

Fiscal Year 2021 Meeting Schedule and Officers

Metropolitan Planning Organization

Meeting Dates and Time for Fiscal Year 2021 (July 2020 – June 2021)

In general, the MPO will meet every six (6) weeks beginning with Friday July 26, 2020. The meetings will begin at **9:00 am**. At this time meetings will take place at the Regional Commerce Center at the Port of Caddo Bossier 6000 Doug Attaway Blvd. Shreveport, LA 71115.

<i>July 31, 2020 – 9:00</i>	<i>February 26, 2021 – 9:00</i>
<i>September 11, 2020 – 9:00</i>	<i>April 9, 2021 – 9:00</i>
<i>October 23, 2020 – 9:00</i>	<i>May 14, 2021 – 9:00*</i>
<i>December 4, 2020 – 9:00</i>	<i>June 18, 2021 – 9:00*</i>
<i>January 15, 2021 – 9:00</i>	

* 5-week exception

Officers and Members for Fiscal Year 2021 (July 2020 – June 2021)

Mr. Eric England – Chair

Mr. Dinero' Washington – Vice Chair

Mr. William Altimus

Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown

Mr. Bruce Blanton

Mr. Steve Brown

Mr. Alan Clarke

Mr. David North

Mayor Adrian Perkins

Mayor Lorenz Walker

Dr. Woodrow Wilson

Non- voting Members

Laura Phillips

Lynn Hayes

Caddo Bossier Port

SporTran

Bossier Parish

Bossier City/Parish MPC

Webster Parish

Desoto Parish

Shreveport/Caddo MPC

La DOTD

City of Shreveport

City of Bossier City

DeSoto Parish

FHWA

FTA

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

In accordance with Executive Proclamations issued by Governor John Bel Edwards this meeting is being held in a virtual environment due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. This will be a ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook for Public.

AGENDA

Friday July 31, 2020 9:00 am

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. England, Chair

ROLL CALL

Kent Rogers

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. England

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. England

1. Approval of Minutes

Mr. England

[Approval of June 19, 2020 Minutes](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Kent Rogers

Adoption of DOTD TIP Administrative Modification

- a) [H.010206 LA 3132 AT LA 523: EXTEND C OF A](#) – Move Construction Phase to FFY 2021
- b) [H.001166: CADD O LAKE BRIDGE \(HBI\)](#) - Move Construction Phase to FFY 2021 and Update funding.

Adoption of DOTD TIP Amendments

- c) [H.000413 CROSS BAYOU BRIDGE REPLACEMENT](#) - Add construction phase
- d) [H.010475 I-20: MONKHOUSE TO W END OF HUDSON ST](#) - Remove construction phase from TIP
- e) [H.012889 I-20 REHAB \(W OF LA 3 TO AIRLINE DR\)](#) - Project name is changing and location

Adoption of MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

- f) [H.012013 VIKING DR WIDENING \(LA3105-SWAN LAKE RD\)](#) - Remove project from the current TIP
- g) [MPO STP>200 K Programing Update](#)

3. Fiscal Year 2021 Unified Planning Work Program

Kent Rogers

[Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 UPWP Rev 072020 with amendments per FHWA/FTA](#)

ADJOURN

Mr. England



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday July 31, 2020 (9:00 AM)

NLCOG – ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook

625 Texas Street, Suite 200
Shreveport, LA 71101

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Shreveport-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Mayor Adrian Perkins- City of Shreveport
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Members Absent

Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA

Others Present

Mrs. Dawn Sholmire – DOTD
Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. With no cards turned in, the Chair moved on to the next agenda item.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the June 19, 2020 meeting. Mr. Altimus motioned, and Dr. Wilson seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the following adoption of DOTD TIP Administrative Modifications:

H.010206: LA 3132 AT LA 523: EXTEND C OF A request action to move the construction phase of the project to FFY 2021.

H.001166: CADDO LAKE BRIDGE (HBI) request to move the construction phase of the project to FFY 2021 and update the ROW Phase cost to \$30,000.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the DOTD Administrative Modifications. Mr. Altimus motioned first, and Mr. Washington seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Mr. Rogers introduced the following adoption of DOTD TIP Amendments:

H.000413: CROSS BAYOU BRIDGE REPLACEMENT request is to add construction phase cost of \$12M (\$13.2M with CE&I+IDC) to the project in FFY 2022.

H.010475: I-20: MONKHOUSE TO W END OF HUDSON ST request is to move the construction phase of the project to FFY 2023 (outside the current TIP cycle).

H.012889: I-20 REHAB (W OF LA 3 TO AIRLINE DR) request is to change the name of the project and update the construction phase cost.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the DOTD TIP Amendments. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Mr. Rogers introduced the following adoption of MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programming:

H.012013 VIKING DR WIDENING (LA3105-SWAN LAKE RD) request to remove project from the current TIP.

MPO STP>200 K Programming Update is an addition of \$677,121.60 to Coleman Street Improvement project. This project is primarily funded through the Road Transfer program. The additional funds come from the removal of the Viking Drive Projects. The funds are to cover for change orders, claims, DOTD services and inspection (CE&I). Reduction of \$338,560.80 to each of the I-69 Frontage Road projects respectively to cover the cost of the Coleman Street Improvements.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the STP >200k Programming Update & Viking Drive Amendments. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

3. Fiscal Year 2021 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Rogers introduced the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 UPWP Rev 072020 with amendments per FHWA/FTA. Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 Unified Planning Work Program Rev 072020 with amendments per FHWA and FTA. Mr. Blanton motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

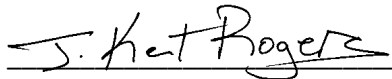
4. Announcements

Mr. Rogers announced that Mr. Altimus from Bossier Parish has been appointed as the Vice Chair to the Transportation Steering Committee for The National Association of Counties (NaCo). He wanted to take the time to congratulate him and wish him well in that endeavor.

Mr. Rogers then announced that Dr. Shelly Barrett and the Safety Coalition along with DOTD and the Safety Coalition for the Monroe area will be co-sponsoring a webinar that will be held on September 17th called Louisiana Road Safety 101.

Adjourn

The Chair (Mr. England) thanked everyone for their participation in today's meeting. He apologized for missing the previous meeting. Mr. England wished all well and hoped that everyone and their families were staying safe and healthy. He further stated he looks forward to meeting with everyone in the future. The chair then adjourned the meeting.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

In accordance with Executive Proclamations issued by Governor John Bel Edwards this meeting is being held in a virtual environment due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. This will be a ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook for Public.

AGENDA

Friday September 11, 2020 9:00 am

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. England, Chair

ROLL CALL

Kent Rogers

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. England

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. England

1. Approval of Minutes

Mr. England

[Approval of July 31, 2020 Minutes](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Kent Rogers

No amendments or modifications at this time

3. Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan

Kent Rogers

[Introduction of the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan for public comment](#)

Project Updates

4. I-49 Inner City Connector

Kerry Oriol – Providence Eng.

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

5. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

ATG

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

[Project Website](#)

ADJOURN

Mr. England

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – October 23, 2020 9:00 am.



