



TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. CT
 456 Fulton St, Suite 420
 Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairperson Kinga Krider called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
- b. Terrisa Worsfold announced that she is retiring, and this is her last meeting with Tri-County. Her replacement will be Dan Corp.

2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
Amy McLaren , Peoria County	X		Dustin Sutton* Peoria Heights		X
Jeff Gilles , Peoria County	X		Dennis Carr City of Washington	X	
Mark Gilles* Peoria County		X	Jon Oliphant* City of Washington	X	
Paul Augspurger Tazewell County	X		Patrick Meyer Village of Bartonville		X
Dan Parr Tazewell County		X	Terrisa Worsfold IDOT-D4	X	
Conrad Moore Woodford County	X		Karen Dvorsky* IDOT-D4		X
Andrea Klopfenstein City of Peoria	X		Kinga Krider City of West Peoria	X	
Paola Mendez City of Peoria	X		Charles Hess* City of West Peoria		X
Sie Maroon City of Peoria	X		Craig Loudermilk Village of Morton	X	
Cindy Loos* City of Peoria	X		David Horton City of Chillicothe		X
Josie Esker City of Pekin	X		Terry Keogel Village of Creve Coeur		X
Dean Schneider* City of Pekin		X	Kofi Kisseh CityLink		X
Ric Semonski City of East Peoria	X		ShamRA Robinson* CityLink		X
Ty Livingston* City of East Peoria	X		Eric Miller TCRPC	X	
Chris Chandler Village of Peoria Heights		X	Rich Brecklin Village of Germantown Hills		X
Wayne Aldrich* Village of Peoria Heights		X	Gene Olson , Ex-officio MAAP		X

Also in attendance: Doug DeLille, Al Barrae Shebib, and Dan Corp – IDOT

Tri-County Staff: Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Debbi La Rue, Ray Lees, Else Hayes, Isaiah Hageman, Logan Chapman, Adam Crutcher, and Lori Reynolds.

Virtual attendee: Joe [last name unknown]

3. **Public Comment** - None

4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2024**

Jeff Gilles moved to approve the September 18, 2024 meeting minutes, and Ric Semonski seconded. Motion carried.

5. **Recommend to the Commission the Following Amendments to the FY 2025-28 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Attachment**

Amy McLaren motioned to recommend to the Commission the following amendments to the FY 2025-28 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and Josie Esker seconded the motion. Michael Bruner presented the following:

- a. Project S-25-08 I-74 South, Exit 95A NEVI Award
 - i. Adding the IDOT NEVI Award at the East Peoria Kohl's near I-74 Exit 95A to the FY 2025 Program. The federal award is \$595,840. The private vendor will provide the local match of \$497,831.
- b. Project S-24-20 Cedar Street Bridge Repair
 - i. This amendment is revising the Cedar Street Bridge repairs cost and federal funding source. The project is scheduled for the April 25, 2025, letting.
- c. Project S-25-09 US-24/IL-9 Resurfacing
 - i. Adding the resurfacing of US-24/IL-9 from Kingston Mines to West of IL-9 Junction to the FY 2025 Project. The project is scheduled for the April 25, 2025, letting.
- d. Project S-25-10 US-150 & Willow Knolls Safety & Traffic Signal Improvements
 - i. Adding the War Memorial Drive and Willow Knolls traffic signal replacement and turn lane extension to the FY 2025 Program. The project is scheduled for the April 25, 2025, letting.
- e. Project S-25-11 Wesley Rd & US-24/IL-29 Traffic Signal Modernization
 - i. Adding the signal mast arm replacements at the IDOT controlled traffic signal at Wesley Road and US-24/IL-29. The project is scheduled for the April 25, 2025, letting.
- f. Project S-25-12 US-150 & Allen Rd Traffic Signal Modernization
 - i. Adding the signal mast arm replacements at the IDOT controlled traffic signal at War Memorial Drive and Allen Rd/Charter Oak Rd. The project is scheduled for the April 25, 2025, letting.

Motion carried.

6. Recommend that the Commission Support and Adopt IDOT’s Pavement and Bridge Condition (PM-2) and System Performance (PM-3) Targets – Attachment

Conrad Moore motioned to Recommend that the Commission Support and Adopt IDOT’s Pavement and Bridge Condition (PM-2) and System Performance (PM-3) Targets, and Paola Mendez seconded the motion. Michael Bruner presented the following:

- The targets are:
 - Safety (PM-1)
 - Pavement & Bridge Condition (PM-2)
 - Congestion Reduction (PM-3)
 - System Reliability (PM-3)
 - Freight Movement and Economic Vitality (PM-3)
 - Environmental Sustainability
 - Reduced Project Delivery Delay
- As an MPO, we have 180 days to accept or set our own performance measures from the date that IDOT sets their targets.
- It is important to note that state DOTs are the only ones that are assessed for significant progress towards assessed targets, not MPOs.
- Pavement and bridge conditions and system performance targets are submitted by IDOT annually during the annual National Bridge Inventory (NBI) and Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) submittals.
- When IDOT makes these targets, they are in two and four year increments; they have the option to update their target in the middle of those periods. IDOT chose to update their targets during this midyear period, so this group must choose to either support their targets or make regionally-specific targets.
- The updated targets are on the second page of the memo in the last column of the table.

