



Macomb County FAC

**Macomb County – Federal Aid Committee (FAC)
Winter Meeting
January 24, 2024 – 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Assembly Rooms A&B - Macomb County Verkuilen
Building - 21885 Dunham Street, Clinton Township
Agenda**

1. Call to Order - Scott Wanagat, MCDR Highway Engineer, interim FAC Chair
2. Welcome Message - Bryan Santo, MCDR Director
3. FAC Member Introductions – Scott Wanagat
4. Old Business
 - a. Approval of amended June 28, 2023, FAC Winter Meeting Minutes; See agenda packet EXHIBIT 4A - ***(Motion Required)***
 - b. Approval of September 28, 2023, FAC Fall Meeting Minutes; See agenda packet EXHIBIT 4B - ***(Motion Required)***
5. New Business – Scott Wanagat and TIP Subcommittee
 - a. Macomb FAC TIP Subcommittee Membership - Proposed Change in Guidance Document; see agenda packet EXHIBIT 5A - ***(Motion Required)***
 - b. Call for TIP Subcommittee Volunteers
 - c. FY 2026-2029 TIP Update Project Prioritization - Information Only
6. SEMCOG Update - Steve Brudzinski
7. Q&A - FAC Members
8. Public Comment
9. Next Macomb County FAC Meeting - Save the Date
 - a. Special Meeting: Wednesday, April 24, 2024, 2:00-4:00 PM - Location TBD
10. Adjourn Meeting
(Motion Required)

EXHIBIT 4A



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MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting: Macomb County – Federal Aid Committee (FAC) Summer 2023 Meeting

Date & Time: June 28, 2023, 2:00-4:00 PM

Location: Senior Auditorium of the Macomb County Verkuilen Building

Invitees: See attached Meeting Attendees list

1. **Call to Order by the Chair** – Scott Wanagat, MCDR Highway Engineer, interim FAC Chair
 - a. Scott Wanagat is serving as interim chair, replacing John Crumm. He called the meeting to order at 2:11 PM. He thanked everyone for coming and said everyone should have received a copy of the agenda packet earlier in the week.

2. **Introductions** – Scott Wanagat
 - a. Scott Wanagat introduced the new MCDR Planning Director, Irvin Wyche, who will become the chair in the future.
 - b. Introductions were made around the room. See attendance roster.

3. **Old Business** – Scott Wanagat
 - a. **Minutes from Winter FAC meeting January 25, 2023**
 - i. Motion to approve the minutes with an amendment to include comments and questions provided by Clinton Township was made by Rick Stathekis and seconded by Jim Van Tiflin; Scott called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

2. **New Business** – Scott Wanagat, MCDR Highway Engineer, interim FAC Chair
 - b. **Macomb FAC TIP Changes**
 - i. The City of Eastpointe received \$3.3M in federal earmark funds for a project along 9 Mile Rd, which allows those funds to be reallocated by the FAC in the TIP.
 - c. **Recission of Unobligated CRRSAA Funds**
 - i. Two projects have lost funding due to the federal government rescinding unobligated CRRSAA funding. This was in response to debt ceiling negotiations at the federal level. 33 Mile Road (JN 218497) from FY 2023 is losing \$82K in federal funding and Romeo Plank (JN 211921) is losing \$3M in federal funding.
 - d. **TIP Subcommittee Recommendations**
 - i. Brent Bashaw made a motion to approve the TIP Committee recommendations and Jim Van Tiflin seconded the motion.
 - ii. The TIP subcommittee recommends moving 33 Mile Road (JN 218497) to FY 2024 to allow time for local coordination and for SEMCOG to process a TIP amendment to add \$67K in federal STP-TMA funds with \$15K local match; and to provide \$2.46M in federal STP-TMA funds and required \$540K in local match for Romeo Plank (JN



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- b. For the Fall TIP amendment, which is Q1 of FY 2024, projects will be due September 8, 2023, and approval is anticipated in December.
- c. Each decennial census is used to update the urbanized area (UAZ) boundaries, which are used to determine where certain types of funding can be used. The updated census urban boundary is currently being updated based on the 2020 census. SEMCOG works with the state during the process to determine the boundaries.
 - i. There is a transportation coordination meeting on July 20, 2023. FACs will then meet with SEMCOG. SEMCOG will be hosting meetings with FACs for MDOT mark-up workshops for their input on the UAZ.
 - ii. The new boundaries will alter funding allocations.
 - iii. SEMCOG will not alter funding that has been obligated through 2026. The new funding targets will not be implemented until 2027.
- d. The State of Michigan will incur a 2.5% safety penalty in federal transportation funds, which will be required to be used for safety programs in the state targeting drunk driving. This is based on repeated drunk driving incidents. Programs can include education and outreach efforts, signage, and other design-oriented safety improvements.
 - i. There will be a new funding code for projects aimed to protect people in the vulnerable road user category, VRU.

