

Minutes of Meeting
SATS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
June 6, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Technical Committee Voting Members

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

* Represented by Brian Davis

** Represented by Sal Madonia

Technical Committee Advisors – Non-Voting

<input type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Caldwell	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terry Fountain*	IDOT: District 6: Local Roads and Streets
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Stead	Illinois Commerce Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hanna**	Springfield Airport Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diana Nevitt	IDOT: Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation

* Represented by Kim Cummins

** Represented by Roger Blickensderfer

Others

Jim Moll - Hanson
Stan Hansen – Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc.
Bill Davison – Knight E/A
Tim Landis – State Journal-Register
Kevin Kuhn – Kuhn and Trello
Rob Winchester – Village of Jerome
Elliott McKinley – Springfield Park District
Mohammed Kadir – IDOT District 6
Neha Soni – Regional Planning Commission
Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission
Dale Schultz – Regional Planning Commission
Brian Sheehan – Regional Planning Commission

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Frank Squires called the meeting of the SATS Technical Committee to order at 8:30 AM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –SATS Technical Committee Meeting

Squires asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 2nd, 2013 Technical Committee meeting. Norm Sims made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Brian Davis seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

III. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

A. Emergency Services Route Map

Linda Wheeland stated that the Emergency Services Route Map had been put together by SSCRPC staff with assistance from David Butt of the Sangamon County Office of Emergency Management to identify corridors important to the delivery of public emergency services. Wheeland explained that many SATS members had been taking some time to look over said routes and that she was looking for comments that

anyone may have had on the map.

Sal Madonia said that he and some of his staff had looked over the map and noticed that the roads generally corresponded to roads that are already under IDOT’s jurisdiction, including many that are part of the National Highway System (NHS). Wheeland asked Nathan Bottom if the City of Springfield was ok with the map, and Bottom confirmed that they were. Wheeland explained further that the map did not merely cover the SATS planning area but the entirety of Sangamon County in order to consider access to and from rural areas as well.

Sims made a motion to recommend approval of the Emergency Services Route Map to the Policy Committee. Sal Madonia seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

IV. FY 2013-2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

A. Administrative Modification #5 (SMTD Off-Street Transfer Center)

Linda introduced Administrative Modification #5 which was further explained by Frank Squires (below).

Administrative modifications to the TIP are made by staff and do not require a vote by SATS. Adding a project to the Illustrative Projects List indicates a project is a high priority although funding has not been secured.

The following project is added as an Other Illustrative Project (separate from the ST-U Prioritized Illustrative Projects):

SPRINGFIELD MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT OFF-STREET TRANSFER CENTER

The construction of an off-street transfer center for the Springfield Mass Transit District mainline public bus service is long overdue. Currently there are two areas where SMTD buses converge so passengers can transfer between buses. During the daytime the transfer point is located on-street with buses parking along a two block area of 5th Street between Monroe Street and Jackson Street and on Capitol Avenue between 4th Street and 5th Street. This causes traffic congestion in the area and a safety issue for passengers needing to cross Capitol Avenue to board their next bus. The nighttime transfer point is also located on-street on the south side of Washington Street between 5th Street and 6th Street. Street closures related to downtown events can require the relocation of the transfer points at times and a general disruption of service. With plans to consolidate the 3rd Street rail line to the 10th Street corridor and relocation of the Amtrak station to follow, the situation is right for the Springfield Mass Transit District to create an off-street transfer center with plans to develop multi-modal connections.

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class		Location	Action/Comments	Total Cost			Anticipated Year
24	Off-Street Transfer Center	Between 9th Street & 10th Street and	Demolition, Design, Construction	SMTD	1,000,000	\$23,452,000	2014
	SMTD	Washington Street & Adams Street		FTA 5309	3,192,000		
				IDOT TDC	3,210,000		
	Urban Transit			Other	16,050,000		

B. Administrative Modification #6 (Springfield Safety Projects)

Linda Wheeland introduced Administrative Modification #6 which was further explained by Nathan Bottom (below).

The following projects are added as Other Illustrative Projects (separate from the ST-U Prioritized

Illustrative Projects):

SPRINGFIELD SAFETY PROJECTS

The City of Springfield has identified three priority projects for safety improvements. These are the two high accident intersections on Lawrence at MacArthur and at Walnut as well as the busy Koke Mill Road corridor from Hedley to Old Jacksonville Road.

