

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – August 16, 2023

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Call to Order:

The BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Those Present Were:

Dominic Pavone, BCATS Staff; James Deweerdt, BCATS Staff; Colleen Maillette, Bay County Commissioner; Richard Bayus, MDOT-SPS; Cody Bodrie, EMCOG; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Terry Moulthane, City of Bay City; Rachel Phillips, City of Bay City; Glenn Rowley, Bangor Township Supervisor; Terri Close, Hampton Township Supervisor, Craig Goulet, City of Essexville and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department.

Minutes from June 21, 2023 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting:

It was moved by Rowley, seconded by Sprague, to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2023 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

Legislative Update:

There was no official update brought before the committee. There was discussion regarding State funding decreases for road projects in 2024. Bangor Township received \$10M in funding for the State Park Project, which is approximately 1/3 of the whole project cost.

BCATS Public Hearing on 2023-2026 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:36 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss changes to the 2023-2026 TIP. A handout of the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification was passed out at the meeting for review and discussion. Recently approved FY2023 MDOT jobs #218333 and #218429. The Midland Street Project (#218333) funding needs to be approved for the advance construction by September 12, 2023. Due to an issue with a job not being transposed when the allocation carryover amount was delivered, there must be funding changes made to two projects. First Job #218333 will have some money advance constructed from FY2024 to FY2023. Second, there is a construction phase added to Job #218429 which only had a PE Phase planned so far. There was a correction on BMTA Job #219357 for the improvement project funding amount which should be increased, but Pavone thought that that funding was already accounted for in the job, for which he will double check. After checking, the change was made to add \$44,582 in 1130 funds. This is in part with BMTA working with FTA and MDOT PTD to consolidate existing grants, which requires bringing the funds forward to FY2023. This required defunding old jobs (#210614 & #210616) and creating new jobs (#219357 & #219359) to move the funding into FY2023.

FY2023:

1. **Job #207357** – Abandonment of this job phase for Special Pavement Markings
2. **Job #218985** – FPVS Asphalt Crack Treatment Project for M-13 Connector
3. **Job #219357** – Movement of funding sources from FY2020 job to this job for grant application and consolidation purposes. Job created with funding moved forward from FY2020.
4. **Job #219359** – Movement of funding sources from FY2021 job to this job for grant application and consolidation purposes. Job created with funding moved forward from FY2021.

FY2024:

1. **Job #128908** – Funding Adjustment for Bridge Replacement on M-13

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2. **Job #207382** – Administrative Modification for MDOT PE and Construction Traffic Safety project for permanent pavement marking application on Bay Region trunklines project. Phase budget equal or over 24%.
3. **Job #207383** – Abandonment of MDOT PE and Construction Traffic Safety special pavement marking application on Bay Region trunklines project.
4. **Job #207398** – Administrative Modification MDOT Traffic Safety pavement marking retroreflectivity readings on Bay Region trunklines project. Phase budget equal or over 24%.
5. **Job #214191** – Adjustment of Sec 5311 Operating Funding for SP3000 except JARC and New Freedom.
6. **Job #217124** – Administrative Modification for MDOT Traffic Safety I-75 Freeway Signing Project. Phase budget equal or over 24%.
7. **Job #218333** – Addition of Advanced Construct from 2024 to be put into JobNet to replace insufficient STUL Funding.
8. **Job #218429** – Addition of CON Phase on Scheurmann from Borton to Nebobish

FY2026:

1. **Job #211183** – Administrative Modification for MDOT Westbound US-10 project (7 Mile to County Line Road) Phase Delay. Move to a later TIP Cycle.
2. **Job #211561** - MDOT M-25 (over Saginaw River) Bridge Rehabilitation and Repair Construction Phase.

The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the BCATS 2023-2026 TIP was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Approval of the FY 2023-2026 TIP Amendments & Administrative Modifications

The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 1:55 p.m.

A motion was made by Sprague, seconded by Phillips, to approve the FY 2023-2026 TIP Amendments as listed above, including the addition of the STUL funding balance changes for FY2023 jobs #218333 and the CON Phase for #218429 that will be submitted into JobNet. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Proposed 2020 BCATS Adjusted Census Urban Boundary (ACUB):

A draft copy of the proposed 2020 BCATS Adjusted Census Urban Boundary (ACUB) was provided at the meeting for review and recommendations. It was pointed out the Rural Task Force Funds can't be used for urban areas. A few sections on the outer boundary of Bay County on the map included areas that were not truly urban areas but rather more like urban clusters. The BCATS Technical committee recommended that these areas be removed from the Adjusted Census Urban Boundary. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Moulthane, seconded by Goulet, to approve the Proposed 2020 BCATS Adjusted Census Urban Boundary (ACUB), with the inclusion of the BCATS Technical Committee recommended changes and modifications listed above. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Project Updates:

Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA)

The BMTA is working on the rehabilitation of the Central Bus Station (CBS). No new vans will

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be purchased at this time.

City of Essexville

No updates were brought before the committee.

East Michigan Council of Governments (EMCOG)

No updates were brought before the committee.

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

No updates were brought before the committee.

Bangor Township

Several projects throughout the township to replace water lines with new roads.

Hampton Township

No updates were brought before the committee.

City of Bay City

The Wenona Street Project ongoing. The Midland Road Project paving has been completed. The Kosciuszko Avenue project will be done in two phases and there will be a one-lane traffic shift, with some sidewalks and curb work also being done. The Saginaw Street Project will start September 18th after Labor Day 2023. This American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded project will be done in two phases. The Columbus Street Project (Saginaw to M-15) is a mill and fill with ADA sidewalk ramps that will start next week and is also an ARPA funded project.

Bay County Road Commission (BCRC)

There was a brief discussion regarding the Bob's Bar demolition. This project is waiting for Consumers Energy to terminate the gas line before demolition can move forward.

Other/New Business:

There was no new business brought before the committee.

Next BCATS Policy Committee Meeting:

The next BCATS Policy Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at the Bay County Building in the third-floor conference room. The location of the conference room is subject to change. However, all interested parties will be notified about any changes before the meeting.

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Rowley, seconded by Goulet, to adjourn the August 16, 2023 BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 2:11 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dominic Pavone

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Transcribed by C. Gaul