KCATT MEETING MINUTES

for

April 22, 2008

ITD District 1 Conference Room

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Call to Order:

Chairman Jeff Zaugg called the KCATT meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Welcome / Introductions:

Jeff Zaugg welcomed Mike Porcelli sitting in for Andrea Storjohann and Don Davis of ITD.

Approval of March Meeting Minutes:

It was noted the minutes should be corrected to indicate the correct title for Greg Gifford from LHTAC manager to project manager for Western Federal Lands Highway (WFLH) Division and the correct name and wording from John Pankratz project updates to read: ESHD is in preliminary negotiations with Black Rock Ranch for possible improvements to Anderson Lake Road, Black Lake Road and Bell Canyon Road.

John Pankratz made a motion to approve the March 25, 2008 meeting minutes with the noted corrections. Robert Palus seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Utility Updates:

Avista: Diane Best reported work on Highway 41 and Mullan Ave.

Time Warner: No representation was present.

Verizon: David Bryant reported utility work on Mullan Ave, US95 to Garwood, and Chase Avenue and 16th.

Kootenai Electric: No representation was present

Project Updates:

Mike Porcelli stated the Turner Creek Bridge project is ready to pave, Worley North back to work on earth work and the 9th Street Bridge is closed and traffic is on detour. Highway 95 signal upgrade project is underway converting front loop

detection to video. Washington Line to Sherman on I-90 will start work on May 7th. He also reported that ITD's dynamic message sign project is underway as well.

Chet Anderson of the City of Rathdrum stated the City is waiting on the weather so they can start painting.

Gordon Dobler of the City of Coeur d'Alene is getting ready for catch basin replacement and overlay.

Joe Wuest with Lakes Highway District (LHD) stated the contractor for the Steel Curve project will be starting in the next couple of weeks. Parks Road will have utilities moved in that area next week.

John Pankratz with East Side Highway District (ESHD) made the committee aware that there is one more parcel that needs to be acquired for the Fernan Lake Road project. It is on schedule to start this summer. The Burma Road project concept is complete. He also reported that JUB is designing a hammerhead for the Red Horse Mountain Lodge which a contractor will construct on Blue Lake Road. Mr. Pankratz also reported for the Burma Road project that the CMAQ funding, in which the District applied for to do part of the paving to help offset the overrun on project, is no longer available.

Robert Palus of the City of Post Falls updated the committee on the Mullan Avenue widening project stating they have utility companies working and the project is going smoothly. The 15th Avenue Bike facility, JUB is finishing up design meeting ITD comments and they are optimistic advertisement will be out in May and construction in July. He stated they do have a CMAQ grant for a congestion study on Seltice Way near Spokane Street and the City Council is moving forward with the revised State and Local Agreement which will be able to get the study underway. The City is also entering Right of Way negotiations for a roundabout at Poleline and Idaho with construction and development funding once school is out. The Cities street department is scheduled to start reconstruction of Spokane Street 15th Avenue up to 19th Avenue about the middle of May.

Vice-Chair Kevin Howard with Worley Highway District stated the Elder Road project JUB has submitted for District a revised concept report to make it a 1-R Rehabilitation project. Tall Pines Road Bridge project the bid for the structure was awarded to Central Pre-mix for a pre-cast bridge. The maintenance crews are placing Magnesium Chloride for road stabilization and doing regular maintenance to prepare for summer.

Jeff Zaugg of the City of Hayden reported maintenance crews are prepping for striping with small sub-divisions that are in need of minor road construction.

Carole Richardson of KMPO introduced Bonnie Gow, KMPO Modeler, and reported that they are working on updating the Land Use Data to bring the model up to 2008.

ITD Board Update:

No representation present. Carole Richardson mentioned that at the ITD Board meeting the Board did decide to zero out the CMAQ and Enhancement programs for 2011 to 2013.

Current Business:

a) Air Quality Presentation – Mark Boyle

Carole Richardson introduced Mark Boyle, Acting Regional Air Quality Manager for DEQ to give a presentation on Air Quality in Kootenai County. She explained that Legislation passed recently in Idaho concerning vehicle emissions testing and Mr. Boyle is here to explain Kootenai County's situation with this issue. Mr. Boyle proceeded to give a PowerPoint presentation explaining the ozone in Kootenai County and applicability to the new legislation.

There was a question and answer period after the presentation. Ms. Richardson reported to the committee that the KMPO Board has asked staff to begin researching possible alternatives to emissions testing to address ozone. One alternative might be to implement a Stage I Recovery System to capture fuel vapors that escape when fueling trucks fill the large underground tanks at gas stations. We should be looking for other cost-effective control measures before implementing a program such as emissions testing which carries a significant public cost and inconvenience. The Board also wants KMPO Board staff to look for funding to build more monitoring stations or implementation of these other programs.

b) Local Option Funding – Joe Wuest

Joe Wuest passed out information on a proposed local option vehicle registration fee that was addressed at the last sub-committee meeting for local option funding. He explained that KCATT had worked on this proposal previously, but it was tabled when a bill for a statewide registration fee was initiated. With the demise of the statewide measure, Mr. Wuest suggests that KCATT should pick this issue up again, and get a local measure on the ballot as soon as possible. KCATT members concurred that a local option fee would bring much needed transportation funds to the county. The first step will be to get the KMPO Board's approval. Mr. Wuest stated that he would begin assembling information on the anticipated revenue and will need everyone's assistance to determine which projects could be done if a fee is approved by the voters. He will then prepare a presentation to show the Board.

Gordon Dobler made a motion to reform the committee to put forth a packet to present details identified that was proposed to be presented to the KMPO

Board for consideration. Kevin Howard seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

It was discussed that the sub-committee would consist of Gordon Dobler, Joe Wuest, Jeff Zaugg, Robert Palus and Glenn Miles. Joe Wuest agreed to call Kelly Brownsberger to ask his interest in being part of the sub-committee.

c) Lancaster Money Discussion – need KCATT recommendation

Carole Richardson reported that at the last KMPO Board meeting, the Board did not approve partial funding for the Government Way / Lancaster intersection. Board members wanted to see a KCATT proposal for the re-allocation of the entire $3M from the Lancaster project prior to moving any portion of the money.

Ms. Richardson and the group discussed criteria and the projects submitted for funding consideration.

The proposed projects included Burma Road (East Side Highway District) Government Way from Hanley to Dalton (City of Coeur d'Alene), Government Way realignment at Lancaster (City of Hayden), Mullan Avenue Widening and Overlay (City of Post Falls), Huetter Corridor Protective Property Purchase (KMPO), and Hanley Avenue from Government Way to 4th (City of Dalton Gardens).

Criteria and project evaluations were summarized in a short workshop (see attached worksheet). Because the Burma Road project was outside the urbanized area, the group determined not to consider it for funding. A preliminary evaluation was performed for each of the remaining projects. Ms. Richardson stated that she would work with the project sponsors to get answers to some of the outstanding questions about each project, and a final priority will need to be determined next month.

d) MTP Chapter 1 Discussion

This item has been tabled until next month.

e) Model Policy – need KCATT recommendation

This item has been tabled until next month.

Other Business:

There was no other business.

Time and Place of Next Meeting:

The next KCATT meeting will be May 27, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. ITD District 1 Conference Room.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Jennifer Wash,
Recording Secretary