# HATS Coordinating Committee Meeting

Meeting #268 June 28, 2024 9:00 AM

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

The June 28, 2024 HATS Coordinating Committee meeting began at 9:00 AM. Mr. Haste welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated the attendance list would be taken from the online registrations. He informed participants the meeting was being recorded and asked anyone making motions or objecting to motions to state their name before doing so.

#### 2. Presentations

# a. Millerstown Bicycle/Pedestrian Connectivity Master Plan

Mr. Bomberger shared information on the Millerstown Bicycle/Pedestrian Connectivity Master Plan, providing an overview of the plan and how it stemmed from the Perry County Economic Viability Plan completed in 2021. The plan offers several design concepts for locations throughout the Borough, including the Millerstown Town Square, to help improve safety and walkability.

# b. Camp Hill Bypass Alternative Transportation Feasibility Analysis

Mr. Bomberger discussed the Camp Hill Alternative Transportation Feasibility Analysis, which looks at the feasibility of various bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Cumberland Boulevard (Camp Hill Bypass) in the Borough. The aim is to consolidate the various planning efforts already completed for the corridor and provide better and safer means of travel for bicycle and pedestrian traffic along and across Cumberland Boulevard.

#### 3. Meeting Minutes

## a. Coordinating Committee – April 26, 2024

Mr. Green moved to approve the April Coordinating Committee meeting minutes. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### b. Technical Committee – June 14, 2024

Mr. Haste noted the June Technical Committee minutes were included in the meeting packet for informational purposes.

#### 4. TIP Modifications (FFY 2023-2026)

#### a. Administrative Actions

Mr. Puher provided the following overview of the administrative modifications made to the FFY 2023-2026 Highway/Bridge TIP since the February HATS meetings:

- 69 total actions
  - o 29 increased funding
  - o 4 decreased funding
  - 4 adding phases
  - o 5 cashflow/changing funding source
  - o 27 reserve line items/deobligations

Highlights of the administrative modifications included the following:

- Capital Gateway (MPMS 115784)
  - Increasing the CON phase of Capital Gateway in FFY 2024/2025 for \$566,400 to the low bid amount.
  - This project consists of a lane-diet and widening of sidewalks along the 100 block of Forster Street, widening sidewalks and crosswalks, installing ADA compliant bump outs and pedestrian and cyclist islands, and adding a sidewalk and additional landscaping at intersections of Front and Forster Street & 2nd and Forster Street.
  - o This is within the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
  - o This project was let on 4/18/2024.
- Highway Preservation Contract (MPMS 120284)
  - Adding \$250,000 to the Highway Preservation Contract for base repairs to PA 581 in Cumberland County.
  - This work is necessary to keep failing sections of the roadway from deteriorating further in the interim before the larger contract (SR 581-009) is bid this fall.
- Middletown Rd Safety and Congestion Improvements (MPMS 116786)
  - o Increasing the PE phase of Middletown Rd Safety and Congestion Impr in FFY 2024 for \$977,656 to the current estimate.
  - This is to complete the remainder of the PE phase beyond the environmental scoping phase and will get us through environmental clearance for the PE phase.
  - This project consists of widening Middletown Road (SR 2003) from SR
     283 to SR 322 in Derry and Londonderry Townships, Dauphin County.

O Potential improvements from the corridor transportation evaluation include improved access management, geometric improvements at the intersection of Middletown Road and the Route 322 eastbound exit ramp, addition of a turn lane or median, and widening the roadway altogether (long term). This project has a current estimated let date of calendar year 2028.

#### **b.** Amendments

Mr. Mullins proposed two new amendments to the FFY 2023-2026 Highway/Bridge TIP:

