

## AGENDA

### MEETING OF QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 25, 2024 – 12:00 Noon  
\*\*Rock Island County Office Building\*\*  
1504 Third Avenue, Room 320  
Rock Island, IL  
Mayor Mike Matson, MPO Chair

*The Policy Committee will be held in-person, and members are required in the room for a quorum. Ex-officio members of the Technical Committee and the public can opt to dial into the meeting using the following conference number and access codes: +1 309 205 3325 Meeting ID: 843 9896 1258 Passcode: 965455 for audio, and the link for visuals: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84398961258?pwd=bk52eEtaYVM2ZmZkcDA2OEpsVC9sZz09>. Agenda packets are linked in “Quad Cities MPO News” at: <https://bistateonline.org/>*

1. Public Hearing on the Quad Cities FFY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Notice of the public hearing is provided to the Regional Transportation Advisory Group and Regional Transit Advisory Group-Urban Interests with an attached fact sheet and directions to an online copy of the document at <https://bistateonline.org/transportation-and-mobility/quad-cities-metro-planning/tip-and-funding-projects-quad-cities-mpo> for comment. Public notices were published in the Quad City Times and Dispatch/Argus newspapers at least 14 days prior to the public hearing. Presentation on the FFY2025-2028 TIP will be part of the public hearing.) – Mike Matson and Sarah Bambas
2. Approval of Minutes of the May 28, 2024 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meetings (A copy of the meeting minutes is enclosed in Committee members’ packets.)
3. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (A copy of the proposed revisions is enclosed in Committee members’ packets and provided to transportation interests.) – Sarah Bambas
4. Consideration of FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (A draft is posted online at the link noted above in the public hearing item. Appendix C includes the annual planning certifications as part of the document approval process.) – Sarah Bambas
5. Consideration of FFY 2024 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Supplemental Agreement Resolutions (Copies of the resolutions are enclosed in Committee members’ packets for FTA funding Sections 5307, 5310, 5337, and 5339.) – Bryan Schmid
6. Notice of Public Participation Plan Revisions (Draft revisions are enclosed in Committee members’ packets, provided to transportation interests, and posted online at: <https://bistateonline.org/transportation-and-mobility/quad-cities-metro-planning>. A 45-day comment period shall be provided prior to action.) – Gena McCullough
7. Briefing on 2024 Federal Transportation Certification Review (Public comments to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or FTA on the Quad Cities MPO transportation planning process are requested by June 28, 2024, either by survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MDL9QGY> or direct to Dakin Schultz, FHWA [dakin.schultz@dot.gov](mailto:dakin.schultz@dot.gov) or Gerri Doyle, FTA [gerri.doyle@dot.gov](mailto:gerri.doyle@dot.gov).) – Gena McCullough
8. Iowa Resilience Improvement Program – Sam Hiscocks, Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) Systems Planning Bureau
9. Public Comments

## 10. Other Business

- *USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity* <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>
  - *Strengthening Mobility & Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART)* – 7/12/24
  - *Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development Planning* – 7/22/24
  - *Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Programs (NEVI)* – 8/28/24
  - *Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) – Planning and Demonstration Projects* – 8/29/24
  - *Bridge Project Grants* – 11/1/24
- *Illinois Transportation Enhancements Program (ITEP) Grant opens 8/1/24 and closes*

## 11. Adjournment

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cc: Transportation Technical Committee, Regional Transportation Advisory Group (Urban and Combined Interests), Regional Transit Interest and Advisory Group (Urban Interests), and Media

Please contact Gena McCullough at Bi-State (309)793-6300, Ext. 1146 or [gmccullough@bistateonline.org](mailto:gmccullough@bistateonline.org) **before NOON Monday, June 24, 2024** to indicate your attendance and facilitate a quorum. Voting alternates must be an elected official from the respective jurisdiction or MetroLINK board member.

