

AMENDED AGENDA

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

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 – 12:00 Noon
Rock Island County Office Building
1504 Third Avenue, County Board Chambers
Rock Island, IL
Richard “Quijas” Brunk, 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 Policy 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: 830 5320 5568 Passcode: 286926 for audio, and the link for visuals <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83053205568?pwd=llHzdagwAtbRgt2OxibmoPju7bmsf.1> Agenda packets are linked in “Quad Cities MPO News” at: <https://bistateonline.org/>

1. Approval of Minutes of the June 24, 2025 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting (A copy of the meeting minutes is enclosed in Committee members’ packets.)
2. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program & the FFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (An updated copy of the proposed revisions is enclosed in Committee members’ packets and provided to transportation interests. The City of Davenport has requested a change in scope for DA-25-02, length extended to include non-participating striping, and lane reduction from 4 to 3.) – Sarah Bambas
3. Presentation on Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan – Base Year Model; and Chapter 2: System Planning Considerations and Timeline Status – Nithin Kalakuntla and Bryan Schmid
4. Update on SAFE ROADS National Initiative – Gena McCullough and Sarah Bambas
5. Public Comments
6. Other Business
 - LRTP Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/QCLRTP>
 - USDOT Competitive Grants Dashboard <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard> – Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) – 9/10/25
 - IA Statewide TAP & Federal Recreational Trails Program - 10/1/25
 - Illinois DOT Safe Routes to School grant 10/13/25
 - Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – 9/23/25
7. 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 **before NOON Monday, August 25, 2025** 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, June 24, 2025, 12:00 p.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Conference Room 320, Third Floor
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard “Quijas” Brunk	Chair, Rock Island County Board
Jeffrey Deppe	Alderman, City of East Moline
Faith Duncan	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Ashley Harris	Mayor, City of Rock Island
Dave Krouth	Chair, MetroLINK Board
Ross Paustian	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Sangeetha Rayapati	Mayor, City of Moline
Hector Torres-Cacho	Iowa Department of Transportation, District 6

OTHERS PRESENT

Lisa Ahern	Bi-State Regional Commission
Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Michelle Beck	Senator Ernst Office
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Carter Thompson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Public Hearing on the Quad Cities FFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Chairman Brunk opened the public hearing. The agenda noted the public notice publications in the Quad City Times and Dispatch/Argus newspapers at least 14 days prior to the public hearing. Presentation on the FFY2026-2029 TIP was part of the public hearing. Ms. Bambas provided a brief overview summarized under agenda item 3 below. With there being no public comment, Chairman Brunk closed the public hearing at 12:19 pm.
2. Approval of Minutes of the May 27, 2025 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. A copy of the meeting minutes was enclosed in Committee members’ packets. Chairman Brunk requested a motion to approve the May 27, 2025 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mayor Gallagher motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Krouth seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Consideration of FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas presented an overview of the draft FFY2026-2029 TIP update that was posted to the Bi-State Regional Commission website. Her presentation included an overview of the general information and requirements; the TIP process; TIP revisions criteria; TIP self-certification as discussed in Appendix C; and various funding summaries of the programming of projects by the Technical and Policy Committees including Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Program Set-Aside (TASA), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP),

