

Minutes of Meeting
SATS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
January 8, 2015

ATTENDANCE

Technical Committee Voting Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nathan Bottom, Chair	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Zahrn, Vice Chair	Sangamon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Williamsen	Village of Chatham
<input type="checkbox"/>	Frank Squires	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Norm Sims	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jeff Myers*	Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT): Region 4, District 6

* Represented by Wes Clark

Technical Committee Advisors – Non-Voting Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Caldwell	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sue Graham*	IDOT: District 6: Local Roads & Streets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mike Stead	Illinois Commerce Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hanna	Springfield Airport Authority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Francesco Bedini-Jacobini	IDOT: Division of Public & Intermodal Transportation

* Represented by Russ Militello

Others

Bill Davison – Knight E/A
 Brian Davis – Sangamon County
 Stan Hansen – Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly
 Dale Lael – Village of Jerome
 Ed Dougherty – IDOT District 6 Community Liaison
 Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission
 Brian Sheehan – Regional Planning Commission

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nathan Bottom called the meeting of the SATS Technical Committee to order at 8:35 AM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –SATS Technical Committee Meeting

Chairman Bottom asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 4, 2014 Technical Committee meeting. Mike Williamsen made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Norm Sims seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

III. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)

No report was given.

IV. 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**A. ST-U Projects Update****I. Stanford Avenue (TIP # 02-2010-09)****a. 11th to Fox Bridge**

Nathan Bottom reported that the City had just awarded a contract to Hanson Professionals to do the Design/Engineering work, which would begin shortly.

b. Fox Bridge to Taylor

Nathan Bottom reported that comments have been submitted to the consultants for

review on the final plans, and will be submitted to IDOT within the next month. The land acquisition process is underway.

II. Bradfordton Road (TIP # 03-2009-01)

Tim Zahn reported there were no changes from last month.

III. Woodside Road (TIP # 03-2009-05)

Tim Zahn reported that Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly is currently undertaking road surveys.

IV. Archer Elevator Road/Iles Avenue (TIP # 02-2013-03)

Nathan Bottom reported that this project is in the preliminary engineering process including the beginning of work on the project design report (PDR). Comments have been received from IDOT, and land acquisition is expected to begin this summer.

V. FY 2016 ST-U Allotment

Linda Wheeland announced that a notification from IDOT indicated an increase in the expected allotment for ST-U funds in FY 2016. There was an increase of \$167,468 to \$1,515,046.

B. Modification 3 – Interstate 55 at Stevenson Drive

Linda Wheeland introduced Modification #3:

Administrative Modification 3 to the FY 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program November 28, 2014

I-55 Interchange at Stevenson Drive

Status of this project has changed from “Advanced Construction” to “Current” and the FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to show this change in the Advanced Construction Projects table as shown below.

AD MOD #	TIP Year	Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source	Total Cost	Date On AC List	Date Off AC List
AM 3 (FY 2014-2017 TIP) AM 3 (FY 2015-2018 TIP)	2014	I-55 Interchange	Termini: at Stevenson Drive	Ramp reconstruction	A4	HSIP (AC)	900,000	3/14/2014	11/28/2014
		State	Contract# 72F90			State	100,000		
		Interstate	TIP# 04-2014-07				\$1,000,000		

C. Modification 4 – Plummer Boulevard Trail

Linda Wheeland introduced Administrative Modification #4:

Administrative Modification 4 to the FY 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program December 17, 2014

Plummer Boulevard Multi-use Trail

Status of this project has changed from “Advance Construction” to “Current” and the FY 2015 Annual Element of the FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to remove AC from the federal funding source as shown below.

Project/Jurisdiction/Class		Description		Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source		Total Cost
1 M4	Plummer Boulevard Multi-use Trail	Termini:	Park Avenue to Gordon Drive	Construction Engineering, Construction	B57	Chatham	78,250	
	Chatham	Project#				ITAP	313,320	
	Trail	TIP#	01-2013-01					
								\$391,570

And the Advance Construction Projects table in the FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to show the date off the AC list as shown below.

