

Minutes – SPECIAL MEETING
LEWIS-CLARK VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 20, 2009 – 10:00 a.m. – Second Floor Meeting Room
Bell Building – 215 D Street – Lewiston ID

Members: City of Clarkston, City of Asotin, City of Lewiston, Asotin County, Nez Perce County, Port of Clarkston, Port of Lewiston, Transit Providers, Palouse RTPO
Director: Steven Watson

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. ACTIVE AGENDA

a. Stimulus 2 Project Priorities – Discussion and ranking of projects for potential Stimulus 2 funds.

Mr. Watson reviewed funding levels from the ARRA program and advised that it is expected they will be similar in the new Jobs bill.

It is expected that Idaho would receive \$860,000 in STP Stimulus funds. By consensus of the Idaho members it was agreed this would be split evenly between the City of Lewiston and Nez Perce County. Lewiston's project will be sidewalks and Nez Perce County's will be safety improvements on the Spiral Highway.

Lewiston expects to receive \$547,000 in 5307 funds. Numerous projects have been identified that will utilize the funds in the time required.

Asotin County expects to receive \$641,000 in STP Stimulus funds. Each member agency identified projects that could utilize the funding. It was agreed by consensus that the Washington members would caucus independently and identify the agreed-upon priority project.

Ms. Keefer of the Port of Clarkston identified a potential safety enhancement project to mark and sign a bike path on the shoulder of US 12 to Chief Timothy Park. She will provide additional information to Mr. Watson who will contact WSDOT for feasibility.

It is expected the PTBA would receive \$319,000 in 5307 funds. No projects have been forthcoming yet. Mr. Watson will contact the PTBA for more information.

III. MEMBER COMMENTS RELATIVE TO THE MPO

Mr. Davies reported the City of Lewiston has installed trial LED street lights at the 21st and Main Street intersection.

Mr. Doeringsfeld reported ITD is in design phase for the North Lewiston interchange at the rose garden. The Port is concerned about the potential future need for track expansion

that would necessitate rail crossings at two points on the new through street. He is working with ITD to address his concerns.

IV. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE TO THE MPO

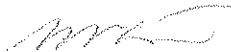
Mr. Watson reported he had received four submittals for the Central Orchards transportation plan. They will be reviewed and interviews scheduled. He further reported that the RFQ for the System Preservation BMP was issued January 18 with February 25, 2010 as the due date.

Election of Vice-Chair will take place at the next meeting. Mr. Riggers will become Chair with a new vice-chair from Idaho.

V. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the membership the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted



Steven M Watson
Director
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