

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2025

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Those Present Were:

Joshua VanderLaan, BCATS; Kailey Mize, BCATS; Paige DeHate, MDOT; Max Gierman, MDOT; Larry Beson, 4th District Commissioner; Cody Bodrie, EMCOG; Craig Goulet, Essexville Twp; Glenn Rowley, Bangor Twp; Terri Close, Hampton Twp; Robert Pawlak, Portsmouth Twp; and Ryan Gladding, MDOT (Call-in).

1. Call to Order:

The BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was called to order by Glenn Rowley at 1:30 p.m.

2. Changes to the Agenda

No changes to the agenda were requested. A motion was made by Craig Goulet, seconded by Larry Beson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Minutes from May 21st, 2025, BCATS Policy Committee Meeting:

A motion was made by Craig Goulet, seconded by Larry Beson to approve the minutes from the BCATS Policy Committee Meeting held on May 21st, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes from August 20th, 2025, BCATS Policy Committee Meeting:

A motion was made by Craig Goulet, seconded by Larry Beson to approve the minutes from the BCATS Policy Committee Meeting held on August 20th, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Public Comment Period:

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

6. Legislative or MDOT Updates:

There were no Legislative or MDOT updates brought before the committee.

7. Agency Reports and Project Updates

BCATS

Data review/collection for the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) is underway through April 1st of 2026. Joshua VanderLaan asked for feedback from any committee members that have experience with this data review.

Additionally, BCATS has completed PASER data collection with both the City of Bay City and Bay County Road Commission.

Brief discussion occurred regarding a conflict with next month's Technical Committee Meeting date, which falls on November 11th, Veteran's Day. The committee agreed to discuss moving or canceling the meeting once an agenda has been determined.

8. BCATS Public Hearing on 2026-2029 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:36 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss proposed changes to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. A handout of the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modifications was passed out at the meeting for review and discussion.

1. **Job #208823** – MDOT: Reconstruction – M-25 W from M-25 Freeway End to Walnut Street. Phase budget amendment needed.
2. **Job #208827** – MDOT: Reconstruction – M-25 E from M-25 Freeway End to Walnut Street. Phase budget amendment needed.

The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the BCATS 2026-2029 TIP

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was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

9. Fiscal Year 2026-2029 TIP Amendments & Administrative Modifications

The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 1:37 p.m.

A motion was made by Cody Bodrie and seconded by Craig Goulet to approve the FY 2026-2029 TIP Amendments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Bay-GLBR Travel Demand Model Data Review

Ryan Gladding was available to answer any questions from the committee regarding the Travel Demand Model data approval or development. Joshua VanderLaan asked if comments could still be submitted for review following approval. MDOT will accept comments and revisions until the end of the year.

A motion was made by Larry Beson and seconded by Terri Close to receive the Bay-GLBR Travel Demand Model Data Review as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Other/New Business

No new business was shared.

12. Motion for Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Terri Close and seconded by Larry Beson to adjourn the October 22nd, 2025, BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 1:41 p.m. Motion carried.

The next BCATS Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for November 19th, 2025, at 1:30 pm, and will be held in the 1st Floor Veteran Affairs Conference Room, 515 Center Ave., Bay City Michigan 48708.

Respectfully submitted,

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