
**Guidelines for
Development of the
Iowa Statewide
Transportation
Improvement
Program
(STIP)**

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STIP Development Timeline

Target Date	Task
October 1	Applications for statewide Transportation Enhancement and Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program funding for following fiscal year due at Iowa DOT
December 1	Projected funding targets to MPO/RPA for STP (including transportation enhancements) bridge replacement programs/transit for following fiscal year
January	Consolidated transit funding application packets distributed
January	Proposed primary road, safety and previous two-year local programs provided by Iowa DOT to MPO/RPA to assist in development of MPO/RPA TIP
February	Award of statewide Transportation Enhancement, Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program, and National Recreational trails funding
May 1	Submission of draft MPO/RPA TIP to Program Management, and Consolidated Transit Funding Application, to Office of Public Transit
June 1	Initial draft STIP to MPO/RPA for proofing
June 15	Draft STIP corrections/comments returned to District Planner by MPO/RPA
July 15	MPOs/RPAs submit final-approved TIPs to Iowa DOT
July	Statewide distribution of draft STIP
July	Statewide public participation review
August	Prepare final STIP with adjustments based on public review
September 1	Submit proposed STIP and MPO TIPs to FHWA/FTA
October 1	Receive FHWA/FTA approval of final STIP
December 1	Adjust spending authority to reflect federal authorizations
Quarterly	Summary of STP/Transportation enhancement target activity to MPO/RPA

Introduction

Purpose

This document has been prepared to assist development of the Iowa Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Any questions regarding content or relating to the process should be directed to the appropriate District Planner. A list of District Planners for the Iowa Department of Transportation, and their areas of responsibility, is included in Appendix 1. Transit related questions should be directed to the Office of Public Transit, 800 Lincoln Way, Ames, IA., 50010, 515-239-1875.

The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users SAFETEA-LU continues the requirement for an extensive, ongoing cooperative planning effort for programming federal funding identified in previous acts. Iowa's STIP is developed annually through a cooperative effort with nine metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and 18 regional planning affiliations (RPAs) (Appendix 1). The STIP is developed by incorporating into a single document the portions of the annual transportation improvement programs (TIPs) being funded by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) within Iowa. The STIP is a four-year listing of projects for which federal-aid funding under Title 23 (Federal Highway Funding) and Title 49 (Federal Transit Assistance) of the United States Code is proposed.

All projects included in the STIP must be consistent with the Iowa statewide, MPO and RPA long-range transportation plans. Consistency means that a project flows out of a project identification, evaluation and prioritization process that has been developed to implement a strategy or objective of these plans.

The Iowa DOT requests the joint approval of the STIP by the FHWA and the FTA annually. **No FHWA or FTA funded projects will be authorized until the project is included in the first year of the STIP and has been approved by the FHWA/FTA.** The STIP must be fiscally constrained, meaning programmed amounts of federal aid must fall within limits set by the FHWA/FTA (generally related to past or estimated apportionments).

Public Participation Process

SAFETEA-LU requires states and MPOs to develop a proactive public participation process in developing long-range transportation plans and transportation improvement programs. The state and each MPO and RPA have developed processes to involve the public in formulation of transportation improvement programs and long-range transportation plans. A variety of techniques are being used at the state, metropolitan and regional levels. They include: newsletters; surveys; letters and comment forms; county, regional and state public meetings, including use of Iowa's fiber optic network; advisory committees, and web sites. Experience and suggestions from the public will help the state and MPOs/RPAs improve opportunities for and encourage public participation. The Iowa DOT has a published report entitled "State Public Participation Process" to describe methods to involve Iowa citizens in review of the STIP.

Federal Programs-Descriptions

Federal-Aid Highway Funding (Title 23)

Some FHWA funds are distributed by statutory formulas, while other funds are “discretionary.” The primary sources of FHWA formula funding to Iowa are for:

- Metropolitan Planning Program (PL). FHWA provides funding for this program to the state based on urbanized area population. The funds are dedicated to support transportation planning projects in urbanized areas with more than 50,000 population.
- National Highway System (NHS). NHS or Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds may be used to construct or improve NHS roadways.
- Interstate Maintenance (IM). This program is available to rehabilitate, restore and resurface the interstate system, but not to add capacity. Capacity additions to the interstate system can only be funded from NHS or STP funding.
- Surface Transportation Program (STP). This program is designed to address some specific issues identified by Congress and to continue programs funded under the previous highway bill. STP funding may be spent on 1) roadway and bridge projects on federal-aid routes, 2) transportation enhancement projects, 3) transit capital improvements, and 4) planning activities.
- Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP). This program provides funding for bridges on public roads. Fifteen percent of the HBRRP funding must be spent on bridges off the federal-aid system. Eighty-Five percent is to be used to fund bridge projects on or off the federal-aid system.

Federal Transit Assistance (Title 49)

A portion of federal fuel tax revenue is placed in the Mass Transit Account of the Federal Highway Trust Fund. These funds, and General Fund appropriations, are reserved for transit purposes and are administered by the FTA. Similar to the FHWA programs, the transit funding authorized by SAFETEA-LU is managed in several ways. The largest amount is distributed to the states or to large metropolitan areas by formula. Other program funds are discretionary and some are earmarked for specific projects.

- Metropolitan Planning Program (Section 5303). FTA provides funding for this program to the state based on urbanized area population. The funds are dedicated to support transportation planning projects in urbanized areas with more than 50,000 population.
- Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307). FTA provides transit operating, planning and capital assistance funds directly to local recipients in urbanized areas with populations between 50,000 and 200,000, based on population and density figures, plus transit performance factors for larger areas. Local recipients, for whom projects are programmed by the MPO, must apply directly to FTA.

- Capital Investment Grants and Loans Program (Section 5309). The transit discretionary program provides federal assistance for major capital needs such as fleet replacement and construction of transit facilities. All transit systems in the state are eligible for this program. In recent years, all of these funds have been earmarked by Congress for specific projects or geographic regions.
- Special Needs Program (Section 5310). Funding is provided through this program to increase the mobility for the elderly and persons with disabilities. Part of the funding is administered along with the Non-Urbanized funding. Another part is allocated among urbanized transit systems.
- Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5311). This program provides capital and operating assistance for rural and small urban transit systems. 15 percent of these funds are allocated to Intercity Bus projects. A portion of the funding is also allocated to support rural transit planning.
- Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP – Section 5311(h)). This funding is also used for statewide training events and to support transit training fellowships for regional and small urban transit staff or planners.
- Statewide Planning and Research Program (Section 5313). These funds come to the state based on population and are used to support transportation planning projects in non-urbanized areas.
- Job Access Reverse Commute Program (Section 5316). This program provides transportation services in urban, suburban and rural areas to assist welfare recipients and low income individuals access to employment opportunities, and to increase collaboration among the transportation providers, human services agencies, employers, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), and affected communities and individuals. All transit systems in the state are eligible for this program. The funds are available on a competitive basis, or may be earmarked by Congress for specific projects or geographic regions.
- New Freedoms (Section 5317). This program encourages services and facility improvements to address the transportation needs of persons with disabilities that go beyond required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Flexible funds. Certain Title 23 funds may be used for transit purposes. Transit capital assistance is an eligible use of STP funds. Transit capital and start-up operating assistance is an eligible use of Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) funds. When ICAAP funds are programmed for transit projects, they are transferred to the FTA. When ICAAP funds are transferred to transit use, there may be a memorandum of understanding between the Iowa DOT and the transit operator specifying the use of the funds.

