



CHICAGO AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

MEETING OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE
to be held at the

CHICAGO AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois

Cunningham-Williams Conference Room

Thursday, March 9, 2006
10:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. OLD BUSINESS

**A. Approval of Minutes for
January 12, 2006**

The minutes were previously mailed.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approval by Policy Committee

B. Council of Mayors' Report

C. Executive Director's Report

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Report on the Shared Path 2030 Update Development Process** Staff will brief the Committee on the current status of the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update. The schedule calls for adoption of the 2030 RTP Update by the Policy Committee at its October meeting.
- B. Regional Planning Board**
ACTION REQUESTED
Consider Bylaws changes related to the change in the administration of staff
The Regional Planning Board is moving ahead with the integration of staff for CATS and NIPC. The current timeline would have the CATS staff moved from their administrative relationship with IDOT to become employees of either the RPB or as an interim measure, NIPC. The bylaws state that “CATS shall be composed of a Policy Committee, the Regional Council of Mayors, a professional working staff, a standing committee known as the Work Program Committee, and such other committees and subcommittees as the Policy Committee may from time to time direct.” The Policy Committee needs to come to an understanding and agreement regarding the staff relationship between itself and the RPB.
- C. SAFETEA-LU Subcommittee** Staff for the SAFETEA-LU Subcommittee, charged with reviewing new programs and requirements resulting from the federal reauthorization, will brief the Committee on their discussions.
- D. CTA and Metra New Starts Alternative Analyses** Staff from the CTA and Metra will provide the Committee with an update of their New Start application Alternative Analyses.
- E. IDOT Major Project and Program Update** IDOT will update the committee on the Dan Ryan and Kingery reconstructions and other major projects in the region, along with the recently released FY 2007-2012 highway program.

F. FY 2005-2009 Transportation Improvement Program Changes

ACTION REQUESTED

Approval of TIP changes

The addition of three exempt projects to the FY 05-09 TIP have been requested. They are 07-06-0010, Nob Hill Fence along Crawford and 167th Street (Country Club Hills). This project installs a wooden sight screen fence in the right-of-ways. 07-06-0011, Nob Hill – Various Locations (Country Club Hills). This project will repair and resurface various subdivision streets plus install storm sewer. 07-06-0012, Nob Hill – Lighting (Country Club Hills). This project will install street lighting.

G. FTA Subarea Allocation between Indiana-Illinois and Wisconsin-Illinois and Designated Recipients of Section 5307 and 5340 Combine Appointment

ACTION REQUESTED

Approval of Resolution 06-05 endorsing the northeastern Illinois/northwestern Indiana subarea allocation, Resolution 06-06 endorsing the northeastern Illinois/southeastern Wisconsin subarea allocation and Resolutions 06-07, 06-08 and 06-09 endorsing CTA, Metra and Pace as designated recipients for FY 06.

The MPO endorses the allocation of Section 5307 Capital Planning funds between Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, and designates recipients on an annual basis. The RTA Board has approved the FY 06 allocations to the service boards and has negotiated splits with northwestern Indiana and southeastern Wisconsin.

The total apportionment for the Chicago, IL/IN urbanized area is \$206,185,774. The northeastern IL portion is \$196,964,492. The northwestern IN portion is \$9,221,282. The total apportionment for Chicago, IL/southeastern WI is \$3,554,973. The northeastern IL portion is \$3,478,895. The southeastern WI portion is \$76,078. The section 5307 and 5340 combined capital and planning funds for northeastern Illinois total \$200,443,387. The funds have been distributed as follows: \$103,368,905 to the CTA; \$57,912,194 to Metra and \$39,162,288 to Pace.

H. Update on FY 07-12 TIP Development

ACTION REQUESTED

No action.

Staff will provide a brief report on the status of the FY 07-12 development. The schedule for Policy Committee consideration is the same as that for the 2030 RTP update.

I. Illinois Comprehensive Highway Safety Program

The Department of Transportation has developed and implemented a Comprehensive Highway Safety Program (CHSP) aimed at reducing the number of traffic related deaths to a rate below 1.0 fatality per 100 million vehicle miles traveled. The mission of the program is to develop, implement and manage an integrated multi-stakeholder process to improve the attributes of roads, users and vehicles to reduce traffic related deaths and life-altering injuries in Illinois. CATS staff has been participating in the development of the program. The program will also be used to guide the programming of highway safety funds from the SAFETEA-LU legislation. Pricilla Tobias, IDOT's State Safety Engineer will brief the Committee on the CHSP.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

V. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is June 8, 2006.

VI. ADJOURNMENT