

Minutes of the
QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
URBANIZED AREA
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Third Floor Conference Room 320
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rob Bates	Illinois Department of Transportation – District 2
Dennis Bockenstedt	City of LeClaire
David Dryer	City of Moline
Lisa Geiger	Rock Island County
Steve Gibson	Village of Milan
Angie Kersten	Scott County
Gary Statz	City of Davenport
Hector Torres-Cacho	Iowa Department of Transportation
Lucie VanHecke	MetroLINK

OTHERS PRESENT

Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Nevada Lemke (virtually)	City of Eldridge
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Dakin Schultz (virtually)	Federal Highway Administration – Iowa
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation

1. Approval of Minutes of the August 13, 2024 Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) Meeting. Mr. Statz requested a motion for approval of the August 13, 2024 minutes of the Transportation Technical Committee. Mr. Bates motioned to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Gibson seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Status of Project Progress Report. A verbal report will be made by committee members each quarter. Mr. Bates noted that he sent IL DOT updates prior to the meeting. Scott County’s two bridge projects are under construction and are about 60% complete. Davenport’s 53rd Street project is about 98% complete; 3rd Street from Telegraph Road to River Drive is 100% designed and let; and 4th Street with the same termini will be let in March 2025 and is 50% designed. LeClaire’s Cody Road Phase II is 100% designed and will be let in January. There were no new updates from Moline.
3. Consideration of Resolution of Support and Concurrence for Iowa Clean Air Attainment Grant Application by the Cities of Bettendorf, Davenport, Eldridge, and LeClaire. Ms. McCullough noted that a recommendation from the Transportation Policy Committee is required for an ICAAP application. The proposed project is a transit efficiency analysis that will analyze transit routes throughout and Iowa Quad Cities, as well as investigate transit viability in outlying communities of Eldridge and LeClaire. Ms. Kersten motioned to recommend approval of the resolution for the Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Bockenstedt seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Discussion of Federal Functional Classification and Reclassification. Ms. McCullough introduced the discussion relating to reviewing the federal function classification of roadways in the metropolitan planning area. It was noted that roads classified as urban collectors and above are eligible for federal funds. Noted corridors that may be considered for reclassification included Lincoln Avenue in Eldridge and 127th Avenue in Rock Island County. Comments indicated that 127th Avenue should remain on the federally classified network, as the segment carries truck traffic delivering to the nearby landfill. Those comments will be conveyed to the IL DOT.
5. Public Comments. There were no public comments
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted that comments on Bi-State's certification review were received from the FHWA, and a response was provided. A formal presentation is expected at the Transportation Policy Committee meeting in September. Ms. VanHecke shared that the Illinois Public Transportation Association hosted its annual conference at the Vibrant Arena in Moline at the beginning of the month. Approximately 250 people attended. Ms. McCullough shared that the deadline for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) is September 30. Mr. DeLille said the Illinois DOT Fall Planning Conference will be held October 2-4. Safety performance targets will be brought before the committee in January.
 - *USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>*
 - *National Culvert Removal, Replacement, & Restoration Grant Program – 9/23/24*
 - *Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program – 9/3/24*
 - *Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program 9/23/24*
7. Adjournment. Mr. Gibson motioned to adjourn. Mr. Bates seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.