FHWA and FTA Funding Targets to MPO/RPA

FHWA Funding

The Office of Program Management provides each MPO/RPA the estimated annual and four-year STP targets for programming of eligible projects. Fifty percent of the state's 10 percent STP apportionment for transportation enhancement projects is also targeted to the MPOs and RPAs for programming. Actual targets will be revised or adjusted as approved through discussions with cities, counties, MPOs and RPAs, after passage of subsequent federal transportation acts.

Secondary bridge candidate projects are chosen by the counties and incorporated into the TIP by the RPA. MPOs/RPAs should include programmed county bridge funds when submitted by the respective county representatives, and the total federal bridge funds programmed should not exceed the approximate amount available to the counties within the MPO/RPA. Nearly all federal-aid bridge projects will be funded at 80 percent federal participation.

City bridge funds are specifically awarded through a selection process administered by the Office of Local Systems and also included in the MPO/RPA TIP. In those cases, a limitation of \$1,000,000 of federal aid is in effect.

PL fund allocations to Iowa MPOs are announced in January with a report of carryover funds available for use in the following state fiscal year.

Each MPO/RPA is to develop a four-year (at least) TIP with each year and each funding category fiscally constrained. The MPO/RPA must program within the STP (including transportation enhancements) and HBRRP targets plus any unobligated balances to submit a fiscally-constrained TIP. STP projects included in the TIP must be consistent or flow from the respective MPO and RPA long-range transportation plans.

FTA and State Transit Funding

In December of each year, transit funding projections are distributed to the MPOs/RPAs and transit systems. If federal appropriations have been enacted prior to that time, the Iowa DOT will provide actual first-year figures for distributing federal formula assistance (5311 funds) for each regional and small urban transit system for the state fiscal year beginning the following July 1. These same amounts may be used as an estimate of second and third-year suballocations. The formula funding estimates for individual transit systems in future years will be subject to change based on the level of future federal appropriations, as well as on each transit system's relative performance on a yearly basis.

Projections are also provided to the MPOs and transit systems for federal formula assistance (5307 funds) for each Iowa urbanized area for the following state fiscal year. The projections will indicate how much of each area's suballocation may be allowed to be used for operating support pending congressional appropriation. Actual urbanized-area formula appropriations will be determined after a federal transportation appropriation is enacted, which is generally into the state fiscal year and may be after the beginning of the federal fiscal year. No projected suballocations will be provided for the federal

discretionary transit capital program. Amounts for this program can only be determined once a federal transportation appropriation is enacted. In most cases, a reasonable estimate of discretionary apportionments by each MPO/RPA or transit provider will be acceptable for preliminary TIP development. Programs will be adjusted through a statewide process once the federal appropriation is known.

Projected allocations for the coming fiscal year will also be provided to MPOs/RPAs and transit operators for State Transit Assistance (STA) in December. These amounts can serve as the basis for local estimates of future year STA allocations. Actual STA formula amounts are subject to changes in the amount of motor vehicle use tax collected and for future years each transit system's relative performance on the statistical measures used to allocate the funds. FTA has requested that STA funds be included in the TIPs and STIP for at least the first year of the program.

Allocations of FTA planning funds to MPOs (under Section 5303) and to RPAs (under Section 5311 or 5313) will be announced in December.

Information Submitted by Iowa DOT to MPO/RPA to Assist in Development of Local TIP

In January of each year, the Office of Program Management will provide each MPO/RPA listings of projects for the next four fiscal years through TPMS. These listings will include the following:

- An updated listing of all federal-aid projects proposed by the Iowa DOT on the primary system, including bridge projects, for consideration and inclusion in MPO/RPA TIP.
- A listing of Commission-approved statewide transportation enhancement, Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) and National Recreational Trails projects, selected at the state level, to be included in the MPO/RPA TIP.
- A listing of Federal Lands Program projects, as appropriate.

As an example, in preparation for the development of the FY 2007 to FY 2010 TIPs and STIP, and as prescribed by the schedule proposed within these guidelines, the Iowa DOT will, during February 2006, provide a thorough TPMS list of all "local" projects identified in the FY 2006 to FY 2008 STIP (including amendments) for obligation during 2007 and 2008, and an updated list of primary/interstate projects as approved by the Iowa Transportation Commission for the 2006-2010 period. This will allow the planning agency an opportunity to review proposed primary/interstate projects and other activities in their area prior to completion of an approved TIP. The expectation is that planning agencies will update information concerning 2007 and 2008 local projects if items such as description, total cost or federal participation have changed since completion of the previous STIP. In addition, the planning agency will add, delete or alter projects, as targets allow, for the new four-year program. The above information is included in TPMS and instructions for development of TPS is included in Appendix 10.

The format used for the MPO and RPA TIPs published by the planning agency may be different from the listing required for Iowa DOT use. **The TIP must contain information for roadway projects identifying the county or city where the work will be accomplished, route identification, project termini/location, project length, work description, FHWA structure numbers and funding sources. Projects which do not include the required project information will not be included in the STIP.** To the extent practical, work descriptions should parallel those used for the Highway Section of the Iowa DOT's TIP (Appendix 6). Similar information is required for transportation enhancement projects, with the route being replaced by the subject of the improvement (for example a trail, building, or project name), and the length being replaced by the applicable quantitative measure.

The Office of Public Transit will also provide transit capital programming guidance (Appendix 3) concerning expected costs of transit vehicles and equipment, and the level of federal participation allowed for each. These amounts will be ceilings for candidates for statewide capital funds and are recommended for items funded from transit formula or STP allocations. These figures will be updated each year. Current projections may be inflated by 4.5 percent per year for use in the second or third years. It is recommended that the standard equipment descriptions provided in this document be used in each local TIP (Appendix 3). The material submitted for inclusion in the STIP must be consistent with these descriptions.

FHWA and the Iowa DOT have adopted “standard” formats for submittal of the program data to the FTA (Appendices 5 and 6). The listings provided to MPOs and RPAs will be submitted using this standard format. The standard STIP format is the format in which all FHWA/FTA project information MUST be submitted to the Iowa DOT for incorporation into the STIP.

All information included in the standard STIP format is required by the federal agencies, either as part of the STIP or for other filings required prior to authorization of funding. Therefore, all information other than the project number is required in order for the project to be included in the STIP. Project numbers are also desired if one has been assigned. In some cases, such as bridges, transportation enhancements or ICAAP projects, no numbers may be available at the time the information is sent to the MPO/RPA. This is especially true for local projects.

Submission of TIP Data to Iowa DOT by MPO/RPA

A list of all federal-aid and State Transit Assistance projects in the approved MPO/RPA TIP should be submitted to Program Management and the District Transportation Planner by **July 15. The list should be presented in the standard STIP format provided by the Iowa DOT.** The list should include the program of proposed expenditures for all MPO/RPA STP (including transportation enhancements) SAFETEA-LU earmarks and bridge funds utilizing targets provided by the Iowa DOT, as well as transit/FTA project proposals within projected apportionments, and candidates for discretionary capital transit funds and transit projects funding from STA. The final TIPs should also identify all federally-funded primary road projects, IM, NHS, State STP, statewide transportation enhancement projects, ICAAP projects, bridge replacement/rehabilitation projects, safety or other FHWA/FTA program projects identified by the Iowa DOT.