- Quarry Rd Sidewalk Ext (MPMS 115787)
  - o Approve a \$395,258 CON phase cost increase.
  - Project Narrative: This project consists of the design of sidewalk, 6 ADA ramps, 2 cross walks and a guiderail along Quarry Road from U.S. Route 322 overpass north to Division Street in Hummelstown Borough, Dauphin County.
  - Action: Increasing the CON phase of Quarry Rd Sidewalk Ext in FFY
     2024 for \$395,258 to the current estimate and anticipated inspection costs.
  - o Funding for the requested increase is available from...
    - The region's STU Reserve Line Item (88068)
  - o Estimated Let Date December 11, 2025.
- Big Spring Road Resurface 2 (MPMS 113299)
  - o Approve a \$2,314,730 CON phase cashflow. This is not an increase.
  - Project Narrative: This project consists of a resurfacing on PA 274 from Shearer Dug Trail to SR 3001(Center Square Road) in Toboyne Township, Perry County.
  - Action: Cash flowing and changing the funding source of the CON phase of Big Spring Road Resurface 2 from FFY 2025/2026 to FFY 2024 for \$2,314,730 to better align with current estimated let date.
    - We needed to get into current program year to deliver the project for the estimated let date
  - o Funding for the requested cashflow is available from...
    - US-11 NB over Conodoguinet Creek (MPMS 99678 CON phase) This project's STP funds are being swapped with NHPP funds. This project is fully funded on the 2023 TIP and will not have any deliverability impacts in the future.
    - Riverlands Safety Implementation (MPMS 106554 ROW phase)
       This project's ROW NHPP funds are being cashflowed from FFY 2024 to FFY 2025 to better align with the current project schedule.

- This phase is fully funded on the 2025 TIP and will not have any deliverability impacts in the future.
- Union Deposit Corridor Impr (MPMS 119307) This project is fully funded on the 2025 TIP and will not have any deliverability impacts in the future.
- Estimated Let Date Sept. 26, 2024.

Commissioner Foschi moved to approve the Highway/Bridge amendments. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Green presented two amendments to the FFY 2023-2026 Transit TIP:

- Downingtown Train Station
  - Increase the project by \$5,689,464 in FFY 2024. \$1,433,590 (5307), \$3,117,981 (5337) \$1,137,893 (341).
  - o PennDOT is moving available FFY 2020 & 2021 lapsing section 5307, 5337, and 341 apportioned funds of \$5,689,464 to FFY 2024 and will be applying for those funds with the FTA.
  - This project is a part of the MPMS # 93586 under the SEPTA TIP as part of the DVRPC MPO.
  - Per the MOU between FTA and PennDOT, in order to obligate, funding must be shown in the current year and in the UZA for which it was apportioned with a note on the project where it will be spent.

Commissioner Foschi moved to approve the first Transit TIP amendment. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- Shared Ride Vehicles
  - Adding federal 5310 funds by \$439,850 and decreasing state -340 funds by \$440,037 in FFY 2024. SRTA estimate the number of vehicles that will be eligible for replacement to be twelve (12).
  - Specific vehicles to be replaced will be determined based on condition of the vehicles in the fleet and recent maintenance history at the time of arrival of the replacement vehicles.
  - o PennDOT is required to amend the TIP to add the 5310 funds with state match prior to applying for the FTA grant totaling \$549,813.

Mr. Keefe moved to approve the second Transit TIP amendment. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### 5. Program and Plan Updates

# a. Bike-Ped Update

Mr. Bomberger stated the HATS Regional Active Transportation Plan is still under development but should be ready for review at September's HATS meetings. He also discussed the recent complete bike fleet turnover for the SusqueCycle Regional Bike Share. Preliminary numbers show a 50% increase in ridership from the previous year. A new bike rack location at North & Commonwealth in the City of Harrisburg is now active.

# **b.** Operations and Safety

Mr. Deck stated that work on the regional Congestion Management Process will begin next week. He noted that the SS4A Action Plan is near completion and a draft copy has been submitted for review. HATS staff worked with SRTP to apply for a demonstration grant to try and reduce DUI crashes throughout the region called Sober Ride Home. This application has been awarded funds in the amount of \$269,000. HATS Staff look forward to getting the Sober Ride Home program up and running in the near future. Another demonstration application has been submitted for temporary materials for quick-build projects with participation from multiple municipalities. Harrisburg City has also applied for SS4A implementation funding through their own Vision Zero plan. HATS SS4A Action Plan is looking at a completion date sometime in July with adoption at the September HATS meetings.

# c. FFY 2025-2028 TIP Development

Mr. Bomberger provided an overview of the development process for the FFY 2025-2028 TIP update and the documents related to its adoption. The required 30-day public comment period ran May 1 to June 1 and all comments received and responses were included in the meeting packet. Mr. Bomberger stated the order of the motions required for TIP adoption has been vetted with PennDOT Central Office and should proceed as listed on the agenda.

