



## TAC Agenda Topics and Project Updates

February 15th, 2021 Meeting

### Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council Meeting Summary

\* = *Approval Item*

<b>Note Taker(s)</b>	Barb Peterson	
<b>Members Present</b>		
<b>Committee Vice-Chair</b>	Chris Belden	Duluth Transit Authority
	Chris Carlson	City of Superior – Public Works
<b>Committee Chair</b>	Kate Ferguson	Duluth Seaway Port Authority
	Jim Foldesi	St Louis Cnty
	James Gittemeier	City of Duluth
	Jason Jackman	Douglas County
	Chris Lee	City of Duluth
<i>alternate</i>	John Mulder	City of Hermantown
	Jess Rich	City of Proctor
	Dena Ryan	WisDOT NW Region
	Karl Schuettler	Northspan Group
	Cindy Voigt	City of Duluth Engineering
	Maren Webb	MnDOT Dist 1
	Tom Werner	Duluth Airport Authority
<b>Members Absent</b>		* Excused Absence
<i>alternate</i>	Bryan Anderson	MnDOT Dist 1
	David Bolf	City of Hermantown
	Krysten Saatela Foster*	MnDOT Dist 1
	Todd Janigo	City of Superior – Public Works
<i>alternate</i>	John Mulder	City of Hermantown
<i>alternate</i>	Diane Paoni	WisDOT
	Cari Pedersen*	City of Duluth
	vacant	Mobility Challenged Community
	vacant	Active Transportation/Zeitgeist Arts
<b>Others Present</b>		
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	Andrea Crouse	Zietgiest – Active Transportation
	Duane Hill	MnDOT Dist 1
	Kris Liljeblad	MIC-Sr Planner
	Anna Pierce	MnDOT Central Office
	Barb Peterson	MIC Admin Asst
	Bobbi Retzlaff	FHWA
	Ricky Sarran	MIC-GIS Specialist
	Rondi Watson	MIC Communications Coordinator



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**Meeting Summary**

**1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW**

Chair Kate Ferguson called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm. A “roll call” attendance was taken. When complete, Chair Ferguson asked if there were any questions or changes to the agenda. Hearing none she continued.

**2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

• **Meeting Summary of 1.16.22**

Chair Ferguson then asked if there were any questions or changes to the January meeting summary; Chris Carlson noted a error on item #7 – should be Hammond Ave and with this change he made a motion to approve. Kate the asked for a second to the motion.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Chris Carlson/Cindy Voigt moved to approve the 1.16.22 meeting summary. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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• **MIC Director’s Report**

Ron Chicka started by introducing Kris Liljeblad as one of our new planner. Kris thanked Ron for the opportunity and noted that this is a temporary position for him.

Ron noted that we are working with Dr. Eil Kwon at UMD and his engineering class for his students to take on a modeling component for this corridor. Their technical project would entail a closer look at the traffic impacts of adjacent roadways should Central Entrance be built as either a 3-lane or 4-lane facility.

He also shared that on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11 am there would be a virtual presentation concerning hazardous material movement in Duluth.

*There were numerous comments to provide a separate venue to provide feedback on this topic during the presentation.*

**3. REVISED 2022 MN PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS**

Rondi Watson shared the Revised 2022 safety targets:

*MnDOT statewide safety performance targets submitted to the FHWA*

Safety Performance Measure	2018	2019	2020	2021	Initial 2022 Target*	REVISED 2022 Target**
Fatalities	375.0	372.0	375.4	352.4	395.2	352.4
Fatality Rate (per 100 million VMT)	0.620	0.620	0.626	0.582	0.613	0.582
Serious Injuries	1,935.0	1,711.0	1,714.2	1,579.8	1,463.4	1,463.4
Serious Injury Rate (per 100 million VMT)	3.190	2.850	2.854	2.606	2.470	2.470
Non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries	348.0	267.5	317.0	281.2	258.4	258.4

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Rondi Watson explained that after last months meeting she discovered that the 2 highlighted targets had been revised.

*Anna Pierce shared that afater much discussion with the MPOs MnDOT asked the Departymnt of Public Safety to make the noted changes.*

After reviewing these targets she asked for approval to move them onto the Policy Board.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	James Gittemeier/Jim Foldesi moved to recommend approval to the Policy Board. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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#### 4. BPAC MEETING REVIEW

Ron Chicka shared that the majority of the meeting focused around the upcoming roadway construction projects as bike and pedestrian work priorities for the group and discussions around funding and grant opportunities. Dena Ryan shared that there is an advisory group discussing the bike and ped provision with respect to the Blatnik Bridge project.

*Jim Foldesi shared that the county has been keeping in close contact (thru Carol Andrews) to keep the BPAC in the loop of projects 2 to 5 years out concerning pre-scoping reviews. He stated that this has proved to be advantages to get the BPAC perspective.*

#### 5. ROUND TABLE

Anna Pierce shared that the Updated Statewide Multimodal Plan is up for final review.

#### 6. PROJECT UPDATES (PLEASE SEE THE MEETING MATERIALS FOR DETAILS)

- 2022-2025 Duluth Area TIP Modifications #1-6
- 2026 Duluth Area TIP Project Applications

**7. ADJOURN:** With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair Kate Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 2:23 pm.



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#### **Attachments:**

PROPOSED 2022-2025  
SUPERIOR URBANIZED AREA  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
AMENDMENTS

#### **TIP Project Amendments**

##### **TIP AMENDMENT #1**

This project enables North Country Independent Living Center (NCIL) the ability to continue their transportation vouchers program to eligible clients throughout (eight county area including; Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Price, Sawyer, and Washburn) northern Wisconsin. The project provides individuals with disabilities and residents aged 55 and over who are experiencing a transportation barrier a means of traveling to work, school, shopping, and other events. The vouchers are used to reimburse friends, neighbors and other volunteers who use their own vehicle for transporting disabled individuals. Federal funds for this project are made available through the Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities) Program administered by WisDOT. The project will span January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022.



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			Federal	State	Local	Total
North Country Independent Living 113-22-007	Funding of a Voucher Program for individuals with disabilities and others experiencing transportation barriers in 8 NW Counties.	Voucher Program	127,813		127,813	255,626
Amended to TIP in January 2022		TOTAL	127,813		127,813	255,626

**TIP AMENDMENT #2**

This project enables North Country Independent Living Center (NCIL) the ability to operate a mobility management program funding staff members who coordinate rides for the region’s population seniors and individuals with disabilities, and also work to expand their service, provide outreach and information of transportation options to residents, and work to coordinate rides with other providers. Federal funds for this project are made available through the Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities) Program administered by WisDOT. The project will span January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022.

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North Country Independent Living 113-22-008	Funding a mobility manager within NCIL	Mobility Manager	27,654		6,914	34,568
Amended to TIP in January 2022		TOTAL	27,654		6,914	34,568

**TIP AMENDMENT #3**

This project enables Senior Connections to replace a current vehicle with a new Minivan, Side-load equipped. Federal funds for this project are made available through the Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities) Program administered by WisDOT.



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Senior Connections, Inc. 113-22-009 Amended to TIP in January 2022	1 - Minivan					
	Replacement Vehicle	Vehicle	35,200		8,800	44,000
	Purchase Side-Load Accessible	Purchase				
		TOTAL	35,200		8,800	44,000

PM 1 Safety Targets:

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