All FHWA and FTA-funded projects programmed by the Iowa DOT are required to be in the STIP as a condition for federal-aid eligibility. The Iowa DOT asks that these projects be included in the informal spreadsheet provided by the MPO/RPA early in the programming process, or that the omission be explained. This is used to confirm MPO/RPA concurrence with the proposed state-sponsored projects. Projects will not be eligible for federal funding if they are not identified in both the STIP and the respective MPO TIP. TIP inclusion is also required for all transit projects seeking funding with STA.

Although the federal government does not require planning projects be listed in the MPO/RPA TIPs, it is important to show all planning projects to allow for public review of the use of these funds, since some of the funds used for planning could be used for other purposes. Planning activities may be aggregated by funding source.

At a minimum, the TIP should identify projects for the upcoming four federal fiscal years. MPO or RPA TIPs are also required to provide a status report for current projects. TIPs must be fiscally constrained within each year, which means programming within the amount defined as the sum of the current fiscal year's target, plus amounts unobligated from previous targets.

Projects should be selected by the MPO/RPA as determined by their respective procedures. The state's long-range transportation plan may also help the MPO/RPA determine future priorities. The District Planner may identify appropriate proposed projects on the primary road system, and the district may request STP funding support from the MPO/RPA's STP targets. These proposed projects may not be in the listings described previously. An opportunity to modify the project schedule may still exist if funding and administrative support from local jurisdictions can be secured.

Local projects must be subject to the local public participation process and be consistent with the MPO/RPA long-range transportation plan. Each MPO/RPA should determine that the recommended projects are eligible for federal-aid and can be obligated within the year specified.

TIP Information Required

Minimum information for transit projects shall include the grantee's name, the project description (for capital items use standard descriptions in Appendix 3); the assistance category (operations support, capital improvement or planning); the type of capital purchase (replacement, rehabilitation, remanufacture or expansion); and the total cost and anticipated federal participation, both in whole dollars, plus identification of the federal program from which the federal funding will come. To the extent possible, projects with multiple funding sources should be shown as a separate line item for each funding source. STP funded projects should be shown in both the highway and transit element. Each project in the annual element must also show any proposed funding from State Transit Assistance. The form must identify vehicles being replaced (including vehicle identification numbers for rolling stock) in order to use the public transit management system as planning justification for the project. Like vehicle types should be grouped together as one line item for each program year. Planning carryover should be noted as a separate line item.

In addition, the following items are required for capital improvement projects. A feasibility study for the construction of a new transit facility or maintenance facility must accompany the TIP submittal for projects programmed in the first year of the STIP/TIP. No facility project will be accepted without a feasibility study. Planning justification is required for all projects except like kind rolling stock replacement and rehabilitation projects which can rely on the PTMS factors for their justification. Projects replacing a vehicle with a vehicle that differs substantially from the one being replaced must justify the need for such a change. "Useful life" is an appropriate guide to evaluate when an item needs to be replaced; however, it does not solely indicate the "need" to be replaced. More specific information is required. Expansion vehicle justification must include spare ratio information prior to and after delivery of the programmed vehicle, along with justification as to why the existing fleet can not meet the needs of the system.

Federal law requires that all federal-aid projects in MPO TIPs match those in the STIP. All projects must be in both. To the extent practical, the information describing the projects should also be identical. Appendix 7–8 lists the required and suggested information for MPO and RPAs TIPs. Projects should be reviewed by the MPO/RPA for federal-aid eligibility, and to ensure they can be obligated within the year specified before the TIPs are submitted to the Iowa DOT.

Federal regulations require documentation in addition to the project list prior to approval of the MPO TIPs and the STIP. All MPO TIPs must be accompanied by 1.) a resolution of adoption by the planning organization, 2.) self-certification of the MPO planning process, 3.) certification of the financial capacity analysis, 4.) planning justification for transit capital projects, 5.) financial capacity analysis for transit programs, and 6.) a summary compiling total costs and federal aid by funding program showing the program to be fiscally constrained. Text should address project selection procedures, the public participation process, fiscal constraint of the program, and public comments received. These items should all be included or attached by reference within the TIP document.

All subrecipients of federal funding must have Cost Allocation Plans on file.

All MPO TIPs require gubernatorial approval(s) prior to submittal to the FHWA/FTA. The Iowa DOT is the agency designated to grant these approvals on behalf of the Iowa governor. **Distribution by the DOT requires that the Office of Program Management receive at least 8 copies of MPO TIPs.**

Consolidated Transit Funding Application

During January the Office of Public Transit will post the consolidated transit funding application material on the office website at www.iatransit.com. By May 1 each MPO/RPA shall submit a consolidated transit funding application to the Office of Public Transit on behalf of each public transit system within its planning jurisdiction. The application shall cover all projects to be funded from STA formula, plus formula federal assistance allocated to small urban or regional transit systems, and any capital project which is to be considered as a candidate for statewide federal capital funding. All transit applications will consist of:

- an authorizing resolution by the transit system's policy board requesting STA funding;
- a signed copy of FTA's annual certifications published each fall in the Federal Register (large urban systems may submit a copy of original sent to FTA);
- documentation of public hearings on all project elements included in the application. Documentation shall consist of an affidavit of hearing notice publication and hearing transcript. This meeting can be consolidated with other meetings as long as the required documentation is produced; and
- planning justification for all capital projects other than vehicle replacement or rehabilitation projects relying on the Public Transit Management System (PTMS). A project justification form must be completed for each project competing for statewide Section 5309 funding, unless the project will be relying solely on the PTMS criteria;
- feasibility study documentation for all facility projects listed in the first year;
- documentation of all information required for probable categorical exclusions for any facility project programmed in the first year;
- ADA Analysis & Certification, if applying for non-ADA rollingstock;
- a copy of the Transit Section from MPO/RPA TIP.

Applications for small urban and rural public transit systems will also include:

- a listing of surface transportation providers (listing union affiliations if applicable) operating in the project area; and
- a "Labor Protection Agreement" certifying compliance with applicable labor regulations.

The amounts authorized in the application resolution for each funding source should agree with the STIP figures being submitted. Standard formats will be supplied by the Iowa DOT for all items except the public hearing documentation.

Preparation of Draft STIP by Iowa DOT

Between May 1 and June 1 the Office of Program Management and the Office of Public Transit will combine the MPO/RPA and state TIPs into a draft STIP. The TIPs will be reviewed for completeness of information, for clarity of project descriptions, consistency with standard descriptions, and for fiscal constraint.

The Office of Program Management and the Office of Public Transit will determine if the cumulative program is fiscally constrained. If not, both offices will determine if Iowa DOT projects can be rescheduled or otherwise adjusted to achieve a balance.

Public Participation Review of STIP

The SAFETEA-LU requires broad public involvement in the development of the STIP. Successful development of the STIP is dependent on accomplishment of statewide public participation during development of the state, MPO and RPA TIPs. Public participation efforts for the highway and transit programs on state and local systems are accomplished by the DOT and the 27 MPOs and RPAs. Coordination of public review through the planning agencies ensures broad opportunities for public review by informed participants.

In the case of state-sponsored projects, significant statewide public participation is encouraged and facilitated during the development of the Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. State-sponsored projects determined to be candidates for federal funding are included in the STIP to ensure compliance with that federal requirement. No state-participating primary road projects can be included in the STIP unless they have been approved by the Transportation Commission in the Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. The Iowa Transportation Improvement Program is also reviewed as a component of the 27 MPO and RPA TIPs.

MPOs and RPAs also have designated procedures for project selection and public input, all accomplished prior to including projects in the STIP. Each MPO and RPA has both technical committees and policy boards that participate in selection of projects within their geographic area. They also review all projects identified in the STIP.

Following is a summary of public involvement procedures for the STIP:

1. Use public announcements and broad distribution.

The STIP is compiled from 27 MPO and RPA TIPs during May and June of each year. All TIPs are subject to project selection guidelines adopted by the respective programming agencies. The draft STIP is distributed in June to District Planners, MPOs and RPAs.

An announcement is published in regional newspapers informing the public the draft STIP is available for review at the DOT's district offices, MPO/RPA offices, and the Iowa DOT web site. The announcement invites public comment. Copies are provided to interested parties upon request. The DOT requests that the STIP be reviewed by all MPO and RPA technical committees and policy boards, and invites their comments.

2. Receive public comments.

The minimum comment period for the proposed STIP is 14 days from the date of the public notice. Written comments by letter or fax are encouraged. The announcement also indicates when and where a statewide public meeting may be held to accept direct comments, if requests for such a meeting are submitted. The comment period will close no later than August 1.

3. Publish notices and receive comments on amendments.

Amendments to the STIP are required when a project is proposed to be included in the federal aid program, but has not been the subject of specific public review. Materials are available for review at the applicable district offices and MPO/RPA offices. All 27 MPOs and RPAs are notified of proposed amendment(s) and their comments are invited. The minimum comment period for proposed amendment(s) is 14 days from the date of the public notice.

Approval of Final STIP

After statewide public review of the draft STIP has been accomplished and comments concerning the draft STIP have been addressed, which may require some minor action or adjustments; the STIP will be submitted to the FHWA and FTA. Final MPO TIPs and the STIP will be concurrently submitted to the FHWA and FTA as approved by the Iowa DOT. (Drafts will be provided to the FHWA and FTA as they are submitted to the Iowa DOT to facilitate federal review). In addition to the compilation of federal-aid projects, the STIP will include reference to the Iowa DOT's authority to represent the state in the related activities, narratives concerning Iowa DOT public involvement and fiscal constraint efforts, and certification of statewide planning efforts. See STIP checklist in Appendix 9. The target date for submittal to the FHWA/FTA is September 1, which is 30 days prior to the beginning of the federal fiscal year. The STIP and MPO TIP's must match and all required supporting information must be included before submittal.

If the federal agencies find all documents submitted in conformance with federal requirements, the Iowa DOT will be notified of the joint approval of the STIP by FHWA and FTA. If some additional material is required or some part of the filing does not conform with federal requirements, the FHWA and/or FTA will notify the Iowa DOT of the deficiencies and of the status of the proposed STIP until the requirements are met. The goal is to accomplish unconditional approval of the STIP by the federal agencies prior to the beginning of the federal fiscal year on October 1 so authorization of federal-aid for projects can be requested from FHWA or FTA anytime thereafter. Paper copies of the STIP will be provided to the MPOs, RPAs and the public.

Revising/Amending an Approved STIP

A revision to the STIP does not require the initiation of the statewide public participation process. A revision to the STIP is a modification to a project line item already in the STIP or in the previously approved STIP. Moving a project from one year to another in the STIP need only address the requirement for fiscal constraint (at the local and the state level). Increasing federal-aid is also a revision. In most years, the transit element of the STIP will be revised once the availability of federal funding to the state under the federal appropriation bill is determined.

FHWA and FTA consider any addition of a new project to the STIP to be an amendment. Iowa DOT's public review process for amendments requires statewide public review for any addition of new projects regardless of their size or significance. Amendments are also required when the scope of a project has changed significantly.

If additional projects proposed for incorporation into the STIP are identified during public review, they will only be incorporated into the STIP after meeting the test of selection by the appropriate planning organization and statewide public review. This could occur as part of a future amendment review or during development of a subsequent three-year TIP/STIP. The Office of Program Management informs the District Planners of all revisions and amendments to the Iowa DOT TIP related to primary roads, and they are to inform the appropriate MPO/RPA or local government of changes in their area. Amendments/revisions to primary road projects within MPOs must be amended/revised in the corresponding MPO TIP before inclusion in the STIP.

FHWA Funding Transferred to FTA

Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds that are designated for transit investments are required to be transferred from FHWA to FTA for administration. These projects must be programmed in the Highway and Transit section of the TIP/STIP in the federal fiscal year they are to be transferred. The process is initiated with a letter from the RPA/MPO to the Office of Program Management and a copy to the Office of Public Transit requesting the funds be transferred. The Office of Program Management will then review the request and submit it to FHWA for processing.

Surface Transportation Funds used for planning efforts requires projects be included in the Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP), TIP/STIP, and funds will be transferred to a Consolidated Planning Grant by request of the Office of Systems Planning.

Finally, transit projects receiving awards through the Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) also require a transfer of funds. The process for these types of transfers is the same as transferring STP funds for transit investments.

Adjustment of STP Targets Due to Changes in Obligation Limits From the U.S. DOT

The MPO/RPA may be required to adjust the amount of federal participation for its area to address the annual obligation limits set by the federal government. Reductions in federal participation for projects will not require an amendment to the STIP. Rather, adjustments to address reduced federal-aid participation will generally be considered revisions. Any changes required due to obligation limitations are normally known by December 1 for that current federal fiscal year (October 1 to September 30). The MPO/RPA will be notified in writing of any target changes.

After notification of the annual spending (obligation) authority available, the Office of Program Management will use the following process to make adjustments:

- spending authority equals 100 percent of apportionment - no adjustments needed;
- spending authority slightly less than apportionment - adjustment will be accomplished within the state TIP to balance the program;

- spending authority much less than apportionment - adjustments in the TIPs for the RPAs, MPOs and state may be required to balance the program;
- spending limit slightly higher than apportionment - the state TIP will be adjusted to balance the program; or
- spending authority much higher than apportionment - the TIPs for RPAs, MPOs and the state may be adjusted to increase the program.

Summary of Fund Balances for MPOs/RPAs

The Office of Program Management will maintain a record of the MPO or RPA STP and transportation enhancement target balances that identify the amount of federal-aid authorized and amounts remaining available. Unless the STIP specifies a percentage participation rate, authorized STP amounts for local projects will be the amounts shown in the STIP or the appropriate federal-aid participation rate of the eligible project cost, whichever is less. Similar target balances for HBRRP funds will be maintained by the Office of Local Systems. The percentage participation for bridge projects will generally be 80 percent of eligible project costs. Unobligated FHWA target funds should be added to the following year's target.

The Office of Program Management will report quarterly to each MPO/RPA and the District Planners, listing obligations authorized during the quarter for STP projects and local transportation enhancement projects and calculating account balances for each. Bridge program balances will be maintained by the Office of Local Systems.

Appendix 1

Metropolitan Planning Organizations Representatives and Support Staff

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Application for Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program and Statewide Transportation Enhancement Funds

Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program

The Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) is a statewide competitive application program. The program was created in response to (ISTEA), which established a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program. Since Iowa already meets the National Ambient Air Quality Standards, the ICAAP is designed to assist the state in maintaining its current status.

Project sponsors (state, county, city, etc.) submit applications to their respective MPO/RPA for consideration. The MPO/RPA will submit project applications consistent with its long-range transportation plan to the appropriate (Iowa DOT) District Planner by October 1 each year, to be considered for federal funding during the following federal fiscal year. The District Planner will evaluate the applications for completeness. Incomplete applications will be returned to the sponsor. The remaining will be forwarded to the Office of Systems Planning for distribution to the ICAAP project evaluation committee.