5. Q&A for FAC Members - None

6. Public Comment

- a. Submitted by Paul Gielegem, Clinton Township Treasurer

We all have home budgets. We all in some way, work for or are affiliated with Government and contend with tight or shrinking budgets. When we learn that we are not taking in enough money to maintain our footprint, we either have to shrink our footprint or invest in a way that brings in more money.

If we don't bring in enough money to maintain our existing road network, how are we ever going to find enough money to maintain an expanded road network?

9 Mile received an earmark freeing up \$3.3 million dollars. That's great. But we then see the bulk of federal dollars focused on road expansion.

The 2050 Regional Transportation Plan contains the development of long-term Principles first prioritizing Asset Management, Preservation, and Modernization of older roads, over Strategic Corridor Capacity Improvements or, in other words, Expansion.

We then see a project list focused on widening 26 Mile Rd., North Ave., 21 Mile, and intersection improvements for 26 and 27 Mile.

How are these projects prioritized over the host of improvements needed on corridors with dramatically higher rates of population density, aging infrastructure, and traffic congestion? If we lay out principles in the 2050 RTP prioritizing preservation, maintenance and modernization of our existing road network we should be seeing a project list that is aligned with those principles.

- b. Scott Wanagat reiterated the Corridors of Significance Study was used to determine the list, which was meant to be used as a framework to identify which corridors will likely need the most in federal and state funding. He acknowledged there are different needs throughout the



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county, particularly depending on geography. The committee is taking his comments under advisement.

- c. Director Santo explained the monies rescinded were from preapproved projects and the new funding recommendations are still being used for another pre-approved project, not a new project. Capacity projects have not been totally eliminated, and there is a focus to preserve the condition of existing roads.

7. Next FAC Meeting

- a. Fall meeting: Thursday, September 28, 2023, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Location TBD

8. Adjourn

- a. Motion to adjourn was made by Ken Verkest and seconded by Mary Bednar; motion carried.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 2:57 pm.

Attachments: Meeting Attendees, Amended Meeting Minutes for January 25, 2023, FAC Committee meeting

Reviewed By: Roger Safford, Dustin Elliott, HNTB; Scott Wanagat, Chair, MCDR

Submitted By: Danielle Gerlach

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Meeting Attendees/Agency or Firm Represented

- Brent Bashaw, Sterling Heights
- Bryan Santo, MCDR
- Chris Liebert, St. Clair Shores
- Dan O'Leary, Clinton Township
- Danielle Gerlach, HNTB
- Dustin Elliott, HNTB
- Eric Dimoff, MCDR
- Eric Tucker, Benesch
- Irvin Wyche, MCDR
- James Van Tiflin, Macomb Township
- Joseph Lech, Eastpointe
- Kyle McKee, Macomb BOC
- Louis Urban, Center Line
- Lynde Oddo, Shelby Township
- Mary Bednar, Clinton Township
- Melissa Williams, MCDR
- Michael Vigneron, AEW
- Michelle Zawerucka, MDOT-LAP
- Nazar Salih, Benesch
- Nick Schaefer, City of Center Line
- Rick Stathakis, Shelby Township
- Roger Safford, HNTB
- Scott Lockwood, AEW
- Scott Wanagat, MCDR
- Steve Brudzinski, SEMCOG
- William Diamond, Utica

EXHIBIT 5A - PROPOSED CHANGES TO SECTION 4.0 OF THE MACOMB FAC GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

4.0 ADMINISTRATION OF THE MACOMB FAC

A representative of the Macomb County Department of Roads (MCDR) serves as a Chair of the Macomb FAC. The Macomb FAC Chair coordinates local federal transportation program planning at the county level through the administration of the Macomb FAC.

The Macomb FAC Chair is responsible to call and preside over FAC meetings, prepare and approve meeting agendas, and prepare and distribute meeting minutes. Macomb FAC meetings will be called by the Chair as needed but will generally be scheduled to meet three (3) times per year, targeted for the Spring, Fall and Winter.

The Macomb FAC Chair will also document minutes and meeting agendas for the public and SEMCOG. The Macomb FAC Chair or delegate will participate in SEMCOG's Transportation Coordinating Council (TCC) and Transportation Technical Team (TTT) meetings.

A Macomb FAC TIP Subcommittee is also hereby established within the Macomb FAC, consisting of up to seven (7) voting members, with at least one (1) but not more than two (2) representatives of each of the following entities: (a) of City government; (b) ~~one (1) representative of~~ Township government; (c) ~~one (1) representative of~~ County government; (d) ~~one (1) representative of~~ a public transit agency; and (e) ~~one (1)~~ at-large. Each representative serves, at the discretion of the Chair in consultation with SEMCOG. The Chair of the FAC will also chair the FAC TIP Subcommittee as a non-voting member. TIP Subcommittee members shall serve for at least one (1) full TIP cycle, with at least four (4) of the members serving through at least two consecutive TIP cycles. The Chair may solicit volunteers from the FAC to serve on the TIP Subcommittee. In the event of a surplus of volunteers seeking to represent any given entity or the TIP Subcommittee as a whole, the Chair will call for a vote of the FAC members to determine TIP Subcommittee membership.

