

**TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**MEETING SUMMARY**

**Wednesday, May 20, 2009**  
**9:00 A.M. in the GBNRTC Conference Room**

**Attendees:** K. O'Brien, T. Trabold, H. Morse, T. DeSantis, P. Zakrzewski, R. Chrostowski, N. Peters, R. O'Connor, M. Golen, P. Merlo, A. Marzban, G. Witulski, and J. Buffamonte.  
*Stakeholders:* M. Leydecker, J. Mecca.

1. Approval of April 15, 2009 TPS Meeting Summary – *Motion for approval: Zakrzewski / O'Brien. Approved.*
2. 2008-2012 TIP – TPS Action Requests
  - a. PIN 5758.89: South Park [Bailey Ave to City Line] – TEP Addition (*Tabled*).
  - b. PIN 5758.35: Lower Lake Rd/Fish Creek – M. Leydecker distributed an engineering report summarizing various issues associated with this bridge project. Sufficient funding appears to be available for the bridgework itself but additional funding would be required if changes to the existing highway approaches were to be included. After some discussion it was decided that NYSDOT's Safety group would assess accident data and make a recommendation if expenditure was appropriate.
  - c. FTA Supplemental Fiscal Year 2009 Apportionments and Allocations – M. Golen explained how the NFTA was aligning its Section 5307 budget to conform with the recently published FFY 2009 appropriations. An updated handout was distributed. It was noted there were two new projects on that list currently not on the TIP. *Motion to initiate a 30-day public notice on adding the two new projects (Major #10) and to recommend to PCC approval of the remaining program realignment: Buffamonte /DeSantis. Approved.*
3. TPS Discussion Topics
  - a. New TEP & HRRRP Projects – T. Trabold reported public comment periods for both had expired and no comments were received. A request for formal approval would take place the May 28<sup>th</sup> Policy Committee meeting.
  - b. TPS Subcommittee Operational Plan: Guideline Thresholds for TIP Actions – T. Trabold reviewed a draft handout proposing revisions to the TIP amendment change controls. He explained that “major” and “minor” amendment terminologies had evolved into simply “amendment” and “administrative modifications.” The draft also revised the thresholds that assigned local approval responsibilities. After some discussion it was decided that changes to the terminology could proceed but details on the local change controls and responsibilities would need further review. *Motion to recommend approval of the terminology changes to the PCC: O'Brien/ Buffamonte. Approved.*
  - c. 2011-2015 TIP Development – T. Trabold distributed the last working list of how current TIP projects might be rescheduled if fiscal constraint were to be maintained within the revised financial allocations received last year. This would be a starting point for developing a new TIP by assessing the viability of projects on this listing. Staff would work with Reg. 5 to update the schedule based on recent let date changes.
4. Status 2009 ARRA/Stimulus Program (*a-h*) – T. Trabold distributed a listing of un-funded or under-funded projects on the stimulus illustrative list. Members to prioritize projects up to \$1M for funding consideration should additional stimulus monies become available. The latest FHWA report for Region 5 dated 5/15/09 was distributed. Members then reviewed the status of each of their agency's stimulus funded projects.
5. Old Business – None
6. New Business
  - a. Reactivation of 3 Trail Projects – *Motion to request NYSDOT to re-obligate all federal funding for PIN 5756.75 Town of Evans Ph I(A); PIN 5757.49 Town of Evans Ph I(B); and PIN 5756.76 Sherwood Greenway. DeSantis / Zakrzewski. Approved.*
  - b. PIN 5759.45: Seneca St, New PIN Assignment - T. Trabold noted PIN 5759.45 had been assigned to the Seneca Street project and all references to it had been updated.
  - c. (New) J. Buffamonte – Request for local bridge maintenance projects had gone out and responses were due 6/15.
  - d. (New) K. O'Brien – Expressed desire to schedule local project meetings the second week of June; noted publication of ARRA discretionary funding availability, and made members aware of anti-sprawl literature and accusations.
7. Next Meeting – Subcommittee confirmed the next TPS meeting for Wednesday June 17, 2009 at GBNRTC but changed the time to 1 PM. *Motion to adjourn: O'Brien / Zakrzewski. Approved.*