AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Committee Chair/Vice Chair Elections*

3. Approve the February 12, 2019 Meeting Summary*

4. MoDOT Updates
   - MoDOT staff will provide the committee a report on the draft 2020-24 STIP

5. Long-Range Transportation Planning*
   - RTP 2050 development including application summary, committee role and next steps
   - MoDOT planning exercise

6. Reasonable Progress Report

7. Other Business

8. Adjournment

* Action Items

Next Scheduled Meeting: June 11, 2019

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1. **Welcome and Introductions**
Since Patty Hilderbrand was unable to attend today, Vice Chair Andy Noll welcomed the attendees and self-introductions were made around the room.

2. **Committee Chair and Vice Chair Elections**
Mr. Noll said that Patty Hilderbrand had mentioned she was interested in continuing as chair and he opened the floor for nominations. Michael Park nominated Patty Hilderbrand for the chair position. There were no other nominations. With the nominee unopposed, Patty Hilderbrand was reelected as chair.

Dena Mezger nominated Andy Noll for the vice chair position, Chad Thompson seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. With the nominee unopposed, Andy Noll was reelected as vice chair.

Congratulations to Patty Hilderbrand and Andy Noll, reelected to serve two more years.

3. **Approval of Meeting Summary**
MOTION: Michael Park moved to approve the February 12, 2019 summary as submitted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. **MoDOT Updates**

Mike Landvik reported: The STP balance is approximately $12.5M. Several recent obligations: MARC’s OGL project and Planning Sustainable Places, Kansas City’s Woodland Complete Streets upgrade with $3,606,904 of it obligated as Omnibus HIP-MO funding and $2,393,096 STP funding. There are 4 months remaining this fiscal year. He reminded sponsors with BRO and TAP projects to work on obligating them as soon as possible due to the FAST Act rescission July 1, 2020. Mike introduced two new MoDOT planners: Rachel Wooldridge and Melissa Schmitz.

Gerri Doyle provided an update on the FFY 2020-2024 STIP progress. Gerri provided a draft map of the STIP projects and shared the major changes for this update.

- Funding targets have changed:
  - Funding is aligned with the Asset Management program and eventually most projects would be programmed in that category; Flexible funds amounts will decrease through the years while Asset Management funds will increase.
  - Removed engineering from the STIP to clarify that it was not included in the programmed amount.
  - An internal change - Beginning with FY2022, all interstate projects in the STIP will be handled by the District instead of competing for funding in Jefferson City. However, major bridges will be programmed by the Jefferson City office and covered at 100 percent.
- The governor’s initiative “Focus on bridges” with $50M in his budget. MoDOT is to receive $300M for bridge work if we receive the INFRA grant (Infrastructure for Rebuilding America). The draft STIP has 12 urban projects that include 18 bridges.
- Conditional projects (if additional funds become available in the next T-Bill) beginning in 2021 are shown as highlighted. The base funding amount used to program FY 2021 is $126M and for FY 2022 is $106M.
- She reviewed the FY2020-2022 projects by county. Those years are 100 percent programmed. The full STIP would be available June 5th for public review and comment with online submittal or send to Griffin Smith or Gerri Doyle. 15 projects in Cass County, 25 projects in Clay, 42 projects in Jackson and 34 projects in Platte.
- The Cost Share program is continuing with $40-45 million per year. The funds are taken off the top before those funds are distributed to Districts.
- The District is working on interconnecting all of their traffic signal fiber and coordinating the signals to improve air quality and safer and more efficient for commuters.
- MoDOT’s asset management focus is on pavement and bridges.
- Major projects:
  - Buck O’Neal Bridge design/build project
  - Large amount of ADA design/build projects, sidewalks, using $9.5 – 10M Enhancements funds
  - Have programmed several bridges along I-70 that need to be widened to add a lane as recommended from the I-70 study. Locations mentioned were Prospect, Benton and the last bridge between I-435 and I-470.

Discussion:

Andy Noll asked about past years funding – significant change or holding steady? Targets have been steady around $125M with some fluxuations. In FFY 2022 the funding will be reduced. Ron Achelpohl added that the after the STIP was drafted, the Commission changed the distribution formula which will provide the MARC area about $30M less over the three years at the end of the STIP. Some of the reduced funds might be recovered through the flexible funds category if a version of the Governor’s bridge bonding proposal is implemented. Gerri added that MoDOT was tracking the proposal and thinks it might pass. Gerri confirmed that those dollars are not included in the STIP and if the $300M proposal passes, MoDOT estimates receiving $60M in the Kansas City area.

