

**H A T S**  
**Coordinating Committee Meeting**  
Meeting #264  
September 22, 2023  
9:00 AM

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

The September 22, 2023 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**

Mr. Bomberger provided a brief overview of the HATS Regional Active Transportation Plan given at the June Technical Committee meeting. He stated public outreach is ongoing and will remain open through the development of the draft recommendations. The presentation slides were included in the meeting packet and adoption of the HATS Regional Active Transportation Plan is anticipated in April 2024.

**3. Meeting Minutes**

**a. Coordinating Committee – June 23, 2023**

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

**b. Technical Committee – September 8, 2023**

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

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

**a. Administrative Actions**

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

- 45 total actions
  - 21 cash-flowed funds or changed funding source
  - 24 increased/decreased funding
- Clarks Ferry Bridge (MPMS 119484)

- Program then Increase to the estimate. The is an early action bridge preservation project
- Current estimated let date is September 14, 2023
- Market Street Bridge West (MPMS 93176)
  - Cashflow funds from 2024 to 2025 and 2028 to free up funding for other projects
  - The current estimated let date is December 12, 2024
- Market Street Bridge East (MPMS 93177)
  - Cashflow funds from 2024 to 2025 and 2028 to better utilize the funding
  - Current estimated let date is December 12, 2024
- US 322 & Chambers Hill Road (MPMS 118027)
  - Cashflow funds from 2024 to 2025 to better utilize the funding
  - The project was let on April 13, 2023
- Market Street Bridge A (MPMS 90772)
  - An increase to match the estimate, then a decrease to match the low bid amount (\$1.74M)
- Enola Road Pavement Preservation (MPMS 113461)
  - Cashflow from 2023 to 2028 to utilize funds for other projects and align with the let date (there is also an amendment to cashflow the rest of the 2023 funds)
  - Current let date is January 16, 2025
- Elizabeth Road Resurfacing (MPMS 113283)
  - Cashflow from 2023 to 2026 and 27 to utilize funds for other projects and align with the let date (there is also an amendment to cashflow the rest of the 2023 and 2024 funds)
  - Current let date is October 24, 2025

Mr. Green then gave an overview of the administrative modification made to the FFY 2023-2026 Transit TIP to provide funding for four (4) fixed routed revenue buses for CAT.

All administrative actions were presented for information only and did not require approval.

## **b. Amendments**

Mr. Mullins proposed ten total amendments to the FFY 2023-2026 Highway/Bridge TIP, split into three groups as follows:

- Cashflows
  - Enola Road Pavement Preservation (MPMS 113461)

- Cash flowing construction phase from FFY 2023 and 2024 to FFY 2028 to better utilize the funds and align with estimated let date
    - Consists of a concrete patching with bituminous overlay and areas of reconstruction on SR 0011 (Enola Road) from SR 1004 (Valley Road) to SR 1039 (Belle Vista Drive) in East Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County
    - Current estimated let date is January 16, 2025
  - Elizabethtown Rd Resurfacing (MPMS 113283)
    - Cashflowing construction phase by \$2,299,062 from FFY 2023 and FFY 2024 to 2027 and 2028 to better utilize the funds
    - Consists of resurfacing on Fishburn Rd (SR 743) from Cocoa Ave to Conewago Creek in Derry and Conewago Townships, Dauphin County
    - Current estimated let date is October 24, 2024
  - Market St Bridge West (MPMS 93176)
    - Cashflowing construction phase of Market St Bridge West from FFY 2024 to 2028, to better utilize the funds
    - Consists of a bridge rehabilitation on SR 3012 (Market Street) West Span Bridge over the Susquehanna River in the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
    - Current estimated let date is December 12, 2024

Mr. Bugaile moved to approve the proposed cashflow amendments.

Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- Local Bridge Bundles
  - Cumberland County Bridge Bundle (MPMS 120270)
    - Programming the preliminary engineering phase of Cumberland County Bridge Bundle by \$792,500
    - Consists of bridge replacement on 3 bridges - Ladnor Lane over Mountain Creek, Village Road over Hogestown Run, Wildwood Road over Locust Creek
  - Quarry Road over Mountain Creek (MPMS 120308)
    - Programming the preliminary engineering phase by \$225,000
      - This is being broken out of the Cumberland County Bridge Bundle due to concerns over the environmental review process
  - Dauphin County Bridge Bundle (MPMS 120271)
    - Programming the preliminary engineering phase of Dauphin County Bridge Bundle by \$842,500
      - Consists of 3 local bridge replacements - Crums Mill Road over Paxton Creek, Meadow Lane over Manada Creek, Walnut St over Jonestown Road

- Kohn Road over Paxton Creek (MPMS 120307)
      - Programming the preliminary engineering phase by \$142,500
      - This is being broken out of the Dauphin County Bridge Bundle due to concerns over bridge condition
  - Perry County Bridge Bundle (MPMS 120273)
    - Programming the preliminary engineering phase of Perry County Bridge Bundle by \$1,096,000.
    - Consists of five local bridge replacements/rehab - Ernest Rd over Montour Creek, Kennedy Valley Rd over McCabe Run, Book Rd over Bull Run, Bloomfield Ave over Little Buffalo Creek, Montbello Rd over Little Juniata Creek.
  - Funds pulled from several deobligated funding sources

Mr. Bomberger discussed the memo prepared by HATS staff and included in the meeting packet which provides a summary of the current status of the local bridge improvement program. This memo is intended to provide an overview of the program as it currently stands and can be distributed to anyone looking for more information. Mr. Mullins clarified that construction phases will be included on the upcoming TIP.

Mr. Green moved to approve the local bridge bundle amendments. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- Other amendments
  - Riverlands Safety Implementation (MPMS 106554)
    - Increasing the preliminary engineering phase of Riverlands Safety Implementation by \$3,152,396
    - The increase is due to the following:
      - Additional work associated with the expanded scope of work including the PA 849 parking lot, the continuous left turn intersection at the PA 147 interchange, the removal of the SR 0022/SR 0015 interchange Ramp C, and the improvements along Ramp Road.
      - Additional drainage design, stormwater management and design field view tasks. - \$405,000
      - Additional engineering tasks due to the added parking lot.
      - Additional Preliminary ROW efforts. - \$437,396
      - Revision to the SR 0147 interchange to include a continue left-turn lane versus the stop control. - \$100,000
      - Additional Archeology efforts. - \$2,000,000
      - A second public meeting - \$60,000
      - Investigations for hazardous wastes. - \$150,000

- Consists of the implementation of safety improvements identified in the study, reconfiguration of interchanges, auxiliary lanes on US 22 and potential closure of the median on US 22/322 from 11/15 and US 22/322 interchange to the Susquehanna River in Reed Twp
    - Current estimated let date is in 2027.
  - US-11 NB over Conodoguinet Creek (MPMS 99678)
    - Changing of the funding source to better utilize the funds to free up state funds for other projects
    - This was 100% state and now going to 80/20 Federal.
    - \$2,933,369 of STU is being programmed which crosses the \$250K threshold
    - Also this is crossing the \$3M federal change threshold
    - This project consists of a bridge rehabilitation on US Route 11 over Conodoguinet Creek in Wormleysburg Borough and East Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County. The current estimated let date is July 11, 2024

Commissioner Foschi made the motion to approve the final two amendments. Mr. Libhart seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

## 5. Program and Plan Updates

### a. Bike-Ped Update

Mr. Bomberger stated the SusqueCycle Bike Share system has expanded with three new stations – Bethesda Mission/Federal Courthouse, Tri-County Community Action, and Hummelstown Square – added in June, along with an additional 24 bicycles. HATS staff continues coordination efforts for the other expansion locations identified at the State Office Complex and Transit Park in Harrisburg. More information is available at [SusqueCycle.org](http://SusqueCycle.org). Mr. Deck added that SRTP was recognized with an award from the Association for Commuter Transportation for their regional bikeshare coordination efforts.

