

AGENDA

MEETING OF QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

WITH REGION 9 TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 – 12:00 Noon
Rock Island County Office Building
1504 Third Avenue, Board Chambers
Rock Island, IL
Mayor Mike Matson, MPO Chair

The Policy Committee will be held in-person, and members are required in the room for a quorum. Ex-officio members of the Technical Committee and the public can opt to dial into the meeting using the following conference number and access codes: +1 309 205 3325 Meeting ID: 843 9896 1258 Passcode: 965455 for audio, and the link for visuals: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84398961258?pwd=bk52eEtaYVM2ZmZkcDA2OEpsVC9sZz09>. Agenda packets are linked in “Quad Cities MPO News” at: <https://bistateonline.org/>

1. Approval of Minutes of the October 22, 2024 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meetings (A copy of the meeting minutes is enclosed in Committee members’ packets.)
2. Consideration of Revising the MPO/RPA Boundary Adjustment Resolution for Iowa Transportation Planning Areas (A copy of the revised resolution is enclosed in Committee members’ agenda packets.) – Gena McCullough
3. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (A copy of the proposed revisions is enclosed in Committee members’ packets and provided to transportation interests.) – Sarah Bambas
4. Status of Illinois Quad Cities Federal Functional Classification and Consideration of Changes in Federal Functional Classification to the Iowa Quad Cities. (A copy of the proposed resolution for Iowa Quad Cities revisions is enclosed in Committee members’ packets.) – Sarah Bambas
5. Status of Long Range Transportation Plan: Freight Chapter Presentation and Consideration of Future Population and Employment Projections (A draft Freight Chapter is enclosed in Committee members packets, and posted to the website) – Gena McCullough, Dave Kovarik, and Ricky Newcomb
6. Public Comments
7. Other Business
 - USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>
 - *Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) – 2/24/25*
 - *Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants (RAISE) – 1/30/24*
 - *Port Infrastructure Development Program – December 2024 opening date*
 - *Status of Passenger Rail and Letter of Support (Letter to Committee members be provided prior to the meeting.)*
 - *Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – January 28, 2025*
8. Adjournment

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cc: Transportation Technical Committee, Regional Transportation Advisory Group (Urban and Combined Interests), Regional Transit Interest and Advisory Group (Urban Interests), and Media

Please contact Gena McCullough at Bi-State (309)793-6300, Ext. 1146 or gmccullough@bistateonline.org **before NOON Monday, December 02, 2024** to indicate your attendance and facilitate a quorum. Voting alternates must be an elected official from the respective jurisdiction or MetroLINK board member.

Minutes of the
QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 22, 2024, 12:00 p.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
County Board Room, Third Floor
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT

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| David Adams | Rock Island County Board Member |
| Jeffrey Deppe | Alderman, City of East Moline |
| Jean Dickson | Scott County Board of Supervisors |
| Faith Duncan | Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2 |
| Bob Gallagher | Mayor, City of Bettendorf |
| Dennis Gerard | Mayor, City of LeClaire |
| Jazmin Newton | Alderman, City of Davenport |
| Mike Thoms | Mayor, City of Rock Island |
| Berlinda Tyler-Jamison | Chair, MetroLINK |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| Brian Ballard | City of Riverdale |
| Sarah Bambas | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Denise Bulat | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Doug DeLille | Illinois Department of Transportation, Springfield |
| Bryan Schmid | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Ryan Sempf | QC Chamber of Commerce |