Ron asked and Gerri confirmed that the Buck O’Neal Bridge is programmed but not the full amount that was estimated in the PEL or the pending EA; the STIP reflects $50M from MoDOT, $25M from the BUILD grant that MoDOT had received, $40M of STP approved by MARC and this committee and $10M from KCMO.

5. **Long-Range 2050 Transportation Planning**

Martin Rivarola provided an update on the RTP 2050 update process. The plan is federally required document that establishes a regional vision for transportation, develops policies and strategies to implement the vision. A Call for projects opened February 26th for regionally significant projects for future planning purposes and the call closed on April 25th. Staff are reviewing and scoring the projects to prepare for prioritizing. All of the projects are summarized and posted for review and comment at [www.marc.org/2050](http://www.marc.org/2050). We received 420 applications totaling $15.5 Billion
(2019 dollars) for FY2020-2050. Sponsors will receive their draft scores on or around May 28th with an opportunity to ask questions and we want to finalize the scores by mid-June. Attendees were asked to share the link with their networks. Later the planning and programming committees will be asked to assist in the Plan strategy development. The next steps: staff will prioritize the projects and create scenarios and should be ready in July or August to share progress with committees and the public. We will be looking at several different measures, e.g., VMT, VHT, transit ridership, acreage of land consumed, on how various projects would affect the region.

Questions:
When does the comment period end? It will be open approximate 30 days – a formal end date hasn’t been set yet. Were any applications determined ineligible for the 2050 Plan? Around 10 submittals were obviously incomplete, staff contacted most of those sponsors and those submittals were dropped. No additional screening has been done. The full applications will be made available to committee members; the website has project summaries.

MoDOT planning exercise:
Ron Achelpohl explained that since we have a list of updated regionally significant projects, the list will also be used for MoDOT’s planning exercise that overlaps the RTP update. MoDOT headquarters has directed the Districts to work with their planning partners to identify state system priorities by the end of June in case new funding were to become available, including the governor’s bridge bonding proposal, occurs. The exercise is using a target of $2B statewide over the next ten years and programmed through the flexible spending category. Our region’s estimate would be around $363M and have been asked to prioritize up to $500M of projects. A handout was provided of 57 projects pulled from the 2050 Plan submittals that staff identified as being on the State system and the list was sorted by draft scores with total of 200 points possible with the highest project scored at 160 points. The list totaled to $2.4B. Five of the projects were noted as currently included in the 2040 Plan. Griffin Smith pointed out an error on the list: project # 1203 should be $40M instead of $400M.

Action items: Committee members were asked to review the list for possible projects missing, MoDOT to review if any projects had been changed to a city project, the committee to discuss how we might prioritize 10 years of funding. For the RTP we generally financially constrain the state highway system funds separately from local system in both Kansas and Missouri. Noted that the Buck O’Neill Bridge is not on the list and is not fully funded. We will want to discuss each project and ask if any of the large projects could be phased. During the June meeting we will need to create a recommended list to meet MoDOT’s schedule.

Staff will send draft scores to sponsors ahead of the off-system projects. Send comments ahead of the June STP meeting. All projects are posted on the website among the projects from the recent call for projects.

6. STP Reasonable Progress
A current list of FY 2019-2022 STP programmed projects was provided that showed three projects obligated to date. Sponsors reviewed the progress of their FY 2019 projects.
- Kansas City’s Waldo area project may need an extension,
- The OGL project had obligated for both Kan. and MO,
- Platte County’s Green Hills Road may need an extension.

Mike Landvik shared the expectation that $8 – 9M of projects would obligate and advised sponsors to let MARC know if they need a one-time extension. The year should end close to zero; a pretty good year.

2019 CMAQ program – KCMO’s Independence Ave Interconnect; will need to contact the sponsor for an update.

Ron stated plans for a call for FY 2023-24 projects next year.

7. Other Business
Ron Achelpohl reminded attendees of MARC’s Annual Regional Assembly June 14th and encouraged them to register if they were available.

8. Adjournment:
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 11, 2019