

**MICHIANA AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2025**

The August 6, 2025, meeting of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at Mishawaka City Hall and virtually through YouTube and Google Meet. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ty Adley – City of Plymouth
Mike Daigle – South Bend International Airport
Tim Jackson – Elkhart County Highway
Chris Jamrose – City of Mishawaka Engineering
Shawn Klein – St. Joseph County APC
Chris Kubaszak – Transpo
Andrew Lund – City of Goshen
Derek Spier – City of Mishawaka Planning
Brent Warren – City of Nappanee
Natasha Weisenbeck – Elkhart County Planning
Nicholas Witwer – Marshall County Planning
Matt Yarian – INDOT, Fort Wayne District

**MEMBERS Attending:
(Virtually)** Steve Moriarty – Kosciusko County Highway
Jason Peters – Marshall County Highway
Jeffrey Schaffer – City of Elkhart Public Works
Lisa Shrader – INDOT, LaPorte District

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leslie Biek – City of South Bend
Chris Dressel – City of South Bend Community Investment
Bill Holder – Kosciusko County GIS
Marsha McSherry – Kosciusko County Administrator
Sky Medors – St. Joseph County Public Works
Justin Taylor – City of Warsaw Planning

MINUTES OF THE JULY 2, 2025, TTAC MEETING

There were no additions or corrections to the July 2, 2025, TTAC meeting minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TY ADLEY AND SECONDED BY
ANDREW LUND TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2025.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There was no Chairman's report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

James Turnwald stated the July Administrative Modifications were included in the meeting packet as well as available on the MACOG website. The list consists of modifications that have been made since the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Amendments to the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Transportation Resolution 27-25

Locally Initiated

A. Town of Argos Amendment Exempt Project in Marshall County
Resolution 27-25
Des#: 2101288 Delete Project
Contract#: R-44084 **New Sidewalk/Trail in the Town of Argos – Marshall Street, Walnut Street, Michigan Street
Bike/Pedestrian Facilities**
Phase: CN Total: \$593,400 Federal: \$474,720 (TA) Local: \$118,680 SFY 2028
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$919,830

B. MACOG Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County
Resolution 27-25
Des#: RCE-1 Add Project
Contract#: TBD **St. Joseph County and Elkhart County, Indiana Rail Corridor Overpass and Improvements Study
Other Type Project (Miscellaneous)**
Phase: PE Total: \$1,250,000 Federal: \$1,000,000 (RCE) Local: \$250,000 SFY 2026
Estimated Cost to Complete = 1,250,000

C. Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County
Resolution 27-25
Des#: 1801933, 1900821 Increase funding and move from FY25 to FY26 & FY27
Contract#: B-41845 **Hively Avenue, East of Main St., crossing the NS Railroad
Major Bridge Project (New Bridge/Grade Separation)**
Phase: CN Total: \$48,434,571 Federal: \$11,175,750 (STBG) Local/State: \$37,258,821 SFY 26/27
Phase: CN Total: \$19,818,219 Federal: \$19,818,219 (RCE) SFY 26/27
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$64,262,765

INDOT Initiated

D. INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County
Resolution 27-25
Des#: 2500712, 2500764 Add Project
Contract#: B-46253 **US 20 over Clover Rd, 1.25 mi E of SR 331; US 20 over Phillips Ditch, 0.36 mi W of E Junction of US 31
Replace Superstructure, Small Structure Pipe Lining**
Phase: PE Total: \$1,989,797 Federal: \$1,591,838 (NHPP) State: \$397,959 SFY 2026
Phase: RW Total: \$20,000 Federal: \$16,000 (NHPP) State: \$4,000 SFY 2028

Phase: CN Total: \$6,632,483 Federal: \$5,305,987 (NHPP) State: \$1,326,496 SFY 2030
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$8,642,228

E. INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in Marshall County
Resolution 27-25

Des#: 2001886, 1702997 Increase funding by \$13,955,961 and change work type
Contract#: R-43381 **US 6 from the East Junction of SR 106 to 2.03 miles West of SR 19
(Shawnee Dr.)
Unbonded Concrete Overlay**

Phase: CN Total: \$30,505,714 Federal: \$24,404,571 (NHPP) State: \$6,101,143 SFY 2026
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$34,601,879

F. INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County
Resolution 27-25

Des#: 2100558 Increase funding by \$5,711,153
Contract#: R-43930 **SR 933, Elkhart Co Line (Ash Rd) to 1.47 mi E of SR 331 (Bittersweet
Rd)
HMA Overlay, Preventative Maintenance**

Phase: CN Total: \$12,346,886 Federal: \$9,877,509 (NHPP) State: \$2,469,377 SFY 2026
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$14,688,637

G. INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County
Resolution 27-25

Des#: 2200824, 2500477 Increase funding by \$2,526,890
Contract#: R-44668 **US 6 from SR 104 to E. Jct. of SR 23 (Georgia St.)
HMA Overlay Minor Structural, Small Structures & Drains
Construction**

Phase: CN Total: \$5,384,825 Federal: \$4,307,860 (NHPP) State: \$1,076,965 SFY 2029
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$6,250,691

H. INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in Marshall County
Resolution 27-25

Des#: 2500806 Add PE to FY26
Contract#: R-46272 **US 6 at Dogwood Rd
Intersection Improvement**

Phase: PE	Total: \$1,157,516	Federal: \$1,041,764 (Safety)	State: \$115,752	SFY 2026
Phase: RW	Total: \$54,000	Federal: \$48,600 (Safety)	State: \$5,400	SFY 2028
Phase: CN	Total: \$3,858,387	Federal: \$3,472,548 (Safety)	State: \$385,839	SFY 2030
Estimated Cost to Complete = \$5,069,903				

Kelsey Triebold presented Resolution 27-25. Brent Warren asked if the intersection improvement at US 6 and Dogwood Rd would be done at the same time as the US 6 construction from SR 106 to Shawnee Drive. James said the Shawnee location is supposed to go to construction in 2026 and the Dogwood location would not go to construction until 2029 or 2030. Hearing no further questions or comments, Kelsey asked for an endorsement of Resolution 27-25.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY NATASHA WEISENBECK AND SECONDED
BY CHRIS JAMROSE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 27-25.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

Staff Update

Grants and Funding

Indiana Trails Grant Program

James announced the Indiana Trails Grant Program opens September 1 and closes October 1. Projects will be eligible if they provide public access to trails. Applications are due August 22.

Safe Routes to School Mini-Grants

James stated Health by Design is offering three rounds of mini grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$20,000 to support a wide range of Safe Routes to School activities across Indiana.

Community Crossings Matching Grant

David Harker provided an update to the Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG). The CCMG fund is now capped at \$100 million per year. Therefore, INDOT will reduce the annual cap from \$1.5 million to \$1 million per local unit of government per state fiscal year. David noted that with the new cap on the program, it is important that solid estimates are submitted with no contingencies or built-in inflation costs. He also said there is now a 20% match for smaller communities. David explained that each local government is still required to submit asset management plans to LTAP by December 1 of each year to be eligible for the next year's call. He said MACOG can assist local communities with their asset management plans. INDOT will only have one Call for Projects per state fiscal year, beginning on October 1 and closing on October 31 in FY 26. Starting in FY 27, the Call for Projects will be in July. More information can be found at <https://www.in.gov/indot/doing-business-with-indot/local-public-agency-programs/community-crossing-matching-grant-program/>.

Plans and Programs

New KABS Deviated Fixed Route Bus Service in Warsaw

Adian McHugh announced the new Kosciusko Area Bus Service (KABS) deviated fixed route bus service in Warsaw and parts of Winona Lake. The new service aims to complement the existing on-demand service and improve efficiency in the densest area of the county. Bus stop signs will be installed in the coming weeks, and rollout is expected this fall.

Socioeconomic Data for Travel Demand Model

Raj Parikh provided an update on the travel demand model. Cambridge Systematics developed TAZ-level base year (2023) data, which includes population and demographic information from the census. The data will be used to make horizon projections up to the year 2055. Raj asked Committee members to review planned developments, land use changes, and major infrastructure in the region to help make sure the data is accurate.

LOCUS Big Data Update

Raj then provided an update on LOCUS platform for the travel demand model. There will be a training session on August 13 at 2 PM.

INDOT Freight Plan Survey

James reminded Committee members that INDOT is working on the Indiana Multimodal Freight and Mobility Plan. INDOT is currently conducting a survey to collect stakeholder input and feedback regarding goals and objectives and preferred freight corridors (PFCs). The survey will close on August 12.

ADA/Title VI Workshop

Dustin New announced there is an ADA/Title VI workshop on August 14. Dustin said registration is already showing the workshop as sold out, but he is checking to see if that is the case. Dustin said it is important to be ADA/Title VI compliant for federal funding.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

James notified the Committee that the study for a possible Ash Road overpass funded by Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant is moving forward. He could not provide an update on the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant but noted there was a call for private locations to submit proposals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or items of business, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TY ADLEY AND
SECONDED BY CHRIS JAMROSE TO ADJOURN
THE TTAC MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED.

James Turnwald, Executive Director

Brent Warren, TTAC Chair