

MEETING MINUTES

Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)



Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 10:30
Biloxi Development Commission Auditorium
676 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd



I. CALL TO ORDER:

CHAIRMAN BUZ OLSEN	MR. RANDY JANSEN (FHWA)
MR. PERRY BROWN (MDOT)	MR. KELLY CASTLEBERRY (MDOT)
MR. JOSEPH SPIRES	MR. DAMON TORRICELLI
MR. BUTCH LOPER	MS. JACI TURNER
MR. JOE O'NEAL	MS. TAMMY WISCO
MR. KELVIN JACKSON	MS. CHANDRA NICHOLSON
MR. BILL JOHNSON	MR. JEFF TAYLOR
MS. LESLIE ROBERTSON	MR. DON SHEPLEY
MR. KRIS RIEMANN	MR. WAYNE MILLER

MPO STAFF: DAVID TAYLOR, KENNETH YARROW, JEFF LOFTUS & STEPHANIE PLANCICH
GUEST SPEAKER: MR. RYAN TICE WITH MDOT SAFETY CIRCUIT RIDER PROGRAM

II. INTRODUCTIONS - NONE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Recommendation to adopt July 11, 2013 drafted minutes.
Motion made by Mr. Jackson. Seconded by Mr. Loper. No Comments, **Passed***

V. FY 2014-2018 TIP UPDATE (KENNETH YARROW)

A. PUBLIC REVIEW: The public review period for the TIP update ran from August 12th to Sept 26th. A legal notice was published in the Sun Herald as well as a display ad with the meeting dates of Sept. 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Review materials were made available at www.grpc.com and an email was sent to stakeholders via email.

B. MDOT REQUESTS FOR TIP AMENDMENTS:



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
2012-2015 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
MDOT PROJECTS - GULF COAST URBANIZED AREA

County Name	HANCOCK		Amendment			
Need ID:	230131	Responsible Agency:	MDOT	Total Project Cost:	\$2,500,000	
Route:	SR 43	Project Length:	1.14	Fund Source:	SFP/STP/NHPP	
Termini:	SR 43 KILN BYPASS FROM END OF FOUR LANE					
Project Number/Detail	Fiscal Year	Scope of Work	Phase	Federal Share	State/Local Share	Total Cost Estimate
101210/002000	2014	GRADE BRIDGE PAVE 4 LANES	PE	\$1,360,000	\$340,000	\$1,700,000
SUB-TOTAL FOR NEED 230131				\$1,360,000	\$340,000	\$1,700,000
SUB-TOTAL FOR HANCOCK COUNTY				\$1,360,000	\$340,000	\$1,700,000

C. DISCUSSION OF TIP SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (5-YEAR FORMAT)

Recommendation to alter TIP time period

The TIP Sub-Committee suggests altering the 4 year TIP to a 5 year program to better show where projects are expected to be obligated. Recommend that the updated TIP be for 2014-2018.

New Project (amendment)

1. Gulfport – Pass Road Traffic Signals/16 intersections - \$444,000 STP
2. Jackson County – Hwy 609/Old Fort Bayou Rd - \$1,493,640 STP
3. D'Iberville – Big Ridge Rd & D'Iberville Blvd/1-10, Dewey Lawrence, South - \$2,938,778 STP
4. Jackson County – Lemoyne Blvd/Brittany Ave - \$308,000 STP
5. Gulfport – Courthouse Rd/Pass Rd to US 90 - \$2,683,532 STP
6. Bay St. Louis – Old Spanish Trail Lighting/Main St to City Limits - \$640,640 STP
7. MDOT – PE for SR 43 Kiln Bypass from end of four lane - \$1,360,000 (fed) \$1,700,000 (total)

Recommendation to include seven proposed new projects in the TIP

Motion made by Mr. Johnson. Seconded by Mr. Olsen. No Comments, Passed

Increase Funding (amendment)

1. Biloxi - Popp's Ferry Rd/Cedar Lake Rd to D'Iberville Blvd - Add \$5,000,000 STP for a total of \$7,204,800 STP
2. Pascagoula – Hospital Rd/Old Mobile Hwy to US 90 – Add \$1,798,817 STP for a total of \$2,293,217 STP
3. Gautier – Martin Bluff Rd/Gautier-Vancleave Rd to Frontage Rd – Add \$2,392,005 STP for a total of \$3,328,005 STP

Recommendation to increase funding for the following projects.

Motion made by Ms. Nicholson. Seconded by Ms. Turner. No Comments, Passed

Remove Project (amendment)

1. Pascagoula – Ingalls Ave/Chicot Rd. & Martin St. \$396,000 STP
2. Harrison County – Hwy 605 Frontage Rd./Lorraine Rd to 2000' North - \$726,800 STP
3. D'Iberville – Automall Pkwy & Rodriguez St./D'Iberville Blvd to I-110 - \$200,000 STP
4. Gulfport – Seaway Rd Pedestrian Path/Three Rivers Rd to Lorraine Rd - \$788,304 STP

Recommendation to remove the following projects from the TIP.

