



# TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## AGENDA

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 9:00am CT  
456 Fulton St, Suite 402B  
Peoria, IL 61602

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of Minutes, January 17, 2024 Meeting
5. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments
  - a. Project S-24-25 Safety Shoulders
6. Discussion of the FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program
7. Discussion of the FY 2025-28 Transportation Improvement Program
8. Discussion of combining Call for Projects for Commission-allocated federal funds
9. Updates
  - a. Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 Call for Projects – Reminder
  - b. IDOT
    - Local Roads
    - Central Office
  - c. FHWA
10. Other
  - a. Next meeting scheduled for March 20, 2024
11. Adjournment

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## MINUTES

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 9:00am CT  
456 Fulton St, Suite 420  
Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Kinga Krider called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
<b>Amy McLaren,</b> Peoria County	x		<b>Dennis Carr</b> City of Washington	x	
<b>Jeff Gilles,</b> Peoria County	x		<b>Jon Oliphant*</b> City of Washington	x	
<b>Mark Gilles*</b> Peoria County		x	<b>Patrick Meyer</b> Village of Bartonville	v	
<b>Paul Augspurger</b> Tazewell County		x	<b>Terrisa Worsfold</b> IDOT-D4		x
<b>Dan Parr</b> Tazewell County		x	<b>Karen Dvorsky*</b> IDOT-04		x
<b>Conrad Moore</b> Woodford County	x		<b>Kinga Krider</b> City of West Peoria	x	
<b>Andrea Klopfenstein</b> City of Peoria	x		<b>Charles Hess</b> City of West Peoria*		x
<b>Paola Mendez</b> City of Peoria	x		<b>Craig Loudermilk</b> Village of Morton		x
<b>Sie Maroon</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>Frank Sturm*</b> Village of Morton		x
<b>Alyssa Burnett*</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>David Horton</b> City of Chillicothe		x
<b>Cindy Loos*</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>Terry Keogel</b> Village of Creve Coeur		x
<b>VACANT*</b> City of Peoria			<b>Doug Roelfs</b> CityLink		x
<b>Josie Esker</b> City of Pekin	x		Nick Standefer* CityLink	v	
<b>Dean Schneider*,</b> City of Pekin		x	<b>Jamie Arbogast*</b> CityLink		x
<b>Ric Semonski</b> City of East Peoria	x		<b>Gene Olson</b> MAAP		x
<b>Ty Livingston*</b> City of East Peoria	x		<b>Eric Miller</b> TCRPC	x	
<b>Chris Chandler</b> Village of Peoria Heights		x	<b>Rich Brecklin</b> Village of Germantown Hills	x	
<b>Wayne Aldrich*</b> Village of Peoria Heights	x				
<b>Dustin Sutton*</b> Peoria Heights		x			

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Staff: Debbie Ulrich, Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Gabriel Guevara, Logan Chapman, and Gavin Hunt. Staff virtual, Britney West, and Debbi La Rue. Others: Brandon Geber- IDOT Central Office -virtual

3. Public Comment-none

4. Approval of Minutes, November 15, 2023, Meeting

Josie Esker moved to approve the November 15, 2023, minutes and Ric Semonski seconded. Motion carried.

5. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments – Attachment

Chairperson mentioned that we are going to group some TIP's together:

Amy McLaren moved to recommend TIP amendments a and b and Jeff Gilles seconded.

Michael Bruner updated:

a. Project CL-25-06 Replace Paratransit Vans

Adjusting the budget to align with the grant funding with \$818,000 coming from FTA 5339 funding and remaining \$204,500 being funded with local dollars.

b. Project CL-25-07 Construction & Renovation of Buildings

Adding Project CL-25-07 to the FY 2025 Program for the remaining costs for the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District (GPMTD) new building and renovation of existing buildings.

Motion carried.

c. Project MO-20-01 Main St Rail Upgrade

Conrad Moore moved to recommend TIP amendment Project MO-20-01 Main St. Rail Upgrade and Rich Brecklin seconded.

Reviving Project MO-20-01 which was programmed in the FY2021 Program. This TIP amendment is for moving this project to the FY2024 Program and increasing Section 130 funding from 90% funding to 100%.

Motion carried.

Josie Esker moved to recommend TIP Amendments d and e and Paola Mendez seconded.

Michael Bruner updated:

d. Project PEK-25-01 Court Street: 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>

Splitting Project PEK-25-01 into two projects per IDOT's request. PEK-25-01 project extent is Court Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Street. The remaining portion of the project from 10<sup>th</sup> to Stadium is included in PEK-25-02.

