

SALT LAKE AREA TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

March 24, 2010

2:30 – 4:30 PM, West Valley Cultural Center

MEETING SUMMARY

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Meeting Summary	Keith Ludwig, vice-chair, conducted the meeting in the absence of Brad Gilson. Meeting summaries of January 27 and February 24, 2010 were presented for comment and approval.	Approved
2. Traffic Management Sub-committee Report	Jeff LaMora summarized the TMC meeting of March 15. The TOC is now staffed 24/7. Plans for 2010 include upgrade of over 150 traffic signals in the county.	Information only
3. TIP Business	<p><u>Project Status Report</u> – Ben Wuthrich of WFRC distributed spreadsheets of the existing Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation/ Air Quality (CMAQ) programs noting that the available funds for CMAQ in 2016 totaled approximately \$7.0M and that the total amount for the urban STP funds also totaled around \$7.0M.</p> <p><u>Board Modifications to the 2015 TIP</u> – Ben mentioned that the Regional Council received one request from UDOT to increase the funding for the I-80; State Street to 1300 East project. Funding was made available from favorable bids and construction cost savings on various projects.</p> <p><u>2011-2016 TIP Schedule</u> - Ben reviewed the time line for the 2011-2016 TIP. He mentioned that the STP and CMAQ project submittals will be presented at today’s meeting for a recommendation of projects to go to the COG’s and Trans Com for recommendation and approval from the Regional Council. Once the Draft STP and CMAQ programs are approved, they will be combined with the other programs creating the draft 2011-2016 TIP. Trans Com will then approve the document to go out for public review and comment during the month of July. A draft conformity determination will accompany the TIP. The TAC’s, COG’s, Trans Com and WFRC Council will review any comments and the final document before the Regional Council will take action for approval in August. The projects will then be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and sent to FHWA/FTA for review and approval by Oct. 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Information only</p> <p>Approved</p>
4. CMAQ Projects	<p>Kip Billings of WFRC reviewed the submitted CMAQ projects and distributed a summary and ranking of the projects. The Sandy TOD project is not eligible for CMAQ funding and was moved to the STP list for consideration. The 10600 S/1300 E intersection project was also not eligible for CMAQ funds because it added capacity for thru traffic. The intersection project at 9000 S/Bangerter was removed from the list because it is already funded. Following field review of all projects, two intersection projects in Holladay were moved from the STP request list to CMAQ. This brought the total cost of CMAQ requests to \$14.4M with only \$7.0M available.</p> <p>Kip noted some concerns with several of the projects. Two park and ride lots proposed on Wasatch Blvd. and Fort Union Blvd. directly benefit the ski resorts, but there was not any financial participation from the resorts for these improvements. Also, the need for the park and ride lot at 8000 W/3500 S was questioned given that the recently opened lot nearby at 5600 W was underutilized. And finally, the estimated emission benefits for the trail project in Draper were very small for the \$3.0M investment.</p> <p>After discussing several options, the committee recommended the 6200 S/Holladay Blvd intersection project (cost \$1.3M), the Tooele (Stansbury Park) Park and Ride lot (cost \$1.1 M), Cottonwood Heights Fort Union Park and Ride (Cost \$1.4M), and additional funding for the UTA</p>	Approved

	Rideshare (cost \$0.3M), UTA Van Pool (cost \$0.3), and the UDOT ATMS System (cost \$2M). The resulting list of recommended projects totals \$6.6M with any remaining funds to be carried over to 2017 CMAQ program.	
5. STP Projects	<p>Ben Wuthrich of WFRC distributed a summary of the submitted projects sorted by project type and criteria ranking. Ben reminded the committee that the project ranking is only one tool available to the committee for selecting projects for the draft programs. The evaluation criteria ranking is not the final decision as to which projects should be recommended to the COG and Trans Com. Field reviews of the projects are another important factor. Ben then reviewed the merits and concerns with each project. The submitted project costs far exceed the \$7.0M available.</p> <p>Several suggestions were made as to how to select the few projects that could be recommended with the limited funds available. Steve Call of FHWA recommended strongly that the committee not program more projects than funds would allow. Several project sponsors noted that their projects could be built in phases at cost increments less than the total amount requested. One suggestion was to fully fund several smaller projects and then carry the remaining funds forward to establish a larger pool of funds for next year. Another suggestion was to fund the top scoring project for each project type.</p> <p>After considering several options, the committee agreed to recommend the following projects totaling \$7.0M: Cottonwood Heights Highland Drive project (Capacity) - \$1.7M, partially fund the UDOT Region 2 Auxiliary lane/ ramp improvement on SR-201 (Capacity) - \$2.2M, intersection project in Sandy City at 10600 So and 1300 East (Operations) - \$1.0M, partially fund Taylorsville's Redwood Road access control and Beautification project(Other) - \$2.0M, and a study in Taylorsville on 4700 South from 2200 W beyond 2700 W (Other) - \$0.1M.</p>	Approved
6. Other	<p>Thanks to Keith Ludwig (Midvale City) for providing refreshments.</p> <p>Keith suggested that next year the TIP evaluation process should note the year that a project is first submitted for consideration in the program.</p>	Information only
7. Next Meeting	<p>May 26th, 2010</p> <p>Refreshments courtesy of Bluffdale City.</p>	Information only

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