#### **AGENDA**

## NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NDOT)

#### STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STTAC)

#### **MEETING**

September 3, 2015 9:00 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

NOTIFICATION. The STTAC reserves the right to take items out of order, combine two or more agenda items for consideration, may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

Regular STTAC Meeting

1. (For Possible Action) Call to order and determination of quorum for the Regular STTAC meeting

#### 2. Public Comment

The STTAC is prohibited by law from taking immediate action on or discussing issues raised by the public that are not listed on this Agenda. Members of the public are allowed a maximum of three minutes to discuss an issue.

At this time any citizen in the audience may address the STTAC on any matter within the jurisdiction of the STTAC. No vote can be taken on a matter not listed on the posted agenda; however, the STTAC can direct that the matter be placed on a future agenda.

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.

The Nevada Department of Transportation keeps the official record of all proceedings of the meeting. In order to maintain a complete and accurate record, copies of documents used during presentations must be submitted to the Recording Secretary.

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 June 1, 2015 STTAC meeting minutes

# 4. Update on Nevada Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs)

Each of the State's designated MPOs are required to update their RTPs. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the status of each RTP.

# 5. **NDOT Planning**

## a. Staff Update on STTAC activities (Tim Mueller)

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b. (For Discussion and Possible Action) Recommend approval of the "Final Draft" of the FY 2016-2019 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and the FY 2016 – 2025 Work Program to the State Transportation Board (Coy Peacock)

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c. (For Discussion and Possible Action) Update on the NDOT eSTIP (Coy Peacock)
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public for a 30 day comment period. This has normally been released in a document, but
this year we are releasing it through a new Electronic STIP (eSTIP) website. This will allow
citizens to search projects in their own county, city or town.

The eSTIP public website went live on Wednesday July 29th at this url: http://estip.nevadadot.com/

#### 6. (For Possible Action) Future Agenda Item Discussion

Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas.

#### 7. Public Comment

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#### 8. (For Possible Action) Adjournment of Regular STTAC meeting

NOTE: Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically handicapped persons desiring to attend the meeting. Requests for auxiliary aids or services to assist individuals with disabilities or limited English proficiency must be made with as much advance notice as possible to Tim Mueller, NDOT Planning Division at (775) 888-7351 or email <a href="mailto:tmueller@dot.state.nv.us">tmueller@dot.state.nv.us</a>.

Posting: This notice has been posted on/or before 9:00 a.m. on or before the third working day before the meeting at the following locations:

Carson City Library Elko County Courthouse Clark County Library RTC of Southern Nevada Washoe County Library Washoe County RTC NDOT District I Office NDOT District III Office NDOT Headquarters www.nevadadot.com

# Copies of the FY 2015-2024 Transportation System Projects-STIP Document are available for inspection and copying at the Headquarters Planning Administration and NDOT District Offices listed below:

NDOT Planning Administration Office NDOT District I Office

1263 S. Stewart St., Room 206 123 East Washington Avenue

Carson City, NV 89712 Las Vegas, NV 89101

NDOT District II Office
310 Galletti Way
Sparks, NV 89431
NDOT District III Office
1951 Idaho Street
Elko, NV 89801

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STTAC website:http://www.nevadadot.com/About\_NDOT/NDOT\_Divisions/Planning/STTAC.aspx

#### **DRAFT**

#### STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Physical Meeting Location: NDOT Headquarters Third Floor Conference Room 1263 So. Stewart Street Carson City, Nevada Video-Conference Site #1: NDOT /RTC Conference Room #127 600 S. Grand Central Pkwy. Las Vegas, Nevada Video-Conference Site #2: NDOT District III District Conference Room 1951 Idaho Street Elko, Nevada

June 1, 2015 10:00 a.m.

