



TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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AGENDA

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 9:00am CST
456 Fulton St, Suite 420
Peoria, IL 61602

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of Minutes, January 18, 2023 Meeting
5. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments – Attachment
 - a. PH-24-01 Prospect Road Reconstruction Project
 - b. C-23-01 Chillicothe Trail Purple Route
 - c. C-23-02 Chillicothe Trail Green Route
 - d. S-23-13 Traffic Signals
6. Performance Measure: Pavement & Bridges (PM-2) and System Performance (PM-3) – Attached
7. Call for Projects: Transportation Alternative (TA) Set-Aside – Attachment
<https://tricityrpc.org/funding-programs/tap/>
8. Call for Projects: Regional Priority – Active Transportation and Transit & Mobility – Attachment
9. Fiscal Year 2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
10. Updates
 - a. Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Announcement
 - b. COVID-19 Disaster Proclamation – Attachment
 - c. IDOT
 - Local Roads
 - Central Office
 - d. FHWA
11. Other
 - a. Next meeting scheduled for March 15, 2023
12. Adjournment

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MINUTES

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 9:00am CDT
456 Fulton St, Suite 420

1. Call to Order
Chairperson Kinga Krider called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

| Member | Present | Absent | Member | Present | Absent |
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| 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-04 | x | |
| Conrad Moore Woodford County | x | | Karen Dvorsky* IDOT-04 | | x |
| Alyssa McClain City of Peoria | | x | Kinga Krider City of West Peoria | x | |
| VACANT City of Peoria | | | Charles Hess City of West Peoria* | x | |
| Andrea Klopfenstein City of Peoria | x | | Craig Loudermilk Village of Morton | x | |
| Sie Maroon* City of Peoria | | x | Frank Sturm Village of Morton* | | x |
| Cindy Loos* City of Peoria | x | | Kenneth Coulter City of Chillicothe | | x |
| Paola Mendez* City of Peoria | x | | David Horton* City of Chillicothe | x | |
| VACANT City of Peoria | | | Terry Keogel Village of Creve Coeur | x | |
| Josie Esker* City of Pekin | x | | Nick Standefer* Citylink | x | |
| Justin Reeise City of Pekin | x | | Jamie Arbogast* CityLink | | x |
| Ric Semonski City of East Peoria | | x | Doug Roelfs, Citylink | | x |
| Ty Livingston* City of East Peoria | x | | Gene Olson* MAAP | | x |
| Chris Chandler Village of Peoria Heights | | x | Eric Miller TCRPC | x | |
| Wayne Aldrich* Village of Peoria Heights | | x | Rich Brecklin Village of Germantown Hills | | x |

Staff: Gabriel Guevara, Debbie Ulrich, Reema Abi-Akar, Logan Chapman, and Michael Bruner **Virtual:** Betsy Tracey, and Brandon Geber

3. Public Comment-none

4. Approval of Minutes, November 16, 2022, Meeting

Jeff Gilles moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 2022 meeting and Conrad Moore seconded. Motion carried.

5. Public Meeting – LRTP Amendment (<https://tricountyrpc.org/public-comment-lrtp-amendment/>)

Ty Livingston moved to open Public Meeting- LRTP Amendment (<https://tricountyrpc.org/public-comment-LRTP-amendment/>) and Patrick Meyer seconded.

Reema Abi-Akar updated as follows:

