# DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION PLANNING COORDINATING COMMITTEE/ REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE November 9, 2010 Meeting Highlights DVRPC Conference Room, Philadelphia, PA

#### 1. Call to Order - Chairperson's Comments

Natasha Manbeck (Chairperson – Chester County) welcomed everyone, asked for introductions from everyone and called the meeting to order.

#### 2. Deputy Executive Director's Report

Don Shanis (DVRPC) updated the members on the October 28, 2010 Board meeting. Dr. Shanis stated that the Board passed all RTC Action Items that were sent to the Board. Dr. Shanis also announced the DVRPC Showcase which presents all the major projects that DVRPC has completed in the past year. The Showcase will be held on December 3, 2010 from 10am – 12am. Lastly, Dr. Shanis stated DVRPC's Future Freight Flows Day was a success.

#### 3. Report on Regional Citizens Committee Activities

Jim Richardson (RCC) thanked Candy Snyder (DVRPC) and Jane Meconi (DVRPC) for organizing two RCC events that help inform the public and potentially recruit new members to the RCC. Secondly, Mr. Richardson stated that he is trying to move the RCC to have a direction and not just complaining about extensions of SEPTA rail lines. (Details of the last RCC meeting can be found in the October 12, 2010 Meeting Minutes of the DVRPC RCC.)

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### 4. Highlights of the Meeting of October 5, 2010

The highlights from the October 5, 2010 meeting of the PCC/RTC were presented for adoption.

Motion: by Jessica Savidge-Lucas, seconded by Jim Richardson to adopt the highlights for the October 5, 2010 PCC/RTC meeting.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

#### 5. DVRPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Actions

Elizabeth Schoonmaker (DVPRC) presented twelve TIP amendments for consideration.

## a. <u>PA11-03: Coatesville Train Station Rehabilitation (MPMS# 87534), Chester County – Cost Increase</u>

PennDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding the Coatesville Train Station Rehabilitation project (MPMS #87534), back into the TIP and increasing the FY11 engineering, right of way, and construction phase by \$15,687,500 (\$4,679,014 Section 5309/ \$7,870,986 Section 5307/ \$2,890,000 State/\$247,500 Local) provided by the Statewide Keystone Corridor Line Item as additional funds to the DVRPC Region.

Motion: by Leo Bagley, seconded by Brendan Cotter to recommend that the Board amend the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding the Coatesville Train Station Rehabilitation project (MPMS #87534), back into the TIP and increasing the FY11 engineering, right of way, and construction phase by \$15,687,500 (\$4,679,014 Section 5309/\$7,870,986 Section 5307/\$2,890,000 State/\$247,500 Local) provided by the Statewide Keystone Corridor Line Item as additional funds to the DVRPC Region.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

## b. NJ10-39a: Route 295/42, Missing Moves, Bellmawr (DB# 355A), Camden County - Cost Increase

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by increasing the right of way phase of Route 295/42, Missing Moves, Bellmawr (DB# 355A) by a total of \$18.868 million, programming in FY11 (\$13,868,000 DEMO) and FY12 (\$5,000,000 DEMO). Additionally, a new project (DB# 355A2) will be broken out of this project, and as a result, programming will be reflected as follows: right of way in FY11 (\$13,868,000 DEMO) and FY12 (\$5,000,000 DEMO), and construction in LFY (\$133,900,000 I-MAINT). This project is funded by a TEA-21 Earmark (ID# NJ 063), a 2008 Appropriation Bill (ID# NJ 279), and three SAFTEA-LU Earmarks (ID# NJ 119/NJ 246/NJ 262).

## c. NJ10-39b: Route 42, Southbound Roadway Improvements (DB# 355A2), Camden County – Proposed New Breakout Project

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a new breakout project to the TIP, Route 42, Southbound Roadway Improvements (DB# 355A2), and programming construction in FY11 (\$4,547,000 DEMO). This project is an advanced breakout of a safety component of the Route 295/42, Missing Moves, Bellmawr (DB# 355A) and is funded by a TEA-21 Earmark (ID# NJ 063), a 2006 Appropriation Bill (ID# NJ 279), and three SAFTEA-LU Earmarks (ID# NJ 119/NJ 246/NJ 262).

Motion: by Jessica Savidge-Lucas, seconded by Carol Thomas to recommend that the Board modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by increasing the right of way phase of Route 295/42, Missing Moves, Bellmawr (DB# 355A) by a total of \$18.868 million, programming in FY11 (\$13,868,000)

DEMO) and FY12 (\$5,000,000 DEMO); and that the Board amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a new breakout project to the TIP, Route 42, Southbound Roadway Improvements (DB# 355A2), and programming construction in FY11 (\$4,547,000 DEMO).

