



2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Task Force

July 18, 2011; 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

City Hall, Hooker Room (245)

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Peer Community Research
 - Lafayette, IN MPO
- III. Visioning Process
- IV. TAZ/TAD Delineation
- V. Existing LRTP Review
 - Vision Statement
- VI. Final Questions/Comments
- VII. Next Meeting
 - September 2011

Adjournment

2035 LRTP: Visioning/Public Input Process

Public Meetings (Visioning)

Initial public meetings will be held to determine the overall vision for the MPO transportation system. Meetings will occur at multiple locations/times in order to provide an accessible process. The discussion will be very broad, encompassing all modes of transportation, and giving participants an opportunity to express their ideas. In addition to these special public meetings, the regular meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee could also be used as a venue for collecting public input during this stage of the project.

- Locations: Bloomington (Conv. Center/Library/Other?), Ellettsville (Fire Station/Library/Other?)
- Times: Afternoon/evening sessions at each location

Key Stakeholder Interviews

Several key stakeholders will be identified and interviewed in group sessions with MPO Staff. This will be done to ensure that key transportation stakeholders have an opportunity to express their needs and desires for the future transportation system. Below is a list of key groups that should be included. Potential invitees under each group heading are listed at the end of this memo.

- Local Business/Employers
- Freight Users
- Accessibility
- Bicycle/Pedestrian
- Emergency Responders
- Transit
- Environmental Justice
- Schools

Legislative Body Presentations

MPO staff will present the LRTP process to the legislative bodies of the MPO Partners. This will require getting on the agenda for the Bloomington Common Council, the Monroe County Commissioners, and the Ellettsville Town Council. This would be an opportunity to familiarize elected officials with the MPO as well as gather any initial input that these officials may have. This is also a good way to get the message about the LRTP process out to the general public.

Survey

A survey may be used to gauge public views on transportation issues within the MPO area. Task force members have voiced support for a “statistically valid” survey. It is not clear at what point in the public input process such a survey should be undertaken. In addition, such a survey would have a consultant cost, which is yet to be determined.

Public Meetings (Draft Plan Review)

A second round of public meetings will be held to present the draft plan as conceived by MPO Staff. It will include a review of the plan's vision statement as well as proposed projects for all modes of transportation. Input from this round of meetings will be used to finalize the content of the plan and prepare a final draft for review and adoption by the Policy Committee. Meetings would be held in the same locations as during the Visioning stage of the project.

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Proposed Stakeholder Group Participants

Local Business/Employers

- Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce
- Ellettsville Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Bloomington, Inc.
- Ellettsville Main Street, Inc.
- Baxter BioPharma
- Cook Group
- IU
- IU Health Bloomington Hospital

Freight Users

- Stonebelt Trucking
- Bender Transportation LLC
- Bloomington Shuttle
- RW Transport
- William K. Hanna Trucking

Accessibility

- Bloomington Council on Community Accessibility
- Options
- Stone Belt
- Abilities Unlimited

Bicycle/Pedestrian

- Bloomington Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Commission
- Bloomington Bicycle Club
- Bloomington Bike Project

Emergency Responders

- IU Health Bloomington Hospital
- Bloomington Police Department

- Bloomington Fire Department
- Monroe County Sheriff's Department
- Ellettsville Police Department
- Ellettsville Police Department
- Monroe Hospital
- IU Police Department
- Township Fire Departments
- Indiana State Police

Transit

- Bloomington Transit
- Rural Transit
- IU Bus
- Yellow Taxi

Environmental Justice

- Area 10 Agency on Aging
- Shalom Center
- Bloomington Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs
- NAACP – Monroe County
- El Centro Communal Latino
- South Central Community Action Program

Schools

- IU
- Ivy Tech
- MCCSC
- RBBSC