**Minutes of the**  
**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 12:00 p.m.  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
Third Floor Conference Room 320  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, IL

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

David Adams	Rock Island County Board Member
Jeffrey Deppe	Alderman, City of East Moline
Jean Dickson	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Faith Duncan	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Dennis Gerard	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Mike Matson	Mayor, City of Davenport
Sangeetha Rayapati	Mayor, City of Moline
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation, District 6
Mike Thoms	Mayor, City of Rock Island
Berlinda Tyler-Jamison	Chair, MetroLINK

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Jacob Foote	Quad Cities Chamber
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Dakin Schultz (Virtual)	Federal Highway Administration, Iowa
Ryan Sempf	Quad Cities Chamber

1. Approval of Minutes of the April 23, 2024 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Matson requested a motion for approval of the April 23, 2024 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mayor Thoms motioned to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Dickson seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas noted that there were requested amendments from Bettendorf, Davenport, and Rock Island. Bettendorf's recently awarded TASA project for a trail on Middle Road (Hopewell Avenue - Forest Grove Drive) will be amended into the TIP for FFY2025. In Davenport, the termini for the city's 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Street projects will have their termini updated to reflect resurfacing from Telegraph to Harrison, one-way conversions from Marquette to Harrison, and extended striping from Telegraph to E. River Drive. In addition, projects related to the federal PROTECT grant will be

added in FFY2024. Rock Island’s 30<sup>th</sup> Street project from 9<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenues will be split into two separate projects. CRRSAA funds will be used for Phase 2 engineering. The original project consists solely of resurfacing and will be using STBG funds. No STBG funds were removed or added. Mr. Gallagher motioned to approve the revisions as presented. Mayor Thoms seconded, and the motion carried. A copy of the revisions is included at the end of the minutes.

3. Presentation on State Transportation Alternatives Programs, Grant Readiness, and Update to the Unified Trail Ordinance. Mr. Schmid shared information on Illinois and Iowa statewide Transportation Alternatives Programs, named Illinois Transportation Enhancements Program (ITEP) and Statewide TAP, respectively. The Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program is federally funded as a set-aside of the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program, and each state receives an apportionment based on federal formulas. Funding for the Recreational Trails Program is set aside from TASA, and the remaining funds are apportioned to states to be spent in areas with certain population thresholds. Bi-State, as a transportation management area (TMA) with over 200,000 population, receives apportionments directly. Illinois and Iowa DOTs may also spend 41% of their apportionments anywhere in the state. Illinois retains most of those funds for the ITEP program. Iowa retains \$5 million annually for Statewide TAP and suballocates most of the remainder directly to MPOs and RPAs, which partially explains the discrepancy between Illinois-based and Iowa-based funding targets in the Quad Cities MPA. Mr. Schmid explained the differences between the two statewide programs, as well as recently awarded projects in the Illinois and Iowa Quad Cities. He also noted items related to grant readiness, notably a project’s inclusion in a local or regional plan, project-specific public input, the support of elected officials, and initiating project engineering.

A copy of the Unified Trail Use Ordinance was distributed with committee members’ packets. The ordinance was initially endorsed by the Bi-State Regional Trails Committee in 2013, and committee members voiced an interest in updating the text to address electric bicycles (e-bikes). Issues regarding e-bikes have surfaced in recent years as safety concerns related to speed have made pedestrians feel uncomfortable on area trails. Bi-State received input on the existing language from the Iowa Bicycle Coalition and Ride Illinois, who agreed that they would not support any language banning e-bikes outright. E-bikes are an increasingly popular means of transportation and represent the fastest growing sector in the bicycle industry. Discussion with the Davenport Police Department noted that enforcement of any set speed limit would be difficult, and would have to represent a shift in enforcement priorities from streets and vehicular traffic to trail users. Etiquette and reminding users of proper usage of trails was seen as the preferred method to affect bike-pedestrian interactions. The Unified Trail Use Ordinance provides a framework for communities in the Quad Cities, who may adopt the language or adapt it to their own circumstances.

4. Status of SS4A Traffic Safety Action Plan. Ms. McCullough provided a status update of the Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan. The plan follows the US DOT’s National Roadway Safety Strategy to adopt a safe systems approach. The approach seeks to encourage safer people, safer vehicles, safer speeds, safer roads, and improved post-crash care. To date in 2024 for Scott County, there have been 12 fatalities and 24 serious injuries, highlighting the need for a multifaceted approach to roadway safety. Bi-State has contracted with Kaskaskia Engineering Group (KEG) to produce the plan, which should be delivered by March 2025. Beginning in June, the team

will initiate the public engagement portion of the process. Work on an annotated report outline is underway, and will be disseminated to the Transportation Policy and Technical Committees.

