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AGENDA
INTER AGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2020
2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING - GOTOMEETING

DUE TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK, EAST-WEST GATEWAY'S OFFICES ARE CURRENTLY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AND WILL BE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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

2. **FY 2021 -2024 Transportation Improvement Program development Update**
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

3. **Emissions Modeling Status**
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

4. **Update on Conformity Determination for FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program**
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

5. **Other Business/Adjournment**

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Notes for March 24, 2020 Inter Agency Consultation Group email meeting
East-West Gateway staff conducted meeting
Participants - All those on the IACG GroupWise email group were sent cover email and attachments

With rising concerns about COVID-19, at the end of the second week in March East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWG) staff decided that the information to be shared face-to-face at the scheduled March 24 meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group (IACG) would be done via email instead. On March 16 an email describing this decision was sent to the IACG. The IACG was asked if there were other issues that needed to be presented to the IACG. None were received by EWG.

On March 20 and 24, the IACG was sent an email with three attachments.

AGENDA
Update on the status of the development of the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Transportation Air Quality Conformity Determination

The three attachments were:

- Report on TIP and Conformity Determination development (as of March 20, 2020)

In February applications were due for Local Program projects for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program-Suballocated (STP-S) and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program funds. TIP staff has begun evaluation of the applications. At the beginning of March, descriptions of all proposed projects were made available for public comment. After project evaluation is done, the Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) is to make funding recommendations in early May. Information about partner programs are to be received in April. Conformity Determination is to be performed for the 2008 and 2015 eight-hour ozone standards. The regional emissions analysis will be performed for the 2008 eight-hour ozone standard (maintenance) and 2015 eight-hour ozone standard (non-attainment). At this time, do not know if there will be a regionally significant project(s) in the Jersey County, IL “orphan area” which would require a conformity determination for the 1997 eight-hour ozone standard. This information should be available by the end of April.

- Conformity Determination/TIP Schedule (as of March 20, 2020)

Conformity Determination is to be performed for the 2008 and 2015 eight-hour ozone standards. Starting in late April travel demand and emissions modeling work will begin. Output from these activities feeds into the regional emissions analysis. Draft TIP and Draft Conformity Determination are to be presented to EWG Board in June. Public comment period runs from June 30 to August 5. Board action to take place at the end of August
Please note that these schedules could change. EWG staff will keep the IACG informed.

- Regional Emissions Analysis

Regional emissions Analysis tables showing analysis years and motor vehicle emissions budgets to be used to determine conformity with the 2008 eight-hour ozone standard and the 2015 eight-hour ozone standard. These tests are to show that for each analysis year the estimated emissions from implementation of projects included in the FY 2021-2024 TIP will be less than or equal to the motor vehicle emissions budgets established by Illinois and Missouri.

Other Business

The IACG was informed that on March 17 EWG received ONE DOT concurrence letter for EWG's Mid-Year Transportation Air Quality Conformity Determination for Amendment to FY2020-2023 TIP (letter dated March 16).

Adjournment

Meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group by email was concluded. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Please note – that in all of the emails the IACG was asked if there were other issues that needed to be presented. None were received by EWG.