Motion made by Mr. Torricelli. Seconded by Mr. Ioper. No Comments, Passed

Project Modifications (Obligation Year Changes)

1. Biloxi - Popp's Ferry Rd/Cedar Lake Rd to D'Iberville Blvd – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015
2. Gulfport – 28th St/34th Ave to 23rd Ave – Move from FY 2012 to FY 2014
3. Jackson County – Old Fort Bayou Rd/Yellow Jacket Rd - Move from FY 2014 to FY 2015
4. Biloxi – Popp's Ferry Road Extension/Pass Road to US 90 – Move from FY 2012 to FY 2018
5. Gulfport – Seaway Rd/Three Rivers Rd to 1 mile east – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2014
6. Pascagoula – Hospital Rd/Old Mobile Hwy to US 90 – Move from FY 2015 to FY 2016
7. Bay St Louis – Old Spanish Trl/City Limits to Main St – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2014
8. Gautier – Martin Bluff Rd/Gautier-Vancleave Rd to Frontage Rd - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2016
9. Gulfport - Deadeaux Rd/ Three Rivers rd to Hwy 605 – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015
10. Gulfport – Ship Island Terminal Project/ Bert Jones Yacht Basin – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015
11. Bay St. Louis – US 90 Pedestrian Path/BSL Bridge to Main St - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015
12. Ocean Springs – Government St/Hanley Rd to Hanshaw Rd - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2014
13. D'Iberville – D'Iberville Blvd/Central Ave to Automall Pkwy - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015
14. Pass Christian – Cedar Ave/RR to US 90 - Move from FY 2015 to FY 2018
15. Biloxi – Reynoir St and Jackson St/Downtown Biloxi – Move from FY 2014 to FY 2015
16. Harrison County – Biloxi River Bridge/Lorraine Rd – Move from FY 2013 to FY 2014
17. Gautier – Hwy 57/Brown Rd - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015

18. Moss Point – Main St/South to Jefferson - Move from FY 2013 to FY 2015

19. Moss Point – Second St/East Moss Point - Move from FY 2014 to FY 2015

These are program modifications – no motion is required.

CI. SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE (DAVID TAYLOR)

- A. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT: There are many improvement projects currently in progress and planned for the coast in the near future. MDOT will report on regional programs and projects at MPO meetings. This quarterly update will keep everyone informed and allow for better coordination of regional planning goals. GRPC expects that the first STP funded safety projects will begin construction in late 2013 to early 2014. These include improvements at identified high risk rural curves.
- B. SUMMIT PLANNING UPDATE: David provided members with a reminder to register for the Summit and an overview of the event agenda including session topics and guest speakers.

CII. CIRCUIT RIDER PROGRAM (RYAN TICE)

Mr. Ryan Tice, Southern District - Safety Circuit Rider manager, provided the TCC members with a brief description of the Circuit Rider program. Circuit rider is a program of the MDOT Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP). Mr. Tice will be providing free workshops to our local jurisdictions, each is designed to help leverage funding, provide project and program guidance, to share innovative practices and technologies, etc.

85% of roadways are non-MDOT maintained. There are some additional available funds for selected safety improvement projects on these roads. To be eligible, each jurisdiction (engineers, planners, road dept., staff, etc.) must complete the Circuit Rider introduction workshop with Mr. Tice. TCC members requested that MPO staff coordinate the workshop for the members. (Done: scheduled for Dec. 11, 2013)

CIII. TRANSIT UPDATE

CTA is preparing to have a public review process for proposed service changes. They will also be requesting TIP amendments. More details will be provided at the TPC meeting.

CIV. MDOT UPDATE

MDOT reiterate that they will continue meeting with individual jurisdictions as needed for project progress updates. Some are doing very well in keeping up on the monthly reports, others can do better. There is an upcoming webinar suggested for TCC member participation - Right-of-Way Procedures, Tools and Techniques for Local Public Agencies Webinar October 23, 2013 at 1:00 pm Eastern Time.

Current Projects in the Region: new 611 Flyover, Big Ridge bridge replacement, I-10 widening, Hwy 49(N. Gulfport) bridge replacement, Sangani Flyover is completed

Question: What's the difference between flyover and overpass?

Answer: An overpass spans one travel method like a roadway, a flyover spans 2+ modes of travel. For example, a flyover may span a roadway and a railway.

CV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- A. Mr. Bill Johnson is retiring October 2013. Members of the MPO thank him for his many years of service to the MS gulf coast.
- B. GRPC is moving into the new office the first week of October.
NEW ADDRESS IS: 1635-G Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi MS 39532.
- C. TPC Meeting Scheduled for October 24th at 10:30am.
- D. To ensure the public has the opportunity for effective participation, MPO staff will conduct an additional 10 day TIP review period to receive comments on the TCC recommendations discussed today. The review period will run from October 14th – 24th.

CVI. ADJOURNMENT – Recommendation to adjourn.

*Motion made by Mrs. Turner. Seconded by Mr. Loper. No Comments, **Passed***