



# TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## AGENDA

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. CT

456 Fulton St, Room 420

Peoria, IL 61602

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2025
5. **Public Meeting:** Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2050 Update  
<https://tricityrpc.org/notice-of-citizen-review-lrtp/>
6. Recommend to Commission the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2050 Update  
<https://tricityrpc.org/wp-content/uploads/LRTP-2050-Draft-Plan-reduced.pdf>
7. Recommend to Commission the FY 2026 United Planning Work Program (UPWP)  
<https://tricityrpc.org/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FY2026-UPWP-TCRPC.pdf>
8. Recommend to Commission the FY 2026 Joint Funding Agreement
9. Recommend to Commission the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments
  - a. Project S-27-08 IL-40 Miscellaneous Improvements
  - b. Project PC-27-01 Radnor Road Phase II Engineering
10. Discussion of the Tri-County Multi-Jurisdictional Guardrail HSIP Replacement Program
11. Discussion of State and MPO Federal Review Requests
12. Updates
  - a. IDOT
    - i. Local Roads
    - ii. Central Office
  - b. FHWA
13. Other
  - a. Next meeting scheduled for April 16, 2025
14. Adjournment

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## MINUTES

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

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#### 1. Call to Order

- a. Vice-Chairperson Conrad Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
<b>Amy McLaren</b> Peoria County	X		<b>Dustin Sutton*</b> Peoria Heights		X
<b>Jeff Gilles</b> Peoria County	X		<b>Dennis Carr</b> City of Washington	X	
<b>Mark Gilles*</b> Peoria County	X		<b>Jon Oliphant*</b> City of Washington	X	
<b>Paul Augspurger</b> Tazewell County	X		<b>Patrick Meyer</b> Village of Bartonville	X	
<b>Dan Parr</b> Tazewell County	X		<b>Dan Corp</b> IDOT-D4	X	
<b>Conrad Moore</b> Woodford County	X		<b>Karen Dvorsky*</b> IDOT-D4		X
<b>Andrea Klopfenstein</b> City of Peoria	X		<b>Kinga Krider</b> City of West Peoria		X
<b>Paola Mendez</b> City of Peoria	X		<b>Charles Hess*</b> City of West Peoria		X
<b>Sie Maroon</b> City of Peoria		X	<b>Craig Loudermilk</b> Village of Morton	X	
<b>Cindy Loos*</b> City of Peoria	V		<b>David Horton</b> City of Chillicothe	X	
<b>Tina Hauk</b> City of Pekin	V		<b>LD Chaney</b> Village of Creve Coeur		X
<b>Josh Wray*</b> City of Pekin		X	<b>Kofi Kisseh</b> CityLink		X
<b>Ric Semonski</b> City of East Peoria	X		<b>ShamRA Robinson*</b> CityLink		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>Ann Doubet</b> Village of Germantown Hills	X	
<b>Wayne Aldrich*</b> Village of Peoria Heights		X	<b>Gene Olson</b> , Ex-officio MAAP		X

**V = Virtual**

Also in attendance: Doug DeLille, Al Barrae Shebib, Jacob Weck – IDOT

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

Virtual attendees: Cindy Loos – City of Peoria, Tina Hauk – City of Pekin, Brandon Geber – IDOT

New people introduced. Amy McLaren introduced Cale Thompson from Peoria County. Ric Semonski introduced Bret Tucker will be taking his place after he retires in May. Tina Hauk introduced herself, the new representative from Pekin.

#### 3. Public Comment - None

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2025**

Ric Semonski moved to approve the January 15, 2025 meeting minutes and Jeff Gilles seconded. Motion carried.

**5. Public Meeting: Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) Region 5 2025 Update**

Amy McLaren motioned to hold a Public Meeting, seconded by Paola Mendez.

Reema Abi-Akar introduced the Human Services Transportation Plan, which Tri-County has been involved with since 2007. Reema presented the updated document, which focuses on transportation needs for seniors, individuals with disabilities, low-income populations, veterans, and other transit-dependent groups. The plan includes updated demographic maps and charts based on the latest census data, highlighting the concentration of transit-dependent populations in the region, as well as survey data, and a 30-day public comment period. Hard copies are available at 20 local libraries, five public transit agencies, and Tri-County’s office. A legal notice was printed in the newspaper, and the plan is also accessible on the Tri-County Website for review and feedback at <https://tricityrpc.org/draft-hstp-update/>

Ann Doubet motioned to close the Public Meeting, seconded by Patrick Meyer.

**6. Discussion of FY 2026 Unified Planning and Work Program**

Michael Bruner presented the following:

As an MPO, Tri-County is federally required to develop and maintain a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which is one of the core MPO planning documents that is updated annually. It serves as the work plan for the metropolitan transportation planning process by directing the programs, projects, and products that the Commission will undertake and accomplish during the fiscal year (July 1 through June 30) with a corresponding budget.

