

MEETING MINUTES

Funding Committee Meeting – February 9, 2016 at 9:00 AM
Novi Public Library
45255 W. Ten Mile Road Novi, MI

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson David Evancoe called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Mr. Evancoe thanked the City of Novi for hosting the meeting. Attendees then introduced themselves.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Evancoe asked if anyone present would like to make a public comment on any items not already on the agenda. Mr. Young, Lyon Township Supervisor, spoke regarding the need to pave Currie Road from 8 Mile to 10 Mile. Mr. Evancoe said RCOC would look forward to discussing this potential project with Mr. Young in the future.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 3-10-2015 FUNDING COMMITTEE MEETING

Mr. Evancoe referred the committee to the minutes from the 3-10-2015 FAC Funding Committee meeting (included in the agenda packet) and asked if anyone had any additions, changes or deletions. No changes were requested.

Motion by Mr. Schafer, supported by Mr. Huotari, to approve the minutes of the 3-10-2015 Federal Aid Funding Committee meeting. **Motion Carried.**

IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Mr. Evancoe provided revised STPU targets which were received from SEMCOG in November 2015, which was after our October Task Force meeting. Oakland County's targets were revised downward. The revised targets show that at this time we are over programmed for FY2017 and FY2018. Since new federal funding under the new FAST Act is expected to increase these targets, it was decided to not make any changes until the May meeting of the Funding Committee. It is expected that new targets should be available by May.

V. REPORT FROM SEMCOG

Mr. Brudzinski, SEMCOG, gave a brief update on the new TIP (FY2017-2020). He indicated that it is on track to be approved before FY2017 begins.

Mr. Brudzinski then gave a presentation on the details of the new federal funding program, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act) which was passed in December 2015. FAST Act is a 5 year bill which will allow for better planning than what we were able to do with the past shorter term bills. What we had known in the past as the Surface Transportation Program (STP) is now referred to as the Surface Transportation Program Block Grant (STPBG), which will include various other programs such as TAP grants. TAP grants will not exist as an independent program. It is expected that 10% of the STPBG target will be set aside for TAP projects. The general sense is that the STPBG program will increase the flexibility of what the funding can be used for. At this time, FHWA has not released any targets for the new program; therefore there are no state or local targets for us to be working with yet. Preliminary indication is that there will be an initial 6% increase in funding for the first year, then level off to a 2% per year increase through 2020. This is an improvement from our recent decline in federal funding for highways. Mr. Brudzinski also discussed a new funding category for freight along urban freight corridors.

VI. REPORT FROM MDOT

Mr. Harbison, MDOT, started by introducing Lynnette Firman and Pamela Blazo. Ms. Firman has taken over the responsibilities of recently retired Gonzalo Puente. She will be obligating all federal aid funds for our projects. Ms. Blazo is MDOT's new Safety Engineer for the urban area.

Mr. Harbison discussed that the FAST Act has added the NACTO Urban Streets Design Guide to the list of appropriate design manuals to use for Federally-funded projects. However, he stated that Michigan's FHWA division has not yet approved this change. Until further notice, all federal-aid work in Michigan must be per AASHTO or MDOT guidelines.

Mr. Harbison informed the group of the new State of Michigan law that pavement warranties will be required on projects that use Act 51 funds if one of the following applies: total construction costs (not including PE and CE) exceed \$2 million, the project is a reconstruction or the project is a new road. A warranty program for counties needs to be submitted to the state by April 1, 2016. The deadline for cities and villages is February 2017. The County Road Association has been involved in creating a warranty program for counties in Michigan.

VII. 2016 PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

Mr. Evancoe requested each community with a 2016 federal-aid project to provide an update on the status of each project. The following table lists those updates:

2016 PROJECT	LIMITS	AGENCY	STATUS AS OF OCT 2015	STATUS AS OF FEB 2016
PAVE GRAVEL				
Clyde Rd	Tipsico Lake to E of Hickory Ridge	RCOC	AC and ACC in 2015	Construction underway
URBAN TO RURAL TRANSFER				
Rochester Rd	Gerst to Boardman	RCOC	Obligate early 2016	April Bid Let
RRR/4R				
S Main St	10 Mile to Lincoln	Royal Oak	GI late 2015	May Bid Let
13 Mile Rd	Farmington to Orchard Lake	Farmington Hills	Feb bid letting	Bids received 2-5-2016
E Commerce Rd	Main to E of Summit	Milford Village	Dec bid letting	Bid awarded 2-8-16. CON to begin April 4
Maple Rd	Farmington to Orchard Lake	RCOC	Obligate early 2016	June Bid Let
Maple Rd	Drake to Farmington	RCOC	Obligate early 2016	June Bid Let
Lincoln Ave	Greenfield to Coolidge	Oak Park	Spring bid letting	April Bid Let
13 Mile Rd	Haggerty to Halsted	Farmington Hills	Feb bid letting	Bids received 2-5-2016
Drake Rd	13 Mile to 14 Mile	Farmington Hills	Feb bid letting	Bids received 2-5-2016
Novi Rd	12 Mile to 13 Mile	Novi	Jan bid letting	April Bid Let
Maple Rd	Cranbrook to W of Southfield Rd	Birmingham	GI Oct 2015	April-May Bid Let
9 Mile Rd	Novi to Meadowbrook	Novi	Jan bid letting	Bids received 2-5-2016
Evergreen Rd	12 Mile to N of Forestwood	Southfield	Obligate late 2016 CON Spring 2017	June GI, Construction 2017
Evergreen Rd	N of Forestwood to 13 Mile	Southfield	Obligate late 2016 CON Spring 2017	June GI, Construction 2017
Oak Park Blvd	Greenfield to Coolidge	Oak Park	Spring bid letting	April Bid Let
Pontiac Rd	Commonwealth to University	Auburn Hills	Construction in 2016	June Bid Let
N. Saginaw	Woodward to Montcalm (4R)	Pontiac	GI mid-Oct 2015	
TEDF-C				
Dequindre	Burningbush to Utica CON	RCOC	Obligate late 2015	June Bid Let
NHPP				
Big Beaver	Woodward to Adams	RCOC	Obligate early 2016	April Bid Let

VIII. FY 2018 PROJECT SELECTION

Mr. Evancoe proceeded to direct the Committee's attention to the list of projects which were submitted for FY 2019 STP-U funding. These projects were reviewed earlier by the technical committee and ranked by points.

The Funding Committee discussed which types of projects to fund with Oakland County's STP-U allotment. Gary Piotrowicz, RCOC, discussed the need to approve two 4R projects for FY2019. Members suggested to fund one (1) 4R project and use the remaining funds towards 3R projects.

Motion by Mr. Schafer, supported by Mr. O'Meara, to fund the West Road (Beck to E City Limits 4R project and to use the remaining STPU funds for 3R projects. A roll call was taken. (6 yeas, 5 nays, 1 abstention, 2 members were absent) **Motion Carried.**

The projects selected can be found on Attachments A and B.

IX. RECOMMENDATION TO REVIEW 3R AND 4R PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Mr. Evancoe mentioned that the Technical Committee had asked for approval to proceed with a review of the project rating forms used for 3R and 4R project selection. In the past this was done periodically to ensure the forms are kept current. He stated the Technical Committee wants to ensure that the process yields the projects most worthy of funding based on objective criteria.

Motion by Ms. Thurman. Supported by Mr. Green, to have the Technical Committee review the project rating forms used for 3R and 4R projects. **Motion Carried**

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Evancoe asked for a community to volunteer to host the May 2016 Funding Committee Meeting. Mr. Saksewski from the City of Farmington Hills offered to host the meeting. May 10, 2016 was set as the tentative meeting date.

Mr. Calvin Johnson of SEMCOG spoke regarding the diesel retrofit portion of the CMAQ program. Mr. Johnson stated that at this time retrofit projects for the CMAQ program are not being approved and therefore should not be submitted.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evancoe thanked those in attendance for participating and adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

ATTENDEES

Present

**Paul O'Meara
Mark Saksewski
Jim Schafer
Brian Coburn
Rob Hayes
Kevin Yee
Gerry McCallum
Norm Finkelstein
Matt Callahan
Justin Wellman
Fred Zorn
Leigh Schultz
Bill Huotari
Clarence Goodlein
Tim Sikma
Kathy Thurman
Tom Zoner
Robert DePalma
Lannie Young
Don Green
Chris Barnett
Michele Economu-Ureste
Sandra Montes
Pamela Blazo
Lynnette Firman
Mark Harbison
Steve Brudzinski
Calvin Johnson
Michael Smith
Steve Dearing
Rhett Gronevelt
Colleen Hill-Stramsak
Mike Labadie
Gary Piotrowicz
David Evancoe
Tom Noechel
Janet Waters
Sarah Plumer**

