

AGENDA

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NDOT)

STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STTAC)

MEETING

February 3, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location(s)
NDOT Headquarters
Third Floor Conference Room
1263 S. Stewart Street
Carson City, Nevada

NDOT/RTC
Conference Room #127
600 S. Grand Central Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada

NDOT District III
District Conference Room
1951 Idaho Street
Elko, Nevada

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Regular STTAC Meeting

1. **(For Possible Action) Call to order and determination of quorum for the Regular STTAC meeting**
2. **Public Comment**
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Each citizen must be recognized by the Chairman before speaking. The citizen is then to approach the microphone to state his or her name, and to spell the last name for the record. The Chairman may limit remarks to less than three minutes' duration, if such remarks are disruptive to the meeting or not within the STTAC's jurisdiction.

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The Nevada Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee appreciates the time citizens devote to be involved in this important process.

3. **(For Possible Action) Approval of the December 2, 2013 STTAC meeting minutes**

4. **NDOT Planning**

a. **Discussion on Amendments, Adjustments to the FY 2014-2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) document and the development of the FY 2014 - 2023 Transportation System Projects document (Jason Van Havel)**

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b. **Update of the NDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (Tim Mueller)**

Staff is working with the successful TAP applicants with their FY 2013-2014 projects. Applicants are working either through the NDOT LPA or Design group in scoping their project, developing the agreement, and other pertinent facets of their projects. Staff is intending to go out with a call for FY 2015 TAP projects in early 2014.

c. **Update of the Planning and Needs System (PLANS) (Rebecca Kapuler)**

Staff will provide an overview of phase 2 of the Planning And Needs System (PLANS) and discuss project history, current status, where the project is going, and expected timelines. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions that the Committee may have.

d. **Overview of Nevada DOT Research Program (Ken Chambers)**

Staff is in the midst of a call for Research Problem Statements which is a resource that can help innovate and implement solutions that support the Department's vision, mission, and goals. In early 2014 we will be compiling problem statements as a first step in preparing research projects for federal fiscal 2015.

5. **(For Possible Action) Future Agenda Item Discussion**

Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas.

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7. **(For Possible Action) Adjournment of Regular STTAC meeting**

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(NDOT)
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Carson City, NV 89712

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December 2, 2013
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Members in Attendance:

Steve Bunnell, City of Reno
Randy DeVaul, City of No. L.V. (tele-conf/Dist I)
Randy Fultz, City of Las Vegas (tele-conf/Dist I)
Emily Nunez, NV State Energy Office
Wes Henderson, NV League of Cities/Municipalities
Mark Davis, NV Division of State Parks
Martyn James, RTC of So. Nevada (tele-conf/Dist I)

Dagny Stapleton, NACO
Leah Sirmin, FHWA
Melanie Shasha, NDEP
Amy Cummings, Washoe RTC
Clara Lawson, Washoe County
Keith Norberg, TMPO
Patrick Pittenger, CAMPO

NDOT Attendees:

Jason Van Havel, Ass't. Chief Trans. Multimodal
Melvin McCallum, Program Development (tele-conf/Dist I)
Bob Madewell, Chief Roadway Systems
Sondra Rosenberg, Federal Programs
Tom Greco, Ass't. Director – Planning
Coy Peacock, Program Development

Tim Mueller, Trans. Multimodal
Paula Morton, Planning Admin. Ass't.
Ken Chambers, Chief Research
Bill Story, Bike/Ped Manager
Jenni Eyerly, Admin. Services
Bill Thompson, Freight

Others in Attendance:

Scott Hall, NV Bicycle Coalition
David Bowers, City of Las Vegas

Rush Wickes, RTC of So. NV

STTAC MEETING -

Item 1: Call to Order and Determination of Quorum*

Chairman Wes Henderson called the STTAC meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. Tim Mueller requested introductions in the north and south. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Item 2: Public Comment

Scott Hall of the Nevada Bicycle Coalition commented that he has been monitoring the TAP process and commended the NDOT Multimodal Section in making sure the rural areas are taken care of and considered in the list of projects. The projects have an impact and economic benefits and make a big difference in healthcare per person per year.