AD MOD #	TIP Year	Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source	Total Cost	Date On AC List	Date Off AC List
AM 10 (FY 2013-2016 TIP)	2013	Plummer Boulevard	Termini:	PEI, PEII, Construction Engineering, Construction	A18	Chatham	87,605	7/2/2013	12/17/2014
		Multi-use Trail				ITEP (AC)	350,400		
		Chatham	Contract#						
		Trail	TIP#			01-2013-01			
							\$438,005		

V. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

A. Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT): Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning

No report was given.

B. Federal Highway Administration: IL Division Office

JD Stevenson announced that the Pavement and Bridge Performance Measures notice for proposed rule making (NPRM) had come out, and the comment deadline was April 6th. Regarding future performance measures NPRMs, Stevenson announced that the Asset Management NPRM would be out this month, and that the System Performance NPRM was tentatively scheduled to be out in March. Highway Safety Improvement Plan (HSIP) rules would be available in August, and final safety rules had a September expected completion date.

C. IDOT District 6: Local Roads and Streets (LRS)

Russ Militello stated that LRS is currently working with the IDOT central office to formalize the multiyear program from FY 2016 to FY 2019. Recommendations for the program were due the next Friday.

D. Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC)

No report was given.

E. Springfield Airport Authority

No report was given.

F. IDOT: Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation (DPIT)

Francesco Bedini-Jacobini announced that the previous day there was a meeting regarding all crossings on the 10th Street corridor from Ridgely Avenue to Ash Street, and that things appear to be moving forward as planned. Regarding the Carpenter Street underpass (TIP # 02-2014-09), there was a press release about the unearthing of remnants from an 1840's era settlement within the project area.

Francesco Bedini-Jacobini announced that a public meeting would be held in February regarding the 3rd Street corridor and environmental work. Wheeland asked if there would be separate meetings targeted to public officials and the general public, and Bedini-Jacobini stated that this was likely.

VI. AGENCY UPDATES

A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission

Norm Sims announced that IDOT would be scheduling a meeting of the Performance Measures Technical Advisory Group (including all MPOs and IDOT staff) soon, although no date has yet been set. Sims stated that in addition a Planning Commission meeting with IDOT District 6 was expected regarding safety. He also announced that Dale Schultz had left his position with the SSCRPC.

Linda Wheeland announced that staff would be meeting with FHWA for a SATS planning review on January 22nd. All SATS members were welcome to attend.

B. Springfield Mass Transit District (SMTD)

No report was given.

C. City of Springfield

No report was given.

D. Sangamon County

No report was given.

E. Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6

Wes Clark reported contracts have been awarded for the following projects from the previous letting:

- I-72 from Chatham Road to New Berlin interchange (TIP # 04-2015-01)
- I-55 from Lake Springfield bridge to Southwind Road (TIP # 04-2015-02)

F. Village of Chatham

No report was given.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 2040 LRTP Update

i. Discussion

Linda Wheeland announced that the performance targets had been updated to include suggestions from SATS members and performance measures. (For a list of the performance targets and measures as introduced at this meeting, please see Attachment #1.)

Wheeland explained that these measures are a way of evaluating how the implementation of strategies and projects in the LRTP were meeting regional goals. She asked if members had any comments on the performance targets and measures as presented.

Mike Williamsen asked if members should comment on both the performance measures and the baseline measure. JD Stevenson confirmed that this was the case. Wheeland explained that baseline measures had not been established for measures #2, #3, and #4 due to lack of

staff access to the IDOT Crash Data Portal, though Brian Davis is working on getting the data. Wheeland said that she expected this information to be available by the time the draft plan is released.

