

**Minutes of the**  
**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**URBANIZED AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
**WITH REGION 9 TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 10:00 a.m.  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
Third Floor Conference Room 320  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Brian Ballard	City of Riverdale
David Dryer	City of Moline
Steve Gibson	Village of Milan
Tim Kammler	City of East Moline
Mike Kane	City of Rock Island
Angie Kersten	Scott County
Katie Smith	Illinois Department of Transportation – District 2
Gary Statz	City of Davenport
Hector Torres-Cacho	Iowa Department of Transportation
Lucie VanHecke	MetroLINK
Jeri Vondera	City of Davenport

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Dave Kovarik	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Anna Musial (virtual)	FHWA – Illinois
Ricky Newcomb	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Dakin Schultz (virtual)	FHWA – Iowa
Carter Thompson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Election of Transportation Technical Committee Chair and Vice-Chair. Per the committee meeting procedures of August 2008, a Chair and Vice-Chair shall be chosen by representatives of the Transportation Technical Committee in odd numbered years and shall reside from each state portion. Mr. Morlok was nominated as Chair in absentia by Ms. Kersten, seconded by Mr. Gibson. Mr. Kammler was nominated as Vice-Chair by Ms. Kersten, seconded by Mr. Dryer. Both motions carried unanimously to elect the slate of officers.
2. Approval of Minutes of the November 12, 2024 Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) Meeting. Mr. Kammler requested a motion for approval of the November 12, 2024 minutes of the Transportation Technical Committee. Mr. Schmid noted that the minutes should indicate the “adjusted” urban area boundary under item #2. Mr. Kane motioned to approve the minutes with that adjustment. Mr. Dryer seconded, and the motion carried.

3. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas noted that there were six amendments and one administrative modification. Two amendments, DA-24-02 and RI-27-03, were for new roadway projects. The four remaining amendments, CB-23-06, CB-24-04, ML-20-19, and ML-20-20, concerned transit projects for Davenport CitiBus and MetroLINK. Mr. Morlok made a motion to recommend the revisions to the Policy Committee, and Mr. Dryer seconded. The motion carried. A copy of the revisions is included at the end of the minutes.
  
4. Consideration of the Iowa Quad Cities Federal Functional Classification. Ms. Bambas presented on the adjustments to the federal functional classification to some roadways in Iowa. The table below provides information on the affected roadways. The City of Davenport and Scott County provided their concurrence to the proposed revisions. Ms. Kersten motioned to recommend approval of the resolution to the Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Gibson seconded, and the motion carried.

<u>Route</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Current FFC</u>	<u>Proposed FFC</u>	<u>Justification</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
<b>18th Street</b>	North of 53rd Street	Major Collector	Local	No longer a priority for the city to expand 18th Street	Bettendorf
<b>Forest Grove</b>	Utica Ridge Road to Criswell Street	Major Collector	Minor Arterial	Increased traffic volume and future land development	Bettendorf
<b>Hopewell Avenue</b>	Devils Glen Road to Criswell Street	Local	Minor Collector	Increased traffic volume and future land development	Bettendorf
<b>Devils Glen Road</b>	53rd Avenue to Forest Grove Dr	Major Collector	Minor Arterial	Increased traffic volume	Bettendorf
<b>14th Street</b>	Middle Road to Central Avenue	Minor Arterial	Major Collector	Divert traffic to other minor arterials, continuity of the system	Bettendorf
<b>14th Street</b>	Central Avenue to Mississippi Blvd	Minor Arterial	Local Road	Connects to a local road, continuity of the system	Bettendorf
<b>Belmont Road</b>	Devils Glen Road to Middle Road	Local	Minor Collector	Increased traffic volume	Bettendorf
<b>Lincoln Road</b>	Kimberly Road to 14th Street	Minor Arterial	Major Collector	Connects to a major collector, continuity of the system	Bettendorf
<b>Indiana Avenue</b>	Barr Street to Middle Road	Local	Minor Collector	Future land development and enhancing the farm-to-market connection (network)	Bettendorf
<b>Barr Street</b>	Indiana Avenue to 210 Street	Local	Minor Collector	Future land development and enhancing the farm-to-market connection (network)	Bettendorf
<b>210 Street</b>	Barr Street to County Highway Z16 (Utica Ridge Road)	Local	Minor Collector	Future land development and enhancing the farm-to-market connection (network)	Bettendorf
<b>Lincoln Road</b>	Buttermilk Road to Scott Park Road	Local	Minor Collector	Increased traffic volume	Eldridge
<b>Buttermilk Road</b>	Slopertown Road to LeClaire Road	Local	Minor Collector	Future land development, potential traffic increase	Eldridge

5. Consideration of Traffic Safety and Transit Asset Management Performance Measures Targets. Ms. McCullough introduced the Traffic Safety performance measure targets. Bi-State Regional Commission continues to support state targets set by the Iowa and Illinois DOTs. The targets are shown in the table below:

<b>Iowa Statewide Safety Measures</b>	<b>Baseline</b> 2018-2022 Rolling Average	<b>Target</b> 2021-2025 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	338.6	365.8
Fatality Rate*	1.036	1.085
Number of Serious Injuries	1,363.2	1,496.1
Serious Injury Rate*	4.166	4.391
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	136.4	148.4
<b>Illinois Statewide Safety Measures</b>	<b>Baseline</b> 2018-2022 Rolling Average	<b>Target</b> 2021-2025 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	1,168.2	1,099.5
Fatality Rate*	1.151	1.083
Number of Serious Injuries	9,618.4	7,816.8
Serious Injury Rate*	9.401	8.046
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	1,459.4	1,332.4

