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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Those Present Were:

Jay Anderson, BCATS Staff; Jim Lillo, BCRC; Vaughn Begick, Bay County Commissioner; Dave Engelhardt, EMCOG; Terry Moulthane, City of Bay City; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Dan Hansford, City of Essexville; Tom Foret, Hampton Township; George Augustyniak, Fraser Township; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Christopher Girard, City of Bay City; Michael McBain, and; Cyndi Gaul, Secretary/BCATS Staff.

Introductions & Welcome Michael McBain, the new BCATS Planner/GIS Technician.

Minutes from February 18, 2015 BCATS Policy Meeting:

It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Begick, to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2015 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

Election of BCATS Chairman and Vice Chairman:

There was discussion that Jim Lillo should continue on as the BCATS Chairman and that Dan Hansford should continue on as the BCATS Vice Chairman. No other members were nominated or requested to be nominated.

A motion was made by, Foret, seconded by Girard, to have Jim Lillo as the BCATS Chairman, and to have Dan Hansford continue on as the BCATS Vice Chairman. Motion Passed.

Bay Metro Update:

Sprague said that Bay Metro has started receiving funding from a 2013 grant for 9 transit buses to replace buses that are over 20 years old. These new buses should be in service by July. BMTA will also be receiving 8 new DART vans that will replace 2004 and 3005 model vans. These new vans are Ford Transit vans and are saving BMTA \$5,000 to \$7,000 due to their body style which reduces the need for customizing of the vans. MDOT is using the BMTA RFP from a regional transit consortium for statewide van purchases as a template for other transit agencies across the state.

Legislative Update:

Anderson and Reithel stated there are no new updates at this time. Everyone is waiting for an extension to MAP-21 which was previously extended to May 31, 2015.

Governor Snyder's Regional Prosperity Initiative Update & Year Two Update:

Engelhardt said that EMCOG has received their second round of funding and they are moving along with TIP Strategies. EMCOG is planning to have a Strategic Team Meeting in two weeks with project planner Jane Fitzpatrick to discuss regional priorities and inventory tasks that are currently underway.

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Regional Transit Survey Results - EMCOG:

Engelhardt said that the Regional Transit Survey came about as an attempt to see what gaps and holes there are in transit services and try to come up with solutions for filling the gaps. There are many studies that have been done on transit so the goal is to combine all the information to get a better understanding of what is currently in place and what are some of the transit needs. There are voids that need to be filled and will take a lot of coordination to fill the gaps.

MDOT Access Management Plan:

Anderson mentioned he had received preliminary recommendation maps and he would be distributing those to the local officials for review. Reithel mentioned the next public meeting should be around May 14th at the Bay County Civic Arena. Moulane asked if there will be a direct mailing to the business owners from the consultant. Reithel will check with the consultant on direct mailing. There have already been some voluntary drive closures on Euclid Avenue as a result of the Access Management Project and the ongoing utility work on Euclid Avenue.

BCATS Public Hearing on 2014-17 TIP Amendments 1:47

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:47 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss changes to the 2014-17 TIP. A snapshot of the amendments being requested was handed out to the members.

There are three new amendments to the TIP for **MDOT**. The first amendment is for the **MDOT Trunkline Scoping and Studies GPA Project** which is a Region-Wide project that will be for work on the M-13/M-84 Bridge (Lafayette Bridge) over the east channel of the Saginaw River in FY 2015. The second and third amendments are the PE and SUB phases for deck replacement of **3 Bridges on I-75 in Bay County**. MDOT is also moving a FY 2015 **Trunkline Traffic Operations and Safety GPA** project (PE phase of **M-25 WB – Pavement Grooving**) back to FY 2016.

There are two new amendments to the TIP in FY 2016 for **BCRC**: The first is for preventative maintenance on the **Seven Mile Road Bridge over the Kawkawlin River**. The second is for replacement of the **Midland Road Bridge over Culver Creek**.