## **MINUTES**

#### **Members in Attendance:**

Clara Lawson, Washoe County
Blake Clark, NV Division of State Parks
Jo Walker, NV League of Cities & Municipalities
Scott Jarvis, City of Henderson (video-conf/Dist I)
Raymond Hess, RTC of So. Nevada (video-conf/Dist I)
Kaizad Yazdini, Clark County (video-conf/Dist I)
Dale Daffern, City of North Las Vegas (video-conf/Dist I)
Greg McDermott, City of Las Vegas (video-conf/Dist I)

Dan Doenges, CAMPO John Fairman, State Energy Office Sig Jaunarajs, NDEP Bobbi Thompson, NATAC Jon Ericson, City of Sparks Amy Cummings, Washoe RTC Christina Leach, FHWA Keith Norberg, TRPA

#### **NDOT Attendees:**

Tim Mueller, Program Development Ray Marshall, Program Develop. L.V. (video-conf/Dist I) Coy Peacock, Program Development Paula Morton, Planning Admin. Nancy Carnahan, Planning Admin. Peter Aiyuk, Performance Analysis

#### Others in Attendance:

Dirk Goering, CAMPO

## **REGULAR STTAC MEETING -**

#### Item 1: Call to Order and Determination of Quorum\*

Chairman Raymond Hess called the STTAC meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.

## **Item 2:** Public Comment

None at this time.

#### Item 3: Approval of the April 6, 2015 STTAC Meeting Minutes\*

Bobbi Thompson made a motion to approve the April 6, 2015 STTAC meeting minutes. Dan Doenges seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

## Item 4: Update on the 2015 Legislative Session (Sean Sever)

Sean Sever, NDOT Communications Director, provided an update on the 2015 Legislative Session and bills that pertained to NDOT.

#### NDOT Bills (passed):

AB-21 - extended bond capacity from 20-30 years

AB-43 - bidding documents are confidential until notice of intent

SB-23 - matching state to federal reporting requirements SB-324 - allows NDOT to manage Storm Water Program

# **Transportation-Related Bills:**

AB-175- safety belts in taxicabs, UBER, \$5M to Highway Fund

AB-191- ballot vote on continuance of fuel revenue indexing statewide

SB-2 - gives NDOT the option to raise speed limit to 80 mph

SB-144 - designation of pedestrian safety zones

SB-245 - increases hit and run penalties SB-481 - underground facility mapping

The update concluded. Discussion followed.

# Item 5: NDOT Planning

## Item 5a: Update on the Alternative Transportation Funding Mechanisms Study (Peter Aiyuk)

Peter Aiyuk, Chief of NDOT Performance Analysis, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Alternative Transportation Funding Mechanisms Study. Peter explained that alternatives are studied due to the Highway Trust Fund heading towards insolvency, less fuel revenues coming in, motor vehicles using other sources of energy which do not contribute to the Highway Fund, effects of increased fuel efficiency regulation, increase in average fuel economy, and the increase of vehicle miles traveled. Peter also discussed issues with the current fuel tax system, fuel tax awareness and the Mileage Based User Fee (MBUF). The MBUF will generate sufficient revenue to cover current needs and support an expanding economy and population, connect directly to system use, allow for active system management to provide the best system performance, provide fairness to all users (you pay for what you use), and can be applied regionally or nationally. The update concluded. Discussion followed.

# Item 5b: Update on Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the FFY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) (Joseph Spencer)

Joseph Spencer was not present. Coy Peacock of NDOT Program Development, provided an update on amendments and administrative modifications to the FFY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Coy distributed two handouts, *Attachment A - Project Amendments List* (2/27/2015 – 5/27/2015 for the RTC of Southern Nevada, Washoe County RTC, Carson Area MPO, Tahoe MPO and Statewide/Rural, and *Attachment B - List of Administrative Modifications* (2/27/2015 – 5/27/2015 for the RTC of Southern Nevada, Washoe County RTC, Carson Area MPO, Tahoe MPO and Statewide/Rural. Amendments and administrative modifications are made throughout the year to the STIP in order to facilitate project changes. NDOT staff works closely with the local MPO's and local governments to facilitate these project changes. NDOT is requesting the State Transportation Board's acceptance of the changes in Attachment A and Attachment B. Coy stated that the County Tours are currently one-third completed. The update concluded.

