AGENDA
INTER AGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP
TUESDAY, June 25, 2019
NOON – 1:00 P.M.
EAST-WEST GATEWAY BOARD ROOM

1. Call to Order
   - Carol Lawrence, Chair, East-West Gateway Council of Governments

2. Update on Conformity Determination for Update to Connected2045:
   Long Range Transportation Plan for the St. Louis Region
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

3. Update on Conformity Determination for the FY 2020 – 2023
   Transportation Improvement Program and Related Amendments to
   Update to Connected2045
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

4. SIP Updates
   - Missouri Department of Natural Resources

5. Other Business
Members Present:
Carol Lawrence, Chair - East-West Gateway Council of Governments
Mike Henderson - Missouri Department of Transportation
Kevin Jemison – Illinois Department of Transportation
Tom Caldwell – Illinois Department of Transportation
Jackie Covington – Bi-State Development Agency
Betsy Tracy – Federal Highway Administration Illinois (Telephone)
Stacy Allen - Missouri Department of Natural Resources (Telephone)
Buzz Asselmeier – Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Telephone)

Staff:
Mary Grace Lewandowski  Jason Lange  Rachael Pawlak  Jennifer Vuitel  Josh Schwenk

1. Call to Order
   - Carol Lawrence, Chair, East-West Gateway Council of Governments

The meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group (IACG) was called to order by Carol Lawrence, East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWG).

2. Update on Conformity Determination for Update to Connected2045: Long Range Transportation Plan for the St. Louis Region
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

At the April EWG Board meeting presentation on the Draft Update to Connected2045: Regional Transportation Plan for the St. Louis Region (Connected2045 Update) it was announced that modeling for the Conformity Determination was underway. The modeling and post-processing was completed on May 6. All ozone (2008 and 2015 standards) and PM2.5 standard regional emissions analysis tests were passed. Conformity also was demonstrated for the one regionally significant project in Jersey County Illinois based on the 1997 ozone standard. The public comment period for the Draft Connected2045 Update and the Draft Conformity Determination began on May 8 and will run through June 7, 2019. Two public open houses were held on May 13 and May 20. The Connected2045 Update and the Conformity Determination will be presented to the EWG Board in June for approval. In late April the IACG was sent a preview draft of the completed sections of the Conformity Determination for the Connected2045 Update. When the post-processing was finished May 6, the regional emissions analysis write-up was sent to the IACG.

A May 28 version of the schedules for the Conformity Determination for the Connected2045 Update and the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program was distributed.
3. Status Report on the Conformity Determination for the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

List of new STP and CMAQ funded projects from local sponsors has been completed. Staff have received program information from Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and Metro. Staff is working with MoDOT to refine information contained in their program. Staff is preparing a list of projects with air quality classifications to send to the IACG shortly. If the Governor of Illinois has not released the IDOT program, this information cannot be included in the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) document. However, the modelers do have this information and modeling is underway. The aim is to send the IACG a Preview Draft early in June. The Draft Conformity Determination and Draft FY 2020-2023 TIP and Related Amendments to Connected2045 Update will be released to the Executive Advisory Committee and Board in June. The comment period runs from June 28 – August 5, 2019. During July there will be five open house meetings throughout the region. The final TIP document (and Conformity Determination) will be presented to the Board at the end of August.

For this Conformity Determination, going to keep in the document the discussion about the 1997 ozone standard conformity process for the IDOT project in Jersey County. It was originally in the Conformity Determination document for the Connected2045 Update. Acknowledge but point out that there are no regionally significant projects in Jersey County for this Conformity Determination.

At the Air Quality Advisory Committee (AQAC) meeting learned that today (May 28) EPA found the Illinois counties and Baldwin Township to be in attainment of the 1997 annual PM2.5 standard. PM2.5 modeling is underway. With this action, the 1997 PM2.5 standard is revoked and requirement to do conformity for this standard goes away. Last October the Missouri counties were found in attainment during the comment period for the FY 2019-2022 TIP. The Missouri PM2.5 regional emissions analysis was deleted. Will need to determine how to proceed. It was suggested to keep the PM2.5 regional emissions analysis for Illinois in the Conformity Determination document.

There was discussion that Illinois counties and one township, like the Missouri ones, are considered to be a maintenance area for the 1997 annual PM2.5 standard. Mr. Henderson, MoDOT, pointed out that current federal transportation law requires that 25 percent of CMAQ projects have to address PM2.5.

4. Other Business

The next meeting of the IACG will be on June 25, 2019. There being no other business, the meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group was adjourned.