Tim Mueller announced that Leah Sirmin of FHWA will be moving to Massachusetts to work in the FHWA state office there and wished her well in her new position. Tim also introduced Emily Nunez with the State Energy Office and welcomed her to the meeting, announced that June Loreman with the BLM

will be attending the next meeting in February and Rush Wickes of the RTC of Southern Nevada is attending his first meeting today in the Las Vegas location.

Item 3: Approval of the September 16, 2013 STTAC Meeting Minutes*

Steve Bunnell made a motion to approve the September 16, 2013 STTAC meeting minutes. Clara Lawson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Item 4: NDOT Planning

Item 4a: Discussion on Amendments, Adjustments to the FY 2014-2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) document and the development of the FY 2014-2023 Transportation System Projects document (Jason Van Havel)

Jason Van Havel, Assistant Chief of NDOT Program Development requested postponing this agenda item until later in the meeting.

Item 4b: Update of the NDOT Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program (Tim Mueller)

Tim Mueller of NDOT Transportation Multimodal provided an update on the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). Tim stated that there has been consistent interaction between the TAP applicants and the LPA group and/or Design staff. Tim commented that he is working to update the Transportation Alternatives Guidance Manual and hopes to have it distributed to the STTAC by December 20. The tentative schedule is to have the Call for Projects on the statewide projects from January 15 to February 14, 2014. There will be a short period of internal review, an applicant follow-up if needed, the Scoring Committee will review and meet March 21 to April 21, scoring results due around May 5, meet with public groups and/or entities, and the STTAC and NDOT approval in July 2014. He has met with 13 counties so far to discuss the Alternatives Program, other NDOT Planning functions, the Bridge Program, Betterment Program, and some district improvements; with meetings scheduled for Lyon and Mineral, Churchill, Lander and Pershing Counties on December 4 and Clark County on December 17, with funding of \$4.8M total for the state. The update concluded. Discussion followed.

Item 4c: Update on Road Relinquishment (AB-18) Document (Bob Madewell)

This item will be moved down in the agenda.

Item 4d: Update of I-11 & Intermountain West Corridor Study (Sondra Rosenberg)

Sondra Rosenberg of NDOT Federal Programs provided a PowerPoint presentation and background on the I-11 and Intermountain West Corridor Study. Sondra discussed background, such as high priority corridor and interstate designation as well as the concept of megapolitans and megaregions, such as the Southwest Megaregion, comprised of the Southern California Megapolitan (including Las Vegas) and the Arizona Sun Corridor (Phoenix/Tucson). Sondra briefly described the study participants and project schedule (Aug 2012 – July 2014) and then discussed the corridor justification and draft business case, economic scenario comparison, key justifications, and outlined Study Phases 1 & 2 deliverables. Sondra described the evaluation process and criteria, showed the universe of corridor alternatives and the resulting Level I recommendations. Sondra is working with the project sponsors, neighboring states, core agency partners such as MPOs in the Phoenix and Las Vegas regions as well as the federal partners, stakeholder partners, and focus groups. They have received useful input from the public meetings that were held in October 2013. Sondra stated that they are about two-thirds through the study and are currently working on the feasibility assessments for the connectivity segments and additional screening for the priority section. Draft recommendations are anticipated in March 2014. Information is also available on the website (www.i11study.com). The next stakeholder meetings are scheduled for January,

March and May of 2014 with a public meeting scheduled for June 2014 with the final recommendations. The update concluded. Discussion followed.

Item 4a: Discussion on Amendments, Adjustments to the FY 2014-2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) document and the development of the FY 2014-2023 Transportation System Projects document (Jason Van Havel)

Jason Van Havel, Assistant Chief of NDOT Program Development stated that regarding the closeout of federal fiscal 2013, there have not been any final adjustments, modifications or amendments. They have been concentrating on developing a 2014-2017 STIP and have made a significant change in the document format. They decided to move forward with adopting the four TIPs from the MPOs by reference. Within a few days, they hope to have the final document submitted for approval. The update concluded. Discussion followed. Randy Fultz commented that when the STIP amendments are on the STTAC agenda, it would be beneficial and helpful if attachments could be provided for reference. Jason Van Havel acknowledged the request.