#### Item 5c: STTAC Workshop Recap and Possible Future Roles (Tim Mueller)

Tim Mueller of NDOT Program Development, thanked everyone who attended the workshop on April 6th. Possible future roles or ideals for a different level of involvement for the STTAC included:

- Advisory role for Corridor Studies and other planning studies
- Revising Scoring Criteria for NDOT's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
- Involvement in the development of NDOT Future Planning activities

Helping NDOT to identify strategic goals that NDOT should consider in planning processes

It was discussed to keep the bi-monthly meetings instead of quarterly meetings, more involvement with the Statewide Transportation Plan and the Long-Range Plan. Ray Hess expressed concerns regarding the focus on a statewide level and questioned who the STTAC is advisory to and what is the STTAC's role? It was suggested to create a sub-committee to determine the STTAC's priorities to bring back to the Committee. Tim Mueller requested volunteers for the sub-committee. Volunteers included Keith Norberg, Amy Cummings, Lee Bonner, Bobbi Thompson, Christina Leach and Greg McDermott.

## **Item 5d:** STTAC Membership Discussion (Tim Mueller)

Tim Mueller distributed a handout, *Attachment A – Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (STTAC) Membership, Revised August 2, 2010* and the *STTAC Membership List from January 15 and 20, 1993*. Both lists depict all agencies and entities represented on the STTAC at that time. The purpose of this item is to discuss the historical, current and potential future membership of the STTAC. Christina Leach suggested putting the membership discussion on hold and Jon Ericson suggested considering past attendance of some of the entities. Tim Mueller stated that this agenda item would be tabled for a future meeting. The discussion concluded.

# Item 6: Future Agenda Item Discussion

The next STTAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2015. The following agenda items were requested by members:

- e-STIP update
- Overview of County Tours/Workshops/Tribal outreach
- Working Group update
- MPO RTP update
- Overview of the Storm Water Program

## **Item 7: Public Comment**

None at this time.

#### Item 8: Adjournment of Regular STTAC Meeting\*

Chairman Ray Hess adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

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# Agenda Item #4

Meeting Date: September 3, 2015

**To:** Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

**From:** Amy Cummings, Raymond Hess, Patrick Pittenger, Nick Haven

Subject: Update on Nevada Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

**Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs)** 

Type of Action

**Required:** For information

#### Discussion:

Each of the State's designated MPOs are required to update their RTPs. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the status of each RTP.

#### Carson Area MPO

The Carson Area MPO (CAMPO) has begun the initial stages of gathering data for an update to its travel demand model. The model update will focus on validating the model with the most recent traffic count data and extending the forecast years out to 2025 and 2040, respectively. In addition, some projects will be moved from previously "unconstrained" funding forecast scenarios to the financially constrained scenario as funding has been identified to proceed with these projects. The results from the model update will be used to develop the RTP. The RTP will address all modes of transportation and include sections on safety and financing. The plan will also begin to incorporate performance measures where applicable. Public participation is anticipated throughout the development of the RTP and a final document is expected to be approved in late spring 2016.

#### Tahoe Area MPO

The Tahoe MPO (TMPO) is in the process of updating its RTP, due by December, 2016. The 2016 RTP, called "Linking Tahoe," will be organized around six different travel corridors that circle the Lake Tahoe Region, as well as two external corridors that capture entries and exits to the Region. This corridor planning process incorporates robust stakeholder outreach, and the TMPO is using this process as a single, combined stakeholder process for the corridor planning, RTP, and Active Transportation Plan.

As part of the update of the RTP the TMPO is currently working on developing both modaloriented plans as well as the corridor-level plans noted above. All of these plans will directly inform the RTP and are considered critical elements of the RTP. The component plans and other RTP initiatives that the TMPO is currently working on include:

Partnering with the TTD to create corridor-level plans.