The ICAAP project evaluation committee consists of one representative selected from each of the following: Iowa DOT, Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Iowa Public Transit Association (IPTA), MPOs, and RPAs. The ICAAP project evaluation committee will evaluate and rank projects. The office of Systems Planning will submit projects recommended for funding to the Iowa Transportation Commission for approval. Transportation Commission approved ICAAP projects will be placed in the appropriate MPO/RPA TIPs and STIP. Opportunities for public input will be available the same as for all STIP entries.

The Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program pamphlet (which outlines the program) and application forms can be obtained from the District Planners or the Office of Systems Planning web site at [HTTP://www.SYSPLAN.DOT.STATE.IA.US/ICAAP.HTM](http://www.SYSPLAN.DOT.STATE.IA.US/ICAAP.HTM).

Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program

The purpose of the Transportation Enhancement Program is to fund projects or programs related to transportation that will enhance the environmental, scenic, or cultural quality of a site or an area. With respect to any project or the area to be served by the project, the term "transportation enhancement activities" means: provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, safety and educational activities; acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites; scenic or historic highway programs, including tourist and welcome centers; landscaping and other scenic beautification; historic preservation; rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities including historic

railroad facilities and canals; preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion and use thereof) for pedestrian or bicycle trails; control and removal of outdoor advertising; archaeological planning and research; mitigation of water pollution due to highway runoff, including projects that reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity; and/or establishment of transportation museums.

Fifty percent of the Iowa apportionment for STP transportation enhancement funds will be programmed through a statewide competitive application process. (The remaining 50 percent has been “distributed” among the MPOs and RPAs to address similar proposals of a more local nature). Statewide transportation enhancement project sponsors will submit applications to the Office of Systems Planning by October 1 each year to be considered for federal funding during the following federal fiscal year. This means funding for an application submitted by October 1 and subsequently awarded will generally not be available for development until the following October 1. The project sponsor should provide a courtesy copy of the application to the MPO/RPA. The Office of Systems Planning then distributes to the appropriate statewide transportation enhancement project advisory committee.

Three statewide transportation enhancement project advisory committees (Trails and Bicycle Facilities, Historical and Archaeological, and Scenic and Natural Resources) will evaluate and rank projects. The committees consist of representatives selected from the Iowa DOT, DNR, Department of Economic Development, Department of Cultural Affairs, Iowa Trails Council, other related public agencies, and citizens. The office of Systems Planning will submit a listing of projects recommended for funding to the Iowa Transportation Commission for approval. Transportation Commission approved statewide transportation enhancement projects must be included in the appropriate MPO/RPA TIPs and the STIP. Public participation will be accomplished in the same manner as for all STIP entries.

The statewide transportation enhancement program pamphlet (which outlines the program) and application forms are available from the District Planners or the Office of Systems Planning web site at [HTTP://www.SYSPLAN.DOT.STATE.IA.US/ICAAP.HTM](http://www.SYSPLAN.DOT.STATE.IA.US/ICAAP.HTM).

Appendix 3

FY 2007 Programming Guidance for Transit Vehicles

Vehicle Type	Standard Description	Typical Capacities (Seats/WC's)	Ceiling* for Federal Participation	Federal Replacement Threshold
Minivan	Minivan	3/1, 1/2	83% of \$ 40,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Non-ADA Standard Minivan	Non-ADA Standard Minivan	6	80% of \$ 27,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Conversion Van #	Conversion Van	8/1, 4/2	83% of \$ 42,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Non-ADA Standard Van #	Non-ADA Standard Van	14	80% of \$ 28,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Light Duty Bus (138" wb)	138" LD bus	8/1, 4/2	83% of \$ 58,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Non-ADA LD bus (138" wb)	Non-ADA 138" LD bus	13	80% of \$ 48,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Light Duty Bus (158" wb)	158" LD bus	13/1, 6/2	83% of \$ 60,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Non-ADA LD bus (158" wb)	Non-ADA 158" LD bus	17-21	80% of \$ 50,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Light Duty Bus (176" wb)	176" LD bus	14/2, 10/3	83% of \$ 64,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Non-ADA LD bus (176" wb)	Non-ADA 176" LD bus	25	80% of \$ 52,000	4 yr./100,000 mi.
Medium Duty Bus (to 28 ft.)	28' MD bus	12/2, 8/3	83% of \$ 120,000	7 yr./200,000 mi.
Medium Duty Bus (29-32 ft.)	30' MD bus	13/2, 10/3	83% of \$ 124,000	7 yr./200,000 mi.
Medium Duty Bus (33-36 ft.)	35' MD bus	17/2, 14/3	83% of \$ 138,000	7 yr./200,000 mi.
Medium Duty Bus (37-42 ft.)	40' MD bus	21/2, 18/3	83% of \$ 152,000	7 yr./200,000 mi.
Heavy Duty Bus (26-29 ft.)	26' HD bus	18/2, 14/3	83% of \$ 250,000	10 yr./350,000 mi.
Heavy Duty Bus (30-34 ft.)	30' HD bus	26/2, 22/3	83% of \$ 282,000	10 yr./350,000 mi.
Heavy Duty Bus (35-39 ft.)	35' HD bus	34/2, 30/3	83% of \$ 297,000	12 yr./500,000 mi.
Heavy Duty Bus (40-42 ft.)	40' HD bus	42/2, 38/3	83% of \$ 310,000	12 yr./500,000 mi.

Diesel Engine: included in ceiling for HD and MD buses; but add \$6,000 to programmed cost for light duty buses. [Be sure to list "diesel" in project description.]

Alternate Fuel Engine: add funding required to ceiling shown and justify cost increase separately for CNG, LNG, or other clean air engine/features.

Urban Fixed-Route Configuration: included in ceiling for HD buses; but, for purchasing farebox, two way radios, destination signs, passenger signal devices(s), PA system, and standee grab bars add \$5,000 to programmed cost for LD and MD buses. If destination signs are electronic for a MD bus the fixed route configuration may be increased to \$8,000.

Vehicle Surveillance Systems: If a vehicle will be equipped with an expansion (not replacement) digital video and audio surveillance system, the program ceiling for that vehicle type should be increased: 1) for van type vehicles that will be equipped with at least two cameras by \$2,500 (\$2,075 fed); 2) for buses that will be equipped with at least four cameras by \$4,000 (\$3,320 fed) and 3) for MD/HD buses that will be equipped with at least six cameras by \$8,000 (\$6,640 fed).

Body Styling Upgrades: Each program ceiling shown is for a standard revenue vehicle. You are allowed to program body styling upgrades (e.g. trolley; BRT styling) on a separate line of your TIP. Such upgrades must use local, formula, peerpool, STP or other funds rather than statewide Section 5309 funding.

Vehicle Rehabilitation (REHAB): may be programmed for minivans, vans, LD, and MD buses at 30% of new cost (i.e. FY2007 Ceiling with 80% federal participation, if vehicle has met minimum FTA replacement (REPL) threshold. (Once rehabbed, a vehicle's replacement threshold will be 50% of the federal replacement threshold for a new vehicle.

Vehicle Remanufacture (REMAN): may be programmed for HD buses meeting replacement threshold at 50% of "new" cost with 80% federal participation. (Once remanufactured, a vehicle's replacement threshold will be 50% of the federal replacement threshold).

***Ceilings** shown reflect that each vehicle programmed must be equipped to meet ADA, unless it is specifically described and justification is provided for the vehicle to be "Non-ADA". Two-way radio purchase/transfer, vehicle inspection and make ready cost, as well as factory visit costs are also eligible expenses under these ceilings.

