

H A T S
Coordinating Committee Meeting
Meeting #263
April 28, 2023
9:00 AM

1. Welcome and Introductions

The April 28, 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. Meeting Minutes

a. Coordinating Committee – February 24, 2023

Commissioner Foschi moved to approve the February Coordinating Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Bugaile seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Mr. Owens stated there was a mistake regarding the US 322 and Chmabers Hill Road amendment. Mr. Bomberger said the mistake would be corrected and the minutes updated.

b. Technical Committee – April 14, 2023

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

3. 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 February HATS meetings:

- 41 total actions
 - 30 increased/decreased funding
 - 7 changed funding flavor
 - 4 cash-flowed funds
- US 11 Northbound over Conodoguinet (MPMS 99678)
 - Action is to cashflow the construction phase of the project to better match the let date

- The current estimated let date is February 1, 2024
- State Street Bridge (MPMS 118027)
 - Action is to increase the PE phase to include an in-depth inspection of the bridge
 - The actual let date for this project is not assigned yet, we are waiting on the in-depth inspection to define the Rehab's scope of work to be able to define the PE tasks and a let date
- Mill Race Bridge (MPMS 118027)
 - Action is to increase the construction phase by \$198,605 to match the low bid amount
 - The project was let on February 16, 2023

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

Mr. Haste asked if bids coming in on PennDOT projects were higher than expected. Mr. Reisinger stated bids were typically coming in 10-15% higher than expected. PennDOT is making efforts to adapt and the issue is statewide, not just District 8-0.

b. Amendments

Mr. Mullins proposed the following amendments to the FFY 2023-2026 Highway/Bridge and Public Transit TIP:

- Pedestrian Countdown Signals Safety Project for VRU (MPMS 119233)
 - Add Final Design and Construction for the district-wide pedestrian countdown signals using statewide HSIP funds at 75 locations in Cumberland and Dauphin Counties
- Safe Streets and Roads For All (MPMS 119722)
 - Add \$200,000 in federal funds awarded and \$50,000 in state funds, to serve as required match, to the TIP
 - Funds will be used to complete HATS Safety Action Plan for Dauphin, Cumberland, and Perry Counties.
- CAT Operations and Maintenance Facility (MPMS 119741)
 - Add \$40,000,000 in local funds in FFY 2024 and 2025 to the Transit TIP
 - Funds will be used to construct an operations and maintenance facility to support transit in Cumberland County, Dauphin County, and the City of Harrisburg
 - Mr. Farr explained SRTA is pursuing FTA discretionary funding, which is required to be shown as local funds on the TIP. If successful, the funds will be converted to federal, with state funds being added to serve as required match. The location of the facility will be at the current Goodwill

site on Cameron Street, next to the existing CAT maintenance and operations facility.

- Mr. Bomberger read an email he received regarding the project, objecting due to concerns over pedestrian connectivity and safety issues.

Mr. Shifflet made the motion to approve the presented amendments. Commissioner Foschi seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. Program and Plan Updates

a. Bike-Ped Update

Mr. Bomberger stated the SusqueCycle Bike Share system has returned and is operational with 36 bikes at the initial 6 locations in and around downtown Harrisburg. HATS staff continues to work through the approval and contracting processes for the expansion to 60 bikes located at 11 stations. Sponsorships are available. More information is available at SusqueCycle.org.

Mr. Bomberger also mentioned the development of HATS Active Transportation Plan, which was formally kicked off a few weeks ago. The focus right now is municipal outreach and compiling as much data on existing bike/ped facilities, plans, and needs as possible. Any questions or comments can be forwarded to abomberger@tcrpc-pa.org.

b. Operations and Safety

Mr. Deck discussed the progress being made on the HATS Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Safety Plan. The steering committee is being formed with participation from emergency responders and law enforcement from all 3 counties, as well as representatives from municipalities, including Carlisle Borough. HATS staff is still waiting on final approval from FHWA to begin the development of the plan. Mr. Deck also stated the plan will focus on reducing and eliminating crashes resulting in fatalities and serious injuries, and displayed the interactive crash application as an illustration. Any questions or suggestions can be forwarded to sdeck@tcrpc-pa.org.

Mr. Deck also discussed the Market Street 2-way/Downtown Circulation Study being done to facilitate the relocation of the CAT Transfer Center, currently located in Market Square, and the Regional Congestion Management Plan. Both plans are in

c. Performance Measure Target Setting Letter

Mr. Bomberger reviewed the target setting letter for Performance Measures for bridge/pavement condition (PM-2) and system reliability (PM-3). As in previous years, there are two options that HATS can make in regards to setting new targets - HATS can either support PennDOT's targets or create our own. In the most recent reporting period (2018-2021) Pennsylvania has met all its targets for both PM-2 and PM-3. For this reason and the ongoing work HATS is undertaking with both local bridges and an update to the CMP, HATS staff recommended supporting PennDOT's targets.

Mr. Crea stated the target setting letter is due back to PennDOT by June 14, 2023.

Mr. Farr made the motion to approve accepting the PennDOT's statewide performance measure targets. Mr. Libhart seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

d. Funded Studies

i. I-81 Improvement Strategy

Mr. Deck stated that work is continuing on the design phases at the Carlisle auxiliary lanes and Wade Bridge. The I-81 Improvement Strategy will be considered as TIP development begins later this year.

ii. RTP Implementation Grant Projects

Mr. Deck stated that HATS staff is in the process of updating the contract with Larson Design Group to provide support to the RTP Implementation Program construction projects awarded in 2022.

Mr. Haste asked about coordination with Norfolk Southern. Mr. Deck stated HATS staff would be meeting with PennDOT Multi-Modal personnel regarding the CAT Bridge and Lemoyne Bottleneck projects.