In the event there are no volunteers seeking to represent a given entity, interim volunteer(s) representing other entities may be added at the discretion of the Chair so long as the total allowable overall Subcommittee membership is not exceeded. If a volunteer from a non-represented entity is subsequently identified, the Chair may replace the interim volunteer(s) with the subsequently identified volunteer(s) so as to achieve the objective of having each entity represented.

The Macomb FAC will take formal actions to approve meeting minutes, changes to this guidance document, recommended projects for TIP and TIP Amendments, the establishment of any ad hoc subcommittees needed to perform FAC work, along with any other business as needed and as determined by the Chair.

The Macomb FAC TIP Subcommittee work to update the Macomb Federal Aid TIP will be guided by the process described in Appendix C.



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Proposed TIP/RTP Process Update Work Plan – FY 2024

8. **January 2025** – Final recommendations to Full FAC for approval
9. **February 2025** – Submittal of FY 26-29 TIP Update Projects to SEMCOG

Potential Resource Inputs:

- [City of Detroit Comprehensive Safety Action Plan](#)
- [SEMCOG Transportation Safety Plan - Safety Plan Appendix](#)

Example: High-Level Crash Data – Macomb County

Figure 18
Macomb County Crash Frequency and Injury Severity by Crash Type, 2017-2021

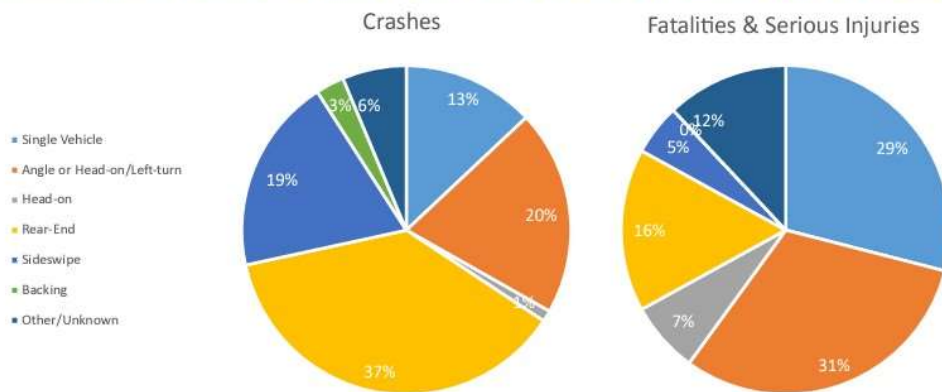


Table 9
Emphasis Area Crash by Involvement in Macomb County, 2017-2021

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Percent of Crashes 2017-2021
Intersection	8,971	9,000	7,967	5,845	7,079	34%
Lane Departure	2,836	2,580	2,597	2,361	2,738	11%
Speeding	1,090	1,071	1,021	858	1,099	4%
Impairment	885	858	822	721	722	3%
Unbelted Occupant	234	215	192	196	234	1%
Pedestrian	161	176	166	110	128	1%
Bicyclist	169	138	130	134	141	1%
Motorcycle	237	204	192	194	203	1%

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Approved TIP/RTP Process Update Work Plan – FY 2024



1. September 2023

- a. Discuss proposal and draft work plan with TIP Subcommittee
- b. Establish working group with coordination and support from HNTB
- c. Full FAC approval to establish working group within TIP Subcommittee and proceed with work plan to improve the TIP/RTP Update process

2. October 2023

- a. Develop draft white paper and discuss with TIP Subcommittee.
 - i. Core improvement goals include:
 1. Improved integration with SEMCOG Regional Goals (Condition, Safety, Mobility, etc.);
 2. Integration with proposed RTP rolling updates (Summer meeting);
 3. Improved reliance on key regional, county, and local data;
 4. Provide more time for member agencies to submit projects; and
 5. Leverage best practices from other FAC's and Call For Projects processes (Safety, Bridge, etc.)
 - b. Target deadline for roll-out of new process – May 2024

3. November 2023 thru March 2024

- a. Monthly work group meetings to develop and refine process and FAC guidelines.
 - i. Inputs:
 1. MDOT Safety and Bridge CFP Memos and processes
 2. Feedback from FAC Members/SEMCOG
 - ii. Outputs:
 1. Revised Guidance Document, CFP Memo, Application Worksheet, Scoring Spreadsheet, etc.
 2. Draft Recommendation Memorandum

4. April 2024

- a. Recommendations to TIP Subcommittee - Finalize for full FAC approval.
- b. Special Full FAC Meeting – end of April – for approval of new process

5. May 2024

- a. Target roll-out with project candidate proposals due September 2023

6. November 2024

- a. Preliminary evaluation data reviewed by TIP Subcommittee
- b. Special FAC meeting to review preliminary rankings and receive feedback

7. December 2024 – TIP Subcommittee reviews and develops final recommendations