

Area Transportation Partnership 7 (ATP 7)

Minutes of September 13, 2013 Meeting – MnDOT, Mankato

Members Present:

Mark Anderson, Bob Apitz, Lisa Bigham, Terry Genelin, Steve Koehler, Jack Kolars, Alan Oberloh, Greg Ous, Kevin Peyman, Stephen Schnieder

Members Absent: Chad Fowlds, David Henkels, Gordy Regenscheid, Matt Widboom

Others Present: Ronda Allis, Rebecca Arndt, Annette Bair, Danielle Walchuk, Byron Jost

The attendees introduced themselves.

The minutes of June 28, 2013 were approved.

STIP status – FY2014 – FY2017

Lisa Bigham informed the group that the 2014-2017 STIP is expected to be approved by MnDOT soon, and then sent to the FHWA for approval. In the meantime, if there are any FY 2014 projects that were not included in the last STIP (FY 2013 – 2016), and need to be authorized prior to FHWA approval, they will need a STIP amendment.

New STIP development – FY2015 – FY2018

Lisa Bigham and Ronda Allis led the group through a power point presentation that provided an overview of the changes under MAP-21, updates to the various programs, and the role of the ATP moving forward (see Powerpoint handout).

ATP members discussed the different activities that need to occur between now and development of the draft FY2015-FY2018 ATIP. Members received a handout titled, “ATP timeline for ATIP development” that outlines all the steps that need to be accomplished between September 2013 and March 2014.

Greg Ous noted that this process will need to be continually developed, so we don’t need to have all the answers now. We want to do our best to make sure we are as prepared as possible; however, it will be important to maintain some flexibility as things will need to be tweaked down the road.

Members had a number of questions about the various program changes which led to some productive discussion. There was a desire for RDO (and local) involvement in scoping MnDOT projects. ATP-7wants ADA improvements to be eligible for TAP; consider the need for ADA compliance transition plans and how to ensure all local entities who want assistance can get it.

The meeting ended with a summary of the tasks that the ATP and the subcommittees need to complete in the next few months:

Subcommittees	ATP
Discuss committee membership	Discuss inclusion of the Mankato/North Mankato APO
Develop qualifying and ranking criteria	Consider the role of the Safety sub-committee
Discuss project \$minimum and \$maximum	Review subcommittee recommendations (committee membership, ranking criteria)
Determine how to best handle project "slippage"	Prepare for solicitation according to identified timeline

It will be important for subcommittees to meet over the next few weeks and have their recommendations prepared by mid-October so that they can be distributed to the ATP for review/consideration at the October 25th ATP meeting.

Next proposed meeting dates

Friday, October 25, 2013, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Mankato MnDOT Headquarters

Tuesday, November 12, 2013, 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Mankato MnDOT Headquarters