There are four amendments and three administrative modifications to the TIP in FY 2015 for **Bay Metro Transportation Authority (BMTA)**. The first amendment is to **Replace 2 Overhead Heaters**. The second is to **Replace a Plow Truck**. Next was the **Purchase of 2 Bus-Mounted Security Cameras**. The final amendment due to a decrease in state and federal costs was the **Upgrade of Computer Hardware/Software (Security)**. The first administrative modification was due to a small increase in federal costs and change in federal funding source from 5307 to 5339 for **Concrete Drive Replacement**. Next was a small decrease in federal and state costs for the **Replacement of (2) 2008 Lift Vans**. Finally there was a total project cost decrease in **Operating Assistance**.

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The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments to the BCATS 2014-17 TIP was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 1:53 p.m.

Approval of the BCATS 2014-17 TIP Amendment:

A motion was made by Reithel, seconded by Moulthane, to approve of the 2014-17 TIP Amendment with the approval for any administrative corrections or modification that may be required. Motion passed.

Fiscal Year	County	Responsible Agency	Project Name	Limits	Length	Primary Work Type	Project Description	Phase	Advance Construct	Federal Cost (\$1000s)	Federal Fund Source	State Cost (\$1000s)	State Fund Source	Local Cost (\$1000s)	Local Fund Source	Total Phase Cost (\$1000s)	MDOT Job No.	Local ID No.	MPO/Rural Action Date	Amendment Type	Air Quality	Comments	Total Project Cost (\$1000s)
2015	BAY	BMTA	Replace (2) overhead heaters	County-wide		Transit facility	Replace (2) overhead heaters	T-Cap		2	5339	1	CTF			3			04/22/15	Add	NA	4/22/2015: Project Added	3
2015	BAY	BMTA	Replace (1) Plow Truck	County-wide		Transit operations equipment	Replace (1) Plow Truck	T-Cap		36	5339	9	CTF			45			04/22/15	Add	NA	4/22/2015: Project Added	45
2015	BAY	BMTA	Purchase (2) bus-mounted security cameras	County-wide		Transit Operations	Purchase (2) bus-mounted security cameras	T-Cap		10	5307	2	CTF			12			04/22/15	Add	NA	4/22/2015: Project Added	12
2015	BAY	BMTA	Concrete drive replacement	County-wide		Transit facility	Concrete drive replacement	T-Cap		9	5339	2	CTF			11			04/22/15	Cost	NA	4/22/2015: Changed federal fund source from 5307 to 5339. Federal cost increased from \$8,000 to \$9,000.	10
2015	BAY	BMTA	Operating assistance	County-wide		Transit operations	Operating assistance	T-Ops		2,203	5307	2,851	CTF	2,917	TRAL	7,971			04/22/15	Cost	NA	\$1,359,185 Sec5307 \$793,210 Sec5311 \$50,800 Sec 5303 4/22/15: Increase in Federal cost from \$2,038,980 to \$2,203,195. Decrease in State cost from \$3,096,336 to \$2,851,054. Decrease in Local cost from \$3,059,188 to \$2,917,059	8,195
2015	BAY	BMTA	Upgrade computer hdwne/stfw	County-wide		Transit operations equipment	Upgrade computer hdwne/stfw (security)	T-Cap		1	5307	0	CTF			1			04/22/15	Cost	NA	4/22/2015: Decrease Federal cost from \$8,000 to \$1,000 and decrease State cost from \$2,000 to \$200.	10
2015	BAY	BMTA	Replace (2) 2008 lift vans	County-wide		Transit vehicle additions/replacements	Replace (2) 2008 lift vans	T-Cap		80	5339	20	CTF			100			04/22/15	Cost	NA	3/19/14: Moved one of three vans to 2014 4/22/15: Change in Federal cost from 5307 to 5339. Decrease in Federal cost from \$88,000 to \$80,000.	168
2016	BAY	BCRC	Seven Mile Rd	Over Kawkawlin River		Bridge - other	Preventative Maintenance	CON		333	BHT	62	M	21	CNTY	416	122737		04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New project	416
2016	BAY	Bay City	Harry S Truman Pkwy	over Saginaw River		Bridge - other	Preventative Maintenance	CON		1,162	BHT	218	M	73	CITY	1,452	122739		04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New project	1,452
2016	BAY	BCRC	Midland Rd	Over Culver Creek		Bridge Replacement	Replacement	CON		1,064	BRT	200	M	67	CNTY	1,331	122804		04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New project	1,331
2015	BAY	MDOT	Trunkline Scoping and Studies	Regionwide		GPA	Trunkline Scoping and Studies	EPE		205	ST	45	M	0		250			04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New GPA Project	250
2015	BAY	MDOT	I-75	3 Bridges in Bay County	1.69	Bridge replacement	Deck Replacement	PE		142	IM	16	M	0		158	126813		04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New project	7,799
2015	BAY	MDOT	I-75	3 Bridges in Bay County	1.69	Bridge replacement	Deck Replacement	SUB		715	IM	79	M	0		794	126813		04/22/15	Add		4/22/2015: New project	7,799
2016	BAY	MDOT	Trunkline Traffic Operations or Safety	Regionwide		GPA	Trunkline Traffic Operations or Safety	CON		93	ST	10	M	0		103			04/22/15	Year		6/18/14: Project Added 4/22/2015: Year change - project moved from 2015 to 2016	103