Staff has developed the FY 2026 budget and completed the corresponding draft UPWP document. As presented at a previous meeting, the Commission is receiving the following apportionment for FY 2026:

1. Federal Formula: \$841,856.20,
2. Federal Provisional: \$132,249.35
3. Match Requirement: \$243,526.39

FY 2026’s budget is relatively the same as FY 2025. The Joint Funding Agreement will be similar for FY 2026. The actual joint funding amounts have been calculated and are displayed on page 7 of the draft UPWP.

The following is the remainder of the UPWP schedule listed in the memo in your packet:

1. Feb. 19: Staff presents draft UPWP to Technical Committee
2. March 5: Staff presents draft UPWP to Commission
3. March 19: Technical Committee recommends UPWP to the Commission for approval
4. April 2: Commission approves final UPWP and staff submits document to IDOT
5. July 1: IDOT accepts UPWP, work begins

Between now and next month's Technical Committee meeting, we ask that you review the draft document and let us know if you have any comments or suggestions for additional MPO work tasks.

## **7. Updates**

### **a. Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 Update**

Michael Bruner reported that staff have been actively working on the LRTP, and it is very close to being completed. We are reviewing some guidelines from USDOT and IDOT to make sure we have everything squared away from that perspective. We anticipate finalizing the draft before the March 5th Commission meeting. Then, we will have a 30-day public comment period just like for the HSTP document.

### **b. SS4A – Safety Action Plan Public Meeting Debrief**

Reema Abi-Akar reported that a Public Open House was held at the Lincoln Library on February 6 – thank you to everyone who joined us. The Open House was well attended. All the exhibits displayed at the meeting are available on the project website for those who couldn't participate in the event. <https://www.tricountysafety.org/public-meeting>

We received valuable comments from the participants at the Open House. We have also updated the regional transportation network map, where local residents identified key transportation safety issues. Tomorrow is the last day to submit a comment on that site to be part of the public hearing record. Tri-County and Lochmueller are grateful to you for your continued support. The next steps will be integrating these comments into the process to be one step closer to the plan completion. This project is set to end in Summer 2025.

### **c. IDOT**

#### **i. Local Roads**

Al Barrae Shebib from IDOT stated that there is a 2-day special projects conference coming up.

#### **ii. Central Office**

Doug DeLille stated that there have been a lot of changes recently due to the federal layoffs. He will keep the Commission informed of any changes as he becomes aware. A potential pause to federal funding shouldn't impact anything that is already under obligation. IDOT is still processing things as if everything is normal. Some things seem to be targeted, like NEVI formula funding, carbon reduction, and the green energy bill.

Brandon Geber reported on an email that was sent out from the Secretary that stated FHWA is business as usual. There are no restrictions on CRP; IDOT is still getting approvals on that. Anything discretionary or formula-based is what would be paused.

Doug reported that staff at FHWA is getting thin, and it's getting hard to get information.

Eric Miller stated that he follows the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC), Transportation for America, and the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) to get accurate information but considers news from IDOT the official word.

Brandon reported that there is a pot of money that needs to be spent down, so he is looking for locals that need work done. He is looking for submissions from Call for Projects that were either not funded or underfunded; the projects need to be in a disadvantaged area. These include roadways, trails, and anything infrastructure-related. Another option is inflation causing bids to be much higher than expected. This option doesn't have to be within disadvantaged areas, but it would include projects that have already been started but now need more money due to inflation. Brandon says that he needs a list from MPO staff by the end of the day today. The funding amount started with \$400 million, but the state has taken a chunk. Brandon advises to submit projects for any amount. He also requests to CC Al Barrae Shebib on email submissions.

Staff requested that ideas for this money be sent to [funding@tricountyrpc.org](mailto:funding@tricountyrpc.org), and staff will put together a list to submit.

**d. FHWA**

No report.

**8. Other**

- a. Michael Bruner discussed Open Meetings Act Training  
<https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/open-and-honest-government/pac/pac-training/>  
All Technical Committee Members are required to complete OMA training. Please complete and submit a PDF of the certification of completion to Lori. If you have already completed this training in the last few years, please find and submit the certification of completion to Lori.
- b. Reema Abi-Akar announced an upcoming public meeting for the Kickapoo Creek Watershed study on March 19 at the Peoria County Farm Bureau building. The meeting will include a presentation and an open comment session.
- c. Amy McLaren informed the group that the APWA conference, usually held in May, will be moved to November 6 this year, and the conference will now be held annually in early November.

**9. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Ric Semonski and seconded by Jeff Gilles. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded by:

Michael Bruner

Transcribed by:  
Lori Reynolds

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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** MPO Technical Committee  
**FROM:** Staff  
**SUBJECT:** Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050  
**DATE:** March 19, 2025

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### **Action needed:**

Recommend to the Full Commission the adoption of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2050 Update.

### **Background:**

In urbanized areas with populations of 50,000 or more, federal law (49 U.S. Code 5303) mandates a continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative (3C) multimodal transportation planning process. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) oversee this process by:

- Acting as a forum for regional transportation planning
- Developing a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Engaging the public through a Public Participation Plan (PPP)
- Preparing and maintaining a Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
- Developing and updating a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

### **What is a Long-Range Transportation Plan:**

A LRTP is a 25-year strategic vision for the development and maintenance of a region's transportation network. An LRTP is updated every five years to reflect changes in funding availability, demographic trends, and transportation needs. The plan serves as the foundation for short-term investments through the TIP, ensuring a coordinated and forward-looking approach to regional mobility.

