**Call to Order:**
The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Those Present Were:**

James Deweerdt, BCATS Staff; Laura Ogar, Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Steve Katenhus, MDOT; Max Gierman, MDOT; Jim Lillo, BCRC; Cody Bodrie, EMCOG; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Terry Moultane, City of Bay City; Rachel Phillips, City of Bay City; Craig Goulet, City of Essexville and, Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department.

**Minutes from June 13, 2023 BCATS Technical Meeting:**

A motion was made by Reithel, seconded by Goulet, to approve the minutes from May 9, 2023 BCATS Technical Committee. The 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. It is anticipated that the State will roll back to 2016 funding levels for transportation projects. Water and sewer project funding will be cut and there will be new MPO rules being introduced.

**FY2023-2026 TIP Amendments, Administrative Modifications:**

Deweerdt provided a handout of the FY 2023-2026 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification for review and recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

**FY2024:**

1. **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%.
2. **Job #207383** – Abandonment of MDOT PE and Construction Traffic Safety special pavement marking application on Bay Region trunklines project.
3. **Job #207398** – Administrative Modification MDOT Traffic Safety pavement marking retroreflectivity readings on Bay Region trunklines project. Phase budget equal or over 24%.
4. **Job #217124** – Administrative Modification for MDOT Traffic Safety I-75 Freeway Signing Project. Phase budget equal or over 24%.

**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.

A motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Phillips, to favorably recommend the FY 2023-2026 TIP amendment/administrative modifications listed above be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed Unanimously.

**Review and Recommend Projects to the Policy Committee:**

There were no recommendations brought before the committee.

**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 committee felt that this area should be removed from the Adjusted Census Urban Boundary.

A motion was made by Ogar, seconded by Moultane, to favorably recommend the Proposed 2020 BCATS Adjusted Census Urban Boundary (ACUB), with BCATS Technical Committee recommended changes and modifications, be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed Unanimously.

**Project Updates:**

**City of Bay City**

The Wenona Street Project ongoing. The Jenny to Midland Road is completed. The Grant Street project is completed. The midland Road Project is running into some funding issues and is expected to start in 2024. The McKinley Street Project is obligated for 2025. The Columbus Street Project (to Livingston) is a mill and fill. The Saginaw Street Project will start after Labor Day 2023. The bids for this project came in high. 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.

**Bay County Road Commission (BCRC)**The Road Commission currently doesn’t have any projects in the BCATS area. The contractor is ready to do the Bob’s Bar demolition, the cost will be $34,000 for the demolition and $45 per/ton for the removal of contaminated materials. Consumers Energy will need to terminate the gas line before demolition. The project is currently waiting on permit approval. The State Park Drive project just received $10M from the State. The base plan for the State Park Drive project is in place and will include new water main, new services, heavy road rehabilitation, non-motorized lanes, and turn lanes. The project has been cleared by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHIPO) and the National Education Partnership Office (NEPO). Lillo is working on securing additional grant funding for this project.

**Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA)**
The BMTA is working on the rehabilitation of the Central Bus Station (CBS). No new vans will be purchased at this time.

**City of Essexville**
No updates were brought before the committee.

**Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)**The US-10 project in northern Bay County will create travel delays when heading up north. The M-13 project in northern Bay County will also be causing delays for traffic. The Lafayette Bridge Project is expected to start in early April 2024. This project will cause a 24-month closure of the bridge. Henery Street is scheduled to be repaved in 2024 ahead of the Lafayette Bridge Project.

**East Michigan Council of Governments (EMCOG)**
No updates were brought before the committee.

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**Other/New Business:**
There was no new business brought before the committee.

***Next BCATS Technical Committee Meeting***

The next BCATS Technical Committee Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 12, 2023** at 10:00 a.m. in the 7th floor conference room.

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Ogar, seconded by Moultane, to adjourn the August 8, 2023 BCATS Technical Committee meeting at 10:50 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Transcribed by C. Gaul*