# i. TIP Modification Procedures Resolution

Commissioner Foschi made a motion to approve the TIP Modification Procedures Resolution. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### ii. Air Quality Conformity Determination Report

Commissioner Hartwick made a motion to approve the Air Quality Conformity Determination Report. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

### iii. Air Quality Conformity Resolution

Commissioner Foschi made a motion to approve the Air Quality Conformity Resolution. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### iv. Self-Certification Resolution

Commissioner Hartwick made a motion to approve the Self-Certification Resolution. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### v. Disposition of Public Comments

Mr. Green made a motion to approve the Disposition of Public Comments. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

# vi. Draft Highway/Bridge & Transit TIPs

Commissioner Hartwick made a motion to approve the Draft Highway/Bridge & Transit TIPS. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved

#### d. West Shore Gateway Trail Feasibility Study Letter of Support

Mr. Deck discussed the proposed West Shore Gateway Trail Feasibility Study, which would focus on the trails connecting to the CAT Bridge in Lemoyne Borough as mentioned in the MOU between the Borough and Norfolk Southern. In cooperation with Lemoyne Borough and Cumberland County, HATS staff has been developing a scope of work for use in pursuit of grant funds for the proposed feasibility study. A letter of support was drafted by HATS staff and offered for review and comment to the Coordinating Committee.

Commissioner Foschi made the motion to approve the letter. Commissioner Hartwick seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### e. HATS 2050 Regional Transportation Plan

Mr. Bomberger stated plan development is underway and a public survey is now available. The list of outreach events to be attended by HATS staff this summer and fall is being finalized and municipal outreach focused on updating the transportation needs included in Project Pipeline will start soon. A steering committee/RTP Implementation Work Group meeting will be held in July.

#### f. Funded Studies

Mr. Deck shared information on the Market Street 2-way/Downtown Circulation Study. The new engineer for the City of Harrisburg has been brought up to speed on the study. Discussions will continue with the City throughout the process.

# 6. Project Development Process

# a. Project Pipeline

Mr. Bomberger stated that there are no new updates regarding the Project Pipeline.

#### b. Projects in Development

Mr. Mullins gave an update for several projects including the following:

- I-81 Resurfacing, Exit 59 to Wade Bridge
  - Contractor has completed all the projects physical work with the exception of the raised pavement markers (RPMs) which as of this report is expected to be this week.
- SR 34, Spring and Calvary Roads
  - Contractor currently working in Stage 3 of the project's construction staging which includes:
  - Paving for the remaining portion of SR 0034 south of the intersection at Calvary Road along with resurfacing of Calvary Road
  - o Installation of the new traffic signal poles, signing, pavement markings, and legends associated with the new traffic signals.
  - Required 30-day test period for the new traffic signals will commence upon completion of all the final pavement markings, and legends at the intersection.
  - o Project completion date is July 25, 2024.
- River Relief Bridge 2
  - All physical work is complete apart from the truss sign structures, removal of existing signs, seeding, and E&S control removal.
- US 322 & Chambers Hill Road

- o Excavation for the SR 9402 jug handle was completed.
- UGI completed boring the gas line from Webner Road under SR 0322 and the work along Basin No. 2 by the Grayson Road tie-in. UGI anticipates beginning the installation of the new gas line at the chambers Hill and SR 0322 intersection in early July, 2024.
- Contractor has completed the widening along Witmer Drive and also removed topsoil and began excavating at the intersection of Grayson Road and Chambers Hill Road.
- Minor Work to Basin 1 and Basin 2 continues
- Paving is planned for next week on Milroy Road at the Route 322/Chambers Hill Road Intersection Improvement project in Swatara Township, Dauphin County.
- Additionally, nighttime lane restrictions are expected to begin on July 8 on Route 322 to prepare for a traffic switch.
- Weather permitting, paving will be performed on Milroy Road between Grayson Road and Adams Drive from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM Monday, July 1, and Tuesday, July 2. Traffic will be reduced to a single lane with flaggers providing traffic control. Delays are expected.
- Then, beginning the night of Monday, July 8, nightly lane restrictions will be in place in both directions of Route 322 so the contractor can place barrier for the traffic switch, and perform paving, line painting and signing operations. Nightly lane closures will be in place from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM through the month of July.

# Cameron Street Resurfacing

- O The Contractor continues nighttime concrete patching operations on Cameron Street in the eastbound lanes until they reach Capital Region Water's (CRW) work area. At which time, they will continue nighttime concrete patching operations in the westbound lanes.
- o Inlet adjustments began concurrently with concrete patching.