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class	Location	Action/Comments		Anticipated Year
25 Lawrence & MacArthur Springfield Minor Arterial Principal Arterial	Intersection	Add left turn lanes Signal Modernization Sidewalks	\$600,000	2014
26 Lawrence & Walnut Springfield Minor Arterials	Intersection	Add left turn lanes Signal Modernization Sidewalks	\$600,000	2014
27 Koke Mill Road Springfield Minor Arterial	Hedley Road to Old Jacksonville Road	Flashing yellow left turn lanes Back plate and reflective tape	\$125,000	2014

C. Administrative Modification #7 (Springfield – Chatham Road Bridge)

Linda Wheeland introduced Administrative Modification #7 (below). Wheeland explained that if a project's funding status has changed to "Advanced Construction," it must be identified as such in the TIP.

CHATHAM ROAD BRIDGE

Status of this project has changed to "Advanced Construction" and the FY 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to add AC to the federal funding source as shown below.

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
3 Chatham Road Bridge (FAU 8006) Springfield Minor Arterial	Termini: Structure No. 084-3041 0.3 miles north of Wabash Avenue Project# TIP# 02-2011-05	ROW Acquisition, Utility Relocation, C & CE for Bridge Replacement	Springfield STP-Br (AC)	589,000 2,356,000 \$2,945,000

D. Amendment #19 (Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway – Interpretive Statute)

Linda Wheeland introduced Amendment #19 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway promotes the fun and memorable experiences to be found along Historic Route 66 and provides information on the unique people, places, and stories of Route

66 through wayside exhibits; and

WHEREAS, Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway has received Federal Scenic Byway funding for an interpretive statue to be located in Rt. 66/Veterans Park in Sherman and requests that the FY-2014 Annual Element of the FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A20 Illinois Route 66 Interpretive Statue Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway Principal Arterial	Termini: Rt. 66/Veterans Park in Sherman	Interpretive Statue	Federal Scenic Byway	12,292
			DCEO	3,073
	Project#:			
	TIP#: 19-2014-01			
				\$15,365

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

Norm Sims made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment #19 to the Policy Committee. Sal Madonia seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

E. Amendment #20 (Riverton – Safe Routes to School Project)

Linda Wheeland introduced Amendment #20 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Riverton desires to provide safe travel routes for students walking and biking to school; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a Safe Routes to School grant and requests that the FY-2014 Annual Element of the FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A20 Safe Routes to School Project Riverton Sidewalks	Termini: Various	Sidewalk construction Speed feedback signs Bike racks	Riverton	20,871
			SRTS	250,000
	Project#:			
	TIP#: 09-2014-01			
				\$270,871

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

Sal Madonia made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment #20 to the Policy Committee. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

F. Amendment #21 (SMART – Operating Revenue)

Linda Wheeland introduced Amendment #21 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County is the lead county for Sangamon/Menard Area Regional Transit (SMART) which will provide demand-response transit service to all of Menard County and the rural areas of Sangamon County, including part of the Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County has received Section 5311 Non-Metro Public Transportation Program funding to begin providing rural transportation to all of Menard County and the rural areas of Sangamon County; and

WHEREAS, matching funds are available through Menard County’s Downstate Operating Assistance Program grant and local sources; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County requests that the FY-2013 Annual Element of the FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A21 SMART Operating Revenue Sangamon County Rural Transit	Description: Overview of Operations Revenue	General breakdown of revenue projections for the fiscal year	Fares	1,922
			Other	20,562
	Project#		State Assistance	99,000
	TIP# 07-2013-01		FTA 5311	132,108
				\$253,592

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

G. Amendment #22 (SMART – Downstate Capital Initiative Projects)

Linda Wheeland introduced Amendment #22 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County is the lead county for Sangamon/Menard Area Regional Transit (SMART) which will provide demand-response transit service to all of Menard County and the rural area of Sangamon County, including part of the Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County has received a Downstate Capital Initiative grant to create transfer centers/bus stops in three outlying communities; to acquire a super medium duty bus, a medium duty bus, a light duty bus, and four minivans; to purchase scheduling software and magnetic card swipe hardware and software; and to purchase office equipment and vehicle maintenance equipment and parts; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County requests that the FY-2013 Annual Element of the FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A22 SMART Downstate Capital Initiative Projects Sangamon County Rural Transit	Description: Initial capital projects for start-up of rural transit service in Sangamon and Menard Counties	Transfer Centers/Bus stops Seven Paratransit Vehicles ITS Equipment Office & Maintenance Equipment	Downstate Combined	270,000
	Project#		IJN/DTIF Capital Program	380,000
	TIP# 07-2013-02			118,000
				42,135
				\$810,135

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

Norm Sims made a motion to consolidate Amendments #21 and #22. Brian Davis seconded the motion and the vote to recommend combination was unanimous.

