



SEDA-COG METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) MEETING

Hybrid Meeting
Friday, January 20, 2023
SEDA-COG, Lewisburg, PA
9:30 A.M.

MPO VOTING MEMBERS

Mark Colussy, Mifflin County (via teleconference)
Stephen Gibson, Clinton County (via teleconference)
Frank Hampton, PennDOT Central Office (via teleconference)
Steve Herman, SEDA-COG
Brad Kerstetter, Juniata County (via teleconference)
Jack Kytte, Borough of Berwick
Shawn McLaughlin, Union County (via teleconference)
Greg Molter, Montour County, (via teleconference)
Steve Phillips, SEDA-COG Board, Multi-modal Interests (via teleconference)
Jonathan Ranck, PennDOT District 3-0 (via teleconference)
Mark Schultz, PennDOT District 2-0 (via teleconference)
Eric Stahley, Columbia County (via teleconference)

GUESTS

Robert Clapp, Center for Independent Living of Central Pennsylvania (via teleconference)
Duane Gaugler, Larson Design Group (via teleconference)
Jeff Iseman, PA Statewide Independent Living Council (via teleconference)
David Juba, rabbittransit (via teleconference)
Gini Feigles-Kaar, Dewberry Engineers
Beth Nidam, rabbittransit (via teleconference)
Bryon Noon, rabbittransit(via teleconference)
Gene Porochniak, FHWA (via teleconference)
Matt Wise, Senator Gene Yaw's Office (via teleconference)

STAFF PRESENT

Michelle Ballou, Program Assistant
Bryce Buck, Program Analyst
Kristin McLaughlin, Principal Program Analyst

OTHER SEDA-COG STAFF

Kim Wheeler, Executive Director (via teleconference)

Call to Order

After it was determined that a quorum was present, Mr. Herman called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Public Forum

No comments were received from the general public. Mr. Herman introduced Ms. Michelle Ballou, Program Assistant for the JRA/Transportation/Natural Gas Cooperative, and Bryce Buck, GIS Program Analyst.

Approval of the November 18, 2022, Meeting Minutes of the SEDA-COG MPO

Mr. Kyttle made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2022, MPO meeting; Mr. Kerstetter seconded the motion; motion carried.

TIP Administrative Modifications and Amendments

Mr. Schultz summarized the TIP amendments for PennDOT District 2-0.

Mr. Kerstetter made a motion for the MPO to approve the TIP amendments as presented for PennDOT District 2-0; Mr. Kyttle seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Schultz summarized the TIP administrative modifications for PennDOT District 2-0.

Mr. Hampton made a motion for the MPO to approve the TIP administrative modifications for PennDOT District 2-0; Mr. Kerstetter seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Ranck summarized the TIP administrative modifications for PennDOT District 3-0.

Mr. Colussy made a motion for the MPO to approve the TIP administrative modifications for PennDOT District 3-0; Mr. Schultz seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Herman referenced the interactive webmap prepared by Mr. Buck as a guide for the TIP modifications that was included with the advance meeting packet. The webmap was brought up via shared screen during the meeting to highlight some of the functionality and project details.

Mr. Herman briefly reviewed the following handout provided in the meeting packet:

- Summary of Transportation Projects in the SEDA-COG Region Approved for TIP Addition Pending Available Funding/Actions by Other Parties

CSV T Project and SR 54 Safety Project Status Reports

Mr. Ranck provided the following updates:

CSV T Northern Section

Work has been completed. The section is open and functioning well.

CSVT Southern Section

First Contract for Earthwork: Construction activities are occurring and fluctuate depending on weather conditions. PPL recently completed and energized the last of their electric transmission lines that needed to be relocated for CSVT.

Second Contract for Structures: The individual plans for nine new bridge projects are wrapping up and final reviews are underway. PennDOT anticipates letting the contract later this year and starting construction work on the structures next year.

CSVT Traffic Volume Study

PennDOT is summarizing traffic counts that were taken in the Fall of 2022 to show how the Northern Section's opening has changed traffic volumes on existing roads. This should be finalized by early February. PennDOT will issue a press release about the preliminary traffic counts.

More information is available at <http://www.csvt.com/>

Update on rabbitransit Stop Hopper Service

Mr. Juba provided a presentation on ridership updates for rabbitransit's Stop Hopper microtransit services currently available in the region (Sunbury-Selinsgrove, Lewisburg-Milton, and Bloomsburg-Danville). From October 1-December 31, 2022, there were 122 riders per day across these zones.

Mr. Noon provided a presentation regarding rabbitransit's administration and oversight of the Intercity Bus Program that provides long-distance, fixed-schedule transportation. Fullington Trailways and Greyhound are current operators of the service, and there are 17 stops in the SEDA-COG region.

Ms. Nidam reviewed a flyer regarding rabbitransit's same day shared ride pilot program.

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Update

Mr. Herman highlighted items from the SEDA-COG MPO Staff Activity Report – January 2023 provided in the meeting packet.

Other handouts provided in the meeting packet included:

- Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Projects Status Update - 2018 Funding Round and 2021 Funding Round
- Recently Accessed Highway Occupancy Permit Applications
- Recently Accessed Traffic Impact Study Scoping Applications
- PennDOT Connects December 2022 Newsletter

Annual Update of Safety Performance Measure Targets

Ms. McLaughlin reviewed the Annual Update of Safety Performance Measure Targets handout provided in the meeting packet.

Mr. Molter made a motion for the MPO to approve the state Safety Performance Measures Targets for 2023; Mr. Kerstetter seconded the motion; motion carried.

Road Safety Reviews Update

Ms. McLaughlin updated MPO members on completed Road Safety Review site field views and analysis. The final sites will be reviewed virtually in late January for Snyder and Clinton County locations. A summary report will be generated upon completing the county meetings.

Local Bridge Prioritization Process for 2025 TIP

Mr. Herman reviewed the handout outlining the 2025 TIP local bridge prioritization process. Staff will poll MPO members to schedule initial county prioritization meetings over the next few weeks.

Active Transportation Committee Update

Mr. Buck provided an update on the Active Transportation Committee. The first committee meeting of 2023 will be on February 15, 2023, and the meeting agenda was provided as a handout.

Member Forum

The following handouts were provided in the meeting packet:

- Items of Potential Interest to MPO Members as of January 2023
- PennDOT Press Release on District 2 Construction Season Wrap-Up for 2022
- PennDOT Press Release on District 3 Construction Season Wrap-Up for 2022

Mr. Iseman provided some state legislative updates.

Adjournment

With there being no further comments, Mr. Herman adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m. with a motion from Mr. Hampton and a second from Mr. Kyttle. The next regular meeting of the MPO is scheduled for March 17, 2023.