Motion carried.

7. Recommend to the Commission the Programming of Projects from the FY 2025 Combined Call for Projects – Attachment

Paul Augspuriger motioned to Recommend to the Commission the Programming of Projects from the FY 2025 Combined Call for Projects, and Josie Esker seconded the motion. Reema Abi-Akar presented the following:

- The Project Review Committee has met to discuss and select the projects that Tri-County received from the Call for Projects back in the summer. The Project Review Committee was divided into four groups, who individually scored projects from four different categories:
 - Section 5310 transit
 - STBG Pavement Preservation

- STBG Reconstruction and New Construction
- Enhancement (including Transportation Alternatives and Carbon Reduction Program funding)
- Based on the scores, these are the five options that the full Selection Committee offers to this group:
 - **Option 1:** Keep the full \$637,115 balance for a future Call for Projects.
 - **Option 2:** Make the Peoria FY 2026 project whole and keep the remainder balance of \$277,115 for a future Call for Projects.
 - **Option 3:** Make the Peoria FY 2026 project whole, fully fund the Morton Preservation project, and use the remainder to bring Peoria Heights closer to their full requested amount.
 - **Option 4:** Make the Peoria FY 2026 project whole, fully fund the Peoria Heights Enhancement project, and use the remainder to bring Morton closer to the full requested amount for their Preservation project.
 - **Option 5:** Fully fund both Morton and Peoria Heights and bring Peoria's FY 2026 project closer to the full requested amount.

A substitute motion was added to recommend Option #3 with the caveat that Peoria Heights will be made whole next time around if there is funding left. Craig Loudermilk made the motion, and Andrea Klopfenstein seconded.

The Committee unanimously voted for Option 3 via roll call, and the motion carried.

8. IDOT FY 2026 Planning Fund Marks

Michael presented the following report:

- The chart in the meeting packet shows MPO planning marks for FY26. Tri-County will be receiving a federal funding amount of \$841,856.20, in addition to \$132,249.35 in federal funding from the IDOT stockpile funds.
- The required match will be \$243,526.39 for a total MPO planning budget of \$1,217,631.94.
- Tri-County will again be requesting the state's assistance for planning match, plus utilize counties' match for local dollars.

9. Updates

- a. 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan update presented by Michael Bruner
 - The LRTP Virtual Open House closes today. As of close of business yesterday, Tri-County received 140 comments.
 - The next steps will be to analyze all the public input. Tri-County will then meet with the LRTP steering committee to consider goals and objectives.

- b. Regional Transportation Prioritization Process update presented by Debbi La Rue
 - All municipal interviews have been completed, and a subcommittee will meet on December 4. Through these interviews and ongoing staff analysis, Tri-County has compiled a short list of projects that staff will bring to the committee to work through.
 - Once those discussions have taken place, the final list will be presented to this committee and the Full Commission, and the list will be included in the LRTP document.
 - In the meantime, Tri-County is working on a contract with the selected graphic design firm to create attractive handouts representing each project in the final prioritized regional list.
- c. IDOT
 - i. Local Roads - Al Barrae Shebib updated on the 2026-2029 program, and he asked members to work with Michael Bruner and Reema Abi-Aker to update the required sheets with project costs, priorities, etc., so IDOT is aware.
 - ii. Central Office – no report
- d. FHWA - no report

10. Other

- a. Michael Bruner reported on locally controlled asset management plan. Tri-County received SPR funding to inventory locally controlled traffic signals and develop an asset management plan. Lochmueller was selected via procurement process, currently in contract negotiations. Please send information on any additional signals added in the last 18 months before Thanksgiving if possible, so Lochmueller can be updated.
- b. Michael Bruner reported that STBG project updates are needed for the following: Chillicothe - Cloverdale Rd, East Peoria - Camp Street and Riverside Drive, Morton - South Detroit Avenue, Pekin - Court Street, Peoria - Northmoor and University intersection, Tazewell County - Parkway Drive, and Woodford County - Santa Fe Trail. These are preferably needed prior to Thanksgiving.
- c. The next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2025.

11. Adjournment

Amy McLaren made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jeff Gilles, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

Submitted by:
Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded by:
Michael Bruner

Transcribed by:
Lori Reynolds

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