### **Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 Update:**

The Tri-County LRTP 2050 Update builds upon the 2045 Plan, incorporating new elements, including an Active Transportation section. The plan consists of seven chapters plus appendices:

Chapter 1 – Framework introduces the metropolitan transportation planning process and purpose of the LRTP.

Chapter 2 – Regional Overview reviews regional demographics, forecasts population and housing growth, and analyzes land use. It also provides a system performance report assessing key transportation metrics such as highway safety, pavement conditions, and transit performance.

Chapter 3 – Public Engagement summarizes public involvement activities, including open houses, focus groups, stakeholder interviews, and a virtual open house.

Chapter 4 – Plan Elements & Vision covers six plan elements: (1) active transportation, (2) economy, (3) environment, (4) freight, (5) public health, and (6) system overview. Lastly, it defines the region’s vision, goals, objectives, and implementation strategies.

Chapter 5 – MPO Project Funding & Prioritization highlights the Commission’s Special Transportation Studies program. Reviews the MPO’s transportation programming process, using the recent Combined Call for Projects as an example. Lastly, it outlines the region’s prioritization process and identifies the 12 regionwide project priorities.

Chapter 6 – Financial Plan provides a 25-year funding forecast. Lists fiscally constrained projects categorized as short-, mid-, and long-range. Includes an illustrative of unfunded but regionally supported projects.

Chapter 7 – Travel Demand Modeling provides an overview of the region’s new Activity-Based Travel Demand Model (ABM) and its application to the 12 regionwide project priorities.

Appendices contain supporting information, including the Fixed-Route Transit Audit (conducted July – October 2023), which evaluates CityLink’s public transit service and future funding priorities.



**Attachment A**

**JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT – UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FY 2026**

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 **\$974,105.55** in Federal Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds. The funding requires a 20% non-federal match, requiring a total match of **\$243,526.39** for Fiscal Year 2026. 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 PL funds and local dollars will be utilized for the work and services performed in accordance with the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). 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 the local match, 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 no later than November 1, 2025. 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 GPMTD.

The local money for FY 2026 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 2024.

<b>Community</b>	<b>2024 MFT Allotment</b>	<b>2024 MFT %</b>	<b>FY 2026 Contribution</b>
Peoria County	\$ 2,177,653.44	22.48%	\$ 53,900.81
Tazewell County	\$ 1,714,516.84	17.70%	\$ 42,437.35
Woodford County	\$ 596,926.38	6.16%	\$ 14,774.99
Bartonville, Village of	\$ 133,644.24	1.38%	\$ 3,307.93
Chillicothe, City of	\$ 137,758.11	1.42%	\$ 3,409.76
Creve Coeur, Village of	\$ 110,916.85	1.15%	\$ 2,745.39
East Peoria, City of	\$ 505,442.75	5.22%	\$ 12,510.61
Germantown Hills, Village of	\$ 76,702.12	0.79%	\$ 1,898.51
Morton, Village of	\$ 384,792.00	3.97%	\$ 9,524.29
Pekin, City of	\$ 713,316.31	7.37%	\$ 17,655.85
Peoria, City of	\$ 2,543,624.20	26.26%	\$ 62,959.24
Peoria Heights, Village of	\$ 132,812.47	1.37%	\$ 3,287.35
Washington, City of	\$ 361,277.82	3.73%	\$ 8,942.27
West Peoria, City of	\$ 95,832.72	0.99%	\$ 2,372.03
GPMTD	N/A	N/A	\$ 3,800.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$243,526.39</b>

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Washington \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

West Peoria \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

GPMTD \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title	TIP #	Section #	Location	Action	Source	Share	Cost
IL-40 Miscellaneous Improvements	S-27-08		IL-6 Northbound Ramp terminal	Traffic signal installation	HSIP-S	83%	\$ 2,102,000.00
					NHPP	7%	\$ 176,000.00
						0%	
						0%	
					State	10%	\$ 255,000.00
					Local	0%	
					Total		\$ 2,533,000.00
Requesting agency:		IDOT					
Reason for amendment:		Revised cost and Federal funding source. Advance to FY 2026 Program. Currently scheduled for 6/13/25 letting					

Title	TIP #	Section #	Location	Action	Source	Share	Cost
Radnor Road	PC-27-01	24-00143-01-PV	Radnor Rd (CH R52) from 950' north of Ridgeview Dr to Willow Knolls Rd	Phase II Preliminary Engineering	STR	16%	\$ 400,000.00
						0%	
						0%	
						0%	
					State	0%	
					Local	4%	\$ 100,000.00
					Total		\$ 500,000.00
Requesting agency:		Peoria County					
Reason for amendment:		Adding project to the FY 2027 Program					

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