

**SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING**

***Thursday, November 10, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.***

A special meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization’s (APO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022. Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson presided with the following people in attendance:

In-Person TAC Members:

Michael Kedrowski	Saint Cloud Metro Bus
Jon Noerenberg	City of Waite Park
Jodi Teich	Stearns County
Randy Sabart	City of Saint Joseph
Steve Voss	MnDOT
Jarod Griffith	City of Sauk Rapids
Kari Theisen	City of Sartell
Tom Cruikshank	MnDOT
Mike Ginnaty	MnDOT
David Roedel	Sherburne County
Cheryl Malikowski	City of Saint Cloud
Matt Glaesman	City of Saint Cloud
Mark Loidolt	Benton County

Non-Member In-Person Attendees:

Vicki Johnson	APO, Senior Planner
Brian Gibson	APO, Executive Director
Alex McKenzie	APO, Associate Planner
Erik Kappelman	SRF Consulting
Craig Vaughn	Transportation Collaborative
Rob Schiffer	Metro Analytics

Zoom Attendees

Jeff Lenz	MnDOT
Alen Lau	SRF Consulting
James Stapfer	APO, Planning Technician

Introductions were made.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No members of the public were present.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approve minutes of Sept. 29, 2022, TAC meeting
- b. Receive staff report of Oct. 6, 2022, Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP-3) Meeting

- c. Receive staff report of Oct. 13, 2022, Policy Board meeting
- d. Consideration of administrative modification to the Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

***Ms. Teich made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items. Mr. Kedrowski seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

### **Consideration of the 2050 socio-economic forecasts and TAZ distribution**

Mr. Vaughn presented the socio-economic data that is being updated in preparation for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) that the APO updates every five years. Mr. Kappelman summarized the 2050 socio-economic model data update process taken for travel demand modeling. Initial estimates are based on the 2015-2045 land use changes. Mr. Vaughn summarized the stakeholder feedback. Maps and data outputs were recirculated for review with all stakeholders agreeing with finalized estimates.

### **Consideration of 2020 model and calibration results**

Mr. Schiffer summarized the travel demand model including trip generation, trip distribution, mode choice, trip assignment, and calibration/validation. The year 2020 was the 'base year' for calibration and validation but COVID required consideration of traffic counts for 2021. Next steps include finalizing the 2050 socio-economic data forecasts, conducting a 2050 model run, and documenting 2020/2050 data development model refinements, calibration and validation. Mr. Gibson clarified the APO has a calibrated model and 2050 socio-economic forecast and that Mr. Schiffner will combine the two to provide the APO with a 2050 no-build forecast to identify projects for the 2050 MTP.

***Mr. Glaesman made a motion to approve the calibration results. Mr. Kedrowski seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

### **Consideration of preliminary FY 2023 and FY 2024-2026 ATP-3 ATP Managed Program Funding Changes**

Mr. Voss presented on the increase in funding and summarized the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) highlights. IIJA was signed into law Nov. 15, 2022. IIJA resulted in significant increases in transportation funding to Minnesota. From 2022-2026, \$4.5B to Minnesota and \$300M for the bridge formula program is expected. MnDOT's Programming Update Workgroup (PUW) was established to review and respond to changes and other requirements that may affect the distribution and use of federal funding to MnDOT and the ATPs. Mr. Voss summarized the FY2022 appropriations. Mr. Voss summarizes the 2023, 2024-2026 approach for balancing programming. Mr. Voss noted for authorized Advance

Construction (AC) projects in 2023 future AC Payback amounts in years 2024 through 2026 could be moved up.

### **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modification Procedures**

Ms. Johnson summarized TIP amendments and administrative modification process and procedures. Changes fall into three different categories: amendments, administrative modifications, and technical corrections (typos). All amendments must go through a 30-day public comment period and receive a recommendation from the TAC and approval from the APO Policy Board. Ms. Johnson developed a TIP amendment schedule to ensure all documents are received in a timely manner. Email notifications are sent to TAC reps regarding modifications and amendments. All projects within the STIP located within the APO's planning area must go through the APO planning process to avoid delays. Mr. Gibson noted that you need to notify Ms. Johnson if you have any project changes.

### **Other Business and Announcements**

The surface transportation block plant program is currently out and should be sent to Ms. Johnson by Jan. 9. Ms. Johnson will provide preliminary reviews if needed if you send to her by the end of Dec. LLP solicitation is also out. Ms. Johnson noted that starting in 2023 the Policy Board will meet in November.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.