

Can we more fully use the Traffic Demand Model to forecast how our cities/townships, etc. will look traffic-wise in 10 – 20 years so we can plan better for growth?

Do we need more participation and involvement by local planning boards for long range road growth planning? It sounds like we do.

How do we make that happen?

Better integration by use of pictures and visual display at unit level (city/township) for local discussion.

Safe Routes to School

High weight limits

Henry Street

This is a good time to do broad regional planning (Bay, Saginaw, Midland Counties) on the variety of transportation modes: Rail, Port, Road, Trail – to explore how we want traffic to flow through our communities. Do we want to allow another Trumbull? Do we want a highway through a residential area? Henry Street?

### **Need better communication**

How/what

Best method? E-mail, regular mailing

To Township Supervisors and city staff attend BCATS meetings. BCATS works well together as a group.

Need a visual display presentation to local units – start with Bay City.

How will comments be addressed and will a follow up to meeting occur? All email participants sign in!

Local businesses are impacted by construction and road closures. What is MDOT doing to meet/help to keep business open? MDOT meets with each business individually and then have a public meeting once a draft plan is prepared to gather input. (Salzburg Road)

Are beet plant trucks weight limits taken into consideration when such traffic is diverted?

Need better signage when there is construction and businesses are still open. It's important that customers realize that businesses are open during road work and that can be accomplished through better signage.

**BCATS Transportation Summit  
Public Comment Form**

Please identify specific locations you have concerns or comments regarding various transportation issues and describe them below and return them to:

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Location	Description/Comments
Bay, Saginaw & Midland Counties	Need Transportation asset inventory & gap analysis Comprehensive # miles of Class III road # miles Interstate sea Port facilities for the length of ship freighter
Munger →	MBS Airport Traffic Demand Model -
	Are there opportunities for Public participation in Traffic planning?
General Comments:	

Provide us with your thoughts and comments regarding the following transportation issues within the BCATS area and rank them from 1 (most important) -10 (least important)

Transportation Issues	Rank	Comments
Air Transportation	8	
Alternative Funding Sources	4	
Environmental Factors on Road Projects	5	
Freight Transportation/Shipping	9	
Connection between Transportation Modes (i.e. shipping and rail, etc)	7	
Maintenance and rehabilitation	1	
New roads/ Expansion of existing roads	11	
Non-Motorized Trails and Transportation	3	
Public Transportation	6	
Rail Transportation	10	

Sidewalks/walkways/shoulder Row for bikes/pedestrian adjacent to roadway

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 County Executive

- May 2012

1 Marathon from Loons Stadium to Bay City

- Northern Concrete Pipe
- Steve Ingorsoll BCATS 2012 Transportation Summit
- City Manager - Essexville

1. Opening/Welcome

2. Introductions

3. What is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

4. What is a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) also known as the Long Range Plan (LRP)

5. What is a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

6. How does a road agency select and prioritize projects - Jim Lillo, Engineer Manager BCRC

7. MDOT Bay Region Five (5) Year Plan - MDOT staff

8. Wrap up - TIP

9. Questions and Answers

10. Break Out Session for public input regarding road projects and or transportation issues

Transportation → June M/DOT  
 Rail Plan — Trail Planning | If not in Plan, do not count on funding  
 Federal Highway Bill → Council/Urban area

• walkways

pending legislation to

\$1.4 million construction → surface  
 \$140K Planning Annual basis

2008-2011 BCATS

MDOT 6 state roads  
 BCATS local roads

STP Funds (Review)  
 Travel Demand Model - JD Deficiencies → "Plan centric"

Garfield & Macinaw Rd & US10 50% of what's needed to maintain

The Bay City Area Transportation Study (BCATS) and the Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (SMATS) are currently in the draft development stage of their respective 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plans (MTP). As these MTP plans set the stage for which transportation related projects are selected for federal funding, it is crucial to have appropriate input from all transportation related interest groups. We are happy you have joined us today so that you can better understand the transportation planning process, and more importantly provide your comments regarding the existing transportation infrastructure in Bay, Saginaw and Midland Counties.