1. Approval of Minutes of the September 24, 2024 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meetings. A copy of the meeting minutes was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Mayor Thoms requested a motion for approval of the September 24, 2024 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Gerard motioned to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Tyler-Jamison seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities FFY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas noted that there was one revision from the City of Moline. The request is for MO-23-03, 36th Avenue Bike Trail (7th-13th Streets). The project moved from FY23 to FY25. It is a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) project that had a total cost increase of over 30%. The total project cost is \$809,172, and the federal share is \$259,175 TASA. Ms. Bambas noted that the TASA funds were not affected, only the local funds. Mr. Gallagher motioned to approve this revision to the TIP. Ms. Dickson seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Consideration of Bi-State Title VI Program, Plan and Non-Discrimination Policy Document. Mr. Schmid mentioned the Title VI document is updated on a 3-year cycle; the last update was in 2021. The Title VI document stems from the 1964 Civil Rights Act. The Title VI document for Bi-State

Regional Commission covers civil rights and non-discrimination as part of the transportation planning process. Title VI states “No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.” There have been three executive orders with additional nondiscrimination requirements. These executive orders include EO 12250, EO 12898 and EO 13166. Mr. Schmid highlighted the non-discrimination policies in the planning processes: Open & inclusive planning processes; Outreach to low income, minority, and LEP populations; Eliminating barriers to participation – location, time, format language, access; Contact and complaint procedures outlined; Representation on planning & advisory bodies; Demographic Profile – Know The Metro Planning Area; and Assessing Investments in the Region – Benefits/Burdens.

Mr. Schmid then noted the revisions made from the last plan update included: identification of designated staff responsible for Title VI oversight, updates to LEP Plan data and maps, clarification on multiple items based on 2024 Certification Review, such as which agency to forward complaints to, and addition of FHWA Title VI Plan component. Maps were then presented that showcased the regions median household income with the FFY24-27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects, the metro’s median household income with transit routes, the regions percent minority population with the FFY24-27 TIP projects, the metro’s percent minority population with transit routes, the regions Limited English Proficiency areas with the FFY24-27 TIP projects, and the metro’s Limited English Proficiency areas with transit routes.

Mr. Schmid noted that in Bi-State’s Certification Review it was recommended to showcase to the public how Bi-State is meeting people where they are. Bi-State is in the process of attending public events to gather public input for the Long Range Transportation Plan in addition to holding open houses. The events included the Senior’s Disability Expo, Get Out And Trail (GOAT), and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Block Party.

Mr. Thoms asked for a motion of approval of the Title VI document. Mr. Deppe motioned to approve the document, Mr. Adams seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
5. Other Business. Mr. Schmid mentioned the items below and several upcoming public input sessions. There are two public hearings for the I-80 Bridge, first on Tuesday October 29 at 4:00 p.m., which is virtual, and the second one on Wednesday, October 30 1:00–3:00 p.m. at LeClaire City Hall. There is an open house for the Andalusia Road/Indian Bluff Road Corridor Study on Tuesday, November 12, 4:30–6:30 p.m. at the Camden Centre in Milan. Lastly, there are three traffic safety focus groups occurring in the month of November. The first one is a virtual meeting on November 14, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The second is November 19, 4:30–6:30 p.m. at the Moline Public Library. The last one is November 20, 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the Davenport Public Library, Eastern Avenue Branch. Registration for the traffic safety focus groups is required. Ms. Bulat mentioned to the committee that the safety focus groups are for all modes of transportation and the public’s input would be beneficial and help with grant funding in the future.

- *Quad Cities-Kewanee-Muscatine Traffic Safety Action Plan – Public Input to Interactive Map on Traffic Safety Issues* <https://trafficsafetyactionplan.com/> Open for comments through 10/31/24.
- *National Pedestrian Safety Month and National Teen Driver Safety Week – 10/20-26/24*
- *Andalusia-Indian Bluff Roads Corridor Study – Public Input Survey open for comments:* <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AndalusiaRoadCorridorStudy> [surveymonkey.com]
- *USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity* <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>
 - *Bridge Project Grants – 11/1/24*
 - *Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) – October 2024 opening date*
 - *Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants (RAISE) – November 2024 opening date*
- *2055 QC Long Range Transportation Plan Update – Public Input Events: Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber and Project NOW Block Party, celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. 10/15/24.*

Ms. Bulat also mentioned that the Title VI document needs to go through three committees in order to be approved.

