

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

Technical Committee Minutes – August 11, 2015

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Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Jay Anderson.

Those Present Were:

Jay Anderson, BCATS staff; Terry Moulthane, City of Bay City; Kris Welch, MDOT; Eric Sprague, Bay Metro Transportation Authority; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Jack Hofweber, Bay City TSC; Ryan McDonnell, MDOT Bay City TSC; Ken Feldt, Bay City Engineering; Michael McBain, BCATS Staff, and; Cyndi Gaul, Bay County Environmental Affairs & Community Development.

Introductions were made.

Welcome Kris Welch, the new MDOT Program Manager for BCATS.

Minutes from June 9, 2015 BCATS Tech Meeting:

It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Reithel, to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2015 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

Public Comment: None

Legislative Update:

Welch said that MAP21 has been extended to October 29th. About \$40 million additional funding for projects should be available. There should be more information over the next week about further funding. September 25, 2015 is the deadline to submit for reimbursement of State Funds. There is a potential six year bill for three years of funding from the US House that was sent to the US Senate and will be reviewed in the fall.

TIP Amendments: There were no TIP Amendments at this time.

Euclid Avenue/Wilder Road Access Management Update:

Anderson provided a handout of the preliminary update for the Euclid Avenue/Wilder Road Access Management Plan. There will be a Steering Committee Meeting coming up either August 21st, 24th or September 18th. We will be moving on to the next phase of this project. Anderson will send out a link to the maps and draft plan for this project.

GLBR Travel Demand Model: Future Socio-Economic Data:

There was a meeting held at the Bay County Community Center on July 29th with local officials, BCATS staff and MDOT staff to review Future S-E data. Dan Mayle requests BCATS submit any changes to the Future Socio-Economic Data information by September 1, 2015. It should be approved at the October 2015 BCATS Meeting.

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FY2016 Unified Work Program (UWP):

Anderson said that Federal Highway is still reviewing the FY2016 Unified Work Program (UWP). The UWP will be going to the Bay County Board of Commissioners later today and is expected to be approved as it was already approved at the last Ways and Means Meeting.

National Function Class Update:

There was a meeting back in January 2015 at the Bay Region Office to review maps and to make recommendations for the National Function Class. There were no recommended changes made at this meeting and BCATS recommended no changes be made in Bay County. Anderson will have a document ready for signature at the next BCATS Policy Committee Meeting.

A motion was made by Sprague, seconded by Welch, to recommend approval and signature of the National Function Class Update with no changes to the BCATS area. Motion Passed.

Project Updates:

The MDOT **9 Mile Road Bridge Project** (bridge over US-10) is scheduled for completion by September 20, 2015. The MDOT **US-10 Bridge Project** (bridge over I-75) is finishing the support columns and will be setting the beams for the westbound bridge next week. The project should finish in December. The **Bay-Zilwaukee Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project** is moving forward and is expected to be a 2017-2018 Project. The Bay City **Center Avenue Project** (Water Street to Madison Street) is a mill/resurface project that will start before Labor Day (September 7, 2015). The Bay City **Washington Street Project** (Woodside Avenue to 7th Street) is a resurfacing project that will start later this fall. The Bay City **9th Street Project** (Saginaw Street to Washington Avenue) is a resurfacing project that will start later this fall. The Bay City **Johnson Street Project** (Center Avenue to Second Street) mill/resurface will start spring of 2016. The **Uptown River Walk** extension was awarded and will start the end of August 2015.

Other:

PASER Rating:

Anderson let everyone know that PASER Ratings have been finished for the federal-aid roads across the county. McBain is finishing up the rating for the local roads in Bay City.

GIS Website Development:

Anderson mentioned that approval has been given to develop a GIS Website with the City of Bay City. Anderson would like to see BCATS Project locations listed on the website, along with BMTA stops and routes.

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As there was no other business, the August 11, 2015 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Anderson
BCATS Staff

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