**Call to Order:**
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

***Introductions were made.***

**Those Present Were:**

* Laura Ogar, Bay County Director of Environmental Affairs and Community Development
* Paige DeHate, MDOT Bay Region
* Craig Goulet, Essexville City Manager
* Cody Bodrie, EMCOG
* Rachel Phillips, Bay City Engineering Manager
* Cameron Hoard, MDOT
* Ryan Gladding, MDOT Planning
* NKule Mseleku, MDOT
* Tim Banaszak, Bay County Commissioner
* Terry Moultane, Bay City Planning Services Manager
* Jay Reithel, MDOT Bay Region Planner

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***Attended via phone:*** Jim Lillo, Bay County Road Commission Engineer-Manager

**Agenda for the** **February 11, 2025 BCATS Technical Meeting:**

A motion was made by Laura Ogar, seconded by Terry Moultane, to approve the agenda for the February 11, 2025 BCATS Technical Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

**Legislative Update:**

There were no legislative updates.

**Project Updates:**

**Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)**

* Lafayette Bridge is moving forward and still scheduled for construction into 2027.

**City of Essexville**

* The Scheurmann rehabilitation project was designed and constructed. The project went well.
* Essexville and Hampton Township are partnering to reconstruct Nebobish from the Essexville/Bay City limits to Pine.

**Bay County Road Commission (BCRC)**

* The County Road Commission has mill/fill projects designed for 6 locations, and they are going out for bid soon.
* The road commission and Bay City are partnering for a construction project on State Park Drive and potentially Henry Street. State funds have been announced, but more grants are necessary to fund the full project.

**City of Bay City**

* Smith Street, State to Patterson (JN 214516): Tree removal began 2/10/25. The reconstruction project is scheduled for the March 7 MDOT letting. The project is expected to begin in April, and construction will take 2 years (2025-2026). There will be a third phase (Henry to State) in 2027 that will be locally funded. Letters and door hangers were sent to residents, and there is a group email available for project updates.
* Marquette Ave, Johnson to Park, is a locally-funded reconstruction project. Bid opening will be 2/19/25 with construction to begin in March. Letters and door hangers were sent to residents, and there is a group email available for project updates.

**Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA)**
No updates were brought before the committee.

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

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

Jay Reithel provided a handout of the FY 2025 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification for review and recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

**FY2025:**

1. **Job #209614** – MDOT: Traffic and Safety Pavement Markings on all trunklines in Bay Region. New project to be amended.
2. **Job #220994** – Huron & Eastern: Railroad Crossing Funding to install flashing lights signals and half-roadway gates at W Ivy Street. New project to be amended.
3. **Job #222359** – Bay County Road Commisssion: STP/Rural funding to construct a one course mill/overlay on E Parish Road (8 Mile to 7 Mile).
4. **Job #211561** – MDOT GPA for Big Bridge Program rehabilitation on M-25 over the Saginaw River.
5. **Job #222005** – MDOT GPA for Road-CPM Program (PE phase) for one course Mill/Overlay on M-15 (Youngs Ditch to M-25).
6. **Job #222005** – MDOT GPA for Road-CPM Program (Con phase) for one course Mill/Overlay on M-15 (Youngs Ditch to M-25).
7. **Job #223379** - MDOT GPA for Traffic Signal Modernization on M-25 at Scheurmann.

A motion was made by Craig Goulet, seconded by Jay Reithel, to favorably recommend the FY 2025 TIP amendment/administrative modifications listed above be moved forward to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed Unanimously.

TIP Freeze Date were noted:

* BCATS 2026-2029 TIP – April through October 1, 2025
* MDOT 2026-2029 TIP – August through October 1, 2025

**Review and Approval of Draft 2026-2029 Project List:**

The Draft 2026-2029 Project List was brought forward for recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The following projects were proposed on the draft list:

* Smith Street (State to Patterson) – Bay City, JN 214516
* Shady Shore Road (Patterson to East End) – Bay County Road Commission
* Henry Street (Jenny to Vermont) – Bay City
* Bangor Road (Wheeler to Zimmer) – Bay County Road Commission
* Marquette (Ohio to State) – Bay City
* Patterson Road (Wheeler to Zimmer) – Bay County Road Commission
* Bay Metro FY 2026-2029

A motion was made by Laura Ogar, seconded by Cameron Bodrie, to favorably recommend the Draft 2026-2029 Project List to BCATS Policy Committee for approval. Motion Passed Unanimously.

**Other/New Business:**

* Ryan Gladding presented the BCATS TAC Demand Model Development and Review.
	+ The presentation provided information and explanation for:
		- Travel Demand Model & SE Data Review Information Sheet
		- BCATS (Bay), SATA (Saginaw), MATS (Midland) Coordination
		- Road Network and Traffic Count Data
		- Travel Analysis Zones (TAZ)
		- Socio-Economic Data and How it’s used
		- Role of Local Agencies
	+ Please review and provide any comments you may have on the socioeconomic, employment, and road network data on the map linked below and available for the next 6 months. Provide any relevant feedback on the current data and/or any future developments directly on the map. Future forecast data will be sent out in the next couple months, and MDOT Planning will finalize the data this fall.
	+ Review map for feedback: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/e4e759ff47744191aecccc3360015225>
* Laura Ogar provided information on staffing changes of BCATS staff. The County is hiring Joshua Vanderland as a Temporary Transportation Planner/GIS to start 2/18/25. Bryan Gillet and James Dewert are on extended leave, and Joshua will be temporarily filling in for their duties.

**Adjournment:**

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Craig Goulet, seconded by Laura Ogar, to adjourn the February 11, 2025 BCATS Technical Committee meeting at 10:47 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Rachel Phillips

City of Bay City

*Transcribed by R. Phillips*