#### • I-83 East Shore Section 3

- Contaminated groundwater has been encountered while excavating for drainage work in two additional locations. This water is being rerated at the onsite treatment facility.
- Utility relocations are now complete along 29th Street. Aerial and underground relation work is progressing along Cameron and 19th Streets.
   Water and sewer installations are also progressing throughout the project.
- Work for replacement of the 29th Street Bridge is currently scheduled to begin on July 8th with the placement of the 29th Street detour.
- Temporary signal installation work continues in the area of 29th and Derry Streets.

#### • Clarks Ferry Interim Repairs

- o On May 31, 2024, direction was given to contractor that they could start work early.
- o Contractor anticipates remobilizing in late July.
- Laudermilch Road Project

- The Contractor has excavated the Abutment No. 1 footer and installed the temporary shoring parallel to the railroad tracks along with pile driving at Abutment No 1.
- o The project completion date is July 7, 2025.
- SR 147 Market Street Bridge
  - The Contractor installed the bypass pump for the stream (Shippens Run) and the sewer main.
  - Also began the demolition of the existing retaining wall by removing the retaining wall blocks layer by layer
  - A culvert Pre-Demolition and Pre-Installation Meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2024.
  - o The project completion date is November 1, 2024.
- US 22/322 Resurfacing
  - o Project is expected to be completed this week weather pending.

#### 7. Status Report

#### **PennDOT**

Mr. Mullins requested a special HATS meeting be scheduled to discuss the reobligation of federal funds from the 23-26 TIP to the 25-28 TIP. This is due to projects which have funding programmed in FFY 2024 hitting environmental issues. A special meeting is being planned for late July with an official date and advertising coming soon.

#### **FHWA**

Mr. Porochniak shared that additional funding will be available through a NOFO for Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program and the set aside from the NEVI program. He shared changes to some Final Rules including NEPA regulations and amendments to the Uniform Act of 1970.

#### **SRTP**

Mr. Boyer gave an update on their CommutePA statistics. He touched on the partnerships with TCRPC on the regional Congestion Management Process and the Sober Ride Home program. There were a number of great events during Bike Month in May. They are still working with the Association for Commuter Transportation for a national accreditation and their performance measuring information will soon be going out.

# **PA SILC**

Mr. Iseman provided an update on the state budget with concerns for transit authorities and programs. The State Transportation Commission put out the STIP for public comment. He noted that the Keystone Transportation Funding Coalition has been in discussions with the Governor and Legislature about long term funding.

#### 8. Other Business

Mr. Deck shared that this will be his last HATS meeting as a member due to retirement and thanks everyone for their support.

Mr. Haste thanked Mr. Deck for his service to HATS and for his help and guidance over the years.

Mr. Boyer shared his thanks for Mr. Deck and the Tri County Regional Planning Commission for their help and support.

# 9. Adjournment

Commissioner Hartwick moved to adjourn. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 am.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2024.

# **ATTENDANCE**

# Harrisburg Area Transportation Study Coordinating Committee Meeting June 28, 2024

Name	Affiliation
Coordinating Committee Officers	
Jeff Haste, Chairman	Dauphin County
Commissioner Brenda Watson, Vice-Chair	Perry County
Commissioner Jean Foschi, Secretary	Cumberland County
Coordinating Committee Members	
Commissioner George Hartwick	Dauphin County
Representative Perry Stambaugh	Perry County
Jeff Bergsten	Cumberland County
Ray Green	PennDOT Central Office
Kevin Keefe	PennDOT District 8-0
Other Attendees	
Steve Deck	HATS Planning Staff
Diane Myers-Krug	HATS Planning Staff
Andrew Bomberger	HATS Planning Staff
Tanner Stroup	HATS Planning Staff
Ben Warner	HATS Planning Staff
Anthony Altobelli	HATS Planning Staff
Raymond Lazar	HATS Planning Staff
Ted Sheehe	PennDOT Central Office
Carey Mullins	PennDOT District 8-0
Jeff Puher	PennDOT District 8-0
Emily Osilka	PennDOT District 8-0
Rachel Reznick	PA DCED
Gene Porochniak	FHWA
John Fulponi	PA Senate staff
Sarah Keller	PA Senate staff
Vanessa Buzey	PA House staff
Matthew Stoneroad	PA House staff
Lexi Peterson	PA House staff
Matt Boyer	CommutePA/SRTP
Ryan Hostetter	HRG
Dan Long	HRG
Dan Giles	HDR
Jeff Iseman	PA SILC
Brian Kimmett	Rock the Capital
Jim Buckheit	Bicycle South Central PA
William Peterson	Center for Community Building