



Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Tuesday, February 19th, 2019 1:30 pm

ARDC 1st Floor Conference Room

221 West First Street, Duluth, MN

MEETING NOTICE

Items for Approval:

- Meeting Summary of 1.15.19
- Resolution to Recognize the Updated MnDOT Statewide Regional ITS Architecture
- Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Bikeways Plan

Items for Presentation and Discussion

- Sustainable Choices 2045 – LRTP Committee
- 2023 TIP Applications
- Project Updates

Attendance / Meeting Quorum

If you are NOT able to attend, or expect to arrive late to the meeting, **please contact Barb Peterson at bpeterson@ardc.org or 218-529-7541** to ensure a quorum will be present for voting items on the agenda.

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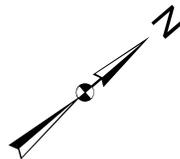
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(TAC)**

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Mark Casey

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Chris Belden

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(alternate)

Up for Discussion

Vacant

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John McDonald, *Chair*

Port/Harbor

Kate Ferguson

St. Louis County

Jim Foldesi

Matt Hemmila

(alternate)

WisDOT NW Region

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Metropolitan Interstate Council Policy Board

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MEETING AGENDA

1. Introductions/Agenda Review	
2. Committee Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Summary of 1.15.19 (for approval) • Director's Report 	10 min
3. Resolution to Recognize the Updated MnDOT Statewide Regional ITS Architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review for Approval, Ron Chicka 	10 min
4. Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Bikeways Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review for Approval, James Gittemeier 	10 min
5. Sustainable Choices 2045 – LRTP Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation and Discussion, Mike Wenzholz 	30 min
6. 2023 TIP Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier 	10 min
7. Roundtable Discussion	5 min
8. Project Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP Administrative Modification 	5 min

Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

WITC Conference Center

Superior, WI

1:30 pm



TAC Agenda Topics and Project Updates

February 19th, 2019 Meeting

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** = Approval Item*

1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW

2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Meeting Summary of 1.15.19*
- MIC Director's Report

Changes to the MIC's Duluth-Area TIP Process

In discussion with the DOT District office, we are proposing to alter the timing of the development of the next Duluth-Area TIP, which I believe should improve the process. We will review and forward the slate of new projects for 2023 to the ATP in March, produce the draft 2020-2023 TIP in May, then approve the final in June. This allows for the proper public input process per our guidelines and will precede the publication of the statewide TIP (or STIP). Any changes or additional projects proposed after this point, from any road jurisdiction or other submitting entity, will be processed via amendment (if needed) to the existing TIP (not the one that we approved in June). A bit complicated, but doing so, via amendments, should allow all projects to properly move forward.

Letter of Support for Federal INFRA Grant for the Twin Ports Interchange (TPI)

MnDOT is submitting an application to the federal Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) program. The MIC (and other entities) have supported other funding efforts toward this large project that is key to movement of people and goods in the metro area. The goal of the INFRA program is to focus on those projects that are important to regional economic, mobility and safety measures. A dollar value has not been specified.

Proctor City Council MIC Presentation

Last month, I presented to the City Council a "101" piece about the work of the MIC; and specifically, for the incoming Proctor Mayor and newest MIC Board member – Chad Ward. (I have had an orientation session with the mayor as well this month.) A couple of questions came up as to projects that the MIC may consider for the city – possibly updating a corridor study we did a number of years back for Boundary Avenue. Time will tell as to what we may or may not be able to incorporate in the Work Program. I look forward to re-energizing our relationship with the city.

Wisconsin DOT Secretary of Transportation – Stakeholder Task Force

Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers has announced, together with Secretary Craig Thompson, has formed a group of experts to review and discuss priorities of the state's critical transportation issues and identify solutions to these challenges. Among the membership, Sheldon Johnson is on the group representing NWRPC. He should be able to speak for the MPOs and planning needs within urbanized areas as well. Hopefully, he can provide updates to our Boards over the coming months as to progress of this group.



3. RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE UPDATED MNDOT STATEWIDE REGIONAL ITS ARCHITECTURE*

- Review for approval, Ron Chicka

Federal Highway along with the Minnesota DOT Office of Traffic, Safety and Technology have been working together toward achieving implementation of their joint Statewide Regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture Plan that promotes the usage of technological advances in the industry toward management and operation of an efficient multimodal network. ITS means electronics, communications or information processing used singly or in combination to improve the efficiency or I-35 that provide advance warning of a roadblock ahead or some other incident impacting traffic is put forward for your approval and submittal to MnDOT and Federal Highway.

4. DULUTH-SUPERIOR METROPOLITAN BIKEWAYS PLAN – FINAL*

- Review for approval, James Gittemeier

The MIC has received all final comments and suggestions to be incorporated into this major update of the metropolitan Bikeways Plan. The MIC will provide a brief review of the final changes and open up the majority of the time for discussion. The TAC will be asked to make a final recommendation to the MIC Policy Board on the plan with the MIC Policy Board being asked to consider the plan for approval.

5. SUSTAINABLE CHOICES 2045 – LRTP /COMMITTEE

- Presentation and Discussion, Mike Wenzholz

Progress continues to be made in developing the Duluth-Superior Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) - Sustainable Choices 2045. Final summarization of the MetroQuest Phase 2 survey is ongoing. MIC staff continue to work with our consultants to get final traffic demand model (TDM) analysis and documentation, and a trends and projections update.

As a reminder, the Sustainable Choices 2045 (LRTP) Committee is the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Moving forward, through the September 2019 meeting, this LRTP Committee will meet as a segment of regular TAC meetings. The purpose of these LRTP Committee meetings is to share the most relevant and pertinent details of draft chapters of the LRTP to help prepare the TAC members to best be able to review them. It is also a time for MIC staff to receive input to assist in developing the LRTP. Time will be built into the meetings to allow for input and discussion, as well as potentially an occasional interactive activity, as appropriate.

To facilitate best use of our limited time and generate more useful discussion and input, please review before the meeting the materials provided in the packet you received with the agenda and this description. In regard to the February meeting:



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- The proposed LRTP vision, goals, objectives, and strategies, and where they came from, will be shared.
- The proposed role of strategies and tactics, and how they would be an integral part of a proposed Implementation Strategy, will be explained.
- Time will be allocated for the Committee to ask questions and provide input, both generally and to specific questions.

6. 2023 MN TIP APPLICATIONS

- Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier

An overview of the proposed projects for 2023 federal funding will be discussed. The timeline and process moving forward will also be discussed, since the schedule has been moved up with the release of the draft TIP now taking place in May and approval in June.

7. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

8. PROJECT UPDATES

2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP Administrative Modification #2

St. Louis County has requested that the FY 2019 Maple Grove Road Project (# SP 069-606-025) show an increase in federal funds (dropped from another project, hence freed up federal funds), a decrease to the amount of local funds, and a technical correction to the project description. The total project cost is unchanged.

RED indicates proposed deletions from the original project listing. Black shows proposed changes/additions.

Project	Description	Est. Length (Miles)	Year	Federal	State/Local	Total
069-606-025	CSAH 6, Maple Grove Rd, from 800 feet east of CSAH 13, Midway Rd to Westberg Rd, full depth reclamation/full depth pavement removal, bit surfacing, curb & gutter, turn lanes & sidewalk.	3.5	2019	\$1,600,000 (STBGP) \$2,402,600	\$2,300,000 \$1,497,400	\$3,900,000