Affiliation

**City of Birmingham
City of Farmington Hills
City of Madison Heights
City of Novi
City of Novi
City of Oak Park
City of Orchard Lake Village
City of Orchard Lake Village
City of Royal Oak
City of Royal Oak
City of Southfield
City of Southfield
City of Troy
City of Wixom
City of Wixom
Brandon Township
Commerce Township
Groveland Township
Lyon Township
Milford Township
Orion Township
West Bloomfield Township
MDOT
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Fleis and Vanderbrink
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FY 2016 - 2019
FAC PROJECT LIST (STPU and NHPP)

2019 TIP

TIP ID	PROJECT	LIMITS	WORK	JURISDICTION	PHASE	FUND	FED(\$\$\$)	NONFED(\$\$\$)	Points Awarded	Comments
	PAVE GRAVEL		Pave Gravel	RCOC	CON	STPU	\$2,000,000	\$400,000	N/A	
	URBAN TO RURAL TRANSFER		Urban to Rural	RCOC	CON	STPU	\$500,000	\$100,000	N/A	
						Subtotal	\$2,000,000	\$400,000		
						Subtotal	\$500,000	\$100,000		
	RRR		RRR	Royal Oak	CON	STPU	\$908,182	\$227,048	57.00	Moved from 2018
	14 Mile Rd	Woodward to CN Railroad	RRR	Royal Oak	CON	STPU	\$1,075,798	\$268,840	57.00	Moved from 2018
	14 Mile Rd	(Intersection project)	RRR	Clawson	CON	STPU	\$652,974	\$435,316	60.50	
	Evergreen	Winchester to 12 Mile	RRR	Southfield	CON	STPU	\$629,056	\$157,264	59.50	
	NIS Northwestern Hwy	NW of Southfield to Lahser	RRR	Southfield	CON	STPU	\$1,391,931	\$347,983	59.00	
	Freedom Rd	Gill to 9 Mile, M-5 to Hillview Ct	RRR	Farmington Hills	CON	STPU	\$987,871	\$246,968	59.50	
	13 Mile Rd	Drake to Farmington	RRR	Farmington Hills	CON	STPU	\$1,356,875	\$369,219	58.00	
	Franklin Rd	W of 11 Mile to Telegraph	RRR	Southfield	CON	STPU	\$653,138	\$279,916	57.50	
	Giddings Rd	City Limit to Brown	RRR	Auburn Hills	CON	STPU	\$236,433	\$184,108	57.50	
	13 Mile Rd	Middlebelt to Inkster	RRR	Farmington Hills	CON	STPU	\$1,410,235	\$352,559	57.00	
	Nino Mile Rd	E of Telegraph to Lahser	RRR	Southfield	CON	STPU	\$599,993	\$257,114	57.00	
	WV 11 Mile Rd	Southfield to E City Limits	RRR	Lithum Village	CON	STPU	\$248,579	\$62,385	58.50	
	Pinacrest Dr	9 Mile to 9 Mile	RRR	Ferridale	CON	STPU	\$682,872	\$278,802	58.50	
	Woodward Hqs Blvd	Bermuda to Hillen	RRR	Ferridale	CON	STPU	\$219,985	\$219,285	58.50	
						Subtotal	\$11,724,232	\$3,708,017		
4R	West Rd	Back to E City Limits	4R	Wixom	CON	STPU	\$854,144	\$366,062	83.00	
						Subtotal	\$854,144	\$366,062		
						TOTAL TARGET	\$15,078,376	\$4,740,231		*Updated Target: 11-11-2015
						TOTAL TARGET DIFF.	\$338,135			
	National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)			Various TBD	CON	NHPP				
	Various Pavement Rehabilitation					TOTAL TARGET	\$1,596,914	\$0		
						TOTAL TARGET DIFF.	\$1,596,914			*Updated Target: 11-11-2015