5. Project Development Process

a. Project Pipeline

Mr. Bomberger stated the Project Pipeline review process has begun to be ready for TIP development later this year. Municipal outreach will follow. Transportation Need Forms can be filled out anytime at <https://www.tcrpc-pa.org/rtp-menu>.

b. Projects in Development

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

- Market Street Bridge – Working on environmental clearance. Current estimated let date is September 2024.
- I-81 Auxiliary Lanes Carlisle – Traffic and environmental data collection is being performed. Field survey is near completion.
- 21st/Center St Intersection – Topographical survey is complete. Alternatives under development.
- Lemoyne Bottleneck – Input from municipal stakeholder meeting is being incorporated into design options. Public outreach meeting will follow. Anticipated to be let in Fall 2025.
- Sporting Hill Turn Lane – Alternative alignment study is anticipated to be completed and submitted to District very soon. Current estimated let date is September 2025.
- Cameron/Maclay Intersection – Project has been let.
- Riverlands Safety Implementation – will be let along with Clarks Ferry Bridge Preservation Project and will be collectively known as Route 22/322/Clarks Ferry Improvement Project. Environmental Assessment preparation has begun however will need extended due to the addition of the Market Street bridge, SR 147 and 11/15 interchange revisions.
- Route 34 Turn Lanes - Project was combined with MPMS 90708 – SR 0034-059 (structure replacement just north of the Old Mill Road intersection) with SR 0034-060 as the lead project. Coordination meeting with consultant working on the structure placement held 3/27/23. Coordination occurred with Design Services Units to sync up the now-combined projects in March 2023. Field view to occur in May.

Mr. Deck added that HATS has undertaken a study to look at the impacts of Riverlands Safety Implementation, examining intersection improvements in Duncannon and access improvements on 11/15 north of the 22/322 interchange. Preliminary recommendations are complete and outreach is ongoing. A public meeting is scheduled for May 24.

Mr. Haste stated Swatara Township has expressed concern about truck traffic impacts on the 322 & Chambers Hill Road project. Mr. Reisinger said he would follow up.

6. Status Report

PennDOT

Mr. Owens provided an update on projects currently under construction, including I-81 Resurfacing - Exit 59 to Wade Bridge, I-81 River Relief Bridge 2, I-83 East Shore Demo 2, PA 147 Halifax North Resurfacing, Front Street Resurfacing, US 22 Bridge over PA 34, Market Street over US 22, and US 22/322 Resurfacing.

Mr. Mullins stated the US 322 & Chambers Hill Road Project was let in April and construction will take approximately 5 seasons, through June 2027. Mr. Reisinger stated Mike Riebert was appointed Deputy Secretary of Highway Administration. As a result, Chris Kufro has moved back to District 5-0 as District Executive. To replace Chris Kufro, Kevin Keefe will serve as Acting District Executive for District 8-0 through June and Rich Reisinger will serve in the same role from July until September.

Federal Highway

Mr. Porochniak stated an email will be provided after the meeting containing links to upcoming webinars and grant/funding opportunities.

SRTA

Mr. Bugaile thanked the committee for their support on the earlier TIP amendment vote. Mr. Farr discussed the new bus shelters at the Harrisburg Transportation Center and the ability to use real time tracking at the location. He also stated May 3rd is Rider Appreciation Day and rides on fixed route service are free on that day.

Norfolk Southern

Mr. Deck stated HATS staff will be meeting with the new representative from Norfolk Southern to discuss coordination moving forward, and offered any committee members to join the meeting.

Highspire Borough

Ms. Matesevac stated the truck traffic at Eisenhower Boulevard and PA 230 is having impacts on both circulation and pavement condition of the local roads. Mr. Reisinger stated PennDOT would work with the Borough on the issue moving forward.

7. Other Business

Mr. Deck encouraged everyone to ensure their HATS membership was up to date.

Mr. Crea stated the 12-Year Plan Survey closes on April 30th and feedback will be provided to Districts and Planning Partners. Additionally, TASA guidance has been released. An informational webinar will be held on May 24th and the application round will officially open on May 30. He also stated Ray Green is currently on paternity leave.

Mr. Reisinger stated the District is pursuing discretionary funds for the I-83 South Bridge Project and they'll be coordinating to obtain letters of support for the application.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Shifflet moved to adjourn. Commissioner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 am.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2023.

ATTENDANCE

Harrisburg Area Transportation Study Coordinating Committee Meeting April 28, 2023

| Name | Affiliation |
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| Coordinating Committee Officers | |
| Jeff Haste, Chairman | Dauphin County |
| Commissioner Jean Foschi, Secretary | Cumberland County |
| Coordinating Committee Members | |
| Toby Fauver | Cumberland County |
| Stephen Libhart | Dauphin County |
| Perry Stambaugh | Perry County |
| Jim Turner | Perry County |
| Eric Bugaile | SRTA |
| Larry Shifflet | PennDOT Central Office |
| Rich Reisinger | PennDOT District 8-0 |
| Other Attendees | |
| Steve Deck | HATS Planning Staff |
| Andrew Bomberger | HATS Planning Staff |
| Diane Myers-Krug | HATS Planning Staff |
| Matt Crea | PennDOT Central Office |
| Carey Mullins | PennDOT District 8-0 |
| Jon Owens | PennDOT District 8-0 |
| Gene Porochniak | FHWA |
| Rich Farr | SRTA |
| Jenna Reedy | SRTA |
| Matthew Stoneroad | PA House GOP staff |
| Jon Fulponi | PA Senate GOP staff |
| William Peterson | Center for Community Building |
| Lauren Zumbrun | HRG |
| Dorothy Matesevac | Highspire Borough |
| Nick Matesevac | Highspire Borough |
| Ross Willard | Recycle Bicycle |