GLBR Travel Demand Model – Socio-Economic Data:

Anderson provided handouts of the 2010/2013 Projections for everyone to review regarding the GLBR Travel Demand Model - Socio-Economic Data. He explained that we are looking to approve the information that was provided.

A motion was made by Girard, seconded by Moulthane, to approve the GLBR Travel Demand Model Socio-Economic Data. Motion Passed.

Project Updates:

The **MDOT 9 Mile Bridge Project** over US-10 will start in May 2015. The project should not interfere with the Auburn Cornfest in July. The **MDOT US10/I-75 Bridge Project** is starting

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on the crossovers for the westbound lane first. The **City of Bay City Center Avenue Project** (Madison Avenue to Water Street) will begin the summer of 2015. There is potential work being done at Wenona Park that may hold this project up. The resurfacing of DDA streets in downtown Bay City will begin after the summer festivals and may occur at night. **The City of Essexville Oakland Drive Project** (Borton Avenue to end of street) is a mill and fill project in a residential area. The **Bay County Road Commission (BCRC) Salzburg Project** (4 Mile Road to Mackinaw Road) will have a May 2015 let date. The **BCRC Garfield Road Project** (Midland Road to ½ mile north of North Union) full reconstruct project is expected to begin in early June 2015. The **BCRC Garfield Road Safety Project** (at Hotchkiss Road) will have a June 2015 let and is a safety project. It is expected that the project will begin in July 2015 to remove the curve at this location and straighten Garfield Road. The **BCRC Bridge Projects** (Wheeler Road and Mackinaw Road) are in the TIP and will be starting anytime for the deck repairs. Old Kawkawlin Road (State Park & M-13) is a major priority and is in the design phase. Patterson Road (Wilder Road to Wheeler Road) is also currently in the design phase. The Farley Road project (M-25 to Cass) is a mill and fill project.

Other/New Business:

Road Millages:

Lillo discussed the various township road millages that are now in place throughout Bay County. Seven of the 14 townships have millages. We will be seeing more activity on our local roads as the millage funds are used for local road improvements. At current funding levels the local roads will be in better condition than the primary roads.

Category F Funding:

Lillo said that the deadline to apply for Category F Funding would be June 1, 2015. The Road Commission will be turning in a request for funding for the Wilder Road (from the M-13 Connector to Euclid Avenue) for mill and fill. Lillo would like to request a letter of support from BCATS and MDOT to help with this application. Lillo will send an email to request letters.

A motion was made by Begick, seconded by Sprague, to provide a letter of support from BCATS for the Road Commission's Category F Funding project for Wilder Road. Motion Passed.

2015 Aerial Photography:

Anderson updated everyone that the flight has been completed.

FY2016 UWP:

Anderson said that he is working on the FY2016 UWP and is expecting it to be completed for approval at the June 2015 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting.

2017-20 TIP:

Anderson will be working on the 2017-20 TIP and approval for that document should be done next year at the June 2016 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting.

Long Range Plan:

Anderson is working on the new Long Range Plan and that will be ready for approval at the

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GIS Workgroup Meetings:

Lillo mentioned that Bay County and the City of Bay City have been working together in an effort to get everyone on the same page with GIS. This is a county-wide effort to get GIS user friendly and to show all that it can offer.

As there were no further business, a motion was made by Begick, seconded by Moulane, to adjourn the April 22, 2015 BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 2:21 p.m. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Anderson
BCATS Director

Transcribed by C. Gaul

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