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday September 11, 2020 (9:00 AM)

NLCOG – ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook

625 Texas Street, Suite 200
Shreveport, LA 71101

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Shreveport-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Members Absent

Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA

Others Present

Senator Barrow Peacock – Louisiana State Senate
Mrs. Kerry Oriol – Providence
Mrs. Casey Lewis – DOTD
Mr. Daniel Suarez – FHA
Mrs. Lynn Heisler – FHA
Mr. Charles Henington – Caddo Tax Assessor
Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mrs. Heidi Stewart – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Kent recognized those who have fallen and experienced great difficulties nineteen years ago around this time. A moment of silence was taken before the meeting began.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. One public comment card was turned in.

Senator Barrow Peacock wanted to speak on the I-49 update. Senator Peacock wanted to comment on a letter from Providence dated August 19, 2020 to Congressman Mike Johnson in regard to I-49. He noticed that within the second paragraph it states that "our team received a notice to proceed on the final portion of the project on July 8, 2020". Money for this project was passed in legislature in 2019. It looks like a year was lost due to this time lag. Senator Peacock suggests that any future problems should be communicated throughout as quickly as possible.

Mr. Rogers stated that the notice to proceed was on the final portions of the scope that we had been working through for roughly a year. Providence was still under contract working on the previous scope of services in place. That new notice to proceed was on the additional scope of services. Mr. Rogers states that Providence was provided a limited notice to proceed on the additional scope of services prior to that. Providence has undergone some drastic changes within their organization. Earth Search is no longer doing the cultural work. Coastal Environmental is now doing the cultural work. DOTD has also appointed a new project manager. Mr. Rogers states that he has full confidence that this project will move forward as fast as it can get done.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the July 31, 2020 meeting. Dr. Wilson motioned, and Mr. Washington seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers announced that there are no amendments or modifications at this time.

3. Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan

Mr. Rogers introduced the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan for 30 day public comment period. Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan for 30 day public comment period. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

4. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers invited Mrs. Kerry Oriol to speak on this project. Mrs. Oriol mentions that they have had significant changes within the office. She has been with this project from when it began in 2008. One the things that they are focusing on is keeping everyone aware of the current schedule. The schedule will be updated monthly. The last status update was in February 2020. Since that time, a supplement was granted to allow the project to be completed in accord with current standards and environmental regulations.

1. Cultural Resources Survey

Completed: Revised CRS submitted to DOTD for SHPO second review in November 2019.

Currently: No response relative to this second submittal has been received. However, Section 106 Consultation is scheduled to begin in October and additional ROW review is underway. We are awaiting a meeting with DOTD relative to confirming field survey areas, once we have approval, field surveying in the Allendale area will commence, to be followed later in the LA 3132 right-of-way.

2. Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts

Completed: Comments on geometric drawings in June 2019 were received and responses provided.

Currently: Providence is awaiting confirmation from DOTD that there are no further comments before re-submitting the geometry.

3. Finalize and submit an Alternatives Analysis for FHWA and DOTD review

Completed: A new Alternatives Analysis was submitted to DOTD for review and comment in accordance with the current schedule on September 4, 2020.

Currently: Review of the Alternatives Analysis is underway.

4. Acceptance of the Alternative Analysis by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS)

Currently: See #3

5. Prepare Technical Studies – required to be conducted on the Identified Preferred Alternative and to be summarized in the draft EIS.

Comments: To be completed upon approval of Identified Preferred Alternative – includes line and grade/geometry. The only action relative to this item is the cultural resources surveying.

6. Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS.

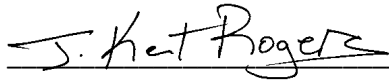
Comments: To be initiated after draft EIS has been reviewed, revised and cleared for distribution.

5. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Rogers states that Alliance Transportation group is the group working on this project. Meetings have been scheduled with each of the members of the board. If a meeting has not been scheduled or has been postponed it needs to be set up. Mr. Rogers asks the board to help push out the website including a survey and comments for the general public. This project is moving along quite well and on schedule.

Adjourn

As we move into phase three the meetings will be held at the Port of Caddo Bossier. With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Washington moved to adjourn; Mr. Altimus seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

This meeting will be held in person and streamed via Facebook Live for Public.

Friday October 23, 2020 9:00 am

Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room

600 Doug Attaway Blvd

Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Approval of Minutes

[Approval of September 11, 2020 Minutes](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Adoption of DOTD TIP Amendments

[LADOTD Line Item - L.000083 CONVERSION OF AC \(INCLUDES DEBT SERVICE\)](#)

Adoption of DOTD TIP Administrative Modification

None at this time

Adoption of MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

[MPO STP>200 K Programing Update](#)

[I-69 Service Road Cost & Funding](#)

3. Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan

[Adoption of the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan](#)

Project Updates

4. I-49 Inner City Connector

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

5. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

[Project Website](#)

6. SporTran On Demand

[SporTran On Demand](#)

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – December 04, 2020, 9:00 am.



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday October 23, 2020 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04

Members Absent

Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mrs. Erin Buchanan – DOTD
Mr. Tyler Comeaux – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Dr. Shelly Barrett – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. One public comment card was turned in.

Mr. John Perkins turned in a public comment card. It reads as follows, “Good morning, the agenda for this meeting that I saw was basically blank. How are we supposed to comment on agenda items such as “Kent Rogers announcements”, if we don’t know what will be announced?

I can comment on previous announcements such as Mayor Walkers statement that’s we are spending \$17 million on building one service road for an imaginary I-69 route through Caddo Parish in order to, “plant a flag at the Texas border and let Texas know that we mean business about I-69”.

Would that we still had William Proxmire’s Golden Fleece Award to bestow upon this Council of Governments. We don’t, so I will ask a question. What if we spent that \$17 million on dredging the Red River to ease flooding in Caddo and Bossier Parish?

Respectfully submitted
John Perkins”

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the September 11, 2020 meeting. Mr. Washington motioned, and Dr. Wilson seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the LADOTD Line Item – L.000083 Conversion of AC (Includes Debt Service) for 30 day public comment period. This action allows for LADOTD to formally request the conversion of advance construction funds to Federal program funds. This includes funds for the I-20/I-220 Barksdale Gate Access Road project as prescribed in the GARVEE bonds agreement between LADOTD and FHWA. Although this is a programmatic operation due to the % increase the amendment is subject to public comment. Mr. England entertained a motion to introduce the LADOTD Line Item – L.000083 Conversion of AC (Includes Debt Service) for 30 day public comment period. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Washington seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Mr. Rogers introduced the MPO STP>200 K Programming Update. The changes from July 22, 2020 are as follows:

1. Viking Drive completely removed.
2. H.014410 & H.014411 LINWOOD AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION-PHASE III & PHASE IV
Construction phase @ \$5.775M (\$5.775M project cost, \$6.3525M total cost w/CE&I+IDC and \$5.082M fed share) of STP>200K @ 80/20 in FFY 2021
3. I-69 Service Road Project STP >200k Funding total \$10.5 M with Local Match from Port, Caddo, & DeSoto @ \$2.25 M each. (see I-69 Service Road Cost & Funding Details)

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the MPO STP>200 K Programming Update as. Mr. Blanton motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Mr. Rogers introduced the I-69 Service Road Cost and Funding Details. Mr. England entertained a motion to approve the I-69 Service Road Cost and Funding Details. Mr. Altimus motioned first, and Dr. Wilson seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

3. Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan

Mr. Rogers introduced the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan for adoption. Mr. England entertained a motion to adopt the Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan. Mr. Washington motioned first, and Dr. Wilson seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

4. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-49 Inner City Connector. The status report and project update is as follows:

1. Cultural Resources Survey

Required: A revised CRS with an addendum summarizing the new survey data will be submitted to the SHPO for approval.