Norm Sims made a motion to recommend approval of Amendments #21 and #22 to the Policy Committee. Sal Madonia seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

H. Amendment #23 (SMTD – Transit Buses)

Frank Squires introduced Amendment #23 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District fleet is in need of replacement buses; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District has received a Downstate Capital Initiative grant to purchase ten 35-foot buses; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District requests that the FY-2013 Annual Element of the FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A23 35-foot Transit Buses	Description: Purchase 10 replacement buses	These will be clean emission buses.	Downstate Combined IJN/DTIF Capital Program	4,200,000
SMTD	Project#			
Urban Transit	TIP# 06-2013-08			\$4,200,000

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

Norm Sims made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment #23 to the Policy Committee. Brian Davis seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

I. Amendment #24 (SMTD – ITS Equipment)

Frank Squires introduced Amendment #24 (below).

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2013-2016 on October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District needs to update the way passengers pay fares to ride the mainline bus system and the way system data is processed; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District has received a Downstate Capital Initiative grant to purchase intelligent technology systems to modernize fare collection and data collection; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Mass Transit District requests that the FY-2013 Annual Element of the

FY/2013-2016 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A23 ITS Equipment	Description: Validating Fare Boxes, Ticket Machines, Data System & Vault	Modernize fare collection and data collection	Downstate Combined IJN/DTIF Capital Program	1,430,000
	Project#			
	TIP# 06-2013-11			
SMTD				
Urban Transit				\$1,430,000

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

Brian Davis made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment #24 to the Policy Committee. Nathan Bottom seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

V. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

A. Illinois Department of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning

No report was given.

B. Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office

No report was given.

C. Illinois Department of Transportation: Local Roads and Streets

Kim Cummins introduced Mohammed Kadir, an engineer with two years' experience at IDOT, working with the Local Roads and Streets division this month. Cummins announced that the next cycle of ITEP funding had opened for solicitation, with applications for funding due by August 20th of this year. Cummins explained that the application guidelines had changed significantly since the last cycle, particularly that projects involving streetscaping only would not be accepted. Cummins stated that specific information on the guidelines may be found on IDOT's website.

D. Illinois Commerce Commission

No report was given.

E. Springfield Airport Authority

Roger Blickensderfer announced that two FY 2012 federally funded projects would be commencing shortly, the first being the extension of Taxiway Yankee from its current terminus to improve connections with the main runway, which Blickensderfer announced would use \$2 million. This would include relocation of the perimeter road in order to better ensure that vehicles using it remain at a safe distance from aircraft. This project has been contracted out to Truman Flatt.

Blickensderfer also announced that the Airport Authority would be finishing its replacement of the existing perimeter fencing of 6 to 8 feet in height with a uniform 10 foot height around the entirety of the airport. The portions of this fence built in Phases 2 and 3 include a portion buried 2 feet under the ground, in order to discourage smaller animals from digging a hole that would allow access to airport grounds and possibly causing disruptions to aircraft operations. Notice to proceed on this project would begin on July 8, which has been contracted out to Iowa-based Lovewell Construction.

F. Illinois Department of Transportation: Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation

No report was given.

VI. AGENCY UPDATES

A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission

Norm Sims began by first congratulating Vice Chair Bottom on his permanent promotion to City Engineer with the City of Springfield.

Sims gave an update on the Transportation Alternatives program created under MAP-21, regarding how funds would be allocated to MPOs as well as jurisdictions in the state of Illinois located outside MPA boundaries. Sims stated that allocations to Transportation Management Areas (TMAs), which include all MPOs of above 200,000 in population that are at least partially in Illinois (as federally required), would include dedicated funding proportionally tied to the number of persons residing in the Illinois portion of TMA boundaries. MPOs that do not meet this population threshold will not receive a similar suballocation. Jurisdictions in these areas will have to compete statewide as in the past. Jurisdictions in TMAs already guaranteed money are also eligible to compete for the statewide funds. It is unclear how performance measures will be applied in a statewide competitive grant environment.

Linda Wheeland announced that annual agreements had been sent to SATS members and that the agreements need to be signed and returned by the end of June, before the start of the next fiscal year on July 1. Wheeland also announced that the Rural Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, for which the Planning Commission had received a Rural Transportation Planning grant, was available in draft format for public review after one year of work on the project. The period of public review for this document lasts until July 15.

Wheeland also announced, in conjunction with a flyer given to meeting attendees (*see Attachment 1*), that public input meetings for the inaugural Illinois Bike Transportation Plan would be held throughout the state between July 9th and July 25th, including meetings to be held on July 17th at Lincoln Library in Springfield. One meeting at 2pm will be geared toward transportation professionals, with another at 6:30 pm in the evening geared toward the general public.