- Tri-County has opened its Amendment 1 for the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2045 for public review and comment.
- This amendment results from the FYs 2023-26 TIP Illustrative Project Listing and the Regional Project Prioritization Process.
 - Some submitted projects that are not in the current LRTP, and need to be added to be eligible for inclusion in the TIP's Illustrative Project Listing and Project Prioritization Process.
- Amendment 1 adds language regarding the TCRPC-PPUATS merger and updates the Project Listing in the LRTP 2045.
- The public review comment period began Wednesday, December 7, 2022, and ends on Friday, January 20, 2023.
 - Three public meetings are held during this time:
 - Full Commission- December 7, 2022
 - Executive Board- January 16, 2023
 - Technical Committee- January 18, 2023
 - The LRTP Amendment may be viewed at TCRPC office, TCRPC's website, at one of the twenty public review sites.
 - All comments will be noted and considered before final approval by the Full Commission.
- Cindy Loos mentioned the City of Peoria main street project is updated
- Eric Miller said to include as much as possible on the projects
- Michael Bruner mentioned the next will be 2025
- Brandon Geber said to ensure you do not have too many projects in the plan.

Patrick Meyer moved to close Public Meeting and Ty Livingston seconded.

Motion carried.

6. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments – Attachment Patrick Meyer moved to approve a thru f and Jeff Gilles seconded.
- a. Project C-25-01 Cloverdale Road Preservation
Michael Bruner updated this if FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY 2025. Cloverdale Rd from western city limits to IL-29. Amending to the FY 2025 Program.
 - b. Project TZ-25-01 Parkway Drive Preservation
Michael Bruner updated this is FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY 2025 Parkway Dr. from Pekin city limits to IL-98. Amending to the FY 2025 Program.
 - c. Project WC-26-01 Santa Fe Trail Preservation
Michael Bruner updated this is FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY2026, Sante Fe Trail for Lourdes Rd to IL-116. Amending to the FY 2026 Program.
 - d. Project PEO-21-02 Adams Street and Jefferson Street Signal Upgrades
Michael Bruner updated the project includes:
 - Changing the existing one-way pedestal signals to mast arms for two-way traffic at 8 intersections
 - Replacing two signals for two-way operations (William Kumpf Boulevard)
 - Upgrading signals at Adams and Hamilton
 - Adding bump out to corners to protect the parking and upgrading all of the handicapped ramps.
 - This amendment request.
 - Dissolves Project PEO-20-01 (Design Engineering)
 - Moves HSIP funding (\$67,500) and local match (\$7,500) to Project PEO-21-02 (Construction)
 - Adds an additional \$11,294,943 in MFT and other local funding.
 - HSIP: \$1,804,551, MFT/ Local: \$11,495,449, Total: \$13,300,000
 - Moves project to FY 2023 Program
 - e. Project S-23-11 Motorist Caused Highway Damage Repairs
 - Project repairs and replaces motorist caused damage to fences, guardrails, and cable barriers in various locations within District 4.
 - Amending to the FY 2023 Program with a planned March 2023 letting.
 - f. Project S-23-12 Traffic Signal Upgrades
Remove & replace traffic signals mast arms and posts at MacArthur Highway & Washington St. in Peoria
 - g. Project S-23-03 IL-29 Resurfacing-Skipped
- Motion carried.
7. Recommend to Commission the Heart of Illinois Human Service Transportation 2022 Plan (<https://tricitycountyrpc.org/wp-content/uploads/HSTP-Document-Draft-Plan-2022.pdf>)
Jeff Gilles moved to recommend to Commission the Heart of Illinois Human Service Transportation 2022 Plan and Patrick Meyer seconded.

Reema Abi-Akar updated we will host a bimonthly HSTP committee, made up of both urban and rural stakeholders representing both human service agencies (those that help seniors, people with disabilities, and other marginalized populations) & transport agencies.

- Seven counties: Peoria, Tazewell, Woodford, Fulton, Knox, Stark, and Marshall

This document is a requirement through the HSTP program within IDOT.

- We have to periodically update this document and IDOT gave us specific guidance for what to include in, which we did.

This document

- Outlines the demographic of these marginalized populations.
- Highlights issues regarding public transportation,
- And offers solutions.

We had a public comment period in November 2022 and held three public meetings:

- Changing the text to accessible fonts
- Added a list of projects funded by the FTA 5310 program.