5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough reminded the committee that the MPO Certification Review will be 6/11-6/12/24. The Policy Committee is invited to attend the review, and a virtual option will be available. It was noted that the date shown on the agenda, July 11, was incorrect. The correct date for the Public Open House is June 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. The agenda included other dates and grant information as follows:
  - *USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity* <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>
    - *Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program* – 6/17/24
    - *Passenger Ferry Boat Program* – 6/17/24
    - *Strengthening Mobility & Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART)* – 7/12/24
  - *Federal Transportation MPO Certification Review – Public Open House 6/11/24 11:00 a.m. following the Quad Cities MPO Transportation Technical Committee meeting, Room 320, 1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL*
7. Adjournment – Mayor Thoms motioned to adjourn. Mayor Gallagher seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

May 28, 2024 - Transportation Policy Committee - FFY2024-2027  
 Transportation Improvement Program

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED														
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER														
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT ROUTE	PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PLAN JUST.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	NOTES
<b>CITY OF BETTENDORF- BE</b>														
BE-25-01	2025	East Side of Middle Rd	Hopewell Ave to Forest Grove	Recreational Trail Construction - 10' sep. path	L RTP	\$1,053,000	\$526,500	TASA			\$526,500	LOC	55560	New TASA Project. Amendment Approved 5/2024
<b>CITY OF DAVENPORT - DA</b>														
DA-23-01	2023	3rd St	Telegraph Rd to E River Dr	Resurfacing (Telegraph – Harrison), one-way conversion (Marquette – Harrison), and extend striping and sides (Telegraph – E. River Drive)	MAINT	\$4,445,987	\$3,564,718	STBG			\$881,269	CTY	39481	Project termini updated, Amendment Approved 5/2024
DA-23-04	2023	4th St	Telegraph Rd to E River Dr	Resurfacing (Telegraph – Harrison), one-way conversion (Marquette – Harrison), and extend striping and sides (Telegraph – E. River Drive)	MAINT	\$4,618,338	\$3,694,670	STBG			\$923,668	CTY	54801	Project termini updated, Amendment Approved 5/2024

June 25, 2024 - Transportation Policy Committee - FFY2024-2027  
Transportation Improvement Program

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED												
TRANSIT												
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	NOTES
METROLINK - ML												
ML-23-14	2024	OMC Additional Expansion Funds	C	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	5339/Low-No/Bus&BusFacil/5307/Congressionally Directed	\$0	Rebuild 3	\$0	LOC		Congressionally Directed funding source added and total cost increased over 30% and moved from FY23 to FY24, Amendment Pending 6/2024
ML-24-12	2024	Electric Charges	C	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	5307/Low-No/5339	\$0		\$0	LOC - TDC		Total cost increased over 30%, Amendment Pending 6/2024
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - COMMITTEE ACTION NOT REQUIRED												
TRANSIT												
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	NOTES
METROLINK - ML												
ML-18-10	2024	Replace JD Commons Landing, Repower 3 boats and add capacity, and provide mobile ticketing app	C	\$2,535,645	\$2,535,645	5307	\$0		\$0			Moved from FY21 to FY24. Total Cost decreased less than 30%, Administrative Modification 6/2024
ML-21-20	2024	Facility Equipment - CNG	C	\$1,996,901	\$1,996,901	5307	\$0		\$0			Total cost increased less than 30%, Administrative Modification 6/2024
ML-22-09	2024	Electric Bus Chargers	C	\$6,683,504	\$1,683,504	2022 Congressionally Directed Spending	\$5,000,000	REBUILD	\$0	LOC		Description change, Administrative Modification 6/2024
DAVENPORT CITIBUS - CB												
CB-24-04	2024	Purchase two (3) 35-39 ft. Diesel Low Floor Heavy Duty Buses	C	\$1,400,000	\$1,120,000	5339 & 5307	\$0		\$280,000	LOC	6540	Moved to FY25, Administrative Modification 6/2024



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RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR DAVENPORT, IA-IL URBANIZED AREA
FORMULA FUNDS (5307) FOR FFY2024

June 2024

WHEREAS, it is the practice of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to enter into a formal agreement with the Designated Recipient, known hereafter as Bi-State Regional Commission, for projects that Designated Recipient does not carry out directly.

