

# ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

May 12, 2021  
Meeting Summary

## Members Present:

John Neuberger, Sierra Club, Kansas Co-Chair  
Sara Copeland, North Kansas City/Clay County Municipalities  
Travis Hoover, City of Riverside/Platte County Municipalities  
Wendy Shay, City of Independence  
Mike Landvik, MoDOT  
Cliff Middleton, Johnson County  
Allison Smith, KDOT  
Dustin Zenger, City of Edwardsville/Wyandotte County Municipalities  
Mario Vasquez, Kansas City, Missouri  
Matt Oehlert, Miami County  
Matt Davis, Jackson County  
Neil Holman, City of Shawnee

## Alternates Present:

Brian Shields, City of Overland Park  
Nicole Brown, Johnson County Health & Environment  
Marisela Ward, MoDOT  
Jenny Kramer, KDOT  
Bruce Wilke, Jackson County

## Other Attendees:

Rodney Riffle, Kansas City, Missouri Parks and Recreation  
Jean Carder, City of Louisburg  
Chet Belcher, City of Olathe  
Jackie White, City of Lee's Summit  
Jen Jordan-Spence, City of Gardener  
Krystal Jolly, MoDOT  
Mark Fisher, MoDOT  
Melissa Schmitz, MoDOT  
Selina Bur, AECOM  
Terry Thomas, City of Independence

## MARC Staff:

Martin Rivarola  
Alex Rotenberry  
Chris Upchurch  
Patrick Trouba

### 1. Welcome

- Missouri Co-Chair Brian Nowotny and Dr. John Neuberger welcomed the attendees.

### 2. Approval of the November 18, 2020 and February 10, 2021 Meeting Summaries

- The November 18 and February 10 meeting minutes were approved.

### 3. Status of Current Program

- Johnson County Department of Health & Environment Request.  
The Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) was awarded \$200,000 through Kansas TAP funding for Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Programming for the period from October 2020 through September 2022. Johnson County is requesting a reduction in scope/budget for the first year of this project. The approved funding for October 2020 to September 2021 was \$100,000 and the request is that amount be reduced to \$48,000 with the balance being shifted to year two. This was approved by the Active Transportation Programming Committee.
- KDOT Program Balance  
Allison Smith, Environmental Coordinator/MPO Liaison with KDOT, gave the update. With the moving of a Unified Government Safe Routes to School, the 2021 Kansas TAP funds are no longer overprogrammed, as discussed at the March 2021 meeting. The other two projects pending obligation are the aforementioned Johnson County Department of Health & Environment Safe Routes to School project and the Gardner Moonlight Road Safe Routes to School project. CMAQ projects are also programming according to schedule with an unobligated balance of around \$87,000.

- **MoDOT Program Update**  
Michael Landvik, Transportation Planning Coordinator with MoDOT's Kansas City District, gave the update. The district has a new district engineer, Chris Redline. MoDOT staff, statewide, will be returning to the office the week of May 17. The balance is currently around \$6.2 million, over three years balance, with little activity on the TAP balance in recent weeks.
- **Status of Current Projects**
  - Gardner - Moonlight Road Safe Routes to School: Advertising in May, construction to begin in July or August.
  - Overland Park – 91<sup>st</sup> Street Bike Pedestrian Trail Improvements: one property going through condemnation currently for some construction easements. Construction in the summer with completion by November.
  - Shawnee – Signal and Sidewalk ADA Improvements: Bidding in June, with final design over to KDOT next week and construction anticipated in July or early August.
  - Kansas City, Missouri - Chouteau/I-35 Interchange: Construction has started in 2021.
  - Kansas City, Missouri - Lexington Gladstone Bikeways: Submitted a set of PS&E to MoDOT and hoping to obligate this year.
  - Kansas City, Missouri - Paseo Boulevard Bikeways: City is going to request a scope and timeline change to bring before the ATPC.
  - Kansas City, Missouri - Vivion Road Improvements: Under design and right of way acquisition expected to begin shortly. Bidding is expected by 2022.
  - Platte Woods/Kansas City, Missouri - Route 9 and NW Prairie View Road Sidewalks: Kansas City is taking the project over for Platte Woods because of the overlap between jurisdictions. Design should begin in the next couple of months.
  - Independence – Truman Connected: No update to give. It will likely have to ask for an extension.
  - Jackson County – Greenwood Connector: In preliminary design currently. Bidding is expected towards the end of the year or early next year.
  - Independence – US 24 Complete Streets: Letting date of September 2022.
  - Kansas City, MO - KCI Corridor Trail Segment 1: No update.
  - Kansas City, MO - Blue River Trail Segment C: Segment B is under construction.
  - Kansas City, MO - Trolley Connector Trail Seg 2: Design is nearly completed.
  - Kansas City, MO - Missouri River Trail Seg 1: Design is underway, working with levee districts to help with permitting with the Corps of Engineers. Bidding is likely in 2022.
  - Kansas City, MO - Martha Truman Connector Trail: Advertising RFQ for design as well as concurrent MoDOT reviews ongoing.
  - Kansas City, MO – 152 Trail Segment 2: No update.
  - Kansas City, MO – 152 Trail Segment 10/ US 169 Overpass: No update.
  - Kansas City, MO – 152 Trail Segment 12: No update.
  - Independence – Truman Depot: Agreement with UP in place, working on PI&E documents. Bidding around August/September.
  - Kansas City, MO – KCI Corridor Trail Segment 2: No update.
  - Kansas City, MO – Searcy Creek Trail Segment 2: Working on a no-rise certificate, scope may be changed. Anticipated late 2021 or 2022 obligation.
  - Kansas City, MO – Swope Park Blue River Connector Trail: Reevaluating alignment of project, with revised drawings expected in the next couple of months. 2022 bid expected.
  - Jackson County – Little Blue Trace Rock Island Connector: Design work underway, due in late summer or early fall. Obligation likely in 2022.
  - Riverside – Vivion Road Trail Segment 1: Delay and scope change likely to requested.

#### **4. 2022 Programming Application**

- Alex Rotenberry and Martin Rivarola, MARC staff, came before the committee to talk about the programming process and asking about the application itself.
- The TAP application process was reviewed in detail for each of the subcategories, with an eye on questions being asked but not being scored.

- Questions included what is done with all the information gathered through the extensive application process. Much, but not all, is made available on the MARC website for review by planning committees and the public.
- The link to the scoring criteria for TAP funding can be found [here](#) and the application itself can be found [here](#).

#### **5. Other Business**

- Bike Month Challenge
  - MARC Active Transportation has partnered with MARC Rideshare to promote a free physical activity challenge for May, which is Bike Month. The committee is being asked to participate and sharing information via social media.
- MARC Regional Assembly
  - The 2021 Regional Assembly is online only on June 11. All committee members are invited to join to learn more about all the activities and achievements done during 2020.

#### **6. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned.