

MINUTES
MO-KAN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 12, 2025, 9:00 AM

VOTING MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Chet Owen – DeKalb County
Tad Wilson – City of Cameron
Richard Riddell – Clinton County

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Adam Wood – MoDOT
Madison Woodward- MoDOT
Trevor Tutt – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Citlali Samano – Mo-Kan Regional Council

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kenneth Reeder – Public
Wyatt Fletcher – Missouri Senator (Buchanan County)
virtual

A meeting of the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) was held at the Mo-Kan Regional Council office, 224 North 7th Street, St. Joseph, MO. Following a presentation by Adam Wood from MoDOT and discussions of the Regional Bridge Program (BRO), the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), the High Priority Unfunded Needs list (HPUN), and the TAC ranking for the next funding cycle. Citlali Samano called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and took attendance. There was a quorum present.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes from the November 13, 2024, meeting was presented for approval. Chet Owen made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tad Wilson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Old Business:

1. Construction Updates, Recent Project Awards, Asset Management Plan – Adam Wood presented recent project awards, upcoming bid openings, and the Asset Management Plan:
 - Recent Project Awards:
 - June-August: I-229 Pavement Resurfacing (\$3,359,000 to Herzog Contracting), Rte. 6, 36, 169, 136 Scrub Seal (\$1,940,000 to Vance Brothers), Various Bridge Rehabs (\$1,064,839 to Capital Paving).
 - September-October: Rte. 59 Intersection Improvements (\$7,726,167 to Amino Broc Co.), Low Volume Resurfacing (\$7,531,899 to Above and Below Contracting), Bridge Deck Replacements (\$1,755,594 to Philips Gardy), I-35 Concrete Replacement (\$42,235,428 to Michels Road & Stone).
 - Upcoming Bid Openings:
 - December: I-29 Bridge Rehab over Mill Creek
 - January: Rte. 116 & Rte. 6 Resurfacing
2. BRO – Adam Wood noted the deadline for BRO applications is Friday, November 15, 2024, with awards expected in the new year.

3. HPUN – Trevor Tutt and Adam Wood discussed the HPUN list for FY25, noting the upcoming TAC meeting would focus on ranking projects for the next year and exploring funding sources like BRO, TEAP, and RAISE grants.
4. STIP – Trevor Tutt and Adam Wood provided an overview of the FY 2025-2029 STIP draft, covering project priorities, funding allocations, and the process for updates to align with regional transportation goals.

New Business:

1. Upcoming Lettings and Recent Awards – Adam Wood presented:

- Recent Project Awards: Bridge Rehab Andrew County (\$2,423,154 to Emery Sapp & Sons), Rte. 116 resurfacing (\$3,683,860 to Herzog), Rte. 6 resurfacing (\$4,226,412 to Herzog).
- Upcoming Bid Openings: March – Various Routes Scrub Seal.
- LPA Update:
 - Bridge Program: 201 applications, 63 projects selected, \$54.6 million total, \$49.9 million in federal funds.
 - Regional Bridge Team: 21 bridges selected, prioritizing district poor bridges, previous awards, and application rankings.
 - Comments: Concerns about the ranking process; MoDOT plans workshops to support the next round of rankings and suggests delegating task updates to counties, saving costs by working with planning partners.

2. STIP & HPUN Updates:

- STIP: MoDOT may remove lower-priority bridges, freeing up \$40 million. Proposed alternatives include I-35 from Iowa to Eagleville and Highway 136 for a larger project. I-70 funding is separate, but competition for contractors could drive up costs for other projects.
- HPUN: Funding adjustments for regions after removing bridge projects:
 - Tier 1 Target: \$23,000,000, remaining balance: \$1,526,789
 - Tier 2 Target: \$92,000,000, remaining balance: \$46,868,538
 - Tier 3 Target: \$92,000,000, deficit: -\$3,419,759
 - Mo-Kan Regional Council currently has 12 projects listed.

3. New Proposed HPUN Projects:

- Transportation Priorities: After discussions with County Commissioners, 3 projects were deemed viable for HPUN inclusion:
 - Buchanan – Hwy 169 & NW Hwy VV (Gower)
 - Clinton – Hwy 169 & Route Z (north of Trimble)
 - DeKalb – MO 31 & Hwy P (Clarksdale)
- Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A): For ineligible low-volume roads, Mo-Kan highlighted the SS4A program aimed at reducing fatalities. Projects can apply for up to \$25 million in funding. A regional meeting is set for March 24th at 1:00 PM at Mo-Kan's conference room, with a virtual option.

4. TAC Ranking: Four projects previously on the list have been expedited to STIP, removing them from the HPUN list. Buchanan's Route KK and Route H were removed due to low priority and a bridge removal. The three proposed projects were added to the TAC list.

Other Business:

1. **Next TAC Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 am with a motion from Trevor Tutt.