- e. Project PEK-25-02 Court Street: 10<sup>th</sup> to Stadium  
Project PEK-25-02 is the remaining portion of Project PEK 25-01 and will be locally in the same time frame as Project -PEK-25-01.  
Motion carried.
  - f. Project PC-25-01 Maxwell & Middle Road  
Andrea Klopfenstein moved to recommend to Commission Project PC-25-01 and Amy McLaren seconded.  
Michael Bruner updated:  
Amending PC-25-01 to adjust the STBG-Rural funding and MFT match funding amounts to match the updated records with IDOT.  
Motion carried.  
Conrad Moore moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendments g and h and Rich Brecklin seconded.  
Michael Bruner updated.
  - g. Project S-24-22 Pavement Preservation  
Adjusting the budget and funding sources. The only roadway segment within MPO boundaries is IL-40 (Knoxville Ave0 from Ravinwoods road to North of Timber Lane in Peoria.
  - h. Project S-24-25 Bridge Preservation  
Adding Project S024025 to IDOT District 4 FY 2024 Program for Bridge Deck Seating in various locations within District 4.  
Motion carried.
6. Call for Projects for consideration on the Long-Range Transportation Plan 2025 – 2050  
Michael Bruner updated on the Call for Projects for consideration on the Long-Range Transportation Plan 2025-2050
- a. The LRTP is one of the MPO's core planning documents.
    - 1. The LRTP serves as a guide for the future development and maintenance of our MPO's transportation system.
    - 2. The plan covers a 25-year planning horizon and outlines the region's transportation vision, priorities, and plans that is developed based on public engagement, population projections, and travel demand.
    - 3. The plan is updated every five years.
    - 4. Our LRTP 2050 is due to IDOT and FHWA by March 2025.

- b. A key step in developing and updating the LRTP is to identify a list of transportation projects for the region.
  - 1. This project list is federally required.
  - 2. Includes all projects that intend to use federal funding sources or regionally significant.
  - 3. Eligible project types include:
    - Construction of new roadways
    - Improvements to existing roadways
    - Transit projects
    - Bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and
    - Other transportation improvements
  - 4. Any roadway project must be a Federal Aid Urban (FAU) route.
    - Minor Collector and above
- c. To access the application, please visit Tri-County's website at <https://tricountyrpc.org/transportation/lrtp/lrtp-2050>
  - Please complete an application for each project you would like to be considered for inclusion in the LRTP 2050 update.
  - Please note that projects listed in the existing 2045 LRTP will not automatically be carried forward into the new plan.
  - The deadline for submitting projects is 3:30 pm on Thursday, February 29, 2024.
  - Email staff any questions and application at [lrtp@tricountyrpc.org](mailto:lrtp@tricountyrpc.org)

## 7. Updates

### a. Kickapoo Creek Watershed-Based Plan

Reema Abi-Akar updated on the following:

- In late 2021, we applied for a Section 319 grant to conduct a Watershed Plan for Kickapoo Creek. Last year, we heard that we were successful, and in the late fall, we received the final contract with the Illinois EPA. Since then, we have released a Request for Qualifications, which received 6 responses.
- We put together a Selection Committee made up of technical experts and Tri-County staff, and we narrowed it down to three firms. We interviewed the three and selected the top one, Baxter & Woodman, who has experience with watershed plans and understands the requirements of the IEPA.
- We have just finalized the contract with our consultant, and we are kicking off work on this project. Soon, we will put together a steering committee

and begin the data collection process. We will keep you updated about the project as it moves along.

- Michael Bruner added that if you have Watershed Erosion issues to please let us know.

b. IDOT

- Local Roads-nothing to add.
- Central Office-nothing to add.

c. FHWA

Nothing to add.

8. Other

a. Next meeting scheduled for February 21, 2024

b. Other updates:

- Eric Miller- City of Peoria did not get the EV charging grant.
- Eric Miller- We will be hiring a consultant to assist us in the region.
- Michael Bruner- if you need assistance for the Travel Demand Model to let us know.
- Amy McClaren- any updates on Safe Routes
  - Michael Bruner-putting together Safety Committee.
- Eric Miller updated on the SS4A plan.