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

## d. NJ10-40: Route 29, Memorial Drive (DB# 02396B2), Mercer County - Proposed New Breakout Project

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a new breakout project to the TIP, Route 29, Memorial Drive (DB# 02396B2), and programming construction in FY11 (\$800,000 DEMO). This project is a breakout of Route 29 Boulevard, Cass Street to North of Calhoun Street (Southern Section), (DB# 02396B), and is funded by two SAFETEA-LU earmarks (ID#: NJ 252/NJ 267) and a 2008 Appropriations Bill (ID# NJ 289).

## e. NJ10-41: Route 295, Paulsboro Brownsfield Access (DB# 04321), Gloucester County – Add Back In

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a project back into the TIP, Route 295, Paulsboro Brownsfield Access (DB# 04321), and programming engineering, right of way, and construction in FY11 (\$6,000,000 STATE) and FY13 (\$1,000,000 STATE). This funding action will complete the comittment of State funds to the project.

## f. NJ10-42a: Route 130, Brooklawn Circles (DB# 99312), Camden County – Graduate from SD to the TIP

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by advancing a Study and Development graduate project to the TIP, Route 130, Brooklawn Circles (DB# 99312), and programming the design (\$800,000 NHS) and right of way (\$1,000,000 NHS) phases in FY11 and construction in FY12 (\$3,685,000 NHS). Funding for the design and right of way phase is ready to be authorized.

## g. NJ10-42b: Route 168, Bridge over Big Timber Creek (DB# 09327), Gloucester County – Graduate from SX to the TIP

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by advancing a Study and Development graduate project to the TIP, Route 168, Bridge over Big Timber Creek (DB# 09327), and programming the preliminary engineering phase in FY11 (\$500,000 Bridge), design in FY12 (\$700,000 Bridge), and construction in FY14 (\$3,450,000 Bridge). NJDOT's new project delivery process requires preliminary engineering to be preformed after the completion of concept development, but prior to design. This bridge is in need of total replacement and is ready to advance to preliminary engineering.

## h. NJ10-43: Route 30 Evesham Road Intersection Improvements (DB# 93263), Camden County – Federalize

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by federalizing a project, Route 30, Evesham Road Intersection Improvements (DB# 93263), and programming design (\$500,000 NHS) and right of way (\$1,800,000 NHS) in FY11. The design and right of way phases were programmed in the FY2009 TIP, but were not authorized.

## i. NJ10-46: Route 77, Swedesboro-Hardingville Road, Intersection improvements (CR 538) (DB# 97049), Gloucester County – Cost Increase

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by increasing the construction phase of the Route 77, Swedesboro-Hardingville Road, Intersection Improvements (CR 538) project (DB# 97049), by \$2.1 million, from \$800,000 to \$2.9 million, and advancing the construction phase to FY12. Additionally, advancing the design and right of way phases from FY13 to FY11, and increasing the design phase by (\$150,000 STP) and the right of way phase by (\$80,000 STP). Programming for this project will be reflected as follows: design (\$350,000 STP) and right of way (\$100,000 STP) in FY11, and construction in FY12 (\$2,900,000 STP). This action is taking place due to an updated cost estimate and acceleration of the project schedule.

## j. NJ10-47: TMA-DVRPC (DB# X43J), Various Counties – Funding Switch from CMAQ to STP-STU

NJDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by switching funding of the engineering and construction phase for TMA-DVRPC (DB# X43J), from CMAQ to STP-STU in FY11 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY12 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY13 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY14 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), and LFYs (\$11,000,000 STP-STU), as this project is no longer eligible to be funded with CMAQ funds as a result of FHWA direction given to NJDOT. This action does not modify the level of funding programmed in the current TIP, but changes the funding source of the project. NJDOT has agreed to provide additional obligation authority to the DVRPC region for the \$2.2 million STP-STU funds for the TMA program, so as not to impact the amount of funds available for local construction projects.

Motion: by Carol Thomas, seconded by Matthew Lawson to recommend that the Board amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a new breakout project to the TIP, Route 29, Memorial Drive (DB# 02396B2), and programming construction in FY11 (\$800,000 DEMO); that the Board amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by adding a project back into the TIP, Route 295, Paulsboro Brownsfield Access (DB# 04321), and programming engineering, right of way, and construction in FY11 (\$6,000,000 STATE) and FY13 (\$1,000,000 STATE); that the Board amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by advancing a Study and Development graduate project to the TIP, Route 130, Brooklawn Circles (DB# 99312), and programming the design (\$800,000 NHS) and right of way (\$1,000,000 NHS) phases in FY11 and construction in FY12 (\$3,685,000 NHS); that the Board amend the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by advancing a Study and Development

graduate project to the TIP, Route 168, Bridge over Big Timber Creek (DB# 09327), and programming the preliminary engineering phase in FY11 (\$500,000 Bridge), design in FY12 (\$700,000 Bridge), and construction in FY14 (\$3,450,000 Bridge); that the Board modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by federalizing a project, Route 30, Evesham Road Intersection Improvements (DB# 93263), and programming design (\$500,000 NHS) and right of way (\$1,800,000 NHS) in FY11: that the Board modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by increasing the construction phase of the Route 77, Swedesboro-Hardingville Road, Intersection Improvements (CR 538) project (DB# 97049), by \$2.1 million, from \$800,000 to \$2.9 million, and advancing the construction phase to FY12; and that the Board modify the FY2010-2013 TIP for New Jersey by switching funding of the engineering and construction phase for TMA-DVRPC (DB# X43J), from CMAQ to STP-STU in FY11 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY12 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY13 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), FY14 (\$2,200,000 STP-STU), and LFYs (\$11,000,000 STP-STU), as this project is no longer eligible to be funded with CMAQ funds as a result of FHWA direction given to NJDOT.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

## k. <u>PA11-04a: Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183), SEPTA – Cost Increase/Addition of New Projects</u>

SEPTA has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the scope of the following program: Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183), to include the Parkside Bus Loop Reconstruction and Wayne Junction Intermodal Facility projects. As a result, the program will increase by a total of \$7.175 million, which will be programmed in FY11 (\$5,740,000 Section 5309 (from competitive program)/\$1,389,000 T-Bond/\$46,000 Local). The additional federal funding for this program is being provided by the Livability Initiative competitive program, and is additional funding to the region. State and local funds are being provided by other SEPTA projects due to reduced project costs. Both the Parkside Bus Loop Reconstruction (\$2.2 million) and Wayne Junction Intermodal Facility (\$4.975 million) projects are reflected on SEPTA's Illustrative list of unfunded and deferred projects, and will now be programmed in the TIP as additional funding has been made available to the DVRPC region.

## I. PA11-04b: State of Good Repair (MPMS# 77180), SEPTA – Cost Increase/Addition of New Project

SEPTA has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the scope of the State of Good Repair program (MPMS# 77180), to include a new project: Transit Asset Management System. As a result, the program will increase by a total of \$8 million, which will be programmed in FY11 (\$6,400,000 Section 5309 (from competitive program)/\$1,548,000 T-Bond/\$52,000 Local). The additional federal funding for this program is being provided by the Livability Initiative competitive program, and is additional funding to the region. State and local funds are being provided by other SEPTA projects due to reduced project costs.

Motion: by Brendan Cotter, seconded by Stephen Buckley to recommend that the Board modify the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the scope of the following program: Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183), to include the Parkside Bus Loop Reconstruction and Wayne Junction Intermodal Facility projects; and that the Board modify the FY2011-2014 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the scope of the State of Good Repair program (MPMS# 77180), to include a new project: Transit Asset Management System.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

#### 6. Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program Amendment

To respond to the needs of member governments and agencies, work program changes and additions are brought to the PCC/RTC to permit the timely undertaking of technical activity.

#### a. Regional Circuit Rider for Energy Efficiency in Local Government Operations

This project will provide training and direct assistance to the governments of small and medium-sized municipalities in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties to develop and implement strategies for reducing energy use and green house gas (GHG) emissions associated with their operational sectors, including buildings, vehicle fleets, outdoor lighting and water/wastewater treatment facilities. DVRPC will provide information on best practices and funding opportunities, and continue to develop, distribute, and deploy analytical tools and other resources to assist municipalities with reducing energy use. This project will ensure that small and medium-sized municipalities have easy access to the resources and tools they need to prioritize projects for cost-effectively reducing energy costs and GHG emissions in their operations. Robert Graff (DVRPC) asked the PCC/RTC to recommend that the DVRPC Board amend the DVRPC Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program to include the project of Regional Circuit Rider for Energy Efficiency in Local Government Operations to the Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program.

Motion: by Jim Mosca, seconded by Jim Richardson to recommend that the Board amend the DVRPC Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program to

include the project of Regional Circuit Rider for Energy Efficiency in Local Government Operations.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

## b. New Jersey Implementation Pilot for the FHWA's Conceptual Model for Conducting Climate Change Vulnerability and Risk Assessments of Transportation Infrastructure

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has developed a conceptual model for assessing the vulnerability of transportation infrastructure to the impacts of climate change, such as higher temperatures, changes in precipitation patterns, changes in weather extremes, and sea-level rise. This project, a cooperative effort between NJDOT, DVRPC, NJTPA, SJTPO, FHWA, NJDEP and NJ TRANSIT will pilot test the conceptual model with real world data from key transportation corridors in New Jersey. The goal of the Risk Assessment Model is to help transportation decision makers (particularly transportation planners, asset managers, and system operators) identify which assets (a) are most exposed to the threats from climate change and/or (b) could result in the most serious consequences as a result of those threats. Assets in this context refer primarily to transportation assets, such as bridges, roads, and transit facilities. Robert Graff (DVRPC) asked the PCC/RTC to recommend that the DVRPC Board amend the DVRPC Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program to include the New Jersey implementation pilot for the FHWA's conceptual model for conducting climate change vulnerability and risk assessments of transportation infrastructure.