Mr. Bomberger stated the current application round of the Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) Program is underway. Draft applications were due July 17, although the deadline was extended to accommodate some technical issues with the submission website. HATS and PennDOT District 8-0 staff have been conducting the required pre-application meetings for prospective applicants. Final applications were due September 15. Once final applications are received by Central Office and distributed to MPOs, an RTP Implementation Work Group meeting will be held to evaluate and recommend project selections to the HATS committees. Official action on project selection will occur at the December HATS meetings.

**b. Operations and Safety**

Mr. Deck said the proposed scope of work for the regional (District 8) Congestion Management Process has been finalized. HATS staff is working with PennDOT to secure the necessary funding and anticipates the CMP update to focus on real time data. Mr. Deck also stated staff kicked off the HATS Safe Streets For All Qualified Safety Plan and held the first steering committee meeting on September 6. The 2022 PennDOT crash data has been received and is being incorporated into HATS safety planning efforts, including the Qualified Safety Plan and the online safety application, moving forward. Mr. Warner provided an overview of the data and the online safety application.

Any questions or suggestions can be forwarded to [sdeck@tcrpc-pa.org](mailto:sdeck@tcrpc-pa.org).

**c. FFY 2025-2028 TIP Development**

Additionally, HATS staff has received the draft FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) materials. Internal review of the materials is ongoing. Once complete, an RTP Implementation Work Group meeting will be held for initial member input and discussing the TIP development schedule moving forward.

Mr. Bomberger stated HATS staff has received the PennDOT District 8-0 bridge and pavement candidate project lists and is reviewing the information internally against RTP identified priorities and other planning studies. A coordination meeting with PennDOT District 8-0 staff was held July 13. HATS staff will work with PennDOT personnel and anticipates meeting with the RTP Implementation Work Group at least once to further refine the priorities and review proposed project lists prior to the December HATS meetings.

**d. Funded Studies**

**i. Downtown Circulation/Market Street 2-way**

Mr. Deck provided an overview of the Downtown Circulation/Market Street 2-way Study, stating the study showed the 2-way option on Market Street worked well. Traffic modeling extended across the Market Street Bridges, which showed a 3-lane cross section resulted in a Level of Service of “A” and a reduction in crashes.

The Study has been provided to City of Harrisburg and PennDOT District 8-0 for review and comment.

**ii. RTP Implementation Grant Projects**

Mr. Deck stated that Silver Spring Township held a meeting to begin their RTP Implementation Grant funded study of the Carlisle Pike last night.

Mr. Bomberger stated HATS staff anticipates opening the next round of the grant program sometime in the late-winter, early-spring time frame with eventual project selection officially occurring September 2024.

## **6. Project Development Process**

### **a. Project Pipeline**

Mr. Bomberger discussed the Transportation Need form received regarding the Paxton Street Bridge over Paxton Creek. The submitted Need Form and evaluation score card are included in the meeting packet. As submitted, the Need scored as a High Regional Priority and will be included in TIP development discussions moving forward.

Transportation Need Forms can be filled out anytime at <https://www.tcrcp-pa.org/rtp-menu>.

### **b. Projects in Development**

Mr. Deck stated HATS staff has been approached about becoming an official party to the PUC hearing for the Norfolk Southern project occurring in the vicinity of the Lemoyne Bottleneck, due to the proximity of our ongoing TIP project in that location and the CAT Bridge project. This would enable HATS to lodge a formal objection. The Technical Committee recommended approval of this proposal.

Mr. Bugaile moved to approve HATS being recognized as an official party of the PUC hearing. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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

- I-81 Resurfacing, Exit 59 to Wade Bridge – Contractor has completed resurfacing of northbound lanes, paving continues and will conclude at the end of this construction season. Other construction work will resume in 2024.
- SR 34, Spring and Calvary Roads – Work began in the summer and will consist of paving repairs. Construction will resume in spring with intersection and traffic signal improvements. Work anticipated to be completed in July 2024.
- I-81 Relief Bridge 2 – Lane closure through end of October.
- I-83 East Shore Demo – Demolition work continues on properties within project limits.