Item 4c: Update on Road Relinquishment (AB-18) Document (Bob Madewell)

Bob Madewell, Chief of NDOT Roadway Systems provided an update on the road relinquishments document. Assembly Bill 18 provided changes to NRS 408.527 regarding road relinquishments, required a manual be developed with the assistance of local agency input and NDOT. Bob stated that there are 29 members on the committee for road relinquishments. By the end of this week, the STTAC members will receive a draft copy of the road relinquishment document for review. Bob is requesting that the STTAC review the document and comment within a 20-day time frame. Bob will send out a list of the workshop attendees so everyone will know who is on the original committee. The update concluded. Discussion followed regarding the 20-day time frame comment period.

Item 4e: Overview of Nevada DOT Research Program (Ken Chambers)

Ken Chambers, Chief of NDOT Research provided an overview of the NDOT Research Program. Ken stated that at a previous meeting, Jim Nichols, P.E. of TMCC and Director of the Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP), introduced himself to the STTAC and a flier was distributed to the STTAC for assistance in training or education needs. Ken commented that NDOT's Research Program is NDOT oriented but the best problem statements and issues are identified by transportation people, not the researchers or consultants. Ken anticipates that the problem statement solicitation will go out in late January or early February and if any STTAC members have any transportation related problems that may qualify as a project, to contact him or Manju Kumar in the Research Section. Ken explained the problem statement process. Once problems are identified, a middle-management committee reviews and ranks them, and while they typically receive 60-80 problem statements, they fund approximately 10%. The overview concluded. Discussion followed.

Item 4f: Update on Nevada Freight Assessment Study (Bill Thompson)

Bill Thompson of the NDOT Freight Planning Section distributed a handout, *NDOT Nevada Freight Assessment Study/Nevada Freight Program Statewide* and provided an update on the study. Bill discussed the requirements of MAP-21, the Freight Assessment Study and the State Freight Plan. The program overview included Phase I, reviewing existing published data, inventory freight infrastructure, and identifying freight dependent industries; Phase 2, outlining strategic direction, aligning with MAP-21 program and goals, and identifying future goods movement; and Phase 3, reviewing the existing process, identifying performance measures and developing and publishing a final report. Bill stated that a Freight Working Group was established to work in partnership for the stakeholders to provide adequate information and a Freight Advisory Committee will be created to be used continuously for the State

Freight Plan and NDOT's Freight Program. Bill explained the project timeline of 2013 with Phase I from mid-April to the end of July, Phase 2 from early June to the end of September and Phase 3 from late June to early December. They are currently at the end of Phase 3. The update concluded. Discussion followed.

Item 5: Future Agenda Item Discussion

The next STTAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2014. Future agenda items will include:

- County Tours/Process - Wes Henderson
- Update PLANS - Tim Mueller
- Future of STTAC/Open Mtg. Law - Tim Mueller
- TAP Scoring Committee Revisions - Tim Mueller

Item 6: Public Comment

Ken Chambers clarified that within the Research process, the problem statement, proposal selection and prioritization funding process is internal and they are currently working on forty agreements. Ken stated that he would be happy to share information with anyone upon request.

Scott Hall announced that the Bike Coalition is now an official I-Tunes app developer and should be available to the public on January 1, 2014. It will hopefully include a live app to measure with GPS where people are riding.

Item 7: Adjournment of Regular STTAC Meeting*

Keith Norberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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**NEVADA STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION**

Agenda Item # 4a

Meeting Date: February 3, 2014

To: Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

From: Jason Van Havel, NDOT Transportation/Multimodal
Planning Division

Subject: Discussion on Amendments, Adjustments to the FY 2014-2017 Statewide
Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) document and the
development of the FY 2014 - 2023 Transportation System Projects
document

**Type of
Action
Required:** Discussion Only

Discussion:

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The goal of this agenda item is to update the STTAC on the status of this year's document, and discuss the development of the next fiscal year's document.

Staff will be on hand to answer any questions that the Committee may have.

Action Requested:
Discussion only



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MEMORANDUM

December 26, 2013

TO: Department of Transportation Board of Directors
FROM: Rudy Malfabon, P.E., Director
SUBJECT: January 13, 2014 Transportation Board of Directors Meeting
ITEM #10: Accepted of Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the FFY 2012-2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) – For Possible Action.

