

Long Range Transportation Plan Task Force  
August 16, 2010 Meeting Recap

Welcome & Introductions

PC: Richard Martin, Susie Johnson, Bill Williams, Andy Ruff  
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Why are we here?

MPO staff gave an overview of why the Task Force was created and the charge before them. Staff also reviewed the information distributed in the packet: Exec. Sum. of LRTP; federal regulations pertaining to LRTP development; and a document about travel demand models (TDMs).

LRTP Schedule

Staff reviewed the schedule to update the LRTP. The Policy Committee directed that the LRTP be completed by the end of 2013.

Expectations & Ideas

Staff asked the Task Force to consider 3 questions:

- What is not addressed or not addressed well enough in the current LRTP?
- Do you have any suggestions on things to consider in the development of the next LRTP?
- What questions would you like answered about the LRTP or the TDM?

The Task Force responded with the following issues/points/questions (in no particular order):

- Modeling freight (truck traffic) and economic development opportunities
- State/local conflicts in transportation planning
- Model should reflect peak oil issues
- Research direction road map - what needs to be done and by when?
- Congestion mitigation and air quality issues
- What is the current schedule for data collection (gap analysis)
- LRTP project status update (where are projects at?)
- Networking opportunities
  - Don't restrict to the U.S. (Australia as an example)
  - Look at communities of similar size / make-up / Big 10 communities
  - Look at communities impacted by an interstate
  - Look at communities that were similar to Bloomington/Monroe County 30 years ago
- What role will transit play in new model?
  - what transit data is required and when and how to collect?
- Model the movement of people (not just cars)
- Research bike/ped travel and how to quantify this
  - can a statistically significant survey capture all modes of transportation
  - can cell phones be used to track people's travel patterns?

### Upcoming Meeting

We expect to schedule a meeting in late September. Monday lunch meetings seemed to work well with people's schedules.