

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Those Present Were:

Jay Anderson, BCATS Staff; Jim Lillo, BCRC; Dave Engelhardt, EMCOG; Ryan McDonnell MDOT BCTSC; Jon Roberts, MDOT; Brian Stark, MDOT; Mitch Huber, MDOT SPS; Dan Hansford, City of Essexville; Ryan Smith, BCATS Staff, and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs & Community Development.

Introductions were made.

Minutes from December 10, 2019 BCATS Technical Meeting:

It was moved by Engelhardt, seconded by Stark, to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2019 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

Public Comment: There was no public comment brought before the committee.

Legislative Update: There was nothing new to report at this time.

FY 2020 MDOT Safety Targets:

Anderson provided the committee with a handout of the MDOT Safety Targets to review for recommendation to the BCATS Policy Committee for approval. A brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Engelhardt, seconded by Hansford, to favorably recommend the FY2020 MDOT Safety Targets be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed.

FY2020-2023 TIP Amendments, Administrative Modifications:

Anderson provided a handout of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification for review and recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

FY 2020 Amendment:

1. Addition of the ***MDOT TSC Traffic Safety Project*** (PE Phase) at M-15 and Young's Ditch Road for traffic signal modernization and connected vehicle installations.
2. Budget adjustment to decrease the funding for the ***MDOT Bay Region-wide Pavement Markings Retro Readings Project*** in the Bay Region.

FY 2021 Amendment:

3. Addition of the ***MDOT TSC Traffic Safety Project*** (ROW Phase) at M-15 and Young's Ditch Road for traffic signal modernization and connected vehicle installations.
4. Addition of the ***MDOT TSC M-15 Traffic Safety Project*** (CON Phase) at Young's Ditch Road for traffic signal modernization and connected vehicle

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installations.

A motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Huber, to favorably recommend the FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed.

Great Lakes Bay Region Travel Demand Model Update:

Jon Roberts from MDOT provided a Travel Demand Model Update. The edits provided by the MPOs are being incorporated into the existing data to improve and better reflect the current Great Lakes Bay Region Travel Demand Model data. Some of the household data provided needs to be “smoothed out” to make the model flow. Roberts will provide updates to Kawkawlin and Fraser Townships to try and correct skewed data.

Base Year (2017) SE-Data Approval:

Anderson provided information on the Base Year (2017) for the Socio-Economic Data for review and recommendation to the BCATS Policy Committee. A brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Engelhardt to favorably recommend the Base Year (2017) for the Socio-Economic Data to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion passed.

JobNet Approved TIP Web Map and PASER Dashboard Presentation:

Anderson provided a presentation and demonstration of the new PASER Dashboard and the interactive JobNet TIP Web Map. The dashboard will be out on the Bay County website on the BCATS webpages and provides information about how ratings work and what the latest road surface condition ratings are for federal aid roads. The JobNet Approved TIP web map currently shows all of the JobNet Approved transit and road projects in Bay County. Users are able to pan around the map and click on various road projects to learn more information. The information is set up to update synchronously as information is updated in JobNet. This way the information shown in the web map is always current with the latest information in JobNet. Anderson will provide the same presentation at the next BCATS Policy Committee Meeting for review. Once it has been favorably reviewed it will be published to the public on the BCATS webpages.

PASER Training:

There is a free IBR Webinar for Rating of unpaved roads at 1:00 p.m. today, February 11th. There is a free PASER Training Webinar on February 12th at 1:00 p.m. There is another free PASER Training Webinar on February 20th at 9:00 a.m. There will be PASER Training taking place on February 25th at 8:00 a.m. at the Horizon Center in Saginaw. Contact Anderson if you need more information on PASER Training.

Project Updates:

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MDOT is pushing to let projects between August and December. Three projects were let in January 2020, with the **MDOT M-13 Project** (McGraw Rd to Cass Ave) in the south of Bay City being one of them. The **MDOT US-10 Median Guardrail Project** (I-75 to Flajole Rd) will have a meeting in March 2020. The planning meeting for the **MDOT I-75 Project** (Beaver Road to Cottage Grove Road) will be taking place in February 2020. The **MDOT Lafayette Bridge Project** has been pushed back to 2021.

The **Road Commission Old Kawkawlin Road Project** will be let in March of 2020. The **Road Commission German Road Project** (M-15 to Trumbull Rd), **Garfield Road Project** (Hotchkiss Rd to US-10), and **Mackinaw Road Project** (Townline 16 Rd to Cody Estey Rd) will all be let by June of 2020. The **Road Commission Garfield Road Project**, resurfacing from Erickson Rd to Pinconning Rd, is slated for construction in 2022. The **Road Commission Cul-De-Sac/Intersection Improvement for Old Kawkawlin Road Project** (north and south of Beaver Road) will have an Open House on February 25th with MDOT. The Road Commission has been implementing new office software, *City Works*, with the **SAW Grant**.

Other/New Business:

JobNet Training

Engelhardt mentioned that there is an upcoming JobNet Training for Read-Only Access on February 14th. He will email the information to Jay Anderson if anyone is interested.

2020 Aerial Photography Update

The 2020 Aerial Photography Kick-Off Meeting with the vendor will be taking place next week. We will have a spring 2020 fly date.

Safe Routes to Schools and TAP Funding Available

Huber mentioned that there are mini grants open through May of 2020 for Safe Routes to Schools. There is also TAP funding available so interested parties should "TAP into TAP".

Non-Motorized Meeting

There will be a Non-Motorized meeting taking place on March 17th at the Bay Region MDOT Office from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. There is a push to connect the tri-cities with other surrounding communities for the Iron Belle Trail. Saginaw and Genesee counties are successfully using the 360 Trail View software to offer a view of their trails; similar to Google Street View.

Non-Motorized Plan

BCATS staff are working on updating the BCATS Non-Motorized Transportation Plan and would like to have a draft ready for review this summer, with approval by BCATS taking place the end of summer or in early fall.

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As there were no further business, a motion was made by Hansford, seconded by Engelhardt, to adjourn the February 11, 2020 BCATS Technical Committee meeting at 11:12 a.m. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Anderson

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Transcribed by C. Gaul