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TPO Technical Committee
March 10, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, TN

AGENDA

Determination of a Quorum

- 1. Approval of February 10, 2015 Minutes**
Presenter: Cindy Pionke, Chair
Item Summary: Approval of February 10, 2015 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.
[Attachment #1- February 10, 2015 Minutes](#)
- 2. Recommend Approval of Amendments to the 2040 Long Range Mobility Plan.**
Presenter: Mike Conger, TPO staff
Item Summary: In response to a request for a TIP amendment that requires a revised regional emissions analysis and air conformity determination, the TPO staff decided to undertake a comprehensive review of both the TIP and Mobility Plan in order to address as many required project amendments as possible under one single action. This review consisted of meeting with each of the TPO member jurisdictions and TDOT to review the current Mobility Plan roadway project list in detail.
[Attachment #2 - Summary of March 2015 LRP and TIP Project Amendments](#)
- 3. Recommend Approval of Amendments to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program**
Presenter: Bryan Berry, TPO staff
Item Summary: Staff recommends approval
[Attachment #3A - Amendment 2014-005 \(Relocated Alcoa Hwy \(SR-115 / US-129\)\)](#) - Amend the project by changing the project description to "Widen SR-115 from a four lane divided facility to a six lane divided facility, extend Tyson Blvd under SR-115 and reconstruct Hunt Rd overpass." Amend the termini to "Hall Rd to proposed interchange at Tyson Blvd." Add "Relocated Alcoa Hwy" to the project name. Amend the total project cost from \$53,967,855 to \$68,130,000.

Attachment #3B - Amendment 2014-012 (Dixie Lee Junction (US-11 and US-70)) - Amend the project by adding \$4,260,000 in L-STP funding to FY 2015 ROW for an amended total of \$5,160,000 (\$4,128,000 federal and \$1,032,000 state). Add \$1,435,000 in L-STP funding to FY 2016 for construction for an amended total of \$3,185,000 (\$2,548,000 federal and \$637,000 state). Amend the total project cost from \$2,775,000 to \$8,470,000. Amend the project description to include both Knox and Loudon Counties in it.

Attachment #3C - Amendment 2014-035 (SR-115 / US-129 (Relocated Alcoa Hwy)) - Amend the project by changing the project description to "New alignment, four lane divided facility, construct an interchange at Pellissippi Parkway (SR-162)." Amend the project name to include "Relocated Alcoa Hwy." Amend the project length from 2.4 miles to 2.9 miles. Amend the termini to "Proposed interchange at Tyson Blvd. to Pellissippi Pkwy (SR-162)." Change the total project cost from \$57,171,425 to \$74,530,884.

Attachment #3D - Amendment 2014-038 (Washington Pike) - Amend the project by removing \$10,000,000 from FY 2016 funding for PE-N/PE-D/RW/CN for an amended total of \$1,690,400 (\$1,352,320 federal and \$338,080 local). Amend the total project cost from \$15,146,000 to \$5,146,000. The \$10 million in L-STP funds are being added to project 2014-056 (Cumberland Ave Phase II).

Attachment #3E - Amendment 2014-056 (Cumberland Ave. (US-70/11 and SR-1) Phase II) - Amend the project by moving FY 2014 PE-D/RW/CN to FY 2015 and adding \$10,000,000 in L-STP funding for an amended total of \$22,832,831 (\$18,266,265 federal and \$4,566,566 local). The additional \$10,000,000 in L-STP funding is being taken from existing project 2014-038 (Washington Pike) in the 2014-2017 TIP. Amend the total project cost from \$12,832,831 to \$22,832,831.

Attachment #3F - Amendment 2014-058 (Concord Road) - Amend the project by moving FY 2014 ROW to FY 2015 and adding \$4,200,000 in L-STP funding for an amended total of \$6,200,000 (\$4,960,000 federal and \$1,240,000 state). Move FY 2015 Construction to FY 2016 and add \$2,008,140 in L-STP funding for an amended total of \$8,508,140 (\$6,806,512 federal and \$1,701,628 state). Amend the total project cost from \$12,000,000 to \$14,708,140.

Attachment #3G - Amendment 2014-074 (US-321 (SR-73) Widening) - Add the project to the 2014-2017 TIP. Add FY 2016 NHPP funding for construction in the amount of \$9,800,000 (\$7,840,000 federal and \$1,960,000 state). The project is to widen SR-73/US-321 to 6-lanes.

Attachment #3H - Amendment 2014-075 (Alcoa Hwy (US-129/SR-115) Widening) - Add the project to the 2014-2017 TIP. Add FY 2016 NHPP funding for construction in amount of \$26,700,000 (\$21,360,000 federal and \$5,340,000 state). The project is to widen a 1.4 mile section of Alcoa Hwy from 4-lane to 6-lane.

4. Recommend Adoption of the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Amendments to the 2040 Regional Mobility Plan and FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program.

Presenter: Mike Conger, TPO staff

Item Summary: The project amendments approved in items 2 and 3 above required an air quality conformity determination due to the TPO's current air quality attainment status. The TPO conducted a revised regional emissions analysis that has determined that the projected emissions from the proposed transportation system resulting from the project amendments are less than the allowable amount for each of the required analysis years and thus conformity for all applicable air quality standards has been demonstrated. The TPO coordinated the conformity determination with stakeholder and regulatory agencies through its Interagency Consultation process and held a 14-day public review and comment period.

[Attachment #4 - Draft Conformity Determination Mobility Plan Amendments - Executive Summary](#)

5. Presentation on Attitudes Toward Safe Routes to School in Tennessee.

Presenter: Jerry Everett, Research Director at UT's Center for Transportation Research

Item Summary: Dr. Everett conducted focus groups and surveys across Tennessee to learn about parents' opinions about walking and bicycling to school. He'll present an overview of his findings.

6. Update on the Smart Trips Program

Presenter: Sara Martin, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Outreach coordinator Sara Martin will provide an update on the Smart Trips program. The Smart Trips funding structure is changing and Ms. Martin will present a recently-developed sponsorship structure geared towards local employers. Smart Trips aims to support the formation of new vanpools this year; proposed routes will be reviewed. Smart Trips has developed an editorial calendar that includes a monthly newsletter and regular Facebook contests. Input from the Technical Committee is appreciated.

7. Other Business

- The 2015 Tennessee Bike Summit: Making Connections is taking place on April 23rd and 24th at the Knoxville Convention Center. For complete information and to register visit their website: <http://www.tnbikesummit.org/>.
- Executive Board meeting will follow today's Technical Committee meeting starting at 10:00 a.m.
- Technical Committee meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.
- Executive Board meeting Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.

8. Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Technical Committee with a five-minute time limitation for each person.

9. Adjournment