- US 322 & Chambers Hill Road – Utility relocations ongoing, retaining wall work has begun. Work anticipated to be completed in August 2027.
- Cameron Street Resurfacing – Notice to proceed was issued during the summer. Field staff has begun preliminary work. Project anticipated to be completed in September 2026.
- US 22/322 Resurfacing – All detours have been opened and paving work continues. Work will resume in spring and is anticipated to be complete in the fall.

Mr. Reisinger stated bids have been received for the Cameron Street Interchange project and were much higher than estimated, mostly due to utility work. Work should begin next year. He also thanked all the partners and stakeholders for their letters of support for the recent South Bridge discretionary grant application, which has now been submitted.

Mr. Mullins also discussed the most recent round of PennDOT Multimodal Fund awards. Dykeman Road Extension (Shippensburg Borough and Township) and Hayshed Road Extension (West Hanover Township) were awarded funds. The next application round of MTF will open September 25.

Mr. Deck asked PennDOT staff for an update on the Lemoyne Bottleneck and Riverland Safety Improvements projects. He also mentioned a request for additional mowing and maintenance at the Rt 34 and 850 roundabout.

Mr. Green discussed the release of Round 1 of NEVI awards, with 4 locations being awarded funds for electric vehicle charging stations in the HATS region.

## **7. Status Report**

### **FHWA**

Mr. Porochniak stated new Notice of Funding Opportunities would be distributed for the Bridge Investment Program and Active Transportation Investment Program. Award announcements are anticipated soon for the most recent rounds of the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure and Safe Street For All programs. The Thriving Communities Program NOFO was distributed recently. More details on these programs and opportunities were provided in the meeting chat box.

### **SRTP**



Ms. Newcomer discussed the outreach efforts being undertaken by Commuter Services and the events of National Car Free day and their Employer Race and Surprise Patrols programs, both of which reward users for recording green trips.

## **8. Other Business**

Mr. Epstein asked what impacts are expected on the elimination of urbanized clusters. Mr. Bomberger stated the transportation planning impacts are minimal.

## **9. Adjournment**

Mr. Libhart moved to adjourn. Mr. Reisinger seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am.

Next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2023.

## ATTENDANCE

### Harrisburg Area Transportation Study Coordinating Committee Meeting September 22, 2023

Name	Affiliation
<b>Coordinating Committee Officers</b>	
Jeff Haste, Chairman	Dauphin County
Commissioner Jean Foschi, Secretary	Cumberland County
<b>Coordinating Committee Members</b>	
Representative Perry Stambaugh	Perry County
Commissioner Brenda Watson	Perry County
Steve Libhart	Dauphin County
Eric Bugaile	SRTA
Ray Green	PennDOT Central Office
Rich Reisinger	PennDOT District 8-0
<b>Other Attendees</b>	
Steve Deck	HATS Planning Staff
Diane Myers-Krug	HATS Planning Staff
Andrew Bomberger	HATS Planning Staff
Ben Warner	HATS Planning Staff
Karen Dixon	HATS Planning Staff
Matt Crea	PennDOT Central Office
Ted Sheehe	PennDOT Central Office
Carey Mullins	PennDOT District 8-0
Sarah McHugh	PennDOT District 8-0
Jon Owens	PennDOT District 8-0
Gene Porochniak	FHWA
Rachel Reznick	PA DCED
Beth Nidam	SRTA
Andrew Dudziak	PA Rep. Delozier staff
Stacy Newcomer	Commuter Services/SRTP
Lauren Zumbrun	HRG
Jaime Keener	Buchart Horn
Geoffrey Knight	City of Harrisburg
Sara Gibson	Camp Hill Borough
Ross Willard	Recycle Bicycle
Bill Peterson	Center for Community Building
Brian Kimmett	EFMR