Currently: Field survey of additional historic structures in the vicinity of Build Alternatives 1 and 2 as requested by the SHPO was initiated on October 5th. Approval from the DOTD and SHPO was obtained on the survey area for Build Alternative 5 on October 16th. Surveying of Build Alternative 5 will not occur until after all survey and reporting is completed for Build Alternatives 1 and 2.

2. Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts

Completed: Providence resubmitted Build Alternative 1 geometry with comments addressed from October 2019.

Currently: Providence received comments that additional detail would be required to complete DOTD's review. The additional data is relative details that are part of the line and grade that is to be conducted later in the schedule. To facilitate the review, Providence is developing this detail ahead of schedule, with revisions to be provided by October 23rd.

3. Finalize and submit an Alternatives Analysis for FHWA and DOTD review

Completed: A new Alternatives Analysis was submitted to DOTD for review and comment in accordance with the current schedule on September 4, 2020.

Currently: Comments from DOTD on the Alternatives document were received and addressed. Additional comments relative to the cost estimate in the appendix were received, these are being addressed and will be provided back to DOTD by October 20th.

4. Acceptance of the Alternative Analysis by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS) and the Preparation of Technical Studies

These require acceptance of #3 above.

5. Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS

Currently: A media release was provided to inform the public that the project continues forward. The CAC members are being contacted to ensure continued commitment to serve and additional potential members are being invited.

5. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The status report and project update is as follows:

Task 1 Project Schedule, Work Plan, Committee Activity

- ATG staff conducted routine project administrative activities including accounting, invoicing, and tracking.
- ATG project managers conducted project coordination meetings with NLCOG project manager and deputy project manager.
- ATG / BKI Monthly Coordination Meeting

Task 2 Public Involvement

- Launched online visioning tool and development of outreach and advertisement materials
- Ongoing one on one and group Stakeholder interviews
- Coordination on stakeholders for mini-Delphi process

Task 3 Develop review of Guiding Principles, Goals, Objectives, and Performance Measures

- Incorporation of initial analysis data into Performance Measures framework
- ATG/BKI team coordination on Plan Review Task Order and memorandum

Task 4 Existing Conditions Review and Base Model Update

- BKI team delivery of model inputs
- Base year development and control totals review for mini-Delphi
- Model Update and TransCAD 8.0 coding and interface update

Task 5 Transportation System Needs and Scenarios (2045)

- Initial review of transit component of TDM scenario files
- Coordination on GTFS feed for transit layer

Task 7: Transit Element

- BKI team delivery of transit conditions analysis and memorandum

Task 8: Review Existing Freight Network and Services

- BKI team delivery of freight conditions analysis and memorandum

Task 9: Review Existing Bike/Pedestrian Facilities

- Conclusion of initial analysis
- Additional follow up on new inputs from Bossier Parish plans

Task 11 Assessment of Environmental Impacts of the Staged Improvement Plan

- QC of mapping of base conditions for future systems level analysis

Task 12 MTP Preparation

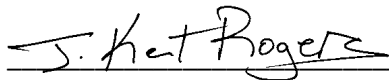
- Continue developing draft plan template files with initial plan branding concepts

6. SporTran On Demand

Mr. Rogers congratulated Mr. Washington for the creation of this public transit alternative app. With OnDemand, traveling has never been faster or simpler! They are building a network of OnDemand stops, offering you a direct route from stop to stop.

Adjourn

As we move into phase three the meetings will be held at the Port of Caddo Bossier. With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Dr. Wilson moved to adjourn; Mr. Altimus seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

This meeting will be held in person and streamed via Facebook Live for Public.

Friday December 04, 2020 9:00 am
Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room
600 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Approval of Minutes

[Approval of October 23, 2020 Minutes](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

[Adoption of DOTD TIP Administrative Modification](#)

H.014059 US 80 Bridges near Minden Engineering Phase

[Adoption of DOTD TIP Amendments](#)

LADOTD Line Item - L.000083 CONVERSION OF AC (INCLUDES DEBT SERVICE)

[Introduction of DOTD TIP Amendments for Public Comments](#)

H.014059 US 80 Bridges near Minden Removal of Construction Phase

H.010468 I-20 West End Hudson St. Bridge to I-49 move construction phase to 2023

[Adoption of MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing](#)

MPO STP>200 K Programing Update

Project Updates

3. I-49 Inner City Connector

Status Report and Project Update

[Project Schedule](#)

4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Status Report and Project Update

[Project Website](#)

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – January 15, 2021, 9:00 am.



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday December 04, 2020 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04

Members Absent

Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mrs. Erin Buchanan – DOTD
Mr. Jack "Bump" Skaggs – CDC
Senator Barrow Peacock – Louisiana State Senate District 37
Mr. Tim Weaver – Representing Dr. Woodrow Wilson in a non-voting compacity
Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Dr. Shelly Barrett – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. No public comment cards were turned in.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the October 23, 2020 meeting. Mr. Washington motioned, and Mr. Blanton seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the following TIP updates:

1. H.014059 US 80 Bridges Near Minden: Request is to move the Engineering Phase of the project from FFY 2020 to FFY 2022. This modification in Engineering Phase FFY causes an amendment to the construction phase as reflected below in the Amendments being introduced for public comments.
2. L.000083 CONVERSION OF AC (INCLUDES DEBT SERVICE): Conversion of Advance Construction funding to Federal Funding (STP>200K, STPFlex and NHPP). This action allows for LADOTD to formally request the conversion of advance construction funds to Federal program funds. This includes funds for the I-20/I-220 Barksdale Gate Access Road project as prescribed in the GARVEE bonds agreement between LADOTD and FHWA. Although this is a programmatic operation due to the % increase the amendment is subject to public comment.
3. Introduction for Public Comment: H.014059 US 80 Bridges Near Minden-Remove Construction Phase in FFY 2021

H.10468 I-20: West End Hudson St. Bridge to I-49-Move Construction phase from FFY 2022 to FFY 2023
H.014059 amendment is reflective of the Administrative Modifications noted above. These actions will remove the projects from the current TIP which runs through FFY 2022.
4. TIP MPO STP>200 K Programing Update: Public Comment Period on Linwood Ave Phase 3 and 4 10.23.2020 – 11.22.2020. No Public Comments Received.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve these TIP updates as presented. Mr. Clarke motioned first, and Mayor Lo Walker seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

3. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-49 Inner City Connector. The status report and project update is as follows:

General Status—

The project will be off schedule by approximately four months resulting from FHWA direction provided in November 2020. Please see below for details.

- Cultural Resources Survey

Required: A revised CRS with an addendum summarizing the new survey data will be submitted to the SHPO for approval.

Currently: All field survey for cultural resources has been completed (BA 1, BA 2, and BA 5). Coastal Environments is preparing the necessary documents (structure forms) and curating artifacts as part of the addendum to be prepared. The addendum to the CRS is anticipated to be submitted in late January 2021.

- Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts

Completed: Providence resubmitted Build Alternative 1 geometry with comments addressed from October 2019.

Currently: DOTD has requested more data that is part of the line and grade task. Providence is working to provide this data and anticipates submitting it in January 2021.

- Finalize and submit an Alternatives Analysis for FHWA and DOTD review

Completed: A new Alternatives Analysis was submitted to DOTD for review and comment in accordance with the current schedule on September 4, 2020.

Currently: As of November, FHWA indicated that they will not be reviewing this document. They have requested that only draft chapters of the EIS be provided for review and that alternatives analysis be held as incomplete until after the Section 106 process has been completed, or at least comments have been provided by the SHPO. This is not in accord with previous comments from 2019, whereby the interim alternatives analysis was requested to be resubmitted with additional detail on BA 5, including updated and realistic cost data for all the alternatives. FHWA agreed to review a draft table of contents for the draft EIS and is in internal discussion to provide direction to the project team on what is acceptable for us to work on while awaiting the conclusion of the Section 106 process.

- Acceptance of the Alternative Analysis by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS) and the Preparation of Technical Studies

These require acceptance of #3 above.

Note that the Section 106 process will be followed by a Section 4(f) evaluation. With the SHPO's comments relative to the creation of a new historic district, it is possible that none of the current build alternatives will avoid Section 4(f) resources. DOTD has approved Providence to develop a build alternative that avoids Section 4(f) resources, as is required by the FHWA Section 4(f) policy

paper. This requires a previously eliminated alternative that avoided such resources to be further developed. Development of this alternative will not affect the project schedule as revised.

- Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS

Currently: A media release was provided to inform the public that the project continues forward. The CAC members (new and old) met via Zoom on October 29, 2020, where the project team provided an update the project and discussed the roll and responsibilities of the CAC. The next meeting is anticipated to be scheduled in February 2021.

4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The status report and project update is as follows:

- Task 1 Project Schedule, Work Plan, Committee Activity

ATG staff conducted routine project administrative activities including accounting, invoicing, and tracking as well as conducting project coordination meetings with the NLCOG project manager and deputy project manager. The project team has developed presentation materials and one-page updates for communication and coordination with the Policy and Advisory Committees.

- Task 2 Public Involvement

ATG staff created and launched the online visioning tool (<https://nlcog-mtp-2045-atginc.hub.arcgis.com/>), including a survey and comment map. The ATG team also developed additional outreach and advertisement materials. Over 50 comments have been received through the online tool with the highest frequency of comments relating to Supporting Land Use and Economic Development Goals, Improving Safety & Security, and Improving Infrastructure Condition & System Preservation. The project team has also been conducting ongoing one-on-one and group stakeholder interviews and has been working closely with NLCOG staff on the coordination of stakeholders for a mini-Delphi process. Delphi meetings are in progress.

- Task 3 Develop review of Guiding Principles, Goals, Objectives, and Performance Measures

ATG team worked with NLCOG staff in review and discussions of goals, objectives, and performance measures in the project process and project selection methodology. This included the incorporation of initial analysis data into the Performance Measures framework. This process also included considerations for including and continuing the goals and objectives identified in a review of state, regional, and local plans relating to transportation, land use, and economic growth.

- Task 4 Existing Conditions Review and Base Model Update

The project team worked with a number of data sets and resources to develop model inputs to include a base year and control totals update as well as an update of external stations, added network, and added traffic analysis zones for the expanded model footprint. The base year development and control totals were presented for review through the mini-Delphi process. The NLCOG TDM Network and TAZ layers are nearly complete with the addition of Webster Parish, capacity-relevant TIP projects, and updated attribute information such as intersections and traffic counts. The ATG team is currently updating the transit route system coded onto the roadway

network using the GTFS data provided by NLCOG and is including trips for external stations, including the new stations of Webster Parish, which were completed using StreetLight Origin-Destination Data.

Other major accomplishments include modifications to model scripts to convert the model to TransCAD 8.0 from the previous version of TransCAD 6.0. The conversion of the model was successfully tested with positive results. Demographics are being estimated concurrently with the Delphi meetings with key stakeholders that are occurring over the next few weeks. Once demographics have been developed, the team will begin calibration and validation of the updated NLCOG TDM.

- Task 5 Transportation System Needs and Scenarios (2045)

Though Task 5 will begin full implementation once the project call has concluded and proposed projects can be entered for evaluation, an initial review of the transit component of TDM scenario files has been conducted which includes coordination on GTFS feed for transit layer mentioned in the Task 4 summary.

- Task 6 Safety Element

The project team has concluded the initial safety data analysis and memorandum and has identified key trends related to vulnerable users, crash types, top contributing factors, crash hot spots, and freight related crashes. Recommendations were made based on trends that also align with goals/performance targets of the state and the MPO and have included the emphasis areas and projects identified by the Regional Safety Coalition. The ATG team has worked in coordination with the Regional Safety Coordinator and has attended several virtual Coalition meetings.

- Task 7: Transit Element

The project team has concluded the initial existing transit conditions analysis and memorandum and identified areas of potential high likelihood for transit demand, including possible recommendations for future improvement of services, and has met in coordination with the regional Coordinated Human Services Transportation Committee to gather additional stakeholder input.

- Task 8: Review Existing Freight Network and Services

The project team has concluded the initial freight conditions analysis and memorandum and has identified mobility restrictions/gaps in service along freight corridors including congestion, lack of connectivity, shortage of truck parking, lack of intermodal centers, and issues with institutional function/oversight.

- Task 9: Review Existing Bike/Pedestrian Facilities

The project team has concluded the initial existing bike and pedestrian conditions analysis and memorandum. The analysis included an inventory of current conditions, facility adequacy, and spatial representation as well as an identification of gaps in service related to safety, design, and connectivity, and provided initial recommendations based on these gaps.

- Task 10 Financial & Staged Improvement Plan

The project team has concluded the initial Revenue Forecasts analysis and memorandum. The memorandum is going through the QA/QC process. It includes an analysis of historical trends for both roadway and transit. Preliminary forecasts were created based on historical trends.

- Task 11 Assessment of Environmental Impacts of the Staged Improvement Plan

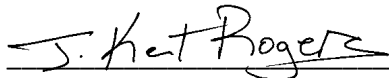
The project team has partially delivered the Systems Level Analysis and memorandum, including key demographics, environmental features, and historical and cultural resources. Once the project call process has concluded on December 18, the project team will identify projects that may have potential environmental impacts and put them through a buffer analysis to spatially identify where those impacts will be.

- Task 12 MTP Preparation

The project team has developed plan branding and draft plan template files with logos and color style guides. The team has also developed a federal compliance checklist based on the Federal Rules and Executive Orders concerning Metropolitan Planning. This will be used in the development of the final plan document and will be provided in support of compliance review for subsequent FHWA and DOTD consideration.

Adjourn

As we move into phase three the meetings will be held at the Port of Caddo Bossier. With no remaining agenda items, The Chair adjourned the meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Kent Rogers", is written over a horizontal line.

J. Kent Rogers, Secretary



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

This meeting will be held in person and streamed via Facebook Live for Public.

