

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

February 4th, 2025 @ 10:00 A.M. WCAPDD Conference Room 1000 Central Avenue Hot Springs, AR

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. ACTION ITEMS
 - 1. **Minutes August 6th, 2024**

This will include the minutes from our last in-person meeting on August 6th, 2024.

Minutes - October Email Vote

This will include the minutes from the email vote to finalize the FY 2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), after the additional interchanges were added for project development by the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT).

Minutes – November Email Vote

This will include the minutes from the email vote to finalize the Transportation Planning Agreement, between the City of Hot Springs, Intracity Transit, West Central Arkansas Planning and Development District (WCAPDD), Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

2. Safety Performance Measures

This item will include a discussion, presentation, and vote, over the updated safety performance measures, which analyzes the targets set by the state (ARDOT), regarding crash statistics.

3. Public Participation Plan NEW Update

This item will include the newly updated Public Participation Plan. The eight (8) Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the state, worked collaboratively with the Arkansas Department of Transportation to revise and update the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP/STIP) Amendment requirements. For each MPO, that means updating their Public Participation Plans, which outline the process for approving and amending the federally required documents. A complete redesign and update has been provided. This will require a 45-day public comment period, after initial committee (Technical Advisory and Policy Board) approval.

4. National Highway System Additions

This item includes a discussion regarding the addition of adding Arkansas Highway 5, Section 5, to the National Highway System. We will discuss the details of what this will entail at the meeting.

D. MPO Reports/Announcements

- 1. Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update
- E. ARDOT Reports/Announcements
- F. TAC Member Reports/Announcements
- **G. Public Comments**
- H. Adjourn



Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting WCAPDD Conference Room 1000 Central Ave. Hot Springs, AR February 4th, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Derrick Harris, MPO Study Director, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:01 AM

B. INTRODUCTION

(Quorum = 51% = 8 committee members; must include not less than four (4) from different jurisdictions/organizations)

The following voting members and proxies were present:

- 1) Anthony Hunter ARDOT
- 2) Gary Carnahan City of Hot Springs City Engineer
- 3) Gary Troutman Hot Springs Metro Partnership
- 4) James Patton Hot Springs Village POA
- 5) Jeffrey Carr Garland County
- 6) Karl Lowry Town of Fountain Lake
- 7) Kathy Sellman City of Hot Springs Planning Director
- 8) Keith Jones City of Hot Springs Transit Director
- 9) Chris Polychron Chamber of Commerce

C. ACTION ITEMS

1) Meeting Minutes from August 6th, 2024

The meeting minutes from August 6th were presented. Gary Carnahan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman and passed unanimously.

2) Meeting Minutes from October Email Vote

The meeting minutes from the October email vote to secure the TIP with the additional changes for the intersection/interchanges along the expressway. Gary Carnahan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman and passed unanimously.

3) Meeting Minutes from November Email Vote

The meeting minutes from the November email vote to secure the joint participation agreement with Hot Springs Intracity Transit. Gary Carnahan made a

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motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman and passed unanimously.

4) Safety Performance Measures 2025

Anthony Dao from ARDOT presented the safety targets set by ARDOT for the upcoming calendar year. After some discussion James Patton made a motion to approve the item as presented. This was seconded by Jeffrey Carr, and the motion passed unanimously.

5) Public Participation Plan Update 2025

Mr. Harris presented the newly updated Public Participation Plan (PPP) and highlighted the main changes where due to a cooperative and joint effort between the MPO's and ARDOT on updating TIP/STIP Amendment requirements. This would need to be reflected in the PPP as well, therefore an update was needed. After some discussion Gary Carnahan made a motion to approve the item as presented, it was seconded by James Patton, and the motion passed unanimously.

6) National Highway System Concurrence

This item was presented by Travis Brooks by ARDOT. It was mentioned that the newly constructed highway 5, from Highway 70 to Highway 7 was considered by both ARDOT and the MPO to be a National System Highway. This item just solidified that mutual understanding. Kathy Sellman made a motion to signify the concurrence and agreement on the matter. The motion was seconded by Gary Carnahan, and was passed unanimously.

D. MPO REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Harris mentioned that the Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 was underway and that projects for the plan would be discussed at or before the next meeting.

E. ARDOT REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No reports

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No additional reports or announcements were made.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were provided.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:07 a.m.