WHEREAS, under said Agreement, the Grant Recipients, known hereafter as City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (RICMMTD) for MetroLINK, are not the Designated Recipient for the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Area (formally known as Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area) FTA Apportionment for Urbanized Area Formula (5307) funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE QUAD CITIES MPO URBAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE AS A DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION

- 1. Hereby agrees to dispense using a mutually agreed upon formula-based suballocation of the Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area FFY2024 5307 FTA Apportionment and to permit City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD for MetroLINK under their respective Grant Agreements to receive and dispense said suballocated portion of 5307 Federal assistance funds described in their respective Federal Transit Administration Grant Agreements.
2. Further agrees that City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD for MetroLINK shall assume all responsibilities set forth by said Grant Agreements.
3. Understands the Federal Government and the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD for MetroLINK under said Grant Agreements hereby agree that Bi-State Regional Commission is not in any manner subject to or responsible for the terms and conditions of said Grant Agreement and is a party to said Grant Agreement only to assign the right to receive and dispense federal funds through a mutually agreed upon suballocation process to the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD for MetroLINK as described above.

Mike Matson, Chair
Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee

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RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR DAVENPORT, IA-IL URBANIZED ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (5310) FOR FFY2024

June 2024

WHEREAS, it is the practice of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to enter into a formal agreement with the Designated Recipient, known hereafter as Bi-State Regional Commission, for projects that Designated Recipient does not carry out directly.

WHEREAS, under said Agreement, the Grant Recipients, known hereafter as City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and the Illinois Department of Transportation on behalf of the Illinois Quad Cities portion representing the Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District-RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area, are not the Designated Recipient for the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Area (formally known as Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area) FTA Apportionment for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (5310) funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE QUAD CITIES MPO URBAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE AS A DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION

- 1. Hereby agrees to dispense using a mutually agreed upon formula-based suballocation of the Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area FFY2024 5310 FTA Apportionment and to permit City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and Illinois Department of Transportation for the Illinois Quad Cities portion representing the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area under their respective Grant Agreements to receive and dispense said suballocated portion of 5310 Federal assistance funds described in their respective Federal Transit Administration Grant Agreements.
2. Further agrees that City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and Illinois Department of Transportation on behalf of the Illinois Quad Cities portion representing the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area shall assume all responsibilities set forth by said Grant Agreements.
3. Understands the Federal Government and the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and Illinois Department of Transportation on behalf of the Illinois Quad Cities portion representing the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area under said Grant Agreements hereby agree that Bi-State Regional Commission is not in any manner subject to or responsible for the terms and conditions of said Grant Agreement and is a party to said Grant Agreement only to assign the right to receive and dispense Federal funds through a mutually agreed upon suballocation process to the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and Illinois Department of Transportation on behalf of the Illinois Quad Cities portion representing the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area as described above.

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RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR DAVENPORT, IA-IL URBANIZED AREA
STATE OF GOOD REPAIR GRANTS PROGRAM (5337) FOR FFY2024

June 2024

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WHEREAS, it is the practice of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to enter into a formal agreement with the Designated Recipient, known hereafter as Bi-State Regional Commission, for projects that Designated Recipient does not carry out directly.

WHEREAS, under said Agreement, the Grant Recipient, known hereafter as Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (RICMMTD) d.b.a. MetroLINK, is not the Designated Recipient for the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Area (formally known as Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area) FTA Apportionment for State of Good Repair Grants Program (5337) funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE QUAD CITIES MPO URBAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE AS A DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION

- 1. Hereby agrees to dispense the Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area FFY2024 5337 FTA Apportionments and to permit MetroLINK under their Grant Agreements to receive and dispense said suballocated portion of 5337 Federal assistance funds described in their Federal Transit Administration Grant Agreements as the area passenger ferry provider.
2. MetroLINK shall assume all responsibilities set forth by said Grant Agreements.
3. Understands the Federal Government and MetroLINK under said Grant Agreements hereby agree that Bi-State Regional Commission is not in any manner subject to or responsible for the terms and conditions of said Grant Agreement and is a party to said Grant Agreement only to assign the right to receive and dispense federal funds through a mutually agreed upon suballocation process to MetroLINK as described above.

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RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR DAVENPORT, IA-IL URBANIZED BUS AND BUS FACILITIES (5339) FOR FFY2024

June 2024

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WHEREAS, it is the practice of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to enter into a formal agreement with the Designated Recipient, known hereafter as Bi-State Regional Commission, for projects that Designated Recipient does not carry out directly.

