

Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living Area Development District Metropolitan Planning Organization



REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL 1:00 PM JANUARY 25, 2024 KIPDA CONFERENCE ROOM A

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. November 14, 2023 RTC Minutes (Approval Requested, See Attached)
- 3. Public Comments
- 4. KYTC Guest Speaker Derek Morris, Office of Transportation Delivery
- 5. County Transportation Updates
- Other Business Next RTC meeting April 25, 2024
- 7. Adjourn

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MINUTES

KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA)

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

REPRESENTING

Honorable Scott Bates
Honorable Scott Travis
Honorable John Ogburn
Mr. Ryan Libke

Henry County Judge/Executive
Spencer County Judge/Executive
Trimble County Judge/Executive
City of Shelbyville

OTHERS ATTENDING

REPRESENTING

Mr. Mick Logsdon	KIPDA
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Mr. Andy Rush	KIPDA
Mr. Greg Burress	KIPDA
Ms. Elizabeth Bowling-Schiller	KIPDA
Ms. Felicia Harper	KIPDA
Mr. Justin Carter	KIPDA
Ms. Jennifer Wilson	KIPDA
Mr. Dustin Duncan	KIPDA
Mr. Ethan Schrage	KIPDA
Ms. Rachael Miller	KIPDA
Mr. Scott Tipton	KYTC
Ms. Tonya Higdon	FHWA

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mick Logsdon called the meeting to order at 10:07 A.M.

MINUTES

Judge Scott Bates moved to approve the minutes with one correction from the August 24, 2023 Regional Transportation Council (RTC) meeting. Judge John Ogburn seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Mick Logsdon stated that recent Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) public meetings at the end of August for the planning study of a new I-interchange on I-264 between the Gene Snyder Freeway and Simpsonville has over 100 attendees per meeting. A survey on the proposed project showed about 60% of individuals in favor of the project and about 40% against the project.

COUNTY TRANSPORTATION UPDATES

Henry County

Judge Scott Bates stated that the KY-146 project is going very well -- dirt is being moved, rock is being laid down, and traffic will start being redirected soon.

Shelby County

Mr. Ryan Libke stated that the KY-53/Mt. Eden Road project is nearly complete. Work is still being done on the intersection of KY-60. There is also paving being done on roads throughout the county, and the Exit 28 Simpsonville development has begun. There is still work being done on Exit 32 and the widening of Taylorsville Road, and the north side of the exit ramp will have a traffic light installed.

Spencer County

Judge Scott Travis stated that new turn lanes are being installed in key areas in the county. The county would like to widen the Gene Snyder to at least three lanes of traffic in either direction to accommodate the ever-increasing traffic, and is looking at possibly widening it to four lanes to accommodate future development in the area.

Trimble County

Judge John Ogburn stated that paving on county roads is being wrapped up, and the county is working on inspecting bridges. With the new Riverport development now open, traffic will increase, especially truck traffic. KY-36 needs to be widened, shoulders fixed, and bridge replacements are needed as well.

BYLAWS AND GOALS

Mr. Mick Logsdon gave an overview of the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Bylaws and Goals. He stated that amending the Bylaws would require a 2/3 majority vote at the next RTC meeting and approval by the KIPDA Board of Directors, but amending the Goals would only require a simple majority.

Mr. Mick Logsdon added that the Membership section of the Bylaws suggest including members of an underrepresented group or minority representative and asked if anyone with someone in mind should contact Mr. Logsdon. New members can be added to the Council with a 2/3 majority vote.

There were no proposed changes to the Bylaws or Goals, so there was no Council approval required.

KYTC GUEST SPEAKER – SCOTT TIPTON, DISTRICT 5 BRANCH MANAGER

Mr. Scott Tipton, District 5 Branch Manager at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), gave a presentation on snow and ice removal planning. The seasonal temperature outlook for the KIPDA region in December, January, and February 2023 – 2024 is expected to be slightly above average. The seasonal precipitation outlook for the same timeframe is expected to be slightly below average. This winter is expected to be warmer and dryer than usual.

Fiscal year 2023 snow and ice expenditures across the state as of July 26, 2023 are nearly \$46 million, with the bulk of that expense being materials. Last year, a total of \$65 million across the state for snow and ice removal. KYTC District 5, which includes all the Kentucky counties in the KIPDA region, has spent the most amount of funds in fiscal year 2023.

Snow and ice removal actions are conducted based on a priority system:

- Priority 1 (Interstates) 1 hour turnaround time; 1 truck per lane
- Priority A 2 hour turnaround time; 1 truck per 2 lanes
- Priority B 4 hour turnaround time; 1 truck per 2 lanes

Priority C – 16 hour turnaround time (after A and B areas are clear; 1 truck per 2 lanes; when practical, no work completed on these routes between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.

KYTC District 5 serves a total of eight counties – Bullitt, Henry, Franklin, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby, Spencer, and Trimble. District 5 is responsible for approximately 3,500 single lanes miles of roadway district-wide, with only interstates in Jefferson County totaling 573 single lane miles.

District 5's current on-hand materials include:

- 42,100 tons of salt
- 121,725 gallons of CaCl
- 82,550 gallons of brine

The cost of road salt decreased from last year by a little over \$3.00 a ton for the City of Louisville. However, plain road salt is not very effective at melting snow and ice when the temperature is below 15 degrees Fahrenheit, and the amount of time it takes for road salt to melt ice and snow increases as the temperature decreases. Therefore, KYTC adheres to Material Application Guidance Charts to decide which material to use.

For traffic alerts, construction activity, and roadway weather conditions, visit go.ky.gov. For state-wide snow and ice updates, visit snowky.ky.gov.

OTHER BUSINESS

KYTC Snow and Ice Removal Priority Maps

Mr. Mick Logsdon provided the Council members with maps showing snow and ice priority levels on roads in Henry, Shelby, and Spencer Counties.

Next RTC Meeting

The next Regional Transportation Council meeting will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the KIPDA Conference Room A and via Zoom video conference.

ADJOURNMENT

Judge Scott Bates moved to adjourn the meeting. Judge Scott Travis seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.