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AGENDA
INTER AGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP
Tuesday, March 30, 2021
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Virtual Meeting

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

2. **FY 2022 – 2025 Transportation Improvement Program Update**
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments

3. **Conformity Determination for FY 2022 – 2025 Transportation Improvement Program**
   - East-West Gateway Council of Governments
   - **Schedule**
   - **Regional Emissions Analysis**

4. **Other Business**

5. **Adjournment**

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Meeting Notes
Inter Agency Consultation Group
Tuesday, January 26, 2021
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Virtual Meeting

Members
Carol Lawrence – East-West Gateway Council of Governments
Kevin Jemison – Illinois Department of Transportation
Betsy Tracy – Federal Highway Administration - IL
Tom Caldwell - Illinois Department of Transportation
Christopher Schmidt – Illinois Department of Transportation
Francisco Cortalezzi – Missouri Department of Transportation
Mike Henderson - Missouri Department of Transportation
Jed Wolkins – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 7
Matthew Harrell – Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Staff
Mary Grace Lewandowski Jason Lange Jennifer Vuitel Brad Williams Maureen McCarthy

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group (IACG) was called to order by Carol Lawrence, East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWG). As Buzz Asselmeier, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA), has retired, Matt Harrell will be participating. Brad Williams is now working with Jason Lange on the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at Gateway.

2. Update on Mid-Year Conformity Determination for Amendment to FY 2021-2024 TIP and Related Amendments to Update to *Connected2045*

- East-West Gateway Council of Governments

The draft Conformity Determination and TIP documents were finalized in December 2020.All of the conformity tests were passed. The comment period started on December 10, 2020 and ended on January 19, 2021. There was only one comment and it was about the TIP. Tomorrow, January 27, the Board will act on the TIP and Conformity Determination.

3. Development of FY 2022-2025 TIP and Conformity Determination

- East-West Gateway Council of Governments

EWG staff are about to begin development of the FY 2022-2025 TIP. This began in November with the call for applications for local projects for the surface transportation block grant program (STP-S) and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ). Those applications are due on February 11, 2021 and evaluation begins after that. EWG will then be coordinating with their partner agencies Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), Illinois (IDOT), Madison County Transit, and Metro to receive their programs in the month of

April. Early in May is when the Transportation Planning Committee will make funding recommendations for the local projects. During this time air quality classifications for the projects will be presented and the conformity determination modeling will be run. The draft Conformity Determination and FY 2022-2025 TIP documents will be released in June. The public comment period for the TIP and Conformity Determination will be in July. The Board will act on the FY 2022- 2025 TIP and Conformity Determination at their August meeting.

The conformity schedule is still being developed. The EWG Transportation and Community Planning departments will meet in early February to discuss the schedule. Since we are past 2020, the 2020 analysis year will be removed from the 2015 ozone standard regional emissions analysis.

A motion was made by Mr. Henderson, MoDOT that the Conformity Determination for the FY 2022-2025 TIP will begin on January 26, 2021. It was seconded by Mr. Jemison of IDOT. The motion passed.

4. Other Business/Adjournment

Last November the EPA announced the release of MOVES3 which is an update to the MOVES2014 emissions model. The availability of this model was announced in the Federal Register on January 7, 2021. There is a two year grace period before MOVES3 will be required to be used in emissions analyses (January 9, 2023). MOVES2014 can still be used for the current conformity and most likely the next one as well.

The next meeting of the IACG will be March 30, 2021 and will be virtual. There being no other business, the meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group was adjourned.

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Date	Action
November 6, 2020	EWG releases STP-S and CMAQ applications
January 27, 2021	IACG Meeting. Date Conformity Determination began
February 11	Final applications due to EWG; evaluation begins
March 17	Regional emissions analysis tables and conformity schedule sent to IACG
March 30	IACG meeting
April 2	Partner programs due (MoDOT, IDOT, MCTD, Metro)
April 14	Transportation TIP Group to send list of new local STP-S and CMAQ projects to Transportation Systems Analysis Group, as well as new MoDOT, Metro, MCTD, IDOT and non-federally funded local projects for modeling (April 16 at latest)
April 15	Check with IDOT to see if there are any Jersey County projects
End of April	EWG to assemble project air quality classification table and send to IACG (preview new projects)
April 26 – June 4	Transportation Systems Analysis group begins travel demand and emissions modeling (need to five to six weeks to complete)
May 25	IACG meeting
June 15	EWG to send out Preview Draft Conformity Determination document
June 29	IACG meeting
June 30	Draft Conformity Determination and Draft FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) including recommended projects presented to EWG Board of Directors prior to release for public comment
July 2 – August 4	Public comment period (details to be determined)
August 16	Presented for Approval Conformity Determination document sent to FHWA MO
August 24	IACG meeting
August 25	TIP and Conformity Determination presented to EWG Board of Directors for approval

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Conformity Determination for FY 2022-2025 TIP and Related Amendments to Update to *Connected2045*

Regional Emissions Analysis (REA)

2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard

Ozone Conformity Test – Based on Conformity Requirements for 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard (US tons per day)
Missouri Maintenance Area – Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles and St. Louis Counties and City of St. Louis
Illinois Maintenance Area – Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties
Same as REA for FY 2021-2024 TIP and Amendment to FY 2021-2024 TIP.

Regional Emissions Analysis: Conformity Tests - Missouri
Based on Conformity Requirements for 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard
(US tons per day)

Analysis Year	Volatile Organic Compounds		Oxides of Nitrogen	
	Action	2015 Budget	Action	2015 Budget
2025		32.70		76.70
		2030 Budget		**2030 Budget**
2030		22.00		40.00
2035		22.00		40.00
2045		22.00		40.00

Regional Emissions Analysis: Conformity Tests – Illinois
Based on Conformity Requirements for 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard
(US tons per day)

Analysis Year	Volatile Organic Compounds		Oxides of Nitrogen	
	Action	2025 Budget	Action	2025 Budget
2025		5.68		15.22
		2030 Budget		**2030 Budget**
2030		9.05		16.68
2035		9.05		16.68
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2015 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard

Ozone Conformity Test – Based on Conformity Requirements for 2015 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard (US tons per day)
Missouri Non-Attainment Area – St. Charles and St. Louis Counties and City of St. Louis and Boles Township in Franklin County
Illinois Non-Attainment Area – Madison and St. Clair Counties
2020 is no longer an analysis year.

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Using budgets as is, no adjustment to match extent of non-attainment area.

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