6. Adjournment. – Mr. Gerard motioned to adjourn. Mr. Gallagher seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

**REVISED JOINT AGREEMENT
FOR METROPOLITAN AND REGIONAL POPULATIONS:
Bi-State Regional Commission (Iowa Quad Cities) and Region 9**

WHEREAS, federal transportation planning regulations provide for the establishment of a metropolitan planning organization within each metropolitan area to serve as a forum for local officials to carry out certain multimodal transportation planning and programming responsibilities within each metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Transportation has elected to share certain multimodal transportation planning and programming responsibilities with local officials acting through regional planning affiliations; and

WHEREAS, the Bi-State Regional Commission (hereinafter called the MPO) has been designated by the Iowa cities and counties within its boundaries, with the concurrence of the Governor, to serve as the metropolitan planning organization for the Iowa Quad Cities metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the Bi-State Regional Commission (hereinafter also called the RPA) has been designated by the general purpose units of local government to serve as the regional planning affiliation within Region 9; and

WHEREAS, Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funding is apportioned to the State for projects to preserve and improve the conditions and performance on any Federal-aid highway, bridge and tunnel projects on any public road, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects; and

WHEREAS, the IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION allocates these funds to metropolitan planning organizations based solely on population as required by the existing federal transportation act and to regional planning affiliations based partially on population that is initially delineated by the Census-defined urbanized area boundary; and

WHEREAS, the MPO has established an adjusted Federal Highway Administration (hereinafter called FHWA) Urban Area Boundary and a MPO Planning Area Boundary (MPA), which have been reviewed and approved by the IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION and FHWA-IOWA DIVISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE DELEGATED AUTHORITIES OF THE MPO AND THE RPA HAVE AGREED THAT THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION shall proceed with allocating the noted Federal funding for the Iowa Quad Cities and Region 9, subject to all terms, conditions and obligations connected with the respective federal program, based on the delineating boundary and resulting population described below:

Delineating boundary (map attached): Adjusted Urban Area Boundary of the Iowa Quad Cities (IAQC)

Resulting total population for the IAQC: 157,178

Resulting total population for the RPA: 60,726

THIS AGREEMENT TO BE IN EFFECT until the next decennial Census unless a special Census, approved boundary change, or decision to utilize a different boundary requires than an updated agreement be completed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereunto have caused this AGREEMENT to be executed by their proper officials thereunto duly authorized as of the dates below indicated, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and representations contained herein.

For the MPO:

For the RPA:

MPO Policy Committee Chair
Mike Matson

RPA Policy Committee Chair
Mike Limberg

Date: _____

Date: _____

December 3, 2024 - Transportation Policy Committee - FFY2025-2028
 Transportation Improvement Program

| AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PROJECT NUMBER | Year Programmed (FFY) | PROJECT ROUTE | PROJECT LOCATION | PROJECT DESCRIPTION | PLAN JUST. | TOTAL ESTIMATED COST | FEDERAL SHARE | FEDERAL SOURCE | STATE SHARE | STATE SOURCE | LOCAL SHARE | LOCAL SOURCE | STATE # (IA TPMS #) | NOTES |
| STATE OF ILLINOIS - IL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IL-25-12 | 2025 | Osco Rd | I-80 to IL 81 | Milling, pavement patching and resurfacing | L RTP | \$8,000,000 | \$1,670,000 | STP-Urban | \$1,600,000 | STA | | | | New Project. Amendment Pending 11/2024 |
| | | | | | | | \$4,730,000 | STP-Rural | | | | | | |
| IL-25-13 | 2025 | South Park Mall (4401 27th St, Moline) | South Park Mall (4401 27th St, Moline) | Charging Station | OTHER | \$919,465 | \$735,572 | NEVI | | | \$183,893 | LOC | | New National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project. Amendment Pending 11/2024 |



