



Land of Sky Rural Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee
Minutes – March 22, 2018

Attendees:

Brownie Newman
Vicki Eastland
Brendan Merithew
Matt Wechtel

Michael Sorrells
Zia Rifkin
Ritchie Rozzelle
Steve Williams

Brian Burch
Charlie Landreth
Nick Kroncke
Chris Lee

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Newman called the meeting to order, welcomed attendees and requested introductions be made. He read the Ethics Statement, asked if there were any conflicts, and members responded that there were none.

APPROVAL OF TAC MINUTES

Matt Wechtel moved to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2018 LOSRPO TAC meeting. Charlie Landreth seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

BUSINESS

Adopt LOSRPO SPOT5.0 Scoring Methodology: Vicki Eastland shared that the TAC reviewed the SPOT5.0 Methodology at the February meeting. She communicated that it has been out for public review and comment and no comments have been received.

Charlie Landreth moved to approve the SPOT5.0 Methodology as presented. Matt Wechtel seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

Draft LOSRPO FY 2018-2019 Planning Work Program (PWP): Vicki Eastland shared that the PWP is the LOSRPO's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget, which denotes the work that RPO staff will undertake during the relevant fiscal year. She noted that there have been some formatting changes to the document, which now includes the direct cost for the RPO to do business. For the most part, it is a continuation of ongoing RPO work. The Comprehensive Transportation plan (CTP) for Transylvania County should begin the end of this fiscal year or the beginning of next. Funding is also included for the RPO staff to be included on the MPO's CTP updates. Ongoing work with projects that are in the STIP are also included in the PWP. The TCC approved the PWP at the March meeting.

Michael Sorrells moved to approve the LOSRPO FY 2018-2019 Planning Work Program (PWP). Matt Wechtel seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

LOSRPO TAC Officer Elections – Vicki Eastland shared that TAC Officer Elections are held every two years and that currently serving officers could serve another term. She communicated that due to an oversight on her part, Brownie Newman has been serving for three years and Michael Sorrells for two years. Elections should be held every year. Today, nominations are needed for the Chair and Vice chair to continue for another year or to nominate other TAC members to serve for the year. She clarified that if the current officers continue to serve, they would serve for the remainder of this fiscal year. If other TAC members are elected, they would serve for two years.

Charlie Landreth shared that he has an interest in serving as Chairman of the LOSRPO TAC. Brownie Newman nominated Charlie Landreth for the chair. The motion was seconded by Matt Wechtel.

Michael Sorrells moved to nominate Matt Wechtel for the vice chair. Charlie Landreth seconded that motion.

The TAC reached consensus that the slate of officers would begin service at the June 2018 TAC meeting.

LOSRPO Prioritization 5.0 Public Outreach/Survey – Vicki Eastland shared that RPO, MPO and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) staff developed an interactive project map as well as surveys for each county for the projects submitted for prioritization in this round of SPOT. The map and surveys can be found on the LOSRPO website at <http://www.landofsky.org/rpo.html#spot>. She requested that TAC members distribute the link widely with interested parties in order to gain public comment on the proposed projects under consideration. Vicki Eastland brought the survey and map up on the projection screen and provided a demonstration of how those work. The desire with the survey is to get the projects as close to what the community wants as possible. Thirty-six projects are included in the RPO's survey. The survey will be used in April and May when it's time to apply local input points to projects.

Ritchie Rozzelle commented that all of the counties of the RPO and MPO planning regions would be on one webpage on the MPO's website, which will be hosted on the RPO's website through a link.

No action requested- informational only.

REGULAR UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brendan Merithew provided Division 13 updates

Steve Williams provided Division 14 updates.

Daniel Sellers provided TPB updates.

Vicki Eastland provided staff updates.

ADJOURNMENT

Brownie Newman adjourned the meeting as there was no further business.