HSTP committee unanimously approved this plan on December 6 to recommend to Technical to recommend to Commission.

IDOT required that we complete this by March: we are 1 month ahead of schedule.

Motion carried.

8. Call for Projects: Section 5310 – Attachment

Reema Abi- Akar updated on the following:

- Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities federal grant program
- Approximately \$335,187 of grant funding is available.
 - From Federal Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022, including COVID supplement.
 - We don't have FY 2023 dollars because FTA has not released those numbers.
- Applications are due by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 28, 2023
- Eligible applicants:
 - Non-profit organizations,
 - State and local governments,
 - And public transportation operators.
- Eligible Activities
 - Capital & operating expenses, such as:
 - Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the ADA.
 - Projects that improve access to fixed-route service
 - Projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities with transportation.
- Local match
 - Capital: 80/20
 - Operating: 50/50
- List of dates

9. Updates

a. Transportation Alternatives

Michael Bruner updated on the following:

- Anticipated Call for Projects on February 15th OR March 1st for \$1,456,565 in funding
- FY2021- \$293,959; FY22- \$576,353; FY23- \$588,254

Eligible Projects

- A project must enhance the transportation system either by serving a transportation need or providing a transportation use or benefit and not be solely for recreational use.
- Project include sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian & bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure, and ADA improvements.

Eligible Project Phases

- Planning, Design, and Construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicycles, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.

Jeff Gilles asked when to spend FY21 thru FY23 funds. Michael Bruner said he will contact IDOT.

Eric Miller asked what is the maximum and Michael said he has not heard from IDOT as of yet.

b. IDOT

- Local Roads
- Central Office

Brandon Geber said IDOT will be returning money back to MPO's in the amount of \$100,000 for planning

c. FHWA-nothing to report.

10. Other

- Ray Lees updated about the meeting with Mark Fenton, Feb. 1st in East Peoria, about Healthy Communities and Complete Streets.
 - Michael Bruner mentioned the guardrail project is moving forward.
- a. Next meeting scheduled for February 15, 2023

11. Adjournment

Patrick Meyer moved to adjourn at 9:30 a.m. and Terry Koegel seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded and transcribed by:

Debbie Ulrich, Office Manager

TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Adopted July 6, 2022, as amended

TIP AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM

| DATE | AMENDING TIP DOCUMENT | | AGENCY REQUESTING AMENDMENT(S) |
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| 2/15/2023 | From 2023 | To 2026 | Village of Peoria Heights & IDOT |

| PROJECT INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | |
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| PROJECT TITLE | PPUATS TIP NUMBER | PROJECT CONTRACT NUMBER | PROJECT NUMBER (PPS#) | PROJECT SECTION NUMBER | IMPROVEMENT LOCATION | ACTION | FUNDING SOURCE | FUNDING SHARE (%) | TOTAL COST |
| Prospect Road Reconstruction Project | PH-24-01 | | | | War Memorial Drive (U.S.150) to Kingman Road | Preliminary Engineering (Phase I) | Federal (THUD) | 80% | \$2,000,000 |
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| | | | | | | | Local | 20% | \$500,000 |
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| Reason for Amendment: Adding to FY 2024 Program as a result of federal funding from FY 23 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development appropriation | | | | | | | | | |

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| Chillicothe Trail Purple Route | C-23-01 | | | | Various locations in the City of Chillicothe | Construction of multi-use bike path and on-road bike-ped accommodations | ITEP | 80% | \$ 114,800 |
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| Reason for Amendment: Removing project from TIP due to funds being returned to IDOT | | | | | | | | | |

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| Chillicothe Trail Green Route | C-23-02 | | | | Various locations in the City of Chillicothe | Removing project from TIP due to lack of funding | ITEP | 80% | \$ 470,450 |
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| Reason for Amendment: Removing project from TIP due to funds being returned to IDOT | | | | | | | | | |