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RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE BI-STATE MPO

FEDERAL FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, The federal functional classification is the process by which streets and highways are grouped into classes according to the character of service they are intended to provide; and

WHEREAS, The Bi-State Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Iowa Department of Transportation periodically review the system of streets and highways for appropriate changes to classification of the various segments of the system; and

WHEREAS, A federal functional classification revision has been requested by the Cities of Bettendorf and Eldridge for the following segments to be reclassified, and;

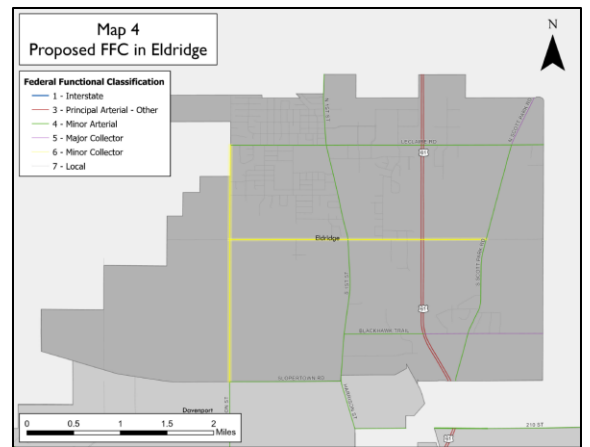
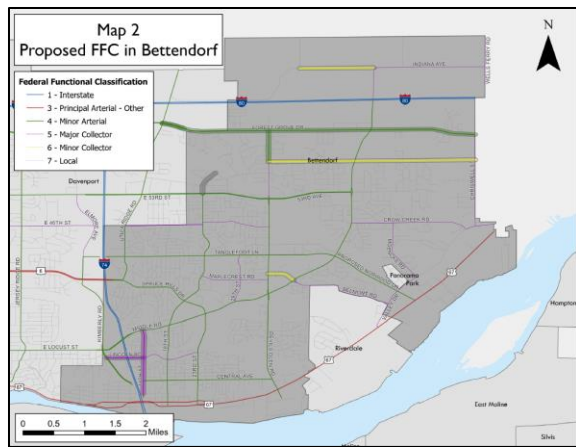
| Iowa Quad Cities FFC Recommendations | | | | | |
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| Route | Location | Current FFC | Proposed FFC | Justification | Jurisdiction |
| 18th Street | North of 53rd Street | Major Collector | Local | Decreased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Forest Grove | Utica Ridge Road to Criswell Street | Major Collector | Minor Arterial | Increased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Hopewell Avenue | Devils Glen Road to Criswell Street | Local | Minor Collector | Increased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Devils Glen Road | Hopewell Avenue to Forest Grove Dr | Major Collector | Minor Arterial | Increased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| 14th Street | South of Middle Road | Minor Arterial | Major Collector | Decreased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Belmont Road | Devils Glen Road to Middle Road | Local | Minor Collector | Increased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Lincoln Road | Kimberly Road to 14th Street | Minor Arterial | Major Collector | Decreased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Indiana Avenue | Barr Street to Middle Road | Local | Minor Collector | Increased traffic volume | Bettendorf |
| Lincoln Road | Buttermilk Road to Scott Park Road | Local | Minor Collector | Increased traffic volume | Eldridge |
| Buttermilk Road | Slopertown Road to LeClaire Road | Local | Minor Collector | Increased traffic volume | Eldridge |



WHEREAS, All of the stated road segments in Bettendorf and Eldridge are contained in the Urban Area Boundary (UAB) requiring an MPO request for reclassification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MPO hereby requests a change to the Federal Functional Classification System as follows and shown on the maps below:

Within the UAB, stated Bettendorf road segments cover 9.93 miles and stated Eldridge road segments cover 4.58 miles.



REVISED and APPROVED this 3rd day of December, 2024.

Approved:

Quad Cities MPO
Transportation Policy Chair
Mike Matson

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