9. Adjournment

Conrad Moore moved to adjourn at 9:29 a.m. and Rich Brecklin seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded by:

Britney West, GIS III

Transcribed by:

Debbie Ulrich, Office Administrator

TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

FY 2024-2027 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Adopted October 4, 2023, as amended

TIP AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM

DATE		AMENDING TIP DOCUMENT		AGENCY REQUESTING AMENDMENT(S)
2/9/2024	From	To		Illinois Dept. of Transportation
	2024	2027		

PROJECT INFORMATION									
PROJECT TITLE	PPUATS TIP NUMBER	PROJECT CONTRACT NUMBER	PROJECT NUMBER (PPS#)	PROJECT SECTION NUMBER	IMPROVEMENT LOCATION	ACTION	FUNDING SOURCE	FUNDING SHARE (%)	TOTAL COST
Safety Shoulders	S-24-25	68H95	4-02124-0200		0.4 mi E of Veterans Dr in Pekin to 0.5 mi W of WCL of Tremont	New HMA safety shoulders	Federal (HSIP-State)	90%	\$ 2,287,000
							State match	10%	\$ 254,000
Total									\$ 2,541,000
Reason for Amendment: Addition to IDOT Dist. 4 Fiscal Year 2024 Safety Program. The project is currently scheduled for the 6/24/2024 letting.									

							Federal (NHPP)		
							State match		
							Total		\$ -
Reason for Amendment:									

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IDOT District 4 Local Roads	
IDOT District 4 Programming	
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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** MPO Technical Committee  
**FROM:** Staff  
**SUBJECT:** Draft FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)  
**DATE:** February 21, 2024

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### Action needed:

None. Information and discussion item only.

### Background:

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is one of the core MPO planning documents that is updated annually, serves as the budget for the metropolitan transportation planning process, and directs the day-to-day work of the MPO. The document describes all transportation planning activities with a corresponding budget Tri-County proposes to undertake during the fiscal year, which follows the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Fiscal Year (FY) of July 1 through June 30. Staff is in the beginning stages of developing the draft FY 2024 UPWP and has submitted the draft Uniform Budget Template (UBT) and Programmatic Risk Assessment (PRA) to IDOT.

<b>February 21, 2024:</b>	Staff presents draft UPWP to Technical Committee
<b>March 6, 2024:</b>	Staff presents draft UPWP to Commission
<b>March 20, 2024:</b>	Technical Committee recommends UPWP to Commission for approval
<b>April 3, 2024:</b>	Commission approves final UPWP, staff submits to IDOT
<b>July 1, 2024:</b>	IDOT accepts UPWP, work begins



## JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT – UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FY 2025

This agreement is hereby entered into by the members of the participating agencies of the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) of the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area, recognized under Section 134 of the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)*. It is intended to set forth the procedures and methods agreed upon to ensure sufficient local matching funds enabling the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area to receive **\$974,535.02** in Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration planning funds. The funding requires a 20% local match, requiring a total local match of **\$243,633.76** for Fiscal Year 2025. It is further agreed that the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District (GPMTD) provides **\$3,800** as a pass-through membership fee for participation in the planning process.

The Federal Planning funds, FTA funds, and local dollars will be utilized for the work and services performed in accordance with the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for Fiscal Year 2024. The work and services and their associated costs as contained in the UPWP were adopted by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission. If state funds can be utilized to offset local match for FY 2024, local dollars will be programmed by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission in a separate work program.

Each participating agency identified herein hereby agrees to pay its entire share to the MPO not later than November 1, 2024. The MPO is hereby designated to deposit local funds into a special bank account. Withdrawals from this account shall be for reimbursement for work accomplished on the appropriate designated work tasks. The MPO shall make a monthly report to the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission accounting for the expenses incurred on the work tasks identified in the UPWP. Federal and State funds shall be requested by and dispersed directly to the MPO in accordance with agreements of the State of Illinois and the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District.

The local money for FY 2025 shall be provided by each of the participating agencies noted herein by the contributing percentage of MFT funds each such agency received in Calendar Year 2023.