Dale Schultz announced that work is being done with the consultant for the Travel Demand Model (TDM), with data being exchanged both ways, and Schultz stated that although the consultant had been able to download 2012 Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) data from IDOT's website, they would be interested in any traffic count data that may have been created since the SATS TDM was last updated. Wheeland asked Nathan Bottom if the City of Springfield had recently done any traffic counts, and Bottom stated that he would have to check with his staff to be sure.

B. Springfield Mass Transit District

No report was given.

C. City of Springfield

Nathan Bottom announced that the Chatham Road bridge is on for the June 14th letting and will be done in two phases (first the west side, then the east side of the bridge), and would include a sanitary sewer relocation. Bottom also announced that the City's overlay program was continuing with work on Old Jacksonville Road and Koke Mill Road, and that concrete work would be done at Parkway Pointe and other locations west of Veterans Parkway, including some on and near Lawrence Avenue.

Bottom mentioned that work on the sidewalk program had been completed on Yale Boulevard and that new work would be begin shortly in areas of the City south of Ash Street and east of 11th Street.

Norm Sims noted that an intergovernmental agreement between the State of Illinois, Sangamon County, and the City of Springfield to start preliminary engineering on the 10th Street rail corridor, had been

established. Bottom confirmed the agreement had been approved by City Council the previous Tuesday night. Sims then mentioned that he had recently seen an article in the State Journal-Register regarding the City of Springfield applying for TIGER funds for an underpass under the 10th Street rail line, which Bottom clarified was for Carpenter Street. Bottom stated that the City had submitted the application in advance of the June 3rd deadline, and had received letters of support from members of State House and Senate, Sangamon County, the Illinois Commerce Commission, and medical institutions in the Mid-Illinois Medical District.

D. Sangamon County

Brian Davis announced that the County is in the process of replacing a bridge on New City Road, just east of Pawnee Road at the southern edge of the MPA, for which Sangamon County had received many questions due to its impact on access to Sangchris Lake State Park. Davis stated that completion was expected by mid-July as a result of recent weather-induced high-water levels that had delayed construction efforts.

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

Sal Madonia reported on three projects, the first being the completion of sidewalk, striping, and signage work at Clear Lake and Dirksen, which despite being hampered by weather issues has an expected completion date of mid-July. Regarding a project near the intersection of Veterans Parkway and Jefferson Street, Madonia stated that 25 percent of the work had been completed, specifically with joint repair on three bridges complete, with replacement of raised medians to begin shortly. Repaving of the asphalt pavement is set to begin in mid-July.

The third project, which Madonia announced will begin about June 10th, involves work on four bridge structures on Veterans Parkway including a railroad overpass between Interstate 72 and Lindbergh Boulevard.

Sims asked Madonia if there was a follow-up project done by the City of Springfield regarding additional work near Clear Lake and Dirksen, and Madonia said that IDOT had made some modifications to the medians on Clear Lake to the east and west of Dirksen to allow for future landscaping. Bottom followed by stating that the City had received a grant for landscaping on Clear Lake Avenue but it was on the segment between 11th Street and Martin Luther King Drive.

F. Village of Chatham

No report was given.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Small Community MPO Representation (Tabled)

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

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Curb Your Car Week Report

Dale Schultz followed up on Curb Your Car Week by reporting on the winners of the Curb Your Car team based competitions, by announcing the winners for the small (Memorial Health System

SportsCare), medium (Illinois Commerce Commission), and large employers (Illinois Department of Revenue) who participated. Schultz reported on a group bike ride that took place on Wednesday of Curb Your Car Week, which was led by the Lieutenant Governor and members of the Springfield Bicycle Club. Teams from the SMTD and FHWA took group photos (the latter as part of a nationwide competition within the FHWA), and JD Stevenson further clarified that May was the FHWA's Bike to Work month, with several teams participating.

As part of a final tally, Schultz announced that 20 employers in total had participated, and the total increased to 29 when counting individual participants whose employers did not participate as a team. A total of 185 participants "curbed their cars" a total of 567 days, for 4,512 miles in total one-way trips traveled via active transportation, surpassing the totals from the 2012 edition of Curb Your Car.

B. 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Linda Wheeland announced that staff has started work on the 2014-2017 TIP, and announced that spreadsheets had been sent out to all SATS jurisdictions, requesting a list of all relevant projects to be included in the TIP, of which half have been received. Wheeland said that once all the spreadsheets are received the TIP document can begin to be put together.