Mr. Kane motioned to recommend approval of the Traffic Safety performance measure targets to the Policy Committee as presented. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion, which carried. Mr. Schmid detailed the memo regarding Transit Asset Management performance measure targets. Targets were submitted by the three fixed-route transit agencies in the urban area. Davenport CitiBus and Bettendorf Transit draft their own TAM plans, while MetroLINK takes part in the IL DOT’s statewide plan for Tier 2 agencies. Mr. Gibson motioned to recommend approval of the Transit Asset Management (TAM) performance measure targets to the Policy Committee. Mr. Kane seconded the motion, which carried.

6. Status of Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Applications and Consideration of City of Davenport CRP Project Request. Mr. Kovarik detailed the one application received from the City of Davenport in response to the call for projects for CRP. Davenport proposes to construct a roundabout at the intersection of Veteran’s Memorial Parkway and Eastern Avenue. The total project cost is \$1,930,000 million, and the city is requesting \$1,544,000. Roundabouts reduce congestion and vehicle idling. The project is estimated to reduce carbon emissions by approximately 99.824 kg per day. Ms. Kersten motioned to recommend approval to the Policy Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ballard, and carried. It was noted that the future of the CRP program beyond the current transportation act was uncertain due to the change in administrations at the federal level.
7. Status of the *Thrive QC 2055 Long Range Transportation Plan – Model Progress, Goals, and Objectives.* Mr. Kalakuntla discussed land use codes in the travel demand model, as well as the congestion management process. The land use changes between 2022, 2035, and 2055 will be used to generate future trips in the model. The master network data inputs include: federal functional classification, speed limit, number of lanes in each direction, left-turn/right-turn lanes, average annual daily traffic, etc. Regarding the congestion management process, data was collected and reviewed from Streetlight Data, Inc. and two different indices: Travel Time Index and the Planning Time Index. A comparison of the data and indices showed somewhat inconsistent congested locations, although there were some commonalities. Mr. Newcomb walked through the data in Chapter 1 of the LRTP update. He discussed demographic and economic data within the metropolitan planning area. One datapoint that changed since the last plan was an increase in the number of people working from home, which would have an effect on traffic in the region. Ms. McCullough presented on the goals and

transportation objectives for the LRTP. Noted in the last MPO certification review, local LRTP goals and objectives will speak more directly to federal and Illinois/Iowa statewide goals. Development goals have been stated in Bi-State LRTPs for decades, and will be reviewed and refined for this plan update. Transportation objectives will be reviewed in greater detail next meeting.

8. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
9. Other Business. Bi-State staff created a Facebook page to share information about the *Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan* process. Mr. Delille noted that ITEP applications were scored, and award announcements would be expected likely sometime in April. Statewide Planning and Research grants may open in the next few weeks.
10. Adjournment. Mr. Kane motioned to adjourn. Mr. Dryer seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

January 14, 2025 - Transportation Technical Committee –  
 FFY2025-2028 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 DAVENPORT - DA</b>														
DA-24-02	2026	E 13th St	OVER I.C.E RR	Bridge Replacement	MAINT	\$2,000,000	\$1,500,000	HBP			\$500,000	CTY	54798	New Project 1/27/23. Moved from FY25 to FY26, FHWA Structure changed from 3000 to 3020 in TPMS, and TPMS Location Description was updated Amendment Pending 1/2025.
<b>CITY OF ROCK ISLAND - RI</b>														
RI-27-03	2027	11th Street (US 67)	31st Avenue to Blackhawk Road (IL 5)	Reconstruction and Improvement Project	L RTP	\$28,420,000	\$22,700,000	RAISE	\$2,500,000	Non-Federal Funds	\$3,220,000	LOC		New RAISE Grant. Amendment Pending 1/2025

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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
<b>DAVENPORT CITIBUS - CB</b>												
CB-23-06	2026	Bus Shelters	C	\$150,000	\$120,000	5339	\$0		\$30,000	LOC	6539	Moved from FY23 to FY26. Amendment Pending 1/2025
CB-24-04	2027	Purchase two (2) 35-39 ft. Diesel Low Floor Heavy Duty Buses	C	\$1,400,000	\$1,120,000	5339 & 5307	\$0		\$280,000	LOC	6540	Description changed from 3 buses to 2 buses. Amendment Pending 1/2025
<b>METROLINK - ML</b>												
ML-20-19	2025	Facility Maintenance	C	\$931,850	\$931,850	CARES ACT						Project moved from FY20 to FY25. Federal funds increased by less than 30%
ML-20-20	2025	Misc Communications Equip	C	\$2,483,303	\$2,483,303	CARES ACT						Project moved from FY20 to FY25. Federal funds decreased by less than 30%
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
<b>DAVENPORT CITIBUS - CB</b>												
CB-25-07	2026	Transit Comprehensive Operations Analysis	C	\$400,000	\$0	5339	\$320,000	STA	\$80,000	LOC	11536	Moved from FY25 to FY26, Admin Mod 1/2025