~~Regional~~ Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance  
 Earmarks - good, bad, ugly

**RE: BCATS 2040 Transportation Plan - Executive Summary**

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**Sent:** Monday, June 04, 2012 11:15 AM

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Hi Dirk,

I have just a couple of comments on the MTP MDOT projects. From the "Issues" section of chapter 5 (page 46), US-10 & Mackinaw Rd. should be listed as an operational/capacity issue. Adam added that the signal timing has been looked at and adjusted for optimizing the operation of the interchange.

The US-10 at Garfield Road interchange is neither a safety or capacity issue at this time. And I don't think that the model shows that ramp as deficient in the next 20 years. I can double check with Don to see what we have for that interchange.

I also have a few questions/comments on chapter two Planning Factors and Performance Measure ( I think the chapter numbers at the bottom of the page may need to be changed). On page 21 for the safety performance measures you may want to consider changing the wording from "accident" to "incident". As well, the measurable underneath says the measurable will be the number of pedestrians injured in "accidents"...are you looking for fatalities and sever injuries (K&A) or all incidents which may include very minor reports with minimal impact?

Under "Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and for freight" in performance measure bullet 1 it states "The transportation system should be accessible to all persons". Is that a measurable or the goal?

I'm also wondering if you want to use "increase in average speed or travel rate in target corridors" for bullet #5. Perhaps it should say "reduction in travel times" Seems like "increase in average speed" sounds as though you want to raise the speed limit in those corridors.

Under "Promote efficient system management and operation" on page 23. Bullet #5 "Vehicle hours of delay due to drawbridge". Should you also consider delay at railroad crossings as well?

Under "Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system". Bullet number 2 under measurables mentions Access Management...should this measurable be listed under the Safety goals? I'm also a little confused by bullet number 3. Are you looking for a certain percent of PASER evaluated roads in a certain condition?

That's about all my comments right now. Sorry if some of those are nitpicking.

Nice work on the plan.

Jay Reithel

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**Subject:** BCATS 2040 Transportation Plan - Executive Summary

The **Bay City Area Transportation Study (BCATS)** is still seeking comments on the proposed [BCATS 2040](#)

**FW: BCATS**

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2012 8:50 AM

**To:** Dirk Westbury

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Additional comments for the LRP

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**From:** Jim Horen [jimh@ncp-inc.com]  
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**To:** Dave Engelhardt  
**Subject:** Re: BCATS

DAVE At The Intersection's At Euclid M-13 Thomas & Jenny Are The Turning Lanes When Turning West On to US-10 From Euclid And The South Bound Euclid Ave ( M-13 ) Turning East On To M-25 And To Add To It Traffic Turning Into Walgreen's That's Problem Were A lot Of Problems Are Dave Another Thing We Talked About Is Restriction For Saginaw County On I-75 Our Permits 12' And Over Are Not Valid For Movements 7 Am To 9 Am and 3 Pm To 6 Pm This Becomes A Problem For Trucking Getting A Late Start Going South ( Now With I-75 Becoming 4 Lanes ) Thanks Jim Horen

On Wed, Jun 6, 2012 at 9:14 AM, Dave Engelhardt <[EngelhardtD@baycounty.net](mailto:EngelhardtD@baycounty.net)> wrote:

Mr. Horen:

Thanks for your comments, I will forward them on to the appropriate agency.

What specifically is your concern or issue with "The Intersections Of Euclid Ave ( M-13 ) Thomas And Jenny St (M-25)".

Sincerely,

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**Subject:** BCATS

DAVE Has Anyone Looked Into The East Side Of ( M-13 ) Euclid Ave Salzburg Ave To Midland Rd Repair Work Because Of Deteriorating Water Main Maybe They Can Replace It And Stop Repair Cuts In The Roadway And Look Into The Intersections Of Euclid Ave ( M-13 ) Thomas And Jenny St (M-25)

Thanks

Northern Concrete Pipe Inc.

Jim

Horen