members to choose between hard copy mailings or providing the TAB materials online today and follow up by staff.

Travel Demand Management (TDM) and funding

- In December TAB deferred a special solicitation to allocate CMAQ funds to innovative TDM projects at the Council's request.
- Funds are still available in 2014 but the Council must decide soon whether to conduct the solicitation.
- TAB members are interested in learning about Transportation Management Organizations and what activities are funded with CMAQ.

Updates

- Regional Solicitation Evaluation workshop was a success. Unofficial attendance was 78 and small group discussions were lively. Workshop summary and other information will be available soon.

- A TAB task force met on May 2 to discuss four topics about Thrive MSP 2040. The group has forwarded comments for discussion and the Board's approval to forward to the Council.
- 2040 Transportation Policy Plan policymaker's task force met on April 29; next meeting June 24. The task force is providing guidance and direction in the development of the draft 2040 TPP; TAB and the technical committees will still be involved.
- 2010 Census added portions of Wright and Sherburne Counties to the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. Council must include them in transportation planning efforts but their project funding still comes from MnDOT District 3.
- Suggestion to invite FHWA staff to annually give the TAB and overview of what they do and how that influences what the TAB and Council do.