and transit funding. Completed STBG and TASA projects from the last year were shown, as well as some major FFY2026 upcoming projects. System indicators and performance, items such as Complete Streets, High Injury Network, and Pavement Condition were highlighted along with various mapping elements. Unmet Needs were explained; these projects are not fiscally constrained or have federal funding identified or awarded. Ms. Bambas then noted that the Illinois DOT's Multi-Year Program has still not been released, but will need to be incorporated into the TIP. Iowa DOT has sent comments to Bi-State staff to address in their TIP, and there has been an addition to the annual elements that includes a Davenport City Bridge Project. Ms. Bambas then highlighted Iowa DOT's comments and Davenport's City Bridge Project in the annual elements. Chairman Brunk asked for a motion to approve the FFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Krouth motioned to approve the FFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program as presented. Mayor Harris seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Consideration of FFY 2025 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Supplemental Agreements Resolutions. Mr. Schmid discussed the supplemental agreement resolutions with the committee. Resolutions were enclosed in the Committee members' packets. Mr. Schmid presented the suballocation amounts for FTA Sections 5307, 5310, 5337, and 5339 Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois allocations for FFY 2025, and as outlined in the TIP presentation noted in item #3. Sections 5307 and 5339 formula-based sub-allocations by transit system are reviewed by transit managers and are based on various pieces of data, including total population, population density, and unlinked passenger trips. Sections 5310 and 5337 are allocated by population. Mayor Rayapati motioned to approve the resolutions. Mayor Gallagher seconded, and the motion carried. These agreements will be conveyed to FTA.
5. Presentation on Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan – Passenger Transportation Chapter. Ms. Bambas highlighted the three fixed-route systems and their existing route, average monthly ridership, and unlinked trips compared to each other. She discussed intercity passenger transportation and passenger air travel for the Quad Cities International Airport. Input received to-date was highlighted, as well as the future needs of the three fixed-route systems. Once the presentation was completed, there was a discussion about the Annual Ridership Growth Trendline. Mr. Kalakuntla explained that projections were made using a logarithmic growth trend line. Past projections were also made in the same way, but instead looked at data from the previous 15 years. Ridership experienced a decline between 2015 and 2021 due to several factors, including the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to produce the 2055 projections, data from between 2021 and 2023 were used, which accurately reflected current conditions and expectations. Based on this analysis, it is anticipated that annual ridership across the three systems will exceed 5 million by the year 2055. After this explanation, there was a discussion around the method of the projection and possible other methods that would include more data points and different projection scenarios. There was also a conversation about a need for "nightlife" bus routes in the QC Area, especially on the weekends. Lastly, with the mention of passenger rail, Mayor Rayapati mentioned that Moline's community survey saw a lot of local support for establishing passenger rail in the area.
6. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
7. Other Business. Ms. McCullough mentioned the items below and also mentioned Bi-State had written a letter of concurrence for the Davenport SS4A implantation grant, and that there will be another round of implementation grants for SS4A next spring. Mr. DeLille mentioned to the committee that the Illinois DOT Fall Planning Conference is taking place in Moline, October 22-24. Mr. DeLille also mentioned that the Safe Routes to School Grant application will open in August. Ms. McCullough mentioned that there will be no actionable items next month, therefore, the July meeting has been canceled, and activity will be resumed in August.
 - LRTP Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/QCLRTP>

- USDOT *Key Notice of Funding opportunities: Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A)* – 6/26/25
 - Iowa State Recreational Trails grants 7/1/25
 - *Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – August 26, 2025*
8. Adjournment. Mayor Rayapati motioned to adjourn. Mayor Harris seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:45.

August 26, 2025 - Transportation Policy Committee - FFY2025-2028
 Transportation Improvement Program
 & FFY2026-2029 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
STATE OF IOWA - IA														
IA-26-07	2026	I-80	1 mi W of Middle Rd to 1 mi E of Middle Rd - Bettendorf	Bridge Replacement & Culvert Extension	MAINT	\$59,451,000	\$50,533,350	NHPP	\$8,917,650	PRF	\$0		52487	FFY2026 funding removed from the TIP due to the funding being authorized in July for an August letting (in FFY 2025). The funding in FFY 2028 will remain. Amendment Pending 8/2025
CITY OF DAVENPORT - DA														
DA-24-03 & DA-24-10	2025/2026	River Drive and Mound Street	River Drive and Mound Street	Raise and reconstruct approximately 2,000 linear feet of East River Drive near the intersection of Mound Street.	CMP	\$2,700,000	\$2,160,000	PROTECT			\$540,000	CTY	55827/55910	Project Description, Termini, and TPMS Map Updated. Amendment Pending 8/2025
DA-25-02	2025/2026	Eastern Avenue	E 29th St to Bridge over Duck Creek to E 35th St	Decrease to 3 lanes, Bridge Replacement, and Pavement Marking Additions	MAINT	\$2,768,121	\$2,040,710	STBG			\$727,411	CTY	49802	Change in scope. STBG funds cover Bridge Replacement. Local funds cover adjusted termini. Amendment Pending 8/2025
STATE OF ILLINOIS - IL														
IL-26-09	2026	I-80	I-80 over the Mississippi River	Bridge Cleaning	MAINT	\$200,000	\$90,000	NHPP	\$10,000	NHPP				New Project. Amendment Pending 8/2025
									\$100,000	Adjacent State to Illinois				
IL-26-10	2026	I-280	I-280 over the Mississippi River	Bridge Cleaning	MAINT	\$80,000	\$36,000	NHPP	\$4,000	NHPP				New Project. Amendment Pending 8/2025
									\$40,000	Adjacent State to Illinois				
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METROLINK - ML														
ML-24-02	2025/2026	Preventive Maintenance	C	\$5,031,428	\$4,025,142	5307	\$1,006,286	TDCs						Project added back into the TIP. Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$1,006,286. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-25-02	2025/2026	Preventive Maintenance	C	\$1,250,000	\$1,000,000	5307	\$250,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$312,500. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-25-03	2025/2026	Transit Enhancements	C	\$250,000	\$200,000	5307	\$50,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$10,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-25-04	2025/2026	MSE	C	\$125,000	\$100,000	5307	\$25,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$10,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-25-05	2025/2026	ADP Hardware	C	\$1,375,000	\$1,100,000	5307	\$275,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$20,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-25-06	2025/2026	ADP Software	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$20,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-26-03	2026	Transit Enhancements	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$10,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-26-04	2026	MSE	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$10,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-26-05	2026	ADP Hardware	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$20,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ML-26-06	2026	ADP Software	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs						Federal share increased over 30%. TDCs to be requested: \$20,000. Amendment Pending 8/2025
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - COMMITTEE ACTION NOT REQUIRED														
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STATE OF IOWA - IA														
IA-25-11	2025/2026	I-280	I-80 to IA 22 Interchange	Pavement Markings	MAINT	280000	\$252,000	HISP	\$28,000	PRF	0		57704	Moved to FFY2026 from FFY2025. Administrative Modification 8/2025
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - COMMITTEE ACTION NOT REQUIRED														
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METROLINK - ML														
ML-25-13	2025/2026	Professional Services / Engineering	C	\$937,500	\$750,000	5307	\$187,500	TDCs						Federal share increased by less than 30% since TDCs were added. TDCs to be requested: \$187,500. Admin Mod 8/2025



THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, DC 20590

July 1, 2025

Dear Governor:

Safety is the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)'s top priority. While I am encouraged that the estimates of traffic fatalities for 2024 continue a downward trend, by decreasing 3.8 percent from 2023, we still have more work to do to improve safety and mobility on our Nation's highways. In 2024, the estimated number was a stunning 39,345. This is unacceptable. I ask that you join DOT and support our national initiative, Safe Arterials for Everyone through Reliable Operations and Distraction-Reducing Strategies (SAFE ROADS), to help improve safety and mobility, eliminate distractions, and keep people and goods moving throughout the United States.

DOT has strong partnerships with your State department of transportation (State DOT) to implement projects and achieve important national priorities, most notably safe mobility. The SAFE ROADS national initiative will focus on the non-freeway arterials within your State, including safety and operation at intersections and along segments, consistent and recognizable traffic control devices including crosswalk and intersection markings, and orderly use of the right-of-way that is kept free from distractions. These routes are where more than half of roadway fatalities in America occur and deserve enhanced attention. The goal of the SAFE ROADS national initiative is to partner with State and local governments to make the entire roadway right-of-way easier to interpret and navigate for all users, including pedestrians, vehicle operators, and automated vehicles alike. We ask that you ensure compliance with Federal statutes and regulations and accelerate the deployment of proven safety and operational solutions to make roads safer across America.

We are getting back to the basics – using data to guide decision-making and prioritize investments that reduce distraction while improving mobility and safety for all road users. Within 60 days, I request that your State DOT, in coordination with your metropolitan planning organizations, use available safety data, analysis, and assessments to develop a list of arterial segments, including intersections, with the highest safety, operational, or compliance concerns that will be addressed by the end of Fiscal Year 2026. Please submit the list of locations to your Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Division Office.

FHWA will track the progress of this important nationwide initiative and stands ready to support you and your State DOT as you develop your plans. FHWA offers technical resources to assist with road safety audits and assessments in selecting effective safety and operational countermeasures, accelerating implementation of improvements, and complying with Federal standards, such as those for traffic control devices and use of the roadway right-of-way. Please

continue to inform your FHWA Division Office on progress as you take steps to address these locations. I look forward to meeting you at a future opportunity to learn about your success stories and best practices.

With our shared goals of moving people and goods safely and efficiently, we can make the expectation that all Americans make it home safely and on-time a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S.P. Duffy", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

Sean P. Duffy

cc:

State Transportation Department Chief Executives