Community	2023 MFT Allotment	2023 MFT %	FY 2025 Contribution
Peoria County	\$2,193,728	22.37%	\$50,550
Tazewell County	\$1,735,434	17.70%	\$40,379
Woodford County	\$605,738	6.18%	\$13,997
Bartonville, Village of	\$135,537	1.38%	\$3,359
Chillicothe, City of	\$139,710	1.42%	\$3,237
Creve Coeur, Village of	\$112,488	1.15%	\$2,819
East Peoria, City of	\$512,603	5.23%	\$12,282
Germantown Hills, Village of	\$77,789	0.79%	\$1,819
Morton, Village of	\$390,243	3.98%	\$8,741
Pekin, City of	\$723,421	7.38%	\$17,752
Peoria Heights, Village of	\$134,694	1.37%	\$3,230
Peoria, City of	\$2,579,656	26.31%	\$60,720
Washington, City of	\$366,396	3.74%	\$8,715
West Peoria, City of	\$97,190	0.99%	\$2,416
Greater Peoria Mass Transit District	N/A	N/A	\$3,800
TOTAL			\$233,816

Any surplus of local matching money with accumulated interest will remain on deposit in the special bank account managed by the MPO with any excess from previous years and may be used for such purposes and projects as designated by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

This agreement is approved as indicated by signature of an agent of the undersigned participating agency represented on the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission:

Peoria County	_____	Date	_____
Tazewell County	_____	Date	_____
Woodford County	_____	Date	_____
Bartonville	_____	Date	_____
Chillicothe	_____	Date	_____
Creve Coeur	_____	Date	_____
East Peoria	_____	Date	_____
Germantown Hills	_____	Date	_____
Morton	_____	Date	_____
Pekin	_____	Date	_____
Peoria	_____	Date	_____
Peoria Heights	_____	Date	_____
Washington	_____	Date	_____
West Peoria	_____	Date	_____
GPMTD	_____	Date	_____



## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** MPO Technical Committee

**FROM:** Staff

**SUBJECT:** Combine Call for Projects for Commission-allocated Federal Funds

**DATE:** February 21, 2024

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**Action Needed:**

None. Information and discussion item only.

**Background:**

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (Tri-County or TCRPC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Peoria-Pekin urbanized area. As an MPO with an urbanized population over 200,000, TCRPC receives an annual allotment of federal funds from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). These funds come from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

Every year, our region is allocated federal funding in several different categories, including Surface Transportation Block Grants (STBG), Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside, Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and Section 5310. Below is a brief description of each federal funded program:

**Surface Transportation Block Grant:**

The Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG, formerly referred to as STU) are federal funds allocated annually to the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area to fully or partially fund regionally significant roadway projects. Within the Tri-County STBG Program, there is the Traditional and Preservation Set-Aside Program. The Traditional Program encompasses (1) new road projects, and (2) road reconstruction projects. The Preservation Set-Aside Program only encompasses road preservation projects. Federal guidelines for this funding source are available at the following link: [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/surface\\_transportation\\_block\\_grant.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/surface_transportation_block_grant.pdf)

**Transportation Alternative Set-Aside**

Transportation Alternatives (TA, formerly referred to as TAP) are federal funds allocated annually to the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area to fully or partially fund small

scale transportation projects that provide facilities for active transportation users, such as walkers and bicyclists. Additionally, the program funds historic preservation, vegetation management, and environmental mitigation transportation projects. Further guidance from the FHWA is available at the following link: [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/transportation\\_alternatives.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/transportation_alternatives.pdf)

**Carbon Reduction Program:**

The Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) is a new federal program funded through the IIJA. As the MPO, TCRPC is allocated CRP funds annually to fully or partially fund projects designed to reduce transportation emissions. Projects include, but are not limited to, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, retrofitting infrastructure with energy-efficient alternatives, reduction of the environmental impacts of transportation, and support of alternative fuel vehicles. Federal guidelines for this funding source are available at the following link: [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/crp\\_fact\\_sheet.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/crp_fact_sheet.pdf)

**Section 5310:**

The Section 5310 Program is a federal program administered by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). As an MPO, TCRPC is a Co-Designated Recipient of Section 5310 funding, along with IDOT, for the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area. Fifty-five percent of the funding is allotted to IDOT for its statewide Consolidated Vehicle Procurement (CVP) program. The remaining 45 percent of funding is allocated to TCRPC to be programmed for capital and operational expenses to help improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities. Further guidance from the FTA is available at the following link:

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/2022-01/Fact-Sheet-Enhanced-Mobility-of-Seniors-and-Individuals-with-Disabilities.pdf>

**Estimated Available Funding:**

<b>STBG - Traditional</b>	<b>STBG - Preservation</b>	<b>TA</b>	<b>CRP</b>	<b>Section 5310</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>
FY 2027-28	FY 2027-28	FY 2024-25	FY 2024-25	FY 2023-24	
\$6,694,400	\$1,673,600	\$1,170,320	\$1,188,992	\$175,040	\$10,902,352