Conversion and standard vans with wheelbases of 127" to 148" are not recommended for "like kind" replacement or fleet expansion under Iowa DOT administered grants. NHTSA has issued warnings about the safety of conversion and standard vans. Some insurance carriers have also increased premiums or may deny coverage, on these types of vehicles. As such, transit systems planning to purchase replacements for such vehicles are permitted/encouraged to program a minivan or a light duty bus instead.

RPA-07 Iowa Northland Regional Trans. Authority
2006 - 2008 Transportation Improvement Program

Sponsor Name	Project # / Location / Desc	Length FHWA Brdg No Sec: Twp:Rng	Project Funding	Pgm'd Amts in \$1,000's			TPMS # PA:Co:CoSeq ITEM NO.
				FY06	FY07	FY08	
[1] STP - Surface Transportation Program							
Region Wide [00]							
RPA-07	RGPL--PA07(PMS)--ST-00 INRTA : PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION ... Trans Planning		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 13 \$ 10 \$ 10	\$ 13 \$ 10 \$ 10	\$ 13 \$ 10 \$ 10	385 7:0:34 60019
RPA-07	RGPL--PA07(RTP)--ST-00 INRTA - RPA 7 : RPA 7 PLANNING & PROGRAMMING Trans Planning		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 30 \$ 24 \$ 24	\$ 30 \$ 24 \$ 24	\$ 30 \$ 24 \$ 24	1403 7:0:33 60227
RPA-07	RGPL--PA07(UDS)--ST-00 RPA 7 : URBAN DESIGN STANDARDS Trans Planning		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 8 \$ 6 \$ 6	\$ 8 \$ 6 \$ 6	\$ 8 \$ 6 \$ 6	6817 7:0:181 60018

Inclusion in this list DOES NOT guarantee Federal Aid eligibility

Black Hawk County [7]

Black Hawk CRD	STP-S-C007(75)--5E-07 Tgt. Let Date: 02/21/2006 V-49: Donald St. to County Line Pavement Rehab	5 Mi	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 1,401 \$ 600 \$ 600	--	--	7409 7:7:115 60231
Black Hawk CRD	STP-S-C007(95)--5E-07 Tgt. Let Date: 03/20/2007 V49: Hwy 281 to .25 South of Donald St Pavement Rehab	1.75 Mi	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	-- \$ 595 \$ 325	--	--	10447 7:7:190 --
Black Hawk CRD	STP-S-PA07(IA27a)--5E-07 IA27/US218: C66 Dunkerton Rd to Waverly Planning Study [RPA INITIATIVE]	9 Mi	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 600 \$ 400 \$ 400	--	--	12053 7:7:171 60238

Bremer County [9]

Plainfield	STP-U-6082(601)--70-09 Tgt. Let Date: 04/18/2006 Old Hwy 218: SCL to NCL Pavement Rehab		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 547 \$ 438 \$ 438	--	--	8575 7:9:47 60241
Waverly	STP-U-8190(4thAve)--70-09 4TH AVE SW/11TH: 11th St SW to 4th Ave SW Grade and Pave	0.43 Mi	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	-- -- --	--	\$ 350 \$ 150 \$ 150	13245 7:9:71 --
Waverly	STP-U-8190(5TH)--70-09 5TH AVE SW: 4TH ST SW to 8TH ST SW Grade and Pave		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	-- -- --	\$ 250 \$ 150 \$ 150	--	11726 7:9:52 --
Waverly	STP-U-8190(619)--70-09 Tgt. Let Date: 02/21/2006 1st St NW: 1st St NW/9th Ave NW 4th St NW/10th Ave... Pavement Rehab		Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 250 \$ 150 \$ 150	--	--	8571 7:9:46 60240
Bremer CRD	STP-S-C009(46)--5E-09 Tgt. Let Date: 03/21/2006 V-56: Ia 3 to C-33 Pavement Rehab	4 Mi	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	\$ 320 \$ 256 \$ 256	--	--	2910 7:9:66 60243
Bremer CRD	STP-S-C009(L-11-108)--5E-09 C-50: Q. Sec. Run Bridge Denver to V-49(Reed Av) Pavement Rehab	03:91:11 6.25 Mi 26:91:12	Project Total Federal Aid Regional FA	-- -- --	\$ 400 \$ 300 \$ 300	--	8460 7:9:69 --

STATE OF IOWA
Transportation Improvement Program
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Fund Type Codes
 5309 - Capital Program
 5303 - Metropolitan Planning Program
 5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Program
 5316 - Job Access/Reverse Commute Program
 5310 - Elderly and Person with Disabilities Program
 5311 - Nonurbanized Area Formula Program
 5313/5314 - State Planning & Research
 5317 - New Freedoms Program

Inclusion of a project in the STIP does not guarantee Federal-Aid eligibility.
 Eligibility will be determined in a case-by-case basis when project authorization is requested from the FTA.

Region 9 -	Fund Type	Recipient	Description of Project	Vehicle ID	Type Exp	Type Proj	Total Cost				Federal Participation				
							2007	2008	2009	2010	2007	2008	2009	2010	2007 STA
	5311/STA	RBT	General Operations/Maintenance/Administration		O		\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$146,000	\$146,000	\$146,000	\$146,000	\$271,976
	3037	RBT	JARC project		O		\$261,000	\$261,000	\$261,000	\$261,000	\$130,500	\$130,500	\$130,500	\$130,500	
	5309	RBT	Seven 138" LD buses	71, 274, 500, 501, 502, 503, 514	C	Rep	\$406,000				\$336,980				
	5311	RBT	Administration/maintenance equipment		C	Rep	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	
	5309	RBT	Two 138" LD buses	77, 78	C	Rep		\$116,000			\$96,280				
	TOTAL						\$2,492,000	\$2,202,000	\$2,086,000	\$2,086,000	\$633,480	\$392,780	\$276,500	\$276,500	\$271,976
	5311/STA	Muscatine	General Operations/Maintenance/Administration		O		\$748,000	\$800,000			\$110,000	\$125,000			\$157,790
	3037	Muscatine	Job Access project		O		\$212,000	\$182,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$106,000	\$91,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	
	5311	Muscatine	Rear-vision cameras (10)		C	Exp	\$8,000				\$6,400				
	5309	Muscatine	Power brush washer		C	Exp		\$20,000				\$160,000			
	TOTAL						\$968,000	\$1,002,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$222,400	\$376,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$157,790
	5311	BiState RC	Transit Planning		P		\$13,739	\$13,739	\$13,739	\$13,739	\$10,991	\$10,991	\$10,991	\$10,991	
	planning total						\$13,739	\$13,739	\$13,739	\$13,739	\$10,991	\$10,991	\$10,991	\$10,991	

Appendix 6

STIP & TIP Major Work Descriptions

Grade & Pave	Pavement Markings
Pave	Traffic Signs
Pavement Widening	Corridor Preservation
Pavement Rehabilitation/Widening	Right-of-Way
Pavement Rehabilitation	Buildings
Patching	Rest Area Improvement
Pavement Planing	Weigh Scale Improvement
Bridge Approach Repair	Salvage & Removal
Bridge New	Asbestos Removal
Bridge Replacement	Noise Wall
Bridge Widening	Miscellaneous
Bridge Rehabilitation	Under development
Bridge Deck Overlay	Planning Study
Bridge Removal	Outside Services Planning
Bridge Rail Retrofit	Outside Services Engineering
Bridge Painting	Outside Services ROW
Bridge Washing	Outside Services Bridge Inspection
Culvert New	Outside Services Survey
Culvert Replacement	Transit Investments
Culvert Extension	Transportation Planning
Culvert Repair	Transportation Enhancements
Grade	- Archaeological Planning & Research
Ditch Improvement	- Historic Transportation (Bldgs., Structures, or Facilities)
Slope Improvement	- Operation
Subdrains	- Rehabilitation
Sanitary Sewer	- Historic Preservation
Fencing	- Scenic/Historic Highway Improvements
Rip Rap	- Acquisition or Easement for Scenic/ Historic Site
Shoulder Grading	- Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities
Granular Shoulders	- Development
Erosion Control	- Right of Way
Landscaping	- Grading
Wetland Mitigation	- Paving
Guardrail	- Grading & Paving
Lighting	- Structure
Railroad Signals	- Miscellaneous
Traffic Signals	

