

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

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Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Jay Anderson.

Those Present Were:

Jay Anderson, BCATS staff; Jim Lillo, Bay County Road Commission; Terry Moulane, City of Bay City; Kris Welch, MDOT; Eric Sprague, Bay Metro Transportation Authority; Michael McBain, BCATS Staff, and; Cyndi Gaul, Bay County Environmental Affairs & Community Development.

Introductions were made.

Minutes from August 11, 2015 BCATS Tech Meeting:

It was moved by Welch, seconded by Moulane, to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2015 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

Public Comment: None

Legislative Update:

Welch said that MAP-21 has now been extended to December 11th. The Local Rural Safety Plan has been approved. Local road planning will be done with data collected and analyzed throughout the entire state. Also submit any Local Road Safety Plan data that you'd like included. Everyone needs to send in their bills to Kris Welch as soon as possible for FY 2015 4th Quarter.

TIP Amendments:

There are two amendments to the TIP for **BMTA** in FY 2015/2016:

Amendments:

- 1.) Changing the FY 2015 **Purchase (2) Bus-Mounted Security Cameras** to FY 2016 and adding the 5307 and CTF funding from the FY 2015 Upgrade Computer Hardware/Software (Security) project;
- 2.) Delete the FY 2015 **Upgrade Computer Hardware/Software (Security)** project;

There are three **Bay County Road Commission** amendments for informational purposes to the TIP for FY 2016:

Amendments:

- 1.) The addition of resurfacing of **Cass Road** (Finn Road to Farley Road)
- 2.) The addition of resurfacing of **Farley Road** (Cass Road to M-138)
- 3.) The addition of resurfacing of **Cass Road** (M-15 to Jones Road)

Anderson provided a handout of the Snapshot for all of the projects listed above.

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A motion was made by Sprague, seconded by Lillo, to favorably recommend amending the above projects in the 2014-17 TIP to the BCATS Policy Committee with the approval for any administrative correction or modification that may be required to be made as needed. Motion Passed.

Euclid Avenue/Wilder Road Access Management Update:

Anderson said that the Steering Committee has approved the final draft and the plan has been printed and distributed. Moulane said the City of Bay City attorney has requested some minor language changes to the ordinance, so the ordinance that was distributed may have some minor variations. Bay City is hoping to adopt the ordinance on November 16, 2015. Bangor and Monitor Townships are currently reviewing the plan and ordinance.

GLBR Travel Demand Model: Future Socio-Economic Data:

MDOT staff are allowing for an extension for the review of the Future Socio-Economic Data information due to shuffling of staff at MDOT. All Future Socio-Economic Data information must be submitted by November 1, 2015. BCATS committees will be reviewing and approving the data in December, 2015.

National Function Class (NFC) 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. The only addition to the NFC Update is adding 18th Street (M-84/Garfield Avenue to Johnson Street) in Bay City under the Urban Minor Connector List in order to ensure proper funding. Traffic counts have been collected recently.

A motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Moulane, to approve and sign the National Function Class Update, with the addition of 18th Street to the NFC. Motion Passed.

FY2015 Fourth Quarter Billing:

With the end FY2015 on September 30th, Anderson reminded everyone to submit their FY2015 Fourth Quarter Billing requests as soon as possible.

Project Updates:

The BMTA is working with **Arenac County Transit** to get State and Federal Funds for Rural Task Force projects. The Rural Task Force handles any "non-bus" project funding, so they are looking into funding sources for additional computer hardware/software and radio projects. It creates a problem since Bay and Arenac Counties are in different Rural Task Force areas. The Bay City **Center Avenue Project** (Water Street to Madison Street) is a mill/resurface project that has been delayed due to some utility issues. The Bay County Road Commission **Salzburg Road Project** (4 Mile Road to Mackinaw Road) is done. The Bay County Road Commission

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Garfield Road Project (Midland Road to North Union Road) is completed. The Bay County Road Commission **Garfield Road Safety Project** (@ Hotchkiss Road) will be completed by October 15, 2015.

Other:

Pedestrian Crossing Signal:

Anderson said that there has been some discussion about having a pedestrian crossing signal from the Bay City State Recreation Area (BCSRA) campground across the road to the day use area of the park. He is looking into seeing what possible Safety Grants might be available for such a project.

Traffic Counts:

Anderson reminded everyone that they need to submit their traffic counts so we can put them into the system.

As there was no other business, the October 13, 2015 BCATS Technical Committee Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Anderson
BCATS Staff

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