WHEREAS, under said Agreement, the Grant Recipients, known hereafter as City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and the Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District-RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area, are not the Designated Recipient for the Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Area (commonly known as Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Area) FTA Apportionment for Bus and Bus Facilities (5339) funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE QUAD CITIES MPO-URBAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE AS A DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION:

- 1. Hereby agrees to dispense using a mutually agreed upon formula-based suballocation of the Davenport, IA/IL Urbanized Area FFY2024 5339 FTA Apportionment, and to permit City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area under their respective Grant Agreements to receive and dispense said suballocated portion of 5339 Federal assistance funds described in their respective Federal Transit Administration Grant Agreements.
2. Further agrees that City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area shall assume all responsibilities set forth by said Grant Agreements.
3. Understands the Federal Government and the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, and the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area under said Grant Agreements hereby agree that Bi-State Regional Commission is not in any manner subject to or responsible for the terms and conditions of said Grant Agreement and is a party to said Grant Agreement only to assign the right to receive and dispense Federal funds through a mutually agreed upon suballocation process to the City of Bettendorf for Bettendorf Transit, City of Davenport for CitiBus, the RICMMTD (MetroLINK) service area as described above.

Mike Matson, Chair
Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee

Date

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## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING IN THE DAVENPORT-MOLINE-ROCK ISLAND URBANIZED AREA**

In compliance with the provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)\*, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Committee for the Davenport, Iowa-Illinois Urbanized Area has approved the following public participation plan to engage interested parties and resource agencies in the transportation planning process.

The transportation planning process takes place at local, regional, tribal, state and federal levels. It is based on comprehensive, continuing and coordinated activities that work together to identify, prioritize and meet transportation needs at these various levels of government. Public participation in this process begins with finding what opportunities are available and expressing interest or concern.

Bi-State Regional Commission is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated to cooperatively facilitate public participation in the transportation planning process with Quad Cities Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) communities and counties, and state/federal Departments of Transportation, and among the various modes of transportation or other eligible applicants for federal funds. The MPO is charged with carrying out metropolitan transportation planning that provides early and on-going opportunities for involvement, timely information, reasonable access to information, adequate notification, diverse participation and periodic review and evaluation of the participation process. This public participation plan outlines the parameters for conducting these requirements.

### **Public Notification**

All meeting announcements and agendas of the Transportation Technical Committee and Policy Committee shall be sent to local news media and the Regional Transportation Advisory Group (RTAG) prior to the actual meeting date no less than 48 hours in advance. It is common practice to send meeting announcements and agendas one week in advance of a meeting. Agendas of these committees are posted at Bi-State Regional Commission offices and on the Bi-State Regional Commission website ([www.bistateonline.org](http://www.bistateonline.org)), while minutes are web-posted following approval by these committees. In addition, proposed amendments to the annual Transportation Improvement Program or Transportation Planning Work Program shall be sent to the same local media and RTAG, as well as local jurisdictions within the Davenport, Iowa-Illinois Urbanized Area, as part of the Policy Committee agenda. Other transportation related advisory committees may be posted on this website to provide added transportation related information, such as the Bi-State Regional Trails Committee and Bi-State Region Air Quality Task Force meetings. Notice of public hearings will be published in local newspapers of general circulation and posted on the Bi-State Regional Commission website per the time period noted in "Public Hearings" of this plan.

### **Regional Transportation Advisory Committee**

The intent of the federal transportation legislation is to provide a special effort for an early and continuing public involvement process that seeks out and considers the transportation needs of a diverse public, including the traditionally underserved populations (Executive Order 12898 – Federal Action to Address Environmental Justice in Minority and Low-Income Populations, 1994) as well as providing an opportunity for consultation with resource agencies as defined in the current transportation act. The Regional Transportation Advisory Group (RTAG) will fulfill that role. Involvement in the RTAG is open to any interested party, business, organization, or interested citizen within the Davenport, Iowa-Illinois Urbanized Area wanting to be involved in the transportation planning process. RTAG serves as the diverse, multi-modal advisory committee to the Transportation Technical Committee. Members will receive all meeting notices, as noted in "Public Notices" above, for the Technical and Policy Committee meetings. In addition, members will receive notification of proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments, Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program, ~~and~~ Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA), and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) submittal-call for project applications' notices, and proposed changes to the Public Participation Plan, Regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture Plan, Regional Transit Development Plan (TDP), Congestion Management Process document, ~~or and~~ the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

## **Annual TIP Project Request Notifications**

Individual jurisdictions, members of RTAG, and the media shall be informed as to when projects are being sought for inclusion in the annual Transportation Improvement Program through an announcement requesting Transportation Improvement Program annual element additions, modifications, or deletions for the proposed fiscal years, as part of an annual document update cycle, typically thirty (30) days prior to a draft document review by the Technical Committee.