Friday January 15, 2021 9:00 am

Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room

600 Doug Attaway Blvd

Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Approval of Minutes

[Approval of December 04, 2020 Minutes](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

DOTD TIP Administrative Modification & Amendments

None of the above at this time

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

No changes at this time

3. Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment

[2021 Safety Performance Measures](#)

Project Updates

4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

6. LA 511 - Jimmie Davis Bridge

[Status Report and Project Update](#)

7. Governors Climate Initiative

[Climate Initiative Task Force](#)

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – February 26, 2021, 9:00 am.



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday January 15, 2021 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04

Members Absent

Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Senator Barrow Peacock – Louisiana State Senate District 37
JD Allen – Alliance Transportation Group
Ben Magallon – Alliance Transportation Group
Mr. John Perkins –

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. One public comment card was turned in. Mr. John Perkins turned in a comment card. Mr. John Perkins comments on I-49 Inner City Connector.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the December 4, 2020 meeting. Mr. Washington motioned, and Mr. Clarke seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers stated that there are no modifications or amendments at this time.

3. Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment

Mr. Petro introduced the 2021 Safety Performance Measures/ Target Settings that are required to be updated on an annual basis. Mr. England entertained a motion to introduce 2021 Safety Performance Measures/ Target Settings for public comment. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Magallon introduced the status report and project update for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. See Attached presentation.

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-49 Inner City Connector. The status report and project update is as follows:

- **Cultural Resources Survey**

Required: A revised CRS with an addendum summarizing the new survey data will be submitted to the SHPO for approval.

Currently: All field survey for cultural resources has been completed (BA 1, BA 2, and BA 5). Coastal Environments is preparing the necessary documents (structure forms) and curating artifacts as part of the addendum to be prepared. The addendum to the CRS is anticipated to be submitted in late January 2021.

- **Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts**

Completed: Providence resubmitted Build Alternative 1 geometry with comments addressed from October 2019.

Currently: DOTD has requested more data that is part of the line and grade task. Providence is working to provide this data and anticipates submitting it in January 2021.

- **Prepare draft sections of the EIS for DOTD and FHWA Review**

Currently: As of November, FHWA indicated that they will not be reviewing the alternatives analysis document that was submitted in September per the scope and former discussions. They have requested that only draft chapters of the EIS be provided for review and that alternatives analysis be held as incomplete until after the Section 106 process has been completed, or at least comments have been provided by the SHPO.

FHWA provided insight on a Table of Contents for the EIS. While awaiting the conclusion of the Section 106 process, the project team will be submitting an addendum to the cultural resources survey as noted in Item 1, is working on the geometry submittal as noted in Item 2 and will initiate work in late January 2021 on the avoidance alternative that will be required for the EIS (and was referenced in the December 2020 update).

- **Review and concurrence with the draft Alternatives Chapter of the draft EIS by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS) and the Preparation of Technical Studies**

These require completion of the Section 106 process and submittal, review, and agreement on the draft Alternatives chapter under Item 3 above

- **Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS**

Currently: A media release was provided to inform the public that the project continues forward. The CAC members (new and old) met via Zoom on October 29, 2020, where the project team provided an update the project and discussed the roll and responsibilities of the CAC. The next meeting is anticipated to be scheduled in February 2021.

- **Project Team Meetings**

Next Project Team Meeting with NLCOG, DOTD, FHWA, Providence, and other members of the consulting team will be late January or Early February. The team will review the timeline and scope as provided in the December Meeting.

- **MPO Presentation**

Providence will be making a presentation a comprehensive project update at the February MPO meeting. This review will include results of team meeting noted above and any comments or changes to timeline and scope.

6. LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge. The status report and project update is as follows:

- **Current Status**

Stage 1 Environmental Analysis (EA) has been completed. However, a revision was deemed necessary and submissions were made in 2019. This EA reviewed two basic options: (1) construction of a new modern 4-lane bridge (2) total rehabilitation of the existing 2-lane bridge and construction of a new 2-lane sister span. State Senator Peacock has championed this project through the capital outlay process securing funds towards this effort. Total Cost for the bridge is in the range of \$80 - \$100 Million.

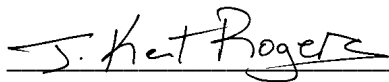
The project manager is working to get the plans updated in order to possibly let the rehabilitation project sometime next year (plans updated from the previous project to rehab a few years ago). The draft of the revisions to the EA by DOTD have been submitted to FHWA. DOTD is currently waiting on a decision from FHWA on whether they will accept the submittal as a reevaluation of the 2015 EA or whether they will require DOTD to submit a supplemental EA to finish the process for the capacity project. Two alternatives are still being evaluated: rehab existing facility and a new two-lane ban, or one new four lane span.

7. Governors Climate Initiative

Mr. Rogers introduced the Climate Initiatives Task Force. They are charged to develop and evaluate emissions reduction proposals and create implementation strategies to reach short, medium, and long-term greenhouse gas emission reduction goals. They have an emissions reduction goal of 26-28% by 2025, 40-50% by 2030 and Net Zero by 2050. The Climate Initiatives Task Force is broken down into four advisory groups and six sector committees. The advisory groups are as follows: Scientific, Equity, Finance and Legal. The sector committees are as follows: Agriculture, Forestry, Conservation and Waste; Power Production, Distribution and Use; Land Use, Buildings, and Housing; Manufacturing and Industry; Transportation; Mining and Oil & Gas Production. The Transportation Committee is charged to examine opportunities to lower greenhouse gas emissions from highway and non-highway mobile emission sources. Opportunities to promote alternative and renewable fuels, idle-reduction measures, fuel economy improvements, new transportation technology, and cleaner modes of transportation will all be considered.

Adjourn

With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. North moved to adjourn; Mr. Clarke seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

MEETING CANCELLATION

The meeting scheduled for Friday, February 26, 2021 was cancelled.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

In accordance with Executive Proclamations issued by Governor John Bel Edwards this meeting is being held in a virtual environment due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. This will be a ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook for Public.

Tuesday March 9, 2021 9:00 am

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

[CERTIFICATION FOR VIRTUAL MEETING](#)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) Update](#)

DOTD TIP Administrative Modification

H.010206 LA 3132 at LA 523: Extend Control of Access - move construction phase FFY

DOTD TIP Amendments

H.014059 US 80 Bridges near Minden - Removal of Construction Phase

H.010468 I-20 West End Hudson St. Bridge to I-49 - move construction phase FFY

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments

H.001166 CADD O LAKE BRIDGE (HBI) - Adjust construction phase cost

H.010206 LA 3132 at LA 523: Extend Control of Access - Add Engineering Phase Cost and FFY

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

MPO STP>200 K Programing Update (no changes at present time)

2. [2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment](#)

2021 Safety Performance Measures

3. [2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update](#)

Introduction for Public Comment

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – April 09, 2021, 9:00 am.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 (9:00 AM)

NLCOG – ZOOM meeting streamed via Facebook

625 Texas Street, Suite 200
Shreveport, LA 71101

Due to technical difficulties, we were unable to stream the meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Committee over Facebook Live. Legal counsel advised we post a direct link to the zoom video conference on Facebook. Doing so, the meeting reconvened at 9:30 to allow interested member of the public to join.

