Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council Technical Committee

August 11, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Location: Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors (MIBOR)
1912 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202
317-956-1912

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions	Lori Miser	
Items for Approval /Referral to Policy Committee		
2. Minutes from meeting of May 5, 2010	Lori Miser	5 min.
3. Indianapolis Regional Transportation Improvement Program 3rd Qtr Amendments: 2009-2012	Cat Schoenherr	10 min.
Status Reports		
4. Indy Connect		
▪ **2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update**	Stephanie Belch Joe Guerre	60 min.
➢ **Performance criteria (final report)**		
➢ **Transit plan**	John Myers/Chris Kopp	
➢ **Network analysis**		
➢ **Fiscal constraint**		
➢ **Congestion Management Process**	Philip Roth	10 min.
▪ **Complete Streets Activities**	Anna Tyszkiewicz	
5. IRTIP Activities Update		10 min.
▪ **Report: Call for projects (TE, CMAQ, SRTS, HSIP)**	Mike Dearing	
▪ **2011-2014 IRTIP development**	Cat Schoenherr	
6. Data Activities Update		10 min.
• **Central Indiana Pavement Condition Inventory**	Andrew Swenson	
7. Administrative Activities Update		5 min.
• **Certification Review (FHWA)**	Philip Roth	
• **Development of 2011 Work Program**		
• **TeMPO call for articles**	Erika Hinshaw	
Other Business		
8. Announcements, other *Upcoming meetings:* ❖ ***Policy Committee meeting with Certification Review August 25th at 1:30 at MIBOR*** ❖ *Regular Technical Committee meeting: October 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. INDOT Traffic Management Center, 8630 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis*	Lori Miser	

Materials are attached pertaining to agenda items 2, 3, 4 and 5

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Lori Miser-MPO	Philip Roth – MPO
Mike Dearing-MPO	Andrew Swenson-MPO
Cat Schoenherr-MPO	Stephanie Belch-MPO
Steve Cunningham-MPO	Tom Beck-MPO
Erika Hinshaw-MPO	Ehren Bingaman-CIRTA*
Jeremy Moore- MPO	Ron Crider-Town of McCordsville*
Anita Bjork- MPO	Luke Mastin - Johnson County*
Anna Tyszkiewicz-MPO	Brad Davis-
Barbara Sloan- Cambridge Systematics	Bill Hall- Hancock County*
Larry Jones – City of Indianapolis*	Tami Otto- Town of Fishers*
Christine Owens- Town of Cumberland*	John Myers- Town of Speedway*
Ryan Cannon- Town of Avon*	Don McGillem Town of Plainfield*
David Littlejohn-City of Carmel*	Chris Kopp- HNTB
Larry Heil – FHWA	Paul Peoni- City of Greenwood*
Samantha Cross-IndyGo*	Long Nguyen- City of Indianapolis
Todd Wilkerson-City of Franklin*	Randy Walter– INDOT*
Joe Guerre – Cambridge Systematics, Inc.	

* = Voting member or proxy

Welcome & Introductions

Lori Miser opened the meeting and welcomed the IRTC members and visitors. She allowed everyone to introduce themselves.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(SEEKING APPROVAL)*

Randy Walter moved to approve the May 5, 2010 minutes.
Larry Jones seconded the motion.
The minutes of the May 5, 2010 IRTC Technical Committee Meeting were approved.

APPROVAL OF INDIANAPOLIS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 3RD QTR AMENDMENTS: 2009-2012: PUBLIC HEARING *(SEEKING APPROVAL)*

Cat Schoenherr provided a list of proposed amendments to the IRTIP for review. The amendments were offered for public review and comment from July 27th through August 3rd 2010. She noted that there were no comments submitted. Also, upon approval by the IRTC Technical Committee members the proposed amendments would go to the IRTC Policy Committee on August 25th for final approval. The majority of the proposed amendments did not affect the MPO's Group 1 STP funds. Thirty-four of the amendments are INDOT projects , one adds an anticipated TIGER 2 for Indianapolis DPR and is added as illustrative, 5 add newly awarded Recreational Trail Projects for Marion County, Lawrence, Cicero and Brownsburg, 3 add new Section 5310 (Federal Specialized Transportation Capital Assistance Grant awards) for transit vehicles for organizations within Indianapolis, one adds an HISP project for Morgan County, three add bridge replacement using BR funds; two in Hendricks County and one in Johnson County, one adds a new earmark for Indianapolis on Michigan Road, one adds a Rural STP Group IV project for Boone County, one adds a State TE project for Indianapolis. Two transfer funds between phases of previously awarded TE grants for Beech Grove and Indianapolis and one transfers

earmark funds from Phase 1 and Phase 2 of Fishers 126th Street project. There were two amendments proposed for projects with Group 1 STP funds, however only one impacted the balance of the funds. The first was for Town of Brooklyn to transfer $89,600 of STP funds from their ROW to PE phase, which does not affect the overall balance of STP funds. The details of the second amendment are described:

> **Town of Cicero-** DES # 0810329- Morse Reservoir- pedestrian walkway over Jackson St. Causeway,. Increase total CN/CN INS in FY 2011 from $2,000,700 to $2,250,000 ($1,800,000 federal Group 1 STP funds and $450,000 local match) and increase total CN/CN INS in FY 2012 from $222,300 to $275,000 (220,000 federal Group STP funds and $55,000 local match). This amendment would add $241,600 of the MPO's federal Group 1 STP funds to the project due to anticipated cost increase.
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> **City of Beech Grove-**DES# 0710998-Beech Grove Greenway Phase 1 from 13th Ave. & Main Street to 4th Ave. Transfer of $152,000 federal TE funds from DES # 0088240 and $1.24 million from Phase 3 (currently in TIP) to Phase 1. Split Phase 1 into Phase 1A and 1B in FY 2011 and remove Phase 3 from TIP in FY 2011. The amendment reflects Beech Grove's desire to build Phase 1 of their Greenway with the TE funds currently awarded to the City. INDOT approved a TE Transfer from an inactive project (DES#008240) to Phase 1 of the Greenway The description was modified to better reflect the current project limits for Phase 1.