## **Public Comment/Notification**

The general public shall be afforded the opportunity to provide comments via the Technical and Policy Committee meetings on the annual Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) activities, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Regional ITS Architecture Plan, Regional Transit Development Plan, [Congestion Management Process](#), Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and the Public Involvement Plan (PPP), through the process outlined under “Public Notification” above. This process satisfies Program of Projects (POP) public participation requirements for Bettendorf Transit, Davenport CitiBus, River Bend Transit, and the Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (MetroLINK). In the case of the Public Participation Plan, a minimum of a forty-five (45) day comment period shall be provided prior to action by the Transportation Policy Committee as required by the current transportation act. The LRTP will require a minimum of a thirty (30) day comment period prior to action by Bi-State Regional Commission. The prioritization process of ~~both~~ the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program, ~~and~~ the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program, ~~and~~ [Carbon Reduction Program \(CRP\)](#) will require a minimum of a thirty (30) day comment/notification period to be provided prior to action by the Transportation Policy Committee. In matters involving adoption or amendments to the Transportation Planning Work Program, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Regional Transit Development Plan, Congestion Management Process, and Regional ITS Architecture Plan, a minimum of 48 hours, but typically seven (7) day comment period shall be utilized prior to approval by the Transportation Policy Committee. Additional notice may be provided through meetings of the Transportation Technical Committee in advance of action by the Policy Committee.

## **Publications**

The MPO shall publish or otherwise make available for public review at a minimum the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in an electronically accessible format and means (to the maximum extent practicable), such as the World Wide Web. The LRTP and TIP publications developed by the MPO will be placed on the Bi-State Regional Commission website, [www.bistateonline.org](http://www.bistateonline.org). Other transportation planning publications may be posted to allow for interested parties to review and access additional MPO transportation planning information. Within these publications, the MPO shall employ visualization techniques to help clarify transportation planning issues and/or activities. At a minimum, visualization techniques shall be applied to the LRTP and TIP. Visualization techniques may include maps, graphs, charts, tables, diagrams or other methods. The LRTP will include a specific public participation outline during the update process that will be reviewed by the Technical and Policy Committees, and the results will be documented in the LRTP.

## **Public Hearings**

Prior to approval of the final Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Transportation Policy Committee shall hold a public hearing on all the projects being considered for approval in the TIP. The Transportation Policy Committee shall also hold public hearings, as ~~it deemed~~ ~~deems~~ necessary, for TIP amendments and prior to the approval of the Long Range Transportation Plan by Bi-State Regional Commission. At least fourteen (14) days prior notice will be given for all public hearings. No other documents noted will require a public hearing but shall afford public comment opportunities, as noted under “Public Comment/Notification.”

## **Data**

As part of non-discrimination requirements, Bi-State Regional Commission will maintain information on protected class (race, color, national origin, gender, age or disability) and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations within the Metropolitan Planning Area, including demographics and identification of potential barriers (language, mobility, temporal or other) that may prevent underserved persons from effectively participating in the metropolitan transportation planning process. This information is contained in the Bi-State Regional Commission Title VI Program and Non-Discrimination Policy.

## **Accommodation**

Persons requiring special material or presentation formats will be asked within a public notice for advanced request of at least one week prior to a public hearing prior to consideration of adoption or approval by the Policy Committee. Reasonable accommodations to provide documents in an accessible format, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act and Executive Order 13166 (Improving Access for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP), 2000), will be made when requested by the public. For meeting notices and agendas, requests at least one working day in advance of the meeting is requested for reasonable accommodation. Persons requesting assistance will be referred to the appropriate Bi-State Regional Commission staff who will make reasonable accommodations for translation services or other accommodations based on the request. Meetings will be held at convenient and accessible locations and times with emphasis to engage minority, low-income and LEP populations. Receipt of public input will be taken in a variety of formats - written, oral or other means- where accommodations are requested and reasonable.

[Approval of Revisions/Amendments Revised March 26, 2019 with](#)  
[\\*Technical Correction March 31, 2023 \(Revised reference to new transportation act\)](#)  
[Approval of Revisions/Amendments Proposed August 27, 2024](#)



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## *MPO Federal Transportation Certification Review Public Input*

An opportunity for you to share comments directly with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) concerning your views on the transportation planning process in the Quad Cities Iowa/Illinois Metropolitan Planning Area remains open until Friday, June 28, 2024.

