2017 State Transportation Plan

Proposed significant changes from 2012 Iowa in Motion
(see second page for proposed chapter-by-chapter changes)

- Develop a vision and goals for the desired transportation system based on stakeholder and public input. Consider alternatives in investment actions to determine the preferred alternatives for meeting the vision and goals.
- Include an Action Plan with specific short-range, long-range, and ongoing department actions and projects. This would include a refined and expanded Investment Actions section that also identifies long-term study corridors (per OLE), potential future Iowa DOT projects (which would benefit MPO/RPA long range planning efforts), and applicable asset management strategies.
- Include performance measures that will help measure progress towards meeting the goals of the plan. These will include measures required by MAP-21, as well as others that are relevant. These measures could be utilized in weighing various scenarios during plan development (projected performance) and in tracking conditions after plan adoption (actual performance).

Proposed stakeholder and public input process

- Utilize an internal steering committee and focus group meetings as appropriate for different topics and sections of the plan.
- Develop an online presence for the plan, and utilize online resources as the main method for distributing and gathering information. An emphasis of the online tools will be gathering input for defining the vision and considering alternatives.
- Public outreach will be important throughout the entire plan process, with an emphasis on public outreach efforts related to the development of the plan vision and alternatives.
    - Develop a robust public input survey early in the process to gain feedback on the public's preferred transportation system.
    - Develop the plan's vision and goals based on public and stakeholder feedback, then hold public input meetings (on-site and/or online) to gather interactive feedback (such as 'clicker' exercises) on the proposed vision and goals and various investment scenarios.
    - Develop a pre-packaged presentation and materials for District Planners to present at MPO and RPA meetings to gather feedback. This could also be expanded to other external stakeholder groups.
    - Provide opportunities for review and feedback on the full draft plan.
    - Miscellaneous public input ideas – use of 2016 State Fair booth; DOT2GO vehicle.

Possible changes for 2017 State LRTP

Chapter 1
- Update to 2045
- Section 1.4 – update/replace with discussion of relationships between planning documents and expand on the role of LRTP in planning/programming process

Chapter 2
- Consider moving to after current chapter 3 (planning considerations)
- Combine sections 2.3 and 2.4 into one section on transportation trends and add tracking measures/indicators from performance measure section
- Integrate section 2.5 into other sections

Chapter 3
- Consider moving to before current chapter 2 (understanding Iowa)
- Consider restructuring with one-pager for each topic with a standard format – avoid being an information dump or laundry list

Chapter 4
- Rename – perhaps "Transportation system profile"
- Revisit key elements to include, and potentially utilize infographics

Chapter 5
- Vision statement replaces guiding principle
- Add alternatives section
- Base vision and goals on desired transportation system
- Move investment actions to chapter 7
- Move performance measures section from chapter 7 to this chapter, and tie measures to goals

Chapter 6
- Consider new forecasting methodology due to updated planning documents and additional revenue

Chapter 7
- Move performance measures to chapter 5
- Include an Action Plan and investment actions with short term, long term, and ongoing priorities
  o Base action plan on how the preferred alternative for the system helps meet the vision/goals (having considered trade-offs between scenarios based on varying actions/funding priorities)
  o Include priority corridors (OLE)
  o Consider inclusion of possible DOT projects (to be used by MPOs/RPAs in their LRTPs)
  o Include applicable asset management strategies

2017 State Transportation Plan – Draft Timeline
9/15/15

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			Base content development						Public/stakeholder input				Vision	Goals/Obj/PMs		Action Plan			Final clean-up & review			Finalize & adopt

Internal meetings/groups
- Internal Steering Committee
- Action Plan focus group
- Other topic-specific meetings as needed

Public and external stakeholder input
- Launch website
- Online survey/input gathering
- Public meetings
- MPO/RPA/other stakeholder exercises/input
- Full draft available for public review/comment

Commission topics and timeframe
- Kick-off/introduction
- Post-public input/system vision
- Goals/performance measures
- Action plan
- Final draft presentation and adoption

Plan Document
- Ch. 1 – Looking Ahead to 2045
  - 1.1. What is the Plan
  - 1.2. What does the Plan include
  - 1.3. How was the Plan developed
  - 1.4. Role of the Plan in the planning and programming process
- Ch. 2 – Understanding Iowa
  - 2.1. Demographic trends
  - 2.2. Economic trends
  - 2.3. Transportation trends (freight and passenger)
- Ch. 3 – Planning considerations
  - 3.1. Economic vitality
  - 3.2. Energy
  - 3.3. Environmental mitigation
  - 3.4. Environmental justice
  - 3.5. Land use and livability
  - 3.6. Maintenance and preservation
  - 3.7. Safety
  - 3.8. Security
- Ch. 4 – Transportation System Profile
  - 4.1. Aviation
  - 4.2. Bicycle and pedestrian
  - 4.3. Highway
  - 4.4. Public transit
  - 4.5. Rail
  - 4.6. Water
  - 4.7. Intermodalism
- Ch. 5 – Choosing our path
  - 5.1. Summary of issues
  - 5.2. Alternatives
  - 5.3. Vision statement
  - 5.4. Goals
  - 5.5. Performance measures and monitoring
- Ch. 6 – Paying our way
  - 6.1. Introduction
  - 6.2. Annual transportation funding
  - 6.3. Future costs and revenues by mode
  - 6.4. Overall funding outlook
- Ch. 7 – Making it happen
  - 7.1. Addressing the shortfall
  - 7.2. Programming
  - 7.3. Action plan (short/long term; ongoing; OLE corridors; projects; TAM)
  - 7.4. Keys to making it happen
  - 7.5. What we learned

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