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| Traffic Signals | S-23-13 | 68H55 | 0-01495-4002 | (135)TS-2; (58CS)TS | IL 29 (Adams St) and Spring St in Peoria; IL 78 and Vine, IL 78 and Ash in Canton | Remove & replace traffic signal mast arms and posts | NHPP-State | | \$ 240,000 |
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| | | | | | | | State | | \$ 30,000 |
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| Reason for Amendment: Addition to IDOT Dist. 4 Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Program. Project scheduled for June 2023 letting. | | | | | | | | | |

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| IDOT District 4 Local Roads | |
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MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO Technical Committee

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Pavement & Bridge Condition (PM-2), and System Performance (PM-3) Performance Measures

DATE: February 15, 2023

Action needed:

Recommend to Commission to support IDOT's Pavement & Bridge Condition (PM-2) and System Performance (PM-3) targets.

Background:

In 2012, Congress passed the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), mandating all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to develop a performance-based transportation planning and programming approach. The requirements for a performance-based approach have been continued under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015, and the current transportation funding law, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) of 2021.

The intent of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is to use this systematic data as a strategic approach to make transportation investment and policy decisions that benefit the national goals. The focus areas for collecting this data and setting 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, and Reduced Project Delivery Delay.

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) is the MPO for the Peoria-Pekin urbanized area and reviews IDOT's state targets for adoption. MPOs have 180 days to accept or set their own performance measures from the date the State DOT sets their targets. Historically, TCRPC has elected to support the State's targets for PM-1, PM-2, and PM-3. Please note, only states are assessed for significant progress made towards established targets, not MPOs.

Performance Measures:

The next page shows baseline data for the Peoria-Pekin MPO, as well as IDOT's baseline data, 2-Year Targets, and 4-Year Targets.

| | Data Year | 2021 | 2021 | 2023 | 2025 |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | Reporting Year | TCRPC Estimated Baseline 2022 | IDOT Estimated Baseline 2022 | 2024 | 2026 |
| Pavement and Bridges (PM-2) | % of Interstate Pavement in Good Condition | 88.7% | 65.8% | 65.0% | 66.0% |
| | % of Interstate Pavement in Poor Condition | 1.2% | 0.4% | 1.0% | 0.7% |
| | % of non-Interstate NHS Pavements in Good Condition | 40.2% | 29.5% | 29.0% | 30.0% |
| | % of non-Interstate NHS Pavements in Poor Condition | 20.3% | 8.0% | 8.9% | 8.5% |
| | % of NHS bridges classified as in Good condition | 2.8% | 22.8% | 18.5% | 15.8% |
| | % of NHS bridges classified as in Poor condition | 29.2% | 12.4% | 12.4% | 12.0% |
| System Performance (PM-3) | % of person-miles traveled on the Interstate that are reliable | 99.5% | 85.3% | 80.0% | 79.0% |
| | % of person-miles traveled on the non-Interstate NHS that are reliable | 93.8% | 94.2% | 91.0% | 90.0% |
| | Truck Travel Time Reliability Index | 1.19 | 1.37 | 1.37 | 1.37 |



MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO Technical Committee

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Call for Projects: Transportation Alternative Set Aside

DATE: February 15, 2023

Action needed:

None. Information item only.

Application Process:

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) is opening a call for projects for the Transportation Alternative (TA) Set-Aside. **Approximately \$1,458,565 of grant funding is available** from Fiscal Years (FYs) 2021, 2022, and 2023. TCRPC encourages each of your respective organizations to investigate projects which may be eligible for the funds.

Applications must be completed digitally and submitted to funding@tricountyrpc.org by Friday, March 31, 2023, at 4:00 pm. Digital copies of the application will be available on TCRPC's website at the following link, <https://tricountyrpc.org/funding-programs/tap>, and applicants can also request TCRPC staff to send applications to them. Please direct any questions to staff at (309) 673-9330 or by email at funding@tricountyrpc.org.

