Meramec Region Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes October 8, 2015

Members Present: Kenny Killeen (Crawford), Gary Brown (Dent), Darrell Skiles (Dent), Larry Kliethermes (Osage), T.R. Dudley (Washington), James Morgan, (Pulaski Alt.), Leo Sanders (Crawford), Nathan Schauf (Gasconade), Vicki Bade (Maries), John Casey (Washington), John Petersen, (Phelps Alt.), Dave Dudenhoeffer (Osage), and John Kamler (Gasconade).

Members Absent: Mark James (Maries), Paul Haslag (Osage), Cyndra Lorey, (Phelps Alt.), John Butz (Phelps), Randy Verkamp, (Phelps Alt.), Gary Hicks, (Phelps Alt.), Bruce Harrill (Pulaski), George Lauritson (Pulaski), Gene Newkirk (Pulaski), Jeff Clark, (Pulaski Alt.), Darrell Duncan, (Pulaski Alt.), Cody Brinley, (Washington Alt.), Mike Riddle, (Washington Alt.), Paul Watson (Crawford), and Ray Walden (Dent)

MoDOT Guests: Preston Kramer, MoDOT Area Engineer and Rand Swanigan, MoDOT Senior Roadside Management Specialist, and Bob Parsons (Dent)

Staff Present: Lyle Thomas, Donna Ridenhour, Tammy Snodgrass, and Holly Kreienkamp

Call to Order & Welcome: Chairman, Leo Sanders, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Approval of August 13, 2015, TAC Minutes: John Petersen made a motion, seconded by Larry Kleithermes to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Roadside Management: Rand Swanigan, MoDOT Senior Roadside Management Specialist, presented information regarding policies and goals for roadside maintenance, primarily as it pertains to noxious and/or invasive weeds. Mr. Swanigan provided a slide presentation showing the many different noxious weeds the transportation department has to deal with on a regular basis. There are twelve noxious weeds listed for the state of Missouri, Musk Thistle, Canada Thistle, Scotch Thistle, Johnson Grass, Common Teasel, Cutleaf Teasel, Field Bindweed, Kudzu, Spotted Knapweed, Multiflora Rose, Purple Loosestrife, and Marijuana.

Mobility Management System: Holly Kreienkamp, MRPC Mobility Manager, provided members with an introduction of the Mobility Management System. Holly has been working with eight (8) counties to get input and information for the Mobility Management System. There will be a Mobility Management Advisory meeting on October 20, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at MRPC.

2017 STIP Revisions: Preston Kramer, MoDOT Area Engineer, discussed the impact of unexpected revenue generated by increased car sales, car registrations and fuel sales. The \$47 million of additional revenue will allow MoDOT to match federal funds during FY2017.

Central District will receive approximately \$30.8 million additional dollars for FY2017 projects. Projects to be added to the FY17 STIP are required to have gone through the scoping process and must be ready for construction during FY2017. Projects may be either on the primary or supplementary 325 Plan designated routes. The Central District draft project list includes bridge projects and pavement treatments, but no expansion projects. Preston also noted that MoDOT crews are scheduled to complete 79 miles of chip seal during 2017 and 99 miles of chip seals during 2019, all within the Meramec Region.

The 325 Plan will now take effect in FY2018 when MoDOT will be unable to match federal funds unless the transportation funding shortfall is addressed.

MoDOT Construction Project Update: Preston Kramer, MoDOT Area Engineer, said the majority of projects were completed with a few to be completed over the next couple of months.

Preston Kramer explained chevron signs are being placed on all curves requiring suggested speed signs. This safety project is required by Federal Highways and is being completed under contract. Chevron placement is to be complete statewide by 2019.

Member Reports: Bonnie Prigge and Preston Kramer, will be making visits to the County Commission meetings. A schedule of dates and times were distributed.

Next TAC Meeting: December 10, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment: John Petersen made a motion, seconded by Dave Dudenhoeffer, the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.