Appendix 7

MPO TIP Checklist

All Required for MPO TIP (a minimum of 8 copies to be submitted to the Office of Program Management)

- Listing of all federal-aid projects proposed for FHWA or FTA funds for four federal fiscal years, plus a status report of all previously authorized significant MPO projects still underway.
- Listing of projects proposed for a previous program period that will not be authorized until the upcoming STIP is in force (rollover projects). “Authorized” means approval of federal-aid participation by the FHWA or grant approved by FTA.
- Summary of total costs and federal aid compiled by funding program by year.
- Resolution or policy action of adoption of the TIP by the MPO.
- Self certification of the MPO planning process.
- Financial capacity analysis for MPO transit programs included in TIP or Consolidated Transit Funding Application.
- Self certification of the MPO financial capacity analysis.
- Planning justification (narrative) for all transit projects include in Consolidated Transit Funding Application.
- Feasibility Study for any transit facility projects programmed in the first year of the TIP included in Consolidated Transit Funding Application.
- Vehicle numbers for all projects to replace, remanufacture or rehabilitate transit rolling stock.
- All transit projects that are not intended to implement aspects of the ADA plan should be specifically identified.
- Discussion about the MPO project selection procedures.
- Discussion reviewing the fiscal constraint of the program.
- Discussion concerning the MPO public participation process and the public comments received.
- Status report of all projects included in previous federal fiscal year

Appendix 8

RPA TIP Checklist

Required Items (a minimum of three copies should be provided to the Office of Program Management)

- Listing of all federal-aid projects proposed for FHWA or FTA funds for four federal fiscal years.
- Listing of projects proposed for a previous program period that will not be authorized until the upcoming STIP is in force (rollover projects). “Authorized” means approval of federal-aid participation by the FHWA or grant approved by FTA.
- Summary of total costs and federal aid compiled by funding program by year.
- Resolution or policy action of adoption of the TIP by the RPA.
- Planning justification (narrative) for all transit projects included in TIP or Consolidated Transit Funding Application.
- Vehicle numbers for all projects to replace, remanufacture or rehabilitate transit rolling stock.
- All transit projects that are not intended to implement aspects of the ADA plan should be specifically identified.
- Feasibility study for any transit facility project programmed in the first year of the TIP included in Consolidated Transit Funding Application.
- Status report of all projects included in the previous federal fiscal year.

Suggested Items

- Self certification of the RPA planning process.
- Financial capacity analysis for RPA transit programs.
- Self certification of the RPA financial capacity analysis.
- Discussion about the RPA project selection procedures.
- Discussion concerning the RPA public participation process and the public comments received.
- Discussion reviewing the fiscal constraint of the program.

Appendix 9

STIP Checklist

Section 23 CFR 450.220 of the April 1, 1999, statewide planning regulations describes six certifications that the state must make when submitting their proposed STIP, and amendments as necessary, to FHWA and FTA for approval. The state shall certify that their transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with the following requirements:

1. 23 U.S.C. 135, Section 8 (q) of the Federal Transit Act;
2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
3. Section 1003 (b) of the ISTEA regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in FHWA- and FTA-funded projects;
4. Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act;
5. Provisions of 49 CFR part 20 regarding restrictions on influencing certain federal activities; and
6. In states containing nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act.

In addition to these certifications, Section 450.216 describes a number of requirements that the state should also ensure are met when submitting the STIP. These requirements are as follows:

1. Public involvement was provided for in the development of the STIP as required by 450.212;
2. The metropolitan planning area TIPs are included without modification, directly or by reference, and have been approved by the Governor or his designee;
3. The STIP, in nonattainment and maintenance areas, contains only transportation projects found to conform, or from programs that conform, to the requirements contained in 40 CFR part 51;

4. The STIP contains only projects consistent with the long-range statewide transportation plan;
5. The STIP is financially constrained by year;
6. The STIP includes a list of priority projects to be carried out in the first four years of the current program;
7. The STIP contains all regionally-significant transportation projects requiring action by FHWA or FTA.

Appendix 10

**Instructions and guidelines
for preparation of FY 2007 TIP's via TPMS****Introduction:**

Commencing with Fiscal Year 2007, the DOT requests that all RPA/MPO TIP's be assembled and submitted via TPMS. DOT projects will be supplied electronically, via direct download from the Department's project database. County road departments have been instructed to prepare and submit their TIP candidates via TPMS simultaneously with the preparation of their state Five year programs.

The primary duty of planning agencies will be to accept, consolidate, review, and approve the submittals from their member local public agencies. (LPA). Secondly, they may need to update TIP entries for non-county-road, non-DOT project sponsors.

The following text and instructions are provided to assist in RPA/MPO staff members perform both tasks.

Part 1 – Overview

TPMS facilitates electronic preparation, review, and approval of federal aid TIP's and the STIP by recording the projects' passage through five stages:

1. LPA preparation and submittal

All projects start out as "In Prep" (for In Preparation) after being added as TIP candidates. While in this status, they may be freely edited, updated, or deleted, as needed. After the sponsor completes such setup work, they checkmark the projects and click an update button to electronically forward the jobs to their affiliated planning agency.

2. RPA/MPO review & approval

Upon receipt of email notification that their sponsors have submitted their TIP projects, each planning agency consolidates the list and conducts their standard project selection, prioritization, and approval process. When this is done, they go back to TPMS, checkmark the projects that are to be sent on to the DOT and click to Update.

3. DOT review & approval

The DOT accepts and consolidates the individual TIP's into the State TIP and conducts the necessary state level reviews and public involvement processes. Upon completion of those tasks, the Office of Program Management submits the entire STIP to the FHWA.

4. FHWA review & approval

The Iowa FHWA office reviews the submitted STIP against federal requirements and then approves it.

5. Rollover

Around October 1st, TPMS conducts a 'roll-over' process in which FY06 will be retired, FY07 becomes the *Approved* TIP, and a *Draft* FY08 version is made ready for the next FY cycle.

Part 2 – Sources of 2007 TIP elements

The projects contained in any single fiscal year's TIP arrive from a number of different sources. This section briefly describes where each type came from and highlights any unique characteristics they may have.

Section 2a – FY06 Carryover

During the last roll-over, conducted in early October 2005, TPMS tagged the FY 2006 STIP as the current APPROVED TIP, and then created an FY07 draft edit version from it. The majority of the projects in each new FY program will be derived from the roll-over process.

Projects in the first year of the FY06 program were treated as follows:

1. Any marked Let or Cancelled were dropped out of the 2007 program
2. All other 2006 projects were rolled back one year and placed in the first year of the 2007 program.
3. FY 07 and 08 jobs were copied from the FY2006 program "as-is"

Section 2b – New projects from LPA's

Project sponsor can add in entirely new projects, from scratch, or may reinstate old projects.