Background:

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (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 TAP funds to program. TCRPC's FY 2021 allotment is \$293,959; the FY 2022 allotment is \$576,352; and the FY 2023 allotment is \$588,254. The total available funds are \$1,458,565. Federal funding for TAP is provided by the Transportation Alternatives set-aside of the STBG Program and is authorized by the FAST Act and reauthorized for five additional years by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

Program Description:

TAP authorizes funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities; infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility; community improvement activities such as historic preservation and vegetation management; environmental mitigation related to stormwater and habitat connectivity, recreational trail projects, safe routes to school projects; and projects for planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former divided highways.

Eligible Activities:

A project must demonstrate a relationship to surface transportation to be eligible for TAP funding. TAP projects must enhance the transportation system either by serving a transportation need or providing a transportation use or benefit and not be solely for recreational use. Projects must be consistent with the goals of TCRPC's Long-Range Transportation Plan, the IJJA, and the BikeConnect HOI Regional Bicycle Plan. In addition, projects need to be constructed in reasonable, useable segments and provide logical termini.

Activities are not eligible if they are routine maintenance projects such as re-striping a trail, cleaning up debris, or repairing a broken curb. Please be advised – if your project involves sidewalk work, you most likely will be required to update the facility to meet current ADA Accessibility Standards. That would include, but would not be limited to, curb cuts and handicapped ramps at intersections and corrective measures to fix cross slopes that exceed the ADA standards.

23 U.S.C. 133(h)(3)(A): Projects or Activities described in [23 U.S.C. 101\(a\)\(29\)](#) or [23 U.S.C. 213\(b\)](#) outline the eligible activities under the TAP program.

Local Matching Requirements:

TAP is a reimbursable program. The federal share for TAP projects is as follows:

- Preliminary engineering, utility relocations, construction engineering, and construction are eligible for funding at an 80/20 match, i.e., 80% is TAP matched by 20% sponsor share.
- Acquisition of right-of-way and easements are eligible for funding at a 50/50 match, i.e., 50% is TAP funding matched by 50% sponsor share.
- Street lighting, unless in a designated historical area, also requires a 50% local match. In a designated historic area, street lighting may qualify for 80% TAP with a 20% local match.

The local match does not necessarily have to be provided directly by the sponsor, but it must be a non-federal source to qualify as match. Submission of an application commits the applicant to the required match.

Project Selection Process:

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| February 15, 2023 | Staff issues Call for Projects |
| March 31, 2023 | Applications due to TCRPC staff by 4:00 pm |
| Week of April 3, 2023 | Staff reviews applications, ensuring completeness and validity |
| April 19, 2023 | Project proposals presented during Technical Committee meeting |
| April 19, 2023 | Establish TAP Subcommittee during Technical Committee meeting |
| May 3, 2023 (est.) | TAP Subcommittee convenes, reviews applications, assigns "Public Benefits" scores, and makes recommendation to Technical Committee |
| May 17, 2023 | Technical Committee considers TAP Subcommittee recommendation |
| June 7, 2023 | Commission considers Technical Committee recommendation and programs TAP funding |



MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO Technical Committee

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Call for Projects: Regional Priority – Active Transportation and Transit & Mobility

DATE: February 15, 2023

Action needed:

None. Information item only.

Application Process:

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) is opening a call for projects for jurisdictions within the Peoria-Pekin urbanized area to submit projects to be considered in the regional transportation project prioritization process for (1) Active Transportation, and (2) Transit & Mobility.

To submit projects for consideration, please submit a short project overview, no more than 2 pages, that includes the proposed project title, lead agency information, project location/limits, estimated budget, project description, purpose/need, and desired outcome/benefits to funding@tricountyrpc.org by **Tuesday, February 28, 2023**. Please direct any questions to staff at (309) 673-9330 or by email at funding@tricountyrpc.org.