Motion: by Leo Bagley, seconded by Matthew Lawson to recommend that the Board amend the DVRPC Fiscal Year 2011 Planning Work Program to include the New Jersey implementation pilot for the FHWA's conceptual model for conducting climate change vulnerability and risk assessments of transportation infrastructure.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

## 7. <u>FY12 Transit Support Program and Supportive Regional Highway Planning</u> Program Special Studies

Each year as part of the UPWP Transit Support Program and Supportive Regional Highway Planning Program a special pot of funds are set aside for Special Studies. Sarah Oaks (DVRPC) presented the slate of candidate Special Studies projects for Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The RTC was asked to approve them for inclusion in the draft FY 2012 Planning Work Program.

Motion: by Matthew Lawson, seconded by Carol Thomas to recommend that the Board approve the New Jersey slate of candidate Special Studies projects for inclusion in the draft FY 2012 Planning Work Program.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

Motion: by Richard Brahler, seconded by Brendan Cotter to delegate approval to the PA Sub-Committee to recommend that the Board to approve the

Pennsylvania slate of candidate Special Studies projects for inclusion in the draft FY 2012 Planning Work Program.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

#### PRESENTATION ITEM

## 8. <u>DVRPC Travel Improvement Model (TIM) – Report on TIM 1.0 and Plans for Development of TIM 2.0 and Beyond</u>

This presentation was postponed to a future meeting.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### 9. PA Planning Partners Annual Meeting - Report

Charles Dougherty (DVRPC) provided a summary of what occurred at this year's Annual Meeting of all the Pennsylvania MPOs, RPOs, Districts, and Central Office representatives, with particular emphasis on Linking Planning & NEPA and Local Asset Management.

#### **One Minute Reports**

PCC/RTC Members and guests were invited to provide updates on the activities of their agencies.

#### 10. Old Business and New Business

#### 11. <u>Meeting Adjournment</u>

Motion: by Jessica Savidge-Lucas, seconded by Brendan Cotter to adjourn the PCC/RTC Meeting.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

The next scheduled meeting of the PCC/RTC is Tuesday, January 11, 2010.

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **Voting Members**

**Bucks County Burlington County** Camden County **Chester County** City of Camden City of Chester

City of Trenton **Delaware County** 

**Delaware River Port Authority** 

**DVRPC** Regional Citizens Committee

Delaware Valley Citizens' Transportation Com.

Gloucester County Mercer County Montgomery County

NJ Department of Transportation

NJ Department of Environmental Protection

NJ Department of Community Affairs **New Jersey Transit Corporation** 

PA Department of Environmental Protection

PA Department of Transportation PA Governor's Policy Office

City of Philadelphia – City Planning Commission City of Philadelphia - Department of Streets

City of Philadelphia – Mayor's Office of Transportation

Southeastern PA Transportation Authority

#### **Non-Voting Members**

Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force Federal Highway Administration - NJ Division Federal Highway Administration - PA Division Federal Transit Administration - Region III Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Transportation Operations Task Force

NJ Turnpike Authority **New Jersey TMAs** 

Pennsylvania Bus Association

Pennsylvania TMAs

Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission Philadelphia Regional Port Authority

Pottstown Urban Transit

South Jersey Port Corporation

South Jersey Transportation Authority

US EPA - Region II US EPA - Region III

#### Representative

Richard Brahler Carol Thomas Curt Noe

Natasha Manbeck **Edward Williams** (not represented) (not represented) **Brendan Cotter** Linda Haves Jim Richardson Lorraine Brill

Jessica Savidge-Lucas

Matthew Lawson Leo Bagley Thomas Wospil (not represented) (not represented) Louis Millan (not represented) Jim Mosca Linda Guarini (not represented)

Michelle Webb Stephen Buckley Kathleen Zubrzycki

#### Representative

Glenn Reibman Kelvin MacKavanagh (not represented) Camille Otto (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) Rob Henry Don Steele David Harvey (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented)

Martin Kotsch

#### ATTENDANCE (cont'd)

#### **Other Member Representatives and Guests**

Michael Archer – PennDOT Central Office
Sasmit Bhayde – Student – University of Delaware
Patricia Ellis – City of Philadelphia
Kate Meade - NJOSG
Joe Minott – Clean Air Council
Susan Pigula – NJDOT
Esther L. Pochakilo – PennDOT Central Office
Andrea Reahm – Gloucester County Freeholders Office
David Reiner – NJ Governor's Office

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