Section 2c – RPA/MPO internal allocations

Planning agencies may add in new items for transportation planning, pavement management, SUDAS, transit, etc.

Section 2d – DOT projects

DOT projects for FY2007 will be electronically downloaded from the DOT's own five year plan and automatically incorporated into each planning agency's TIP.

Part 3 – RPA/MPO accept/review/approve process

This section lists and explains the "mechanics" of conducting the planning agency role within the larger TIP.STIP process.

Section 3a – Receive 'Submitted' projects

The first step, for planning agencies, is passive: as sponsors mark and submit projects, TPMS will notify affiliated RPA's and MPO's by email. The key thing will be for the planning agency staff to monitor which sponsors have made their submissions and which haven't. At some point, they will probably want to contact the LPA in question and remind them to get the task complete. Or, for smaller, inexperienced sponsors, it may be necessary to obtain their TIP candidates on paper and then edit & submit for them. (In such cases, refer to Part 4)

Note – you may find that your member LPA's have not submitted all of their projects, and have left some of them resting in "In Prep" status. This is an acceptable practice. It permits them to keep projects alive and "at-the-ready" in case a special opportunity to fund them comes along.

Section 3b – Extract program data for offline use

When a sufficient number of submittals have been received, a planning agency will want to extract the list of projects for off-line use. To do this, first click on the “Submitted” button in the upper right hand Status selection box. Then either click on [Excel](#), to get a spreadsheet copy of the projects, or click the View PDF button to obtain a PDF listing.



The Excel file version is amenable to being imported into a database while the PDF version is automatically sorted, grouped and formatted.

Section 3c – Conduct internal review, select, prioritize process

Once the list of projects has been obtained, each planning agency should proceed with its normal process of project selection, prioritization that is done, come back into TPMS to record approved. This is done by checking the approved job, then clicking on the Update button



and approval. When all which projects were Submit to DOT box of each at the bottom of the page.

Note – It isn’t all required that submitted projects be sent on to the DOT. If not all submitted projects get approved, it’s OK to leave the unapproved ones in “Submitted” status – or you may click Reset to return them to “In Prep” status.

Section 3d – Make final adjustments

Sometimes a project will be approved, but for a different amount or fiscal year than the sponsor proposed. If that happens, follow these steps to correct the TPMS record before submitting the job on to the DOT:

- a) Click on the project’s Reset button – this will put it back in the editable “In Prep” status
- b) Then click on the project sponsor’s name (7th column from the left)
- c) Locate the project in their program worksheet and click on the project number to open the edit pages.
- d) Use the Step 1,2,3 and 4 pages to make necessary changes
- e) Return to the Pgm Worksheet page, check the “Submit to TIP” box, and click Update
- f) Return to the STIP pages, click on the Submitted button, and the project will appear, ready for sending to the DOT

Part 4 – Making updates for member LPA's

Although planners should expect that all DOT and County Road Department projects will be submitted by their respective owners on-line, smaller or inexperienced users, like conservations boards and cities, will likely not yet be up to speed on TPMS for FY 2007. Therefore, RPA's and MPO's will need to make some entries and updates on behalf of those types of project sponsors. The following outline sections describe how to go into TPMS and do this.

Note that there are separate instructions for dealing with 'active' and 'inactive' sponsors. As used in this context 'active' means any sponsor that already shows up in the TIP/STIP Programming view – Screen 2.1a. Since they have live projects, they will show up in the Sponsor Name column and their program worksheets can be viewed simply by clicking on their underlined name. Inactive sponsors are those that do not yet have any projects in the program. If you need to add a job in for them, you start by selecting their name from the "Add in a new sponsor" drop down box, then clicking on "V0.0 Original" in 2007 line of their TIP section in the Program Status View – Screen 3.1

Section 4a – How to make updates for an active sponsor

There are a number of things that may be done on behalf of an active sponsor. As noted above, start by clicking on their name in the 'Sponsor Name' column, then:

- If a project needs to be deleted, (because it's let or cancelled), click on the [X] box in the right most column. (You won't be able to delete projects that are active for development if their let dates fall AFTER the Oct 2006 letting.)
- If a project is otherwise OK, but needs to be moved to a different FY, used the Up/Down arrows to shift it.
- When it is necessary to actually revise an existing project:
 - Click on the Project number to open the Step 1-4 edit and review pages
 - Use the Step 1 page to edit project location and site attributes
 - Use the Step 2 page to redo the project number and/or change work code
 - Use the Step 3 page to edit the project budget
 - The Step 4 page presents a review of data as entered
- To add a new project into the program:
 - Click on the New Project button at top right of the sponsor's program worksheet.
 - When the add project screen comes up:
 - If the project already exists in TPMS, you can reinstate it by clicking the Add button in the right hand column. TPMS will ask if you want to insert immediately or edit the project first. If you choose to insert without edit, the project will go into the first year of the program – so you may need to shift it back in the worksheet page when you return to it. If you choose to edit immediately, you'll cycle through the Step 1-4 screens before insertion.
 - If the project is brand new, click the Add Project button at top of the listing and go through the Step 1-4 pages to enter the project data.

Section 4b – How to make updates for inactive sponsor

To add a job in for an inactive sponsor, you start by selecting their name from the “Add in a new sponsor” drop down box, then clicking on “V0.0 Original” in 2007 line of their TIP section in the Program Status View – Screen 3.1. This will open an empty program worksheet. From there:

- To add a new project into the program:
 - Click on the New Project button at top right of the sponsor’s program worksheet.
 - When the add project screen comes up:
 - If the project already exists in TPMS, you can reinstate it by clicking the Add button in the right hand column. TPMS will ask if you want to insert immediately or edit the project first. If you choose to insert without edit, the project will go into the first year of the program – so you may need to shift it back in the worksheet page when you return to it. If you choose to edit immediately, you’ll cycle through the Step 1-4 screens before insertion.
 - If the project is brand new, click the Add Project button at top of the listing and go through the Step 1-4 pages to enter the project data.

Part 5 – Post RPA/MPO calendar

After a planning agency submits their TIP to the DOT, a number of downstream events will occur. Regional/Metro TIP’s are due by May 15. This date is intended to allow time for your county engineer members to make final tweaks to their TIP candidates so that their federal aid program is consistent with their State 5-yr plan, which is turned in to the Office of Local Systems on April 15. Counties can’t tie things down one hundred percent until that date, as Boards may make last minute changes to project priorities or to funding.

Section 5a – Receipt by DOT Program Management

The DOT Office of Program Management will receive and consolidate the individual TIP’s into the State TIP, plus add in the separate transit elements.

Section 5b – Public review process

Will be conducted in June and July

Section 5c – Finalization (August)

In August, the Office of Program Management will accept ‘late arrivals’ from you to let you fine tune and perfect regional programs to fit changes in circumstance that may have evolved since May.

Section 5d – Submission to FHWA (September)

When all items have been reviewed and have FHWA ID numbers assigned, the DOT will submit the STIP to the FHWA electronically.

Section 5e – FHWA approval (Late September)

Upon receipt of notification, FHWA staff will review the STIP and then grant final approval.

Section 5f – Rollover (Early October)

In early October, TPMS will be put through the annual roll-over process:

1. The FY 2006 TIP will be retired
2. The FY 2007 DRAFT program will be promoted to APPROVED status and become the effective federal aid programming reference.
3. An FY 2008 DRAFT version will be establish, to be ready for the next annual cycle.