Cat Schoenherr summarized the proposed amendments would result in an estimated balance of $1,709,835 in our SAFETEA-LU Group 1 Urban STP funds. The estimated balance of Group 1 Urban STP funds for the next transportation bill (FY 2010 – FY2015) is $67,599,128. The proposed amendments were included as exhibit "A" for review.
Cat Schoenherr said no emergency amendments had been approved since the 2nd Quarter IRTC meetings and there were many administrative modifications processed since the 2nd Quarter IRTC meetings. The modifications were listed in the handout. She reminded the Technical Committee that the deadline for quarterly IRTIP amendments was September 17, 2010. All amendment requests must be submitted using the TIP amendment request form on the MPO's website.

Don McGillem moved to approve the amendments as detailed in the handout.
Bill Hall seconded the motion.
The motion carried.

Status Reports

Indy Connect

2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

Joe Guerre of Cambridge Systematics, Inc, said they were making modifications and improvements to the LRTP due to the results of the IRTC Retreat in April . He provided hand-outs regarding the LRTP Performance Criteria. **Joe Guerre** spoke about the LRTP framework, roadway needs, reviewing the question of preservation or expansion and the overall support of transit and future policy decisions. He showed graphs on the general age of bridges and bridge performance versus funding. **Joe** showed investment scenarios. He gave handouts which allowed each technical committee representatives to list the percentages they would like to see allocated in areas such as pavement preservation, bridge preservation, roadway expansion, bike/ped expansion, transit support and O & M. **Chris Kopp** provided a power point presentation and spoke on preparation of additional rankings based on capital cost estimates provided by the Central Indiana Transit Task Force data. The ranking changes were due to new operating cost estimates and benefits measures which were provided by the MPO's new origin zone destination trip table, part of the model. Cambridge Systematics is currently integrating all the information and recommendations into the cash flow model to develop a fiscally constrained plan. **John Myers** clarified that the transit project rankings do not take in to account traffic congestion or how direct the routes are in the NE Corridor. Both HNTB, and Cambridge Systematics with the MPO will be doing a number of model runs very soon. **Chris Kopp** mentioned the COA is making bus recommendations on the corridors and how the bus system will improve. The MPO will be holding special meetings in various parts of the community.

Philip Roth spoke briefly on the congestion management process. **Anna Tyszkiewicz** spoke on the development of a Complete Street Policy and upcoming discussions will follow as a committee is formed. **Larry Heil** commented on the necessity of implementing a complete streets policy**.** He also mentioned that Anderson implanted a Complete Streets Policy. **Brad Davis, Long Nguyen, and Ron Crider** asked questions regarding asset management and complete streets guidelines. **Larry Jones** and **John Ayers** commented on the significant financial impact on local budgets to implement such a program in communities.

IRTIP ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Mike Dearing reviewed the schedule for the submission of projects on TE, CMAQ, SRTS, HSIP. Eleven CMAQ applications were received. Six were forwarded to the State for review and final approval. Those were; Carmel for a roundabout on 111th St. and College Ave., a pathway on 106th from Ditch to Illinois, two DPW applications for multiuse on 62nd and 71st St., the Knozone outreach program for 2012-2014 and the IndyGo Transit Outreach program. He received 16 projects for HSIP funds. The final date for project submission is September 20, 2010. He also stated that applications for enhancement projects will be pulled by the State if there has not been progress on them within 3 years. **Larry Heil** recommended the communities take advantage of the time extension and obligate their projects for funding.

Cat Schoenherr said FHWA has suggested that the IRTIP cover 2012-2015. And the MPO will have another call for projects because of this change. The change will put INDOT and the MPO on the same schedule.

DATA ACTITIVITIES UPDATE

Andy Swenson provided an update on the Central Indiana Travel Survey and stated the data would be delivered late August /mid September. The urban project data of 400 miles will also be delivered.
He also noted that the Central Indiana Pavement Condition Inventory data would be delivered as well.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Philip Roth elaborated on the FHWA/FTA review of the MPO and its re-certification. The review will begin September 23 -25th. He said IRTC members will have an opportunity to provide written feedback. **Larry Heil** added all comments are welcome and it is an opportunity for improving the transportation process which includes evaluation of INDOT process as well as the MPO.

Philip Roth stated the 2011-2012 UPWP is in development. He asked that communities that have studies or activities that need to be in the UPWP contact him.

Philip Roth will be submitting a grant application for the Sustainable Communities funds. The funding availability notice has been released. He asked that if communities would like to participate, there is a letter of support template which can be completed.

Erika Hinshaw asked for the submission of articles or stories by communities for the upcoming TeMPO Newsletter. She stated this is a great opportunity for communities to highlight their activities.

Jeremy Moore stated there is an upcoming Creating Transit Center Communities Workshop on August 27th at MIBOR. Also, Health by Design is sponsoring a workshop on Safe Routes to Schools on August 30th.

Lori Miser spoke about the letter in the packet which confirmed the re-designation of the MPO.

Lori Miser moved to adjourn the IRTC Technical Committee meeting. Time: 10:52 a.m.

The next regular IRTC Technical Committee Meeting will be held
October 13th from 9-11:00 a.m
INDOT Traffic Management Center
Conference Rooms C, D and E