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Shreveport-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish

Members Absent

Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mayor Adrian Perkins- City of Shreveport

Others Present

Mrs. Dawn Sholmire – DOTD
Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mr. Ben Magallon – ATG
Mr. JD Allen – ATG
Mrs. Sarah Hyden – ATG
Mr. Tyler Comeaux – Port of Shreveport-Bossier
Carey Coxe – LA DOTD
Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG
Mrs. Lisa Frazier – NLCOG
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Mr. Phil Dorcas
Mr. Joshua Chandler

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. With no cards turned in, the Chair moved on to the next agenda item.

Business

1. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the following TIP updates:

- **H.010206: LA 3132 AT LA 523: EXTEND C OF A:** Request is to move the construction phase of the project from FFY 2021 to FFY 2022. This action will move the construction phase of the project to FFY 2022.
- **H.014059 US 80 BRIDGE NEAR MINDEN:** Remove construction phase in FFY 2021. This action will remove project H.014059 construction phase from the current TIP.
- **H.010468 I-20: WEST END HUDSON ST. BRIDGE TO I-49:** Move construction phase from FFY 2022 to FFY 2023. This falls outside the effective years of the current TIP (FFY 2019-FFY 2022).
- Introduction for Public Comment: **H.001166 CADDO LAKE BRIDGE (HBI):**
Adjust construction phase from \$21,398,000 to \$16.4M
(Total Cost \$16.4M, Cost+CE&I+IDC \$18.04M, Federal Share \$1.44432M)
H.010206 LA 3132 AT LA 523: EXTEND C OF A:
Add engineering phase @ \$32K of NHPP A 80/20 and \$15,500 of STPFLEX
- **TIP MPO STP>200 k Programing Update:** No changes currently.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve these TIP updates as presented. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Washington seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and by roll call vote the motion passed unanimous by those present.

2. 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment

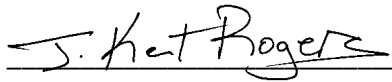
Mr. Rogers introduced the adoption of 2021 MPO Safety Performance Measures/Target Setting into the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Mr. England entertained a motion to adopt the 2021 MPO Safety Performance targets. Mr. Clarke motioned first, and Mr. Blanton seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and by roll call vote the motion passes unanimous by those present.

3. 2045 metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Mr. JD Allen, Mr. Ben Magallon and Mrs. Sarah Hyden introduced the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for public comment. (see attached presentation) Mr. England entertained a motion to introduce the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for public comment. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and by roll call vote the motion passes unanimous by those present.

Adjourn

The Chairman asked that Mr. Rogers keep the members posted as to location of next meeting. With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Dr. Wilson moved to adjourn; Mr. Clarke seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Kent Rogers", written over a horizontal line.

J. Kent Rogers, Secretary

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

This meeting will be held in person and streamed via Facebook Live for Public.

Friday April 9, 2021 9:00 am or immediately following the MPO Meeting
Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room
600 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Approval of Minutes

[Approval of Minutes from January 15, 2021](#)

[Approval of Minutes from March 9, 2021](#)

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

DOTD TIP Administrative Modification

None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments

None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments

None at this time

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

None at this time

3. 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

[Adoption of the NLCOG 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan](#)

4. Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program

[Introduction of the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\) for Public Comments](#)

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – Friday May 14, 2021, 9:30 am

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday April 9, 2021 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish

Members Absent

Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Dr. Shelly Barrett – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG
Senator Barrow Peacock – Louisiana State Senate District 37
Mr. JD Allen – Alliance Transportation Group
Mr. Ben Magallon – Alliance Transportation Group
Mr. Jon Flair – Heard McElroy & Vestal
Mr. Tyler Comeaux – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mrs. Erin Buchanan – DOTD

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. No public comment cards were turned in.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the January 15, 2020 meeting. Mayor Walker motioned, and Mr. Altimus seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting. Mr. Blanton motioned, and Mr. Clarke seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers stated that there are no modifications or amendments at this time.

3. 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

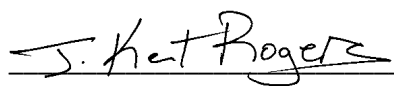
Mr. Rogers introduced the NLCOG 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Mr. England entertained a motion to adopt the NLCOG 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mayor Walker seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

4. Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Rogers introduced the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for public comment. Mr. England entertained a motion to introduce the Fiscal year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for public comment. Mayor Walker motioned first, and Dr. Wilson seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Adjourn

With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Clarke moved to adjourn; Mr. Washington seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

This meeting will be held in person and streamed via Facebook Live for Public.

Thursday May 20, 2021 9:00 am
Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room
600 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Approval of Minutes

[Approval of Minutes from April 09, 2021](#)

2. [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) Update](#)

DOTD TIP Administrative Modification
None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments for Approval
H.001166 CADD O LAKE BRIDGE (HBI) - Adjust construction phase cost
H.010206 LA 3132 at LA 523: Extend Control of Access - Add Engineering Phase Cost and FFY

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments
None at this time

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing
MPO STP>200 K Programing Update

MPO Transit TIP Amendments
CMAQ Funding
STP > 200k Transfer
Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Transfer

3. Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program

[Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\)](#)

4. Louisiana Watershed Initiative Region 1 Update

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/313e77959a9d4361b96bcfdcd135750>

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

Status Report and Project Update

6. [LA 511 - Jimmie Davis Bridge](#)

Status Report and Project Update

7. [LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension](#)

Status Report and Project Update

8. I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project

Status Report and Project Update

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – June 18, 2021, 9:00 am.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Thursday May 20, 2021 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish

Members Absent

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mr. Joshua S. Chevallier – Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea
Mr. Tyler Comeaux – Port of Shreveport-Bossier
Mr. Butch Ford – Bossier Parish
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG
Mrs. Erin Buchanan – LaDOTD
Dr. Shelly Barrett – NLCOG
Mrs. Heidi Stewart – NLCOG

Call to Order

Mr. Washington called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. Washington called for public comments. With no cards turned in, the Chair moved on to the next agenda item.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the April 9, 2021 meeting. Mr. Clarke motioned, and Mrs. Askew-Brown seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. Washington called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the following TIP updates:

DOTD TIP administrative Modification

None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments for Approval:

H.001166 CADD O LAKE BRIDGE (HBI) – Adjust construction phase cost from \$21,398,000 to \$16.4M (Total Cost \$16.4M, Cost + CE&I+IDC \$18.04M, Federal Share \$1.4432M)

H.010206 LA 3132 AT LA 523: EXTEND C OF A – Add Engineering Phase @ \$32K of NHPP @ 80/20 and \$15,500 of STPFLEX

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments

None at this time

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

MPO STP >200 K Programing Update – Addition of SporTran Transit Transfer and Northwest Louisiana Regional Aerial Photography program per the 2045 NLCOG Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Clarification of MPO Obligation and DOTD Obligation.

