

Missouri STP Priorities Committee
April 9, 2024
Meeting Summary

Voting Members Present:		Voting Members (continued)	
Belton	Greg Rokos	Parkville	
Blue Springs (1 of 2)	Tom Degenhardt	Peculiar	Mickey Ary
Blue Springs (2 of 2)	Adam Hilgedick	Platte City	
Excelsior Springs		Pleasant Hill	
Gladstone	Tim Nebergall	Raymore	Trent Salsbury (alt.)
Grain Valley	Mark Trosen	Raytown	
Grandview	Doug Wesselschmidt	Richmond	
Greenwood		Smithville	Chuck Soules
Harrisonville	Carl Brooks (alt.)	Cass County	
Independence (1 of 2)	Adi Al-Smadi	Clay County	Jason Withington
Independence (2 of 2)	Rodney Honeycutt (alt.)	Jackson County	Matt Davis
Kansas City (1 of 4)	Nicolás Bosonetto	Platte County	Bob Heim
Kansas City (2 of 4)	Scott Overbay	Ray County	
Kansas City (3 of 4)		FHWA (Ex Officio)	Cecelie Cochran (alt.)
Kansas City (4 of 4)		KCATA	AJ Farris
Kearney	Shelie Daniel	MoDOT	Melissa Schmitz
Lee's Summit (1 of 2)	Michael Park	Bike/Ped Com Rep.	Noel Bennion
Lee's Summit (2 of 2)	George Binger	Goods Movement	Mike Duffy
Liberty	Sherri McIntyre, Vice Chair	Highway Com Rep.	
North Kansas City	Xue Wood (alt.)	RTCC Rep.	
Oak Grove	Corey Alford		
MARC Staff:	Other Attendees:		
Marc Hansen	Belton: Haden Mattke (alt.)	MoDOT: Juan Yin (alt.); Zeke Hall; Katie Jardieu; Krystal Jolly;	
Megan Broll	Grain Valley: Dick Tuttle (alt.)	Don Schoenborn	
Beth Dawson	Grandview: Athena Huynh (alt.)	Office of U.S. Representative Sam Graves: Matt Barry;	
Martin Rivarola	Lee's Summit: Perry Allen (alt.)	Christian Holferty; Buffy Smith	
Patrick Trouba	Platte County: Wes Minder (alt.)	Lamp Rynearson: Ben Sinnett	
Ray Webb	Arthur Gough	Platte County EDC: Santos Arellano	
	Greenwood: Stephen Larson	TranSystems Corporation: Jonathan Batchelor	
	Cass County: Derek Wise	Veenstra & Kimm: Tim Gramling	

1. Welcome and Introductions

Committee Vice Chair Sherri McIntyre welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Attendees in person and online introduced themselves.

2. Approve the March 12, 2024, Meeting Summary

Mike Duffy moved to approve the March 12, 2024 meeting summary as presented, and Chuck Soules seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. MoDOT Updates

Melissa Schmitz shared there were no major updates, and MoDOT is still working on the STIP.

4. Missouri Unfunded Needs

Martin Rivarola reminded the committee the goal of the Unfunded Needs list was to prioritize a list of projects if funding became available, and would need to be submitted by the end of May. Mr. Rivarola shared cost updates and new projects, and shared the results of the poll presented at the last committee meeting that invited attendees to rank projects currently on the list. The results were shared with committee members ahead of the meeting, and Mr. Rivarola walked through some potential changes to the list.

Based on the previous meeting's rankings, three projects would move from Tier 2 to Tier 3: the I-49 Pavement Reconstruction from Blue Ridge Blvd to south of 155th project, the MO 291 (I-435 to Ash)

Corridor Improvements project, and the MO 92 Hwy Improvements – Phase 2 project. Projects that would be removed from the list entirely that had appeared on the list previously and were important regional priorities included Safety Improvements Across Bruce R. Watkins (a project that previously ranked highly and was split into two listings on separate tiers), the Route AA/Waukomis Drive Complete Streets Reconstruction project, and the MO Rt FF – Slope repairs/stabilization from MO Rt 9 to state maintenance ends project. Other newly submitted projects had been added to the list, but were not ranked or not ranked highly enough to be included on a tier. Mr. Rivarola also questioned if the three I-29/I-35 corridor improvement segments are advanced enough in planning, design, and environmental work to remain on the list.

The committee discussed the Bruce R. Watkins projects extensively, with MoDOT and Kansas City expressing support for keeping it on the list. Committee members asked questions about when the PEL will be completed to update construction amounts, and how court proceedings could affect the anticipated timeline of the project. Nicolás Bosonetto answered the PEL would be completed in 18 months, and was confident the public participation included in the PEL would lead to a community-supported plan that would overcome the federal consent degree and move the project up to NEPA in 20-22 months. Committee members expressed concern about moving other projects off the list to accommodate the Bruce R. Watkins project, noting the Unfunded Needs list would be updated annually, and the Bruce R. Watkins project could be added back onto the list after the PEL, court proceedings, and environmental review were concluded.

The committee also reviewed the other projects that would be moved down-tier (I-49 Pavement Reconstruction, MO 291 I-435 to Ash, and MO 92 Hwy Improvements, noted above), asking about project status and funding. MoDOT noted they are in scoping, but the I-49 Pavement project does not have funding, and the MO 291 project may have funds earmarked for one segment of the project. The committee discussed that placement on the list allows projects to seek other funding sources, and although state representatives may disclose available funding, historically the committee has not assumed a project to have secured funding until it has been voted into law. Growing project costs have led the tiers of the list to exceed MoDOT's approved thresholds of 10% over target, and the committee discussed balancing their goals with MoDOT's budget. MoDOT clarified that a single tier could exceed the 10% overage if the overall average across tiers stayed under that limit. The committee agreed to maintain a list of "other projects" that are not placed on a tier but still considered a priority to be eligible for future review.

