IOWA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Workshop Overview

May 13, 2025

Iowa DOT – Materials Conference Room

(One hour and 20 minutes)

Begin at 10:00 am

1. Commission Input Commission 5 min.

* **Purpose:** Commission discussion of items.
* **Requested Action:** N/A

2. Director’s Welcome Scott Marler 5 min.

* **Purpose:** Update of activities at the DOT.
* **Requested Action:** N/A

3. Washington, D.C. Trip 10 min.

Stu Anderson, Director

Transportation Development

Division

* **Purpose:** Discuss a potential trip to Washington, D.C.
* **Requested Action:** Provide input and direction.

4. Transportation Trends Update 5 min.

Stu Anderson, Director

Transportation Development

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* **Purpose:** Provide a brief update on transportation trends.
* **Requested Action:** N/A

5. 2025 Highway Program Balance Report 5 min.

Shawn Majors, Director

Program Management Bureau

* **Purpose:** Present the latest FY 2025 monthly highway program balance report. Including the 2025 Highway Program Amendment approved by the Commission in August 2024, we began FY 2025 over-programmed by $45.2 million. Through March, receipts to the Primary Road Fund have come in $0.8 million above forecast. Through the April letting, project costs are $102.0 million below programmed amounts. When all combined, the current highway program balance is $57.6 million under-programmed. Last month the program balance was $35.0 million under-programmed.
* **Requested Action:** N/A

6. June Commission Tour Preview 5 min.

Shawn Majors, Director

Program Management Bureau

* **Purpose:** Provide an overview of the draft June tour itinerary.
* **Requested Action:** Provide input and comments during the workshop.

7. RISE Project 5 min.

- Waterloo Local Development Deb Arp, Team Leader

