

## **Meramec Region Transportation Advisory Committee**

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**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Rob Cummings and Danny Brown (Crawford); Gary Brown, Bob Parsons and Darrell Skiles (Dent); Tricia Heaney (Gasconade); Vic Stratman, Steve Vogt and Ray Schwartz (Maries); Darryl Griffin and Larry Kliethermes (Osage); Darin Pryor, Martin and Tom Coots (Phelps); Anita Ivey (Pulaski); and John Casey and T.R. Dudley (Washington)

**GUESTS:** Steve Engelbrecht and Kim Tipton (MoDOT)

**STAFF:** Anne Freand, Bonnie Prigge and Caitlin Jones (MRPC)

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order & Welcome:** Darin Pryor, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

**Approval of August 12, 2021 TAC Minutes:** Darrell Skiles motioned to approve the minutes, as submitted; Vic Stratman seconded. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**Tiers 1, 2 and 3 Update:** Steve Engelbrecht, MoDOT, provided an update on the status of each of the Tier projects and discussed any items that are moving forward for construction. Steve noted that while Tier 3 projects were prioritized at the previous TAC meeting in August, the finalized list at MoDOT's level. He estimates that a draft document will be submitted in late October or November. Kim Tipton noted that items moved into the STIP from each tier are then taken of the tier list, which allows for items on lower tiers to move up.

**TEAP Application Updates:** Kim Tipton, MoDOT, provided an update on TEAP applications for the Central District. Kim noted that there were four applications in the Central District and 26 submitted for the state. In previous years, applications were submitted for \$10,000 where MoDOT would reimburse 80% and the local jurisdiction would be responsible for the remaining 20%. This year, applications can be for \$15,000 with MoDOT reimbursing \$12,000 total. At this time, they are only working with one year of funding until the new transportation bill is approved at the federal level.

**FY22 County Unfunded Transportation Needs Update:** Anne Freand and Bonnie Prigge updated the commission on the upcoming dates for each county and noted that the group would be discussing multimodal needs as well this year. Anne requested that county TAC members identify start and stop points for sidewalk/trail needs to help specify improvements for multimodal.

**Arrive Alive Update:** Bonnie Prigge provided an update on regional numbers and activities and noted that there have been 794 fatalities in the state which is up from 2020 and 2019. The region

is down slightly from the previous year. As a part of the discussion, Bonnie read a Facebook post from Doolittle Fire Department which highlighted a recent crash where the driver noted the importance of wearing a seatbelt. She noted that the Coalition for Roadway Safety – Central District may be trying to acquire the vehicle for display at future awareness events. It was also noted that Buckle Up Phone Down day is October 22, 2021.

**MoDOT Updates and Staff Reports (As time allows):** Kim Tipton reminded everyone that as you have employee changeover, make sure that people receive LPA basic training. She recommended that people check the website, as needed. She additionally reminded everyone of the changes to the BRO program. Bonnie Prigge noted that an upcoming ADA presentation would take place on the upcoming Wednesday and the FLAP program is out for applications.

**Member Reports (As time allows):** Vic Stratman asked questions about the Highway 63 bridge closure and how lane widths are decided. MoDOT noted that the lane widths are shown in the construction plans are decided between MoDOT and the contractors. The committee discussed the upcoming Highway 89 bridge closure and how lanes will be addressed. MoDOT stated that Hwy 89 may be partially open during construction.

**Next TAC Meeting: December 9, 2021**

**Adjournment:** Ray Schwartze motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:46 p.m.; Vic Stratman seconded. The meeting was adjourned.