

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

SCOTAC

August 15, 2017

The following are the TAC members present ("X"):

<i>Commissioners</i>		<i>Appointed TAC Members 1</i>		<i>Appointed TAC Members 2</i>
Lance Stillings	X	Suzanne Welsh	X	Lawson Curtis
X Mark Collins, Secretary	X	Beverly Hicks	X	Tom Stehn, Chairman
Jon Hollis		Jason Kemper	X	Bill Hobbs
X John Turner	X	Greg Donley		Vacant
X Jeff Cowen, Vice Chairman	X	Tom Akers		Shane VanSteenis
X Fred Stenger		Ron Scheets	X	Keith Cantrell
X Zachary Williams	X	Randy Pamperien	X	John Citron

SCOCOG staff present:

Cody Dalton	-	Assistant Director
Angie Ball	-	Administrative Assistant
Johnny Murrell	-	Executive Director

MoDOT:

Elquin Auala
Joe Killian
Mike Brandon
Chris Rutledge

Visitors:

Tona Bowen	-	Houston City Administrator
David Norman	-	Ava Mayor
Dennis Lawson	-	Citizen
Tim Schook	-	Mountain Grove City Administrator
Abby Hess	-	West Plains Daily Quill
Wes Parks	-	City of West Plains

Tom Stehn called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM. An introduction of guests and members were made at this time.

Motion to approve the amended June 20, 2017 minutes with spelling corrections was made by Keith Cantrell and seconded by Zach Williams. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

Southeast District Projects and Happenings – MoDOT Representatives

Chris Rutledge said that work on the bridges in Ozark County is underway. In Shannon and Reynolds Counties, work on Route 106 is being conducted. Clean up, asphalt, and

overlay work is also being conducted in the area, and maintenance crews are catching up on work due to the flooding. The lettered routes are being mowed and “full mows” will be conducted in the fall. Route 17 in Summersville to Route 60 is getting overlay work. All planned work is listed on www.Modot.org. On Route 63 from Koshkonong to Thayer, the shoulder issues, guardrail replacement, and overlay work is under contract and likely to be completed next spring. He added that the Missouri Legislature has started a transportation task force with Senators, Department of Economic Development Representatives, MoDOT Directors, and at-large members. They will be going to areas in the state asking about needs and funding. They will then report back to the legislature at the end of the year.

New project identification and discussion – Cody Dalton
2017 Regional Prioritization – TAC Committee

Cody reminded the group that this is the annual prioritization meeting and explained the process. Cody then went through the regional project list and said that those projects had been identified over the last five years. He and Chris then advised the group of the difference between traffic management improvements and safety “construction” improvements. Chris added that most money is spent taking care of the existing system, but MoDOT representatives still want to hear priorities.

Tom and Wes said that the City had applied for a cost share grant for the West Plains overpass project, but was turned down. They added that infrastructure grant applications are due November 2, 2017. Mark added that the blocking of north Highway 63 after the flooding was a concern. AB highway in West Plains was also blocked due to flooding for approximately one month. Tom added that the overpass project is “shovel ready.”

Cody then said that the county representatives need to nominate projects, and each member gets 15 votes. He reminded the group that the low volume routes typically do not get put into the STIP. Joe added that some bridges are considered low volume also, but bridges are eligible for inclusion in the STIP even if they are on low volume routes. Cody said that each county gets to nominate four projects. The results of the voting are listed below:

South Central Ozarks Transportation Advisory Committee		
2017 Regional Prioritization Results – August 15, 2017		
Rank	Project	Score
1	Expansion of US63 to four lanes West Plains to Arkansas state line	-
2	Expansion of US63 to four lanes Cabool to Phelps County line	-
3	Installation of a traffic light at the intersection of Rt. 5 and Rt. Y in Ava	39
4	Traffic capacity improvements on Route 95 in Mountain Grove	36
5	Construct a railroad overpass on US 160 (Independence Drive) in West Plains	30

6	Installation of turning lane at US160 and Bulldog Drive in Gainesville	28
7	Construction of a new interchange at US60 and Bus. 60 west of Cabool	24
8T	Pave existing aggregate shoulders on Rt. 5 from Gainesville to Rt. A in Douglas County	10
8T	Install digital speed limit signs and warning lights at the intersection of US 60 and Rt. 99 in Birch Tree	10
10T	Flood mitigation on Rt. AB approximately one mile west of US 63	8
10T	Install digital speed limit signs and warning lights at the intersection of US 60 and Rt. 19 in Winona	8
12T	Replacement of the bridge on Route F 0.07 miles west of US 63 in Houston	5
12T	Install a turning lane off northbound US 63 onto Rt. M	5
14T	Replacement of the bridge over Roubidoux Creek on Route M in Texas County	4
14T	Construct a bridge at the site of the Akers Ferry on Rt. K in Shannon County	4
14T	Make safety improvements at the intersection of Rt. 19 E. and US 63 in Thayer	4
14T	Intersection improvements to relieve traffic congestion at Bus. 63 and Howell Ave. in West Plains	4
14T	Installation of 2 ft. paved shoulders and construct pull offs along the route for slower moving traffic on Rt. 19 from Rt. KK south to US 60	4

Open Discussion

The next TAC meeting will be held December 19, 2017 at 10:30 AM.

Tom Stehn adjourned the meeting at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reviewed for Content,

Angie Ball
Administrative Assistant, SCOCOG

Mark Collins
TAC Secretary