Background:

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Peoria-Pekin urbanized area. As the MPO, TCRPC held two Strategic Transportation Planning Session events. Following the events, a report with recommendations was developed, with one of the suggestions being a regional transportation project prioritization process. TCRPC staff started with Highways, Streets, and Bridges and is in the process of finalizing this project list. Two additional project area lists are being developed: (1) Active Transportation, and (2) Transit & Mobility.

Active Transportation:

The goal of the Active Transportation Regional Project List is to inventory regional significant projects that improves or promotes active transportation for all abilities, such as bicycle facilities, pedestrian accommodations, and safety improvements.

Transit & Mobility:

The Transit & Mobility Regional Project List aims to inventory regionally significant projects that promote transit usage, increase connectivity and mobility throughout the region, such as purchasing and installing transit amenities, expanding mass transit & ADA paratransit service beyond those provided, and constructing accessible paths to bus stops that are currently inaccessible.



MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO Technical Committee

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Draft FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

DATE: February 15, 2023

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 following the below schedule.

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| February 14, 2023: | Draft Uniform Budget Template (UBT) and Programmatic Risk Assessment (PRA) submitted to IDOT |
| February 15, 2023: | Staff presents draft UPWP to Technical Committee |
| March 1, 2023: | Staff presents draft UPWP to Commission |
| March 15, 2023: | Technical Committee recommends UPWP to Commission for approval |
| April 1, 2023: | Staff submits draft UPWP to IDOT |
| April 5, 2023 | Commission approves final UPWP, staff submits document to IDOT |
| July 1, 2023: | IDOT accepts UPWP, work begins |

Gov. Pritzker Announces End of State COVID-19 Disaster Proclamation

Press Release - Tuesday, January 31, 2023

CHICAGO — Governor JB Pritzker announced the state's public health emergency will end on May 11, 2023, aligning the state with the federal government's decision to end the national public health emergency. Ensuring Illinois' and the federal government's health emergencies were linked brought in additional federal funding and expanded healthcare access for residents across the state.

"Since COVID-19 first emerged nearly three years ago, my administration has worked diligently alongside the federal government to battle this once-in-a-generation pandemic by following scientific and medical guidance to support frontline workers and save lives. Our state's disaster proclamation and executive orders enabled us to use every resource at our disposal from building up testing capacity and expanding our healthcare workforce to supporting our vaccine rollout and mutual aid efforts," **said Governor JB Pritzker**. "Let me be clear: COVID-19 has not disappeared. It is still a real and present danger to people with compromised immune systems—and I urge all Illinoisans to get vaccinated or get their booster shots if they have not done so already."

After joining 12 other states and the Department of Health and Human Services in declaring a public health emergency at the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic on March 9, 2020, the state of Illinois has continued to remain aligned with the federal government to ensure every available resource was utilized in the state's COVID-19 response. Illinois residents were able to collect additional SNAP benefits, more than 1.4 million children received Pandemic EBT (nutrition) support, and Medicaid expansion ensured access to telehealth options and the resources Illinoisans needed to stay healthy.

The proclamation formalized emergency procedures by activating the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC), bringing together decision makers from every state agency and the state's highly qualified mutual aid network to deploy resources as necessary during the public health threat.

Since March of 2020, state and local partners benefitted from a disaster proclamation in the following ways:

- Allowing federal reimbursement for state response costs.
- Allowing use of State Disaster Relief Fund, covering direct state costs and reimbursements to Illinois National Guard and mutual aid groups.
- Allowing use of the state's mutual aid network, groups of public safety response professionals — including hundreds of health care providers and management professionals, law enforcement officers, fire fighters, emergency medical technicians and disaster response professionals — that are available to deploy to areas of shortage.

- Authorizing the Governor to activate Illinois National Guard reservists, some of whom were doctors and nurses and served on the front lines of the pandemic response.
- Allowing expedited procurement should it be necessary.
- Authorizing additional executive actions as needed to protect public health and safety.

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