Summary:

At the October 10, 2011 State Transportation Board of Directors Meeting, the FY 2012 – 2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) was accepted as a part of the FY 2012-2021 Transportation Systems Projects (TSP). Amendments and Administrative Modifications are made throughout the year to the document in order to facilitate project changes. NDOT staff works closely with the local Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) and local governments to facilitate these project changes. Attachment "A" lists Amendments and other state program project changes to the 2012 STIP. NDOT is requesting the State Transportation Board's approval of these changes as summarized in Attachment "A". Attachment "B" lists administrative modifications and other state program project changes to the 2012 STIP. NDOT is requesting the State Transportation Board's approval of these changes as summarized in Attachment "B".

Background:

NDOT staff works continuously with federal and regional agencies, local governments, and planning boards to develop the *Transportation System Projects (TSP)* notebook. The 2012-2021 document contains the:

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), FY 2012-2015
Annual Work Program (AWP), FY 2012
Short Range Element (SRE), FY 2013-2014
Long Range Element (LRE), FY 2015-2021

Attachment "A" details Amendments to projects which include any actions taken in Washoe, Clark, CAMPO, and TMPO Transportation Improvement Plans (TIP) and also includes areas outside of the MPO boundaries which have taken place since the last time the Board accepted changes to the STIP at August, 2013 meeting.

Attachment "B" details Administrative Modifications to projects which include any actions taken in Washoe, Clark, CAMPO, and TMPO Transportation Improvement Plans (TIP) and also includes areas outside of the MPO boundaries which have taken place since the last time the Board accepted changes to the STIP at the August, 2013 meeting.

Analysis:

The attached listing of amendments and administrative modifications to projects are those completed since the August 14, 2013 Transportation Board approval of the *Transportation System Projects* notebook for fiscal years 2012-2021.

Recommendation for Board Action:

Acceptance of the Amendments/Administrative Modifications to the FY 2012 – 2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

List of Attachments:

- A. List of Amendments
- B. List of Administrative Modifications

Prepared by:

Jason Van Havel, Acting Chief, Transportation & Multimodal Planning Division

Project Amendments List (10/15/2013 – 12/26/2013)

RTC of Southern Nevada

Amendment CL #13: This Amendment adjusts Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Formula funds as requested by the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada. The project funding is increased from \$2,801,600 to \$13,945,353 in FY14. This amendment was processed on October 15th.

Washoe County RTC

(NO AMENDMENTS MADE)

Carson Area MPO

(NO AMENDMENTS MADE)

Tahoe MPO

(NO AMENDMENTS MADE)

Statewide/Rural

Amendment CL #7: This Amendment is an action to add two mobility managers for the retired senior volunteer program, in FY14 and FY15, under Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Rural transit operating funds, at \$200,000 each year. This amendment was processed on December 13th.

List of Administrative Modifications (10/1/2013 – 12/26/2013)

RTC of Southern Nevada

(NO ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS MADE)

Washoe County RTC

(NO ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS MADE)

Carson Area MPO

(NO ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS MADE)

Tahoe MPO

Admin Modification #TMPO 8: This action modifies project DO2010024, SR207 Kingsbury Grade, by reducing STP Area<5000 to \$5,916,963. This Admin Mod was processed on December 6th.

Statewide/Rural

(NO ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS MADE)

**NEVADA STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION**

Agenda Item # 4b

Meeting Date: February 3, 2014
To: Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
From: Tim Mueller, NDOT Transportation/Multimodal
Planning Division
Subject: Update of the NDOT Transportation Alternatives Program

**Type of
Action
Required:** Discussion Only

Discussion:

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Action Requested:
Discussion only

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REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION**

Agenda Item # 4c

Meeting Date: February 3, 2014
To: Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
From: Rebecca Kapuler
Subject: Update of PLANS

**Type of
Action
Required:** Discussion Only

Discussion:

Staff will provide an overview of phase 2 of the Planning And Needs System (PLANS) and discuss project history, current status, where the project is going, and expected timelines. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions that the Committee may have.

Action Requested:
Discussion only

**NEVADA STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION**

Agenda Item # 4d

Meeting Date: February 3, 2014
To: Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
From: Ken Chambers, NDOT Research Section Chief
Subject: Overview of Nevada DOT Research Program

**Type of
Action
Required:** Discussion Only

Discussion:

The NDOT Research Section is involved in many important activities. One of those is the upcoming call for Research Problem Statements which is a resource that can help innovate and implement solutions that support the Department's vision, mission, and goals. In early 2014 we will be compiling problem statements as a first step in preparing research projects for federal fiscal 2015.

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