



Operation Green Light Steering Committee

Monday, January 25, 1:30 PM
MARC Board Room
Rivergate Center, 600 Broadway, Kansas City, MO

AGENDA ITEMS

Welcome & Introductions

- 1. Approve November Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Discussion – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project updates**
 - MO & KS Traffic Signal Timing
 - KS ARRA enhancements
 - MO ARRA enhancements
 - TransSuite software enhancements
- 3. Current project update – see progress report**
- 4. Update - Operations Agreements**
- 5. Discussion – Future Call for Projects / Funding**
 - STP funding call for projects will be out early in 2010. Continued discussion is to establish what level of federal/local funding for the OGL program should be sought. Do OGL partner Cities/Agencies desire the continuation of the 50/50 split? Federal funding for operations ends after 2014. Other funding possibilities could include specific capital improvement projects.
- 6. Other Business**

Next Meeting: February 22th, 2010

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MINUTES

Members Present	MARC Staff Present	Non-Members Present
Ron Freyermuth, Co-Chair - Shawnee	Arla Speer	Blake Hansen - TransCore
Greg Rokos, Co-Chair - KCMO	Ron Achelpohl	Jamie Gilbert - GBA
Wei Sun - KCMO	Chris Jenkins	David Church - Parsons Brinckerhoff
Leslee Fonseca - Mission	Barry Viss	
Steve Hansen - Liberty	Ray Webb	
Hye Jin Lee - Merriam		
Cheryl Hendrixson - KDOT		
Karen Gilbertson - FHWA, KS		
Donna Coatsworth - Independence		
Mark Sherfy - Shawnee		
John Sullivan - Westwood		
Leslie Fowler - KDOT		
Tom Evans - MoDOT		
Brian Shields - Overland Park		
Doug Brown - Overland Park		
Chris Cooper - NKC		

Welcome & Introductions Ron Freyermuth, Chair, Shawnee

1. Approve November Meeting Minutes Ron Freyermuth, Shawnee

The November minutes were unanimously approved as written.

2. Discussion – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project updates

- MO & KS Traffic Signal Timing – Ray Webb, MARC
Notices to Proceed have been given. Scope details are being worked out along with corridors being analyzed and details priced.
- KS ARRA enhancements
Environmental clearances have been completed. Plans are 90+ % complete and will be ready for February 12 complete submittal. We are expecting bid to begin mid-March at the latest.
- MO ARRA enhancements

A pre-bid conference was held last week. We have received some follow-up phone calls. Late Friday afternoon, an addendum was supplied with information regarding how to bid, KCMO permits, and other plan questions. Bids open February 3 with a completion date of November 15, 2010. Greg Rokos has a meeting with the KCMO Parks Board Thursday to discuss pedestrian push buttons and poles being added to the parkway.

- TransSuite software enhancements

The scope has been approved by OGL's Technical Committee and the contract is nearly complete. We are getting sole source approval in place with KDOT.

3. Current project update – see progress report handout

- KCMO is letting the Ward Parkway fiber project.
- M-58 for the MoDOT locations will be built using ARRA funds.
- We are working to add to a KCMO existing tower near I-70 and Van Brunt to pick up a few signals remaining in the area. East Patrol Police have given their approval. We are amending the KCMO tower agreement already in place.
- Communication is fully deployed in KCK except for three locations.

4. Update - Operations Agreements Ray Webb, MARC

See handout: Status of Agreements

A different agreement may be used with MoDOT to satisfy their requirements. Raymore and Gladstone are done. Overland Park and Westwood are on their way to the Kansas Attorney General for signatures. MARC will handle getting the Kansas agreements to the Kansas Attorney General for signatures. Ron Achelpohl will attend Merriam's Council meeting tonight.

5. Discussion – Future Call for Projects / Funding Ron Achelpohl, MARC

STP funding call for projects will be out early in 2010. The Committee continued its discussion to establish what level of federal/local funding for the OGL program should be sought. Federal funding for operations ends after 2014. Other funding possibilities could include specific capital improvement projects.

POSSIBLE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING (2013-2014)

- Federal / local split 50/50
- TransSuite – future enhancements
- Server upgrades (MARC, KCMO, Olathe, OP)
- Communications equipment upgrades
- Expansion: Grandview, Lee's Summit, Raytown, Platte City, Blue Springs, Bonner Springs
- CCTV additions
- Performance measure study
- Fixed travel time routes (Sensys, Traffax, etc)
- Elements that did not get built by ARRA because they came in over budget - will know once both projects bid

There are no MO CMAQ funds available but we are monitoring that. We are working on getting KS CMAQ funds. Neither of these funds can be used for operations except for one time and not for ongoing. There is talk of a second stimulus package. Those processes would be on a very tight schedule. We are reviewing possible projects if a second stimulus package is allowed.

Available funding for operations:

- STP – Call for projects in March/April

- CMAQ – Operational and Capital improvements - These are obligated one time for 3 years of operations. Fewer CMAQ funds may be available this year due to more metro areas being designated as not meeting Air Quality Standards.

Performance Measure Reports are needed to convince Cities to keep funding OGL especially since continuation of Federal Funding is risky. The Cities need to see the benefit of the project.

Currently, we have STP funding to take us from the 80% to the 50% split in operations. We also have money to maintain current staff through 2013.

Independence suggests MARC pursue STP funds for two additional years to wean the Cities off Federal funds from 50% to 20%.

6. Other Business

- Please forward agenda items for next meeting to Ray Webb
- MARC has hired another employee for OGL. Scott Cutshall will fill Colleen Cyr’s vacancy beginning February 8.
- KDOT received a Department of Energy Grant to install the INSYNC traffic adaptive system in Topeka.

Next Meeting: February 22, 2010

Action Items:

Who	When	What