C. Accelerated Construction Projects in TIP

Wheeland, in clarifying the reason for making the third administrative modification to the current TIP based on a project being changed to "Advance Construction" status, announced that staff had received an 18-page user guide from IDOT on how to handle Advance Construction (AC) changes to the TIP. An automatic notification system has been developed by IDOT to send information to MPOs each Friday for projects that have been changed from "Current" to "Advance Construction" status or vice versa. These changes must be indicated in the TIP through an administrative modification.

JD Stevenson followed by saying that the guide and notification system were created by IDOT in response to an effort by FHWA to inform MPOs and participating jurisdictions when a project has been converted to the AC status and to have this reflected in the TIP. Stevenson clarified that AC is a financial tool that can be used by IDOT to preserve project eligibility for federal funds after initial payment by IDOT. Without the use of the administrative modification, Stevenson explained, knowledge of when a project had been "ACed" was largely restricted to FHWA and the IDOT central office.

Wheeland said that the automatic AC notification system includes a very basic message, just a TIP number and project location. She noted that in the future she will notify the relevant jurisdiction when a notice is received on one of their projects. Kim Cummins and Sal Madonia both stated that neither of them are informed when these changes occur, due to the knowledge of change in project status being largely limited to FHWA and the IDOT central office.

D. INVEST Presentation

Wheeland announced that a few months previous staff had attended a webinar by FHWA regarding an online tool called the Infrastructure Voluntary Evaluation Sustainability Tool (INVEST) created to assess the sustainability of transportation design, construction, and planning projects. To illustrate how INVEST could be used and sustainability could be incorporated into a transportation project, Neha Soni created a conceptual project using the segment of Peoria Road from Sangamon Avenue to Wood Avenue as an example. This corridor was chosen for several characteristics identified in INVEST including historic significance, transit service, the State Fairgrounds, and opportunities to improve bicycle and pedestrian travel.

Soni gave a 20-minute presentation on how this example project would score using the INVEST rating system.

E. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, July 11, 2013 at 8:30 AM

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Squires called to adjourn. Sal Madonia made a motion to adjourn. Nathan Bottom seconded the motion and the vote to adjourn was unanimous.

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:33 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Sheehan
Recording Secretary



Illinois Bike Transportation Plan

Transforming Transportation for Tomorrow

Meeting for Transportation Professionals

IDOT is soliciting feedback from engineers, planners, city administrators, and others working to build and maintain the transportation network in communities throughout Illinois. Participants will explore IDOT's complete streets policy and procedures for selecting bicycle accommodations in State projects. Discussions will examine what elements are working well and what challenges communities experience when installing bike-friendly facilities.

About the Plan

Illinois Department of Transportation is developing the first ever Statewide bicycle transportation plan, and your input is needed. Attend a public meeting to share your ideas on bicycling as a transportation option in Illinois.

The final plan will serve as a bike improvements policy and action plan with specific recommendations that will help IDOT make its goal of transforming transportation for tomorrow a reality.

Topics covered in the plan will include the following:

- Bicycling related planning and policy
- Bikeway safety, design and maintenance
- Regional-scale bikeway network
- Bikeway implementation and prioritization guidelines
- State bicycling performance measures
- Education, outreach, and enforcement
- Funding

Optional meeting RSVP:
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ILBikePlanRSVP>

Chicago

Tuesday, July 9th, 1-3 PM
CMAP Offices in Willis Tower (RSVP required)
233 South Wacker Drive, Chicago

DeKalb

Monday, July 15th, 1-3 PM
Location TBD
Location TBD

Peoria

Tuesday, July 16th, 1-3 PM
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission
211 Fulton Street, Peoria

Springfield

Wednesday, July 17th, 2-4 PM
Lincoln Library, Springfield's Public Library
326 S. 7th Street, Springfield

Champaign-Urbana

Thursday, July 18, 1-3 PM
Champaign County Regional Planning Commission
1776 East Washington Street, Urbana

St. Louis/Metro East

Monday, July 22nd, 1-3 PM
Metro East Parks and Recreation District
104 United Drive, Collinsville, IL

Quad Cities

Tuesday, July 23rd, 2-4 PM
Moline Public Library
3210 41st Street, Moline

Rockford

Thursday, July 25th, 3-5 PM
Regional Design Center
315 N. Main Street, Rockford

Online

Tuesday, July 30th, Noon-1 PM
Register at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ILBikePlanRSVP>

NOTE: will be adding southern IL meeting

For more information on the Illinois Bike Transportation Plan visit: <http://illinoisbikeplan.com>