Williamsen asked about performance target 6, concerning “poor” or “structurally deficient” bridges. Wheeland noted that the full criteria for what makes a bridge “poor” or “structurally deficient” had not been established yet by SATS. JD Stevenson recommended that members look at the NPRM for performance measures regarding bridges recently released by the USDOT. He also clarified that although some performance measures are required federally, the baseline targets are up to the MPO. Norm Sims added that performance targets must be a reasonable possibility, not something that is unrealistic. Tim Zahn added that ten years ago, there were a total of 35 county bridges in all of Sangamon County that qualified for federal funding due to their being “functionally obsolete” or “structurally deficient.” This number has since been reduced to a total of 19 bridges.

Norm Sims explained that IDOT performance targets and measures had not been finalized. Although MPOs are not required to adopt the same performance measures established by the State, once the IDOT performance targets and measures have been finalized the MPO measures should be assessed regarding their integration with State targets.

Nathan Bottom asked if there was additional discussion on the SATS performance targets and measures, and there was not. Linda Wheeland added that the draft LRTP needed to be out for public review by February 2nd in order to allow a 30-day public review period by the March meeting. Nathan Bottom suggested the draft be sent to SATS members by the following Thursday, January 15th.

Mike Williamsen asked when the Committee should meet to finalize the draft LRTP. After determining that it would be unnecessary for the Policy Committee to meet on the Draft Plan if Technical Committee members conferred with their respective representative on that body on the draft document, a special meeting was called for January 28th at 8:30 am.

B. TIP Preparation Schedule

Linda Wheeland stated that this item (see Attachment #2 for the schedule itself) was on the agenda because Wes Clark had not attended the meeting when other members of the Technical Committee had approved the TIP Preparation Schedule (Attachment B). Wes Clark explained that the District did not yet have targets available for the timeframe of the next TIP, and would not have them until the following Monday at the earliest. Clark added that anything IDOT would give staff by the first Monday of March would need to be on a confidential basis, as it would precede finalization of the State TIP.

Wes Clark suggested that with the new gubernatorial administration, IDOT may have orders to not release information on the targets to anyone before March. Clark added that the Multi-Year Plan is typically expected to be published by April 1st. Clark stated that IDOT would provide information to SATS staff as soon as possible.

Russ Militello added that given that the targets are subject to change, releasing this information before the first week of March may prove to be problematic. Wheeland followed by saying that getting this information from IDOT would allow staff to be put together an initial draft TIP, then any changes on IDOT’s end could be made but the core document would be prepared. Norm Sims added that this would help expedite the process of meeting the June deadline for completion of the TIP. Clark added that he would check with the other IDOT local districts on how they plan to go about meeting the June deadline as well. However, Militello stated that the IDOT District offices had been ordered by IDOT’s Office of Planning and Programming (OPP) to not release this information. In order to make June deadlines, Nathan Bottom suggested and Thomas Caldwell

confirmed that TIP projects from the previous TIP could be used as a template to have a final document prepared with amendments made at a later date if needed. JD Stevenson stated that the June 30 deadline had been used in the past to coincide with the end of the state's fiscal year.

Norm Sims mentioned an upcoming meeting coordinated by IDOT of Illinois MPO directors to establish a procedure manual clarifying the responsibilities of both IDOT and the MPOs, including such things as document deadlines.

Tim Zahn made a motion to approve the TIP Preparation Schedule as presented. Nathan Bottom seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

C. Small Community MPO Representation (Tabled)

Chairman Bottom indicated that no SATS member had requested the Small Community MPO Representation discussion be brought off the table.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Participation Plan update

Linda Wheeland stated that this plan is updated every two years, and that work will begin shortly. Wheeland stated it will take into account any activities which may be indicated in the 2040 LRTP. Activities in which SATS engaged based on the old plan were quite productive from her perspective, as it had allowed for a lot of good feedback from the public. Wheeland suggested that members provide additional ideas for inclusion in the Public Participation Plan. In addition, Norm Sims suggested looking at what other MPOs have done in order to help determine best practices. A 45 day public review period for the Public Participation Plan is required, and the deadline for adoption is in May.

B. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 8:30 AM

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Bottom called to adjourn. Mike Williamsen made a motion to adjourn. Norm Sims seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:07 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Sheehan
Recording Secretary

Attachment #1

**SATS 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan
Performance Targets in the Springfield Metropolitan Planning Area**

PERFORMANCE TARGET		PERFORMANCE MEASURE	BASELINE MEASURE
1.	Reduce the five-year rolling average of traffic fatalities 25% by 2025.	Annual fatalities, Five-year rolling average of fatalities	Five-year rolling average in 2013 – 12.1
2.	Reduce the five-year rolling average of fatality rates 25% by 2025.	Annual fatality rate, Five-year rolling average of fatality rates	Five-year rolling average in 2013 - ?
3.	Reduce the five-year rolling average of serious injuries 25% by 2025.	Annual serious injuries, Five-year rolling average of serious injuries	Five-year rolling average in 2013 - ?
4.	Reduce the five-year rolling average of serious injury rates 25% by 2025.	Annual serious injury rate, Five-year rolling average of serious injury rates	Five-year rolling average in 2013 - ?
5.	Increase the number of SMTD passengers in FY 2014 10% by FY 2020.	Annual SMTD Ridership, % change over 2014	2014 Annual Fixed Line Ridership = 1,826,918 2014 Annual Paratransit Ridership = 63,327 Total = 1,890,245
6.	Reduce the number of road bridges in the MPA classified as “structurally deficient” to 10% by 2025.	Total number of bridges, Annual number of bridges classified as “structurally deficient”, % of bridges classified as “structurally deficient”	Total number of road bridges = 256 Bridges classified as “structurally deficient” – to be determined in 2015
7.	Build 10% of the mileage of missing links identified by SATS in the road network by 2025.	Total mileage of roadway missing links, Annual miles of missing links constructed, % mileage of missing links constructed	Total missing road links = 48 miles
8.	Build 50% of the key missing links in the Priority Pedestrian Network identified in the SATS Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan by 2020.	Number of key missing links in the PPN, Annual number of key missing links constructed, % of key missing links constructed	Of the 106 key missing links, 16 (15%) had been constructed in 2014.
9.	Complete 50% of key bicycle corridors identified by SATS that will connect citizens without vehicles to Economic Activity Centers by 2020.	Number of key bicycle corridors connecting citizens without vehicles to EACs, Annual # of corridors constructed, % of corridors constructed	These key bicycle corridors will be identified in 2015.
10.	Reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled from 2015 to 2025 by 5%.	Annual VMT, % change from 2015	Will be available after 2015.
11.	Complete 100% on-road connection of the multi-use trails existing in 2014 by 2020.	Connections between the Lost Bridge Trail, Interurban Trail, Wabash Trail, and Sangamon Valley Trail	Connection between the Interurban Trail and the Wabash Trail is complete.
12.	Complete upgrades to the high-speed rail corridor, including the 3 rd Street rail line in Springfield, by July 2017.	Upgrades completed	Projects identified in the 2040 LRTP.
13.	Consolidate the 3 rd Street rail line on the 10 th Street corridor by 2030.	3 rd Street rail line abandoned and consolidated on 10 th Street corridor	Projects identified in 2040 LRTP. Carpenter Street underpass is under construction.
14.	Provide transit service to all economic activity centers by 2020.	Transit service to the eight identified EACs	Transit service is available to the Central City EAC, MacArthur Junction EAC, North Dirksen EAC, South Dirksen EAC, and South Veterans EAC.

Attachment #2

Proposed SATS TIP Preparation Schedule

1 st Monday in February	Staff sends spreadsheets with current TIP projects to members
1 st Monday in March	Spreadsheets with TIP projects for next TIP are returned to staff
2 nd Monday in April	Draft TIP document is sent to Technical Committee members for review
4 th Monday in April	Members send any changes to staff
ASAP	Draft TIP is made available for public review
30 days+ later	Public comment period ends
1 st Thursday in June	Public information meeting is held, all public comments are addressed
2 nd Thursday in June	TIP adopted
June 30 th	Final TIP submitted to IDOT