A review was conducted June 11-12, 2024 that has assessed compliance with Federal regulations pertaining to the transportation planning process conducted by the Bi-State Regional Commission (BSRC), Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT), Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), public transit operators (Bettendorf Transit, Davenport CitiBus, MetroLINK, River Bend Transit, and RIM Rural Transit), and local units of government in the Quad Cities Iowa/Illinois Metropolitan Planning Area. If you were not able to attend the open house on June 11, 2024, you may submit comments by June 28 by direct contact to federal representatives or via the survey link below:

Email: FHWA Iowa Division – [dakin.schultz@dot.gov](mailto:dakin.schultz@dot.gov) FTA Region 7 – [gerri.doyle@dot.gov](mailto:gerri.doyle@dot.gov)

Mail: Dakin Schultz, Transportation Specialist  
FHWA IA Division  
105 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ames, IA 50010

Gerri Doyle, Community Planner  
FTA Region 7  
901 Locust Street, Room 404  
Kansas City, MO 64106

Online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MDL9QGY>  
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Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids for services should contact the Bi-State Regional Commission by writing or calling:

Bi-State Regional Commission (BSRC)  
1504 Third Avenue, Third Floor  
Rock Island, IL 61201

Tel: (309) 793-6300  
Fax: (309) 793-6305

## **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – General Information**

### **What is a TIP?**

*Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):* The document for the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) listing transportation projects to be funded under federal transportation programs for a four-year period. To be eligible for federal transportation funding, a project must be included in the TIP.

### **What is the Process?**

Each state, county, and city in the Quad Cities MPA has the opportunity to develop and review a list of projects each year that have been programmed and/or identified to receive federal transportation dollars. Projects must be derived from the *Connect QC 2050: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan*. Bi-State Regional Commission compiles the list of projects by federal fiscal year for a four-year period. The document is reviewed and recommended for approval to the Transportation Policy Committee by the Transportation Technical Committee. The TIP allows projects to move forward from planning and programming to engineering and construction. The first year of the TIP identifies projects that are being readied for implementation. The process is generally initiated in March and completed by June when the document is considered for adoption by the Policy Committee. As it is approved locally, it is then incorporated or referenced in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

### **Public Comment Opportunities?**

Public comment opportunities for the TIP can occur at various levels. As communities prepare their community comprehensive plans and conduct capital improvement programming, there are opportunities for citizens to comment on individual projects proposed by the respective jurisdiction.

For the region, public comment opportunities are provided in the development of the Long Range Transportation Plan, which is updated on a five-year cycle. Additionally, the Quad Cities metropolitan area receives a local share of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TASA) funds for which communities/counties can compete based on an evaluation system rating transportation projects. Input opportunities are available during the respective project ranking process.

Media notices were sent to the Quad Cities Times and Dispatch-Argus newspapers and meeting notices were printed in each publication at least 14 days prior to the public meeting listed below

## **Public Hearing**

### **Quad Cities Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at the Rock Island County Office Building, 1504 Third Avenue, Room 320, Rock Island, Illinois. Its purpose is to receive comments on the FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Quad Cities, IA/IL Metro Area and to satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) public participation requirements of Bettendorf Transit, Davenport CitiBus, and Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (MetroLINK). Comments will be accepted through June 25, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. TIP information is available by contacting Sarah Bambas at [sbambas@bistateonline.org](mailto:sbambas@bistateonline.org) or (309) 793-6300. Persons requiring special material or presentation format should contact Ms. Bambas on or before June 18, 2024.

A full copy of the current Transportation Improvement Program can be found at: <https://bistateonline.org/transportation-and-mobility/quad-cities-metro-planning/tip-and-funding-projects-quad-cities-mpo>. A draft plan update will be posted one week prior to the public hearing. The agenda to the meeting will be posted one week prior to the public hearing on the same website noted above. Public interested in participating can either refer to the website above for directions or contact Sarah Bambas by the Friday prior to the meeting.

Additionally, the public hearing notice and TIP information was sent to the Transportation Technical and Policy Committees, as well as the Regional Transit Advisory Group listed on Page A-6. These activities fulfill the obligations outlined in the Public Participation Plan included on Page A-3 of this document.