The committee revisited the Bruce R. Watkins project, and discussed moving a segment of the project back into the unfunded needs list to replace the I-435 at Parvin Road project, which would move to the "other projects" list. The Mo Rt FF – Slope repairs/stabilization from Mo Rt 9 to State maintenance ends project was also moved up to Tier 3 based on safety concerns. These revisions would lead to an overall list of projects which would exceed the MoDOT targets for unfunded needs. Mr. Rivarola informed the committee he would share an adjusted list for discussion and committee action at the next meeting on May 14.

5. Reasonable Progress & Program Balance

Marc Hansen reported, noting current program modifications have been approved by the Total Transportation Policy Committee and Active Transportation Programming Committee, and are awaiting final approval of the amendment to the TIP. Lawson and Belton projects are receiving functional classification modifications needed, and are moving forward. Vice Chair McIntyre asked committee members to share project updates, and projects were generally progressing as expected.

6. CRRSAA Regional Preventive Maintenance Project Update

Marc Hansen noted contractors are awaiting notice to proceed from MoDOT, but making good progress in the review process. MoDOT has indicated they will do what they can to expedite review of documents once submitted. Contractors are eager to get started on projects once approved.

7. Other Business

The 2024 Call for Projects (Phase 1) closed last Friday with 137 projects submitted, just under \$425m requested, and 81 projects in MO, 37 projects in Kansas, and around 13 regional projects. This call is the first time MARC has received over \$400m in funding requests, but this amount was not surprising given inflation leading to increased dollar amounts for requests. Technical aspects of the application process worked smoothly and MARC staff will work to coordinate assessing projects this week.

Shelie Daniel asked if committee members were aware of a virtual appraisal training from MoDOT on May 16 and June 20. Marc Hansen responded he would look into details for that event and forward information to committee members.

8. Adjournment

The next MO STP meeting will be held May 14, 2024. With no further business, Vice Chair McIntyre adjourned the meeting.

Kansas City Region - DRAFT Missouri Road/Highway Unfunded Needs List (2024)							
Recommendation for Review by Missouri STP Committee on May 14, 2024							
Project Name	Updated Cost (2024)	Note	Former Tier (2023)	MTP Score	MTP Priority	Total Tier	% Over/Under Target
Tier 1							
I-70 (435-470) - Corridor Improvements (partial)	\$100,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	1	101	High		
Tier 1 Target: \$95m						\$100,000,000	5%
Tier 2							
US71 - Safety Improvements Across Bruce R. Watkins (Partial 1 of 2)	\$30,250,000	Split between Tier 2 and Tier 3 pending conclusion of PEL study	2	120	High		
I-29 and I-35 Corridor from MO 210 to MO45 Along I-29 and I-435 along I-35)	\$238,000,000	I-29/I-35 Corridor improvements - PEL priority segment 1	2	104	High		
I-70 (435-470) - Corridor Improvements (partial)	\$90,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	2	101	High		
MO 291 (I-435 to Ash) Corridor Improvements	\$50,340,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	2	77	High		
Tier 2 Target: \$380m						\$408,590,000	8%
Tier 3							
Route AA/Waukomis Drive Complete Streets Reconstruction	\$8,800,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	149	Rehabilitation		
US-71-Safety Improvements Across Bruce R. Watkins (Partial 2 of 2)	\$90,750,000	Split between Tier 2 and Tier 3 pending conclusion of PEL study	3	120	High		
I-70 and I-470 Interchange Improvement	\$80,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	100	Rehabilitation		
Interstate 49/ Route 58 Interchange Enhancement Project	\$22,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	93	High		
I-35 (I-435 to US 69) Corridor Improvements	\$60,500,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	87	High		
MO 92 Hwy Improvements - Phase 2	\$25,000,000	Recategorized as Tier 3 project (formerly Tier 2)	2	20	Low		
I-49 - Pavement Reconstruction from Blue Ridge Blvd to about 2000' south of 155th St	\$60,000,000	Recategorized as Tier 3 project (formerly Tier 2)	2	N/A	Rehabilitation		
US 50 - Pavement Reconstruction from I-470 to Rte. RA	\$29,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	N/A	Rehabilitation		
Mo Rt FF - Slope repairs/stabilization from Mo Rt 9 to State maintenance ends	\$15,000,000	Stay in current Tier from 2023	3	N/A	Rehabilitation		
Tier 3 Target: \$380m						\$391,050,000	3%
						Total All Tiers	\$899,640,000 5.22%
Other Regional Priorities							
I-435 at Parvin Rd	\$22,143,000	Formerly in Tier 3 list - moved to "other regional priorities"	3	N/A	N/A		
I-35 corridor improvements from NE of downtown loop (Independence Ave) to MO 210	\$96,600,000	I-29/I-35 Corridor improvements - PEL priority segment 2	NEW	104	High		
US 169 corridor improvements form I-29 to 68th Street	\$36,000,000	I-29/I-35 Corridor improvements - PEL priority segment 3	NEW	104	High		
Mo Rt A - (Ray County - Mo Rt 10 north to County limit)		Ray County	NEW	N/A	Rehabilitation		
I-470 Expansion Project (I-70 to US5	\$140,000,000	Jackson County	NEW				
Interchange/ramp/signal improvements at commercial street in Harrisonville	\$1,500,000	Cass County	NEW				
Corridor improvements on 150 through Greenwood	\$8,000,000	Jackson County	NEW				