- Updating the Linking Tahoe: Active Transportation Plan, Bicycles, Pedestrians and Safe Routes to Schools (ATP) (expected completion date February 2016)
- Developing a Transit Master Plan for the Basin (work on this will begin in the next month)
- Updating the Public Participation Plan (expected completion April 2016)
- Working to import Lake Tahoe projects into a database (the EIP Reporting Tool) that can be accessed and updated by implementing jurisdictions (expected public launch, August 24, 2015)
- Expanded focus on performance assessment in the RTP

TMPO has begun an on-going public outreach process on the RTP and the ATP by meeting with organizations and associations around the Lake to solicit their feedback on transportation needs and concerns. TMPO held specific workshops related to the updated of the ATP in April, conducted an online survey (which generated over 500 responses) and will provide additional public input.

## RTC of Southern Nevada

The current Regional Transportation Plan for Southern Nevada is set to expire in February 2017. The RTC of Southern Nevada has recently completed several supporting studies to the RTP that will assist in its development; namely: the Southern Nevada Safety Plan, the Household Travel Survey, and the Origin/Destination On-Board Transit Survey. Calibration of the Travel Demand Model is on-going at this time as well. Lastly, the RTC will launch a visioning process to gather public input in the last quarter of 2015.

## RTC of Washoe County

The Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County (RTCWC) will initiate development of the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) early in 2016. Several planning studies currently underway will feed into the RTP development process, including the following: household survey and recalibration of the regional travel demand model, Complete Streets Master Plan, North Valleys Regional Transportation Plan, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Plan development will be guided by an extensive community engagement process, including a series of planning workshops, online participation opportunities, stakeholder meetings, and the RTC Citizens Advisory Committee. This performance-based and data-driven plan will update and incorporate the guiding principles and performance targets of the 2035 RTP. The plan will be completed by April 2017.

# **Action Requested:**

For information

# Agenda Item #5a

Meeting Date: September 3, 2015

**To:** Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

From: Tim Mueller

Subject: STTAC Staff Briefing

Type of Action

Required: For information/discussion and possible action

# **Discussion:**

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# **Action Requested:**

For information/discussion and possible action

# Agenda Item #5b

Meeting Date: September 3, 2015

**To:** Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

From: Coy Peacock

**Subject:** Recommend approval of the "Final Draft" of the FY 2016-2019 Statewide

Transportation Improvement Program and the FY 2016 – 2025 Work

Program to the State Transportation Board.

Action

**Required:** Recommend approval of the "Final Draft" the Statewide Transportation

Improvement Program FY 2016-2019, Work Program FY 2016 - 2025, which includes the Annual Work Program FY 2016, Short Range Element FY 2017-2018, and the Long Range Element FY 2019-2025 to the State

Transportation Board.

# **Discussion:**

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Action Requested: Recommend approval of the "Final Draft" of the FY 2016-2019 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and the FY 2016 – 2025 Work Program to the State Transportation Board.

# Agenda Item #5c

Meeting Date: September 3, 2015

**To:** Statewide Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

From: Coy Peacock

**Subject:** Update on the NDOT eSTIP

Type of Action

**Required:** Information only

Discussion:

# Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan – New Web Site

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Our goal is to provide gold standard service to our citizens and we believe this new web site will help everyone to review the transportation plan for the next fiscal year as well as outlying years and gain a better understanding of the projects and the process that drives them forward.

# **STIP 30 Day Comment Period**

The 30 day comment period is for the transportation projects, but we welcome your feedback on the new website. We trust you will find it easier to use, providing more transparency and that you will be able to use all year to search for projects.

This new **STIP** demonstration went before the Transportation Board on August 10, 2015 and will go back to them for final approval on September 14, 2015. Following board approval it will be sent to the Federal Highway Administration for final approval.

# **Action Requested:**

Information only