MPO Transit TIP Amendments

The following are being introduced for public comments:

CMAQ Funding per LaDOTD – Purchase of 7 new CNG buses

Section 5339 Transfer per FTA Region 6 authorization – 15 ADA vans and overheard fast charger

STP >200k transfer subject to FHWA/FTA approval and transfer – Per MTP subject to FHWA/FTA

Mr. Washington entertained a motion to approve these TIP updates as presented. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. Washington called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

3. Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Rogers presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program. Mr. Rogers noted that he had received comments. He called the committees attention to these comments and how staff proposed to address each of them. Mr. Washington entertained a motion to adopt the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program as presented. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. Washington called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

4. Louisiana Watershed Initiative Region 1 Update

Mrs. Stewart presented the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Region 1 update. Mrs. Stewart went over the coalition responsibilities and required authorizations. She went over the future coalition structure and recommendations for the future.

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-49 Inner City Connector. The status report and project update is as follows:

1. Cultural Resources Survey and Section 106 Process

Required: A revised CRS with an addendum summarizing the new survey data has been submitted to DOTD for review, after which it will be submitted to FHWA and the SHPO for review and comment.

A second Consulting Party meeting will be required during/after the SHPO review as part of the Section 106 process.

Currently: The revised CRS was submitted to DOTD in January 2021, the complete CRS addendum was submitted in late February, with some edits the first week of March 2021. During the Agency Team Project Status meeting held April 22, 2021, DOTD advised that comments would be forthcoming in mid-May, as of May 18, 2021, Providence has yet to receive these comments.

A second Consulting Parties meeting for the Section 106 process will be scheduled either during or after the SHPO's review of the revised CRS and addendum, which will confirm culture resources anticipated to be adversely affected. SHPO review of the documents will not occur until after FHWA review, which has not begun.

2. Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts

Completed: Providence resubmitted Build Alternative 1 geometry with comments addressed from October 2019.

Currently: Providence submitted revised geometry in January 2021. DOTD review of this material was completed, and additional comments provided on April 30, 2021 relative to both geometry and traffic. Revisions associated with the comments are on hold until the Section 106 process has further progressed.

3. Bridge concepts

Required: Bridge structure types and layout are required as part of the line and grade, additionally, the project calls for the consideration of aesthetic designs/concepts for the urban section of elevated highway.

Currently: Due to the progress on this work that had occurred prior to the stoppage of work for the Section 106 process, this work was completed in draft form and presented internally to the DOTD for comments. Comments were received, revisions associated with the comments are on hold until the Section 106 process has further progressed

4. Prepare draft sections of the EIS for DOTD and FHWA Review

Currently: Providence developed an avoidance alternative that will be required for the EIS (and was referenced in the December 2020 update). This alternative will not be fully considered until after SHPO review of the revised CRS and addendum. Providence has updated as much detail in the previously drafted chapters of the EIS as can be done while awaiting the outcome of the Section 106 process.

5. Review and concurrence with the draft Alternatives Chapter of the draft EIS by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS) and the Preparation of Technical Studies

These require completion of the Section 106 process and submittal, review, and agreement on the draft Alternatives chapter under Items 3 and 4 above.

6. *Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS*

Currently: We should be unveiling an upgraded project website in May 2021. No stakeholder briefings or the next CAC meeting will be scheduled until the Section 106 process is further progressed.

Other Items of Note:

A Project Status Update Meeting was held on April 22, 2021. These meetings involve multiple staff from the lead and decision-making agencies (NLCOG, FHWA, DOTD) and the consultant team (Providence, Stantec, Franklin, Coastal). The primary focus of this meeting was to discuss the status of the culture studies review and the impact of the Section 106 process on the overall schedule. The project website refresh, bridge structure aesthetics, and Context Sensitive Solutions were also discussed, along with any schedule items that could be worked while awaiting the conclusion of the Section 106 process.

These discussions did yield direction from FHWA that any work for the project that is in development through the contract with Providence and the environmental process that has not been reviewed and approved by DOTD with concurrence of FHWA is not to be shared in a public setting at this time and would be done so with the issuance of the Draft EIS. This guidance limits the materials that can be uploaded to the website as well as that which can be shared with interested parties to only those items/deliverables that are final and/or approved.

Project status meetings were not previously held on a specific schedule. As of the meeting held in April 2021, we will be holding these meetings every two months until the Section 106 process is complete, at which time it is likely we will hold monthly status meetings.

7. *LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge*

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge. The status report and project update is as follows:

Project Details:

The Louisiana Highway 511 (LA 511) Jimmie Davis Bridge over the Red River connects the high growth areas of south Bossier City and South Shreveport. LA 511 is a 5-lane facility on both sides of the river and connects to the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway in Bossier and the Clyde Fant Parkway in Caddo, each providing high capacity north-south movements to the downtown – riverfront areas.

Update:

The following notice of projected advertisement was posted on Friday, May 7, 2021.

H.001779	Jimmie Davis Bridge (HBI)	Catherine Mastin	Engineering and Related Services	5/5/2021	5/5/2021	4th Quarter 2021	Surveying Services, Geotechnical Services, Traffic Engineering, Preliminary and Final Design, Construction Engineering Support and Related Services
----------	---------------------------	------------------	----------------------------------	----------	----------	------------------	---

8. LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension. The status report and project update is as follows:

The public hearing that has been postponed will be held Tuesday, August 17, 2021 in the LSU-Shreveport Red River Ballroom. The time is not scheduled yet.

9. I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project

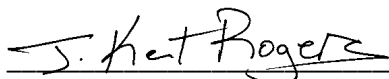
Mr. Tyler Comeaux introduced the status report and project update for the I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project. The status report and project update is as follows;

The stage 0 studies are essentially complete. They are working through some traffic comments. There is a meeting set for this coming Tuesday with DOTD and the consultants to complete stage 0 and move into the next two phases. The next two phases are advertising for surveying and environmental which will be ran concurrently.

DOTD district have given the state the road pavement rating for what Caddo Parish wanted.

Adjourn

With no remaining agenda items, The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Dr. Wilson moved to adjourn; Mr. Clarke seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

Friday June 18, 2021 9:00 am
Regional Commerce Center 2nd Floor Steering Room
600 Doug Attaway Blvd, Shreveport, LA 71115

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. [Approval of Minutes](#)

Approval of Minutes from May 20, 2021

2. [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) Update](#)

DOTD TIP Administrative Modification

DOTD TIP Amendments for Approval

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

MPO Transit TIP Amendments

3. [Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2022 \(July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022\)](#)

4. [Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2022 \(July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022\)](#)

PROJECT UPDATES

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

6. LA 511 - Jimmie Davis Bridge

7. [LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension](#)

8. I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Recognition – Mayor Lo Walker

ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – July 16, 2021, 9:00 am.



625 Texas Street, Suite 200 | Shreveport, LA 71101
318.841.5950 | F 318.841.5952 | www.nlcog.org

Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Committee

MINUTES

Friday, June 18, 2021 (9:00 AM)

Caddo-Bossier Port Commission

6000 Doug Attaway Blvd
Shreveport, LA 71115

Members Present

Mr. Eric England – Port of Caddo-Bossier
Mr. Dinero' Washington – SporTran
Mr. William Altimus – Bossier Parish
Mr. Bruce Blanton – Webster Parish
Mr. Steven Brown – DeSoto Parish
Mr. Alan Clarke – MPC City of Shreveport
Mrs. Carlotta Askew-Brown – MPC City of Bossier City
Mr. David North – LaDOTD District 04
Dr. Woodrow Wilson – Caddo Parish

Members Absent

Mayor Adrian Perkins – City of Shreveport
Mayor Lo Walker – City of Bossier City
Mrs. Lynn Hayes – FTA
Ms. Laura Phillips – FHWA

Others Present

Mr. Kent Rogers – NLCOG
Mr. Chris Petro – NLCOG
Mrs. Rita Barnette – NLCOG
Ms. Lacy Sargent – NLCOG
Dr. Shelly Barrett – NLCOG
Trooper Jonathan Odom – LSP-G

Call to Order

Mr. England called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Rogers to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Public Comments

Mr. England called for public comments. With no cards turned in, the Chair moved on to the next agenda item.

Business

1. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the May 20, 2021 meeting. Mr. Washington motioned, and Mr. Clarke seconded to approve the minutes as provided. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

Mr. Rogers introduced the following TIP updates:

DOTD TIP administrative Modification

None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments for Approval

None at this time

DOTD TIP Amendments Introduction for Public Comments

US 80 Bridge Near Minden – LADOTD PM request an increase in the Engineering Phase cost estimate. March of 2020 there was an increase in construction phase costs by \$3,950,000 to \$16,450,000 per LADOTD PM.

Anticipated Public Comment Period: June 20, 2021 – July 20, 2021

MPO STP >200k TIP Amendments & Programing

No changes at this time

MPO Transit TIP Amendments

The following are being introduced for public comments:

CMAQ Funding per LaDOTD – Purchase of 7 new CNG buses

Section 5339 Transfer per FTA Region 6 authorization – 15 ADA vans and overheard fast charger

STP >200k transfer subject to FHWA/FTA approval and transfer – Per MTP subject to FHWA/FTA

Subject to public comment period scheduled to end July 02, 2021.

Mr. England entertained a motion to approve these TIP updates as presented. Dr. Wilson motioned first, and Mr. Altimus seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

3. Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Mr. Rogers presented the Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2022. Mr. England entertained a motion to adopt the Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2022 as presented. Mr. Blanton motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

4. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Mr. Rogers presented the Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2022. Mr. England entertained a motion to adopt the Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2022. Mr. Brown motioned first, and Mr. Clarke seconded. Mr. England called for questions or comments having none the chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

Project Updates

5. I-49 Inner City Connector

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-49 Inner City Connector. The status report and project update is as follows:

1. Cultural Resources Survey and Section 106 Process

Required: A revised CRS with an addendum summarizing the new survey data has been submitted to DOTD for review, after which it will be submitted to FHWA and the SHPO for review and comment.

A second Consulting Parties meeting will be required during/after the SHPO review as part of the Section 106 process.

Currently: Providence received comments on the CRS Addendum and a revised CRS Addendum addressing the comments was provided to DOTD on June 14, 2021. Per the Project Progress Meeting of June 17, 2021, DOTD expects to provide the revised CRS Addendum to FHWA for their review within a week.

A second Consulting Parties meeting for the Section 106 process will be scheduled either during or after the SHPO's review of the revised CRS and CRS Addendum, which will confirm culture resources anticipated to be adversely affected. SHPO review of the documents will not occur until after FHWA review, which is expected to be initiated in the next two weeks.

2. Finalize conceptual interchange layouts with potential impacts

Completed: Providence resubmitted Build Alternative 1 geometry with comments addressed from October 2019.

Currently: No Change Since May Update - Providence submitted revised geometry in January 2021. DOTD review of this material was completed, and additional

comments provided on April 30, 2021 relative to both geometry and traffic. Revisions associated with the comments are on hold until the Section 106 process has further progressed

3. Bridge concepts

Required: Bridge structure types and layout are required as part of the line and grade, additionally, the project calls for the consideration of aesthetic designs/concepts for the urban section of elevated highway.

Currently: No Change Since May Update –
Due to the progress on this work that had occurred prior to the stoppage of work for the Section 106 process, this work was completed in draft form and presented internally to the DOTD for comments. Comments were received, revisions associated with the comments are on hold until the Section 106 process has further progressed

4. Prepare draft sections of the EIS for DOTD and FHWA Review

Currently: No Change Since May Update –
Providence has updated as much detail in the previously drafted chapters of the EIS as can be done while awaiting the outcome of the Section 106 process.

5. Review and concurrence with the draft Alternatives Chapter of the draft EIS by FHWA and DOTD (required to complete the draft EIS) and the Preparation of Technical Studies

These require completion of the Section 106 process and submittal, review, and agreement on the draft Alternatives chapter under Items 3 and 4 above.

6. Public Outreach in the form of stakeholder briefings, a Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting, and a public hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the release of the draft EIS

Currently: Refreshed project website is up and running. No stakeholder briefings or the next CAC meeting will be scheduled until the Section 106 process is further progressed.

Other Items of Note:

The third Project Progress Meeting was held on June 17, 2021. These meetings involve multiple staff from the lead and decision-making agencies (NLCOG, FHWA, DOTD) and the consultant team (Providence, Stantec, Franklin, Coastal). This meeting basically discussed the CRS Addendum review status and schedule and a quick run through of the refreshed website (www.i49shreveport.com).

6. LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the LA 511 – Jimmie Davis Bridge. The status report and project update is as follows:

Project Details

The Louisiana Highway 511 (LA 511) Jimmie Davis Bridge over the Red River connects the high growth areas of south Bossier City and South Shreveport. LA 511 is a 5-lane facility on both sides of the river and connects to the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway in Bossier and the Clyde Fant Parkway in Caddo, each providing high capacity north-south movements to the downtown – riverfront areas.

Update

Additional \$100 million provided in the legislative session that ended Thursday June 10, 2021

The Joint Transportation Committee approved the use of Design – Build for the project.

The Louisiana Transportation Authority refunded the application fee to an Unsolicited Proposal for a Jimmie Davis Bridge Toll Project.

7. LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the LA 3132 – Inner Loop Extension. The status report and project update is as follows:

The public hearing that has been postponed will be held Tuesday, August 17, 2021 between 4:00 – 7:00 PM in the LSU-Shreveport Red River Ballroom.

8. I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project

Mr. Rogers introduced the status report and project update for the I-69 SIU 15 Service Road Project. The status report and project update is as follows:

The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement executed on June 15, 2021, between

Caddo Bossier Parishes Port Commission
The Parish of Caddo
Desoto Parish Police Jury
Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments

Outlines the local funding for the project

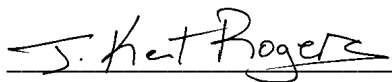
Source	Amount	% of Total		Non State	% of Non State
Federal Earmark	\$12,000,000.00	37.21%			
State Match for Earmark	\$3,000,000.00	9.30%			
STP >200K	\$10,500,000.00	32.56%		\$10,500,000.00	60.87%
Caddo Parish	\$2,250,000.00	6.98%		\$2,250,000.00	13.04%
DeSoto Parish	\$2,250,000.00	6.98%		\$2,250,000.00	13.04%
Port	\$2,250,000.00	6.98%		\$2,250,000.00	13.04%
Total Project Cost	\$32,250,000.00	100.00%		\$17,250,000.00	100.00%

Announcements

Mr. Rogers gave special recognition to Mayor Lo Walker for his 30 years of service to NLCOG.

Adjourn

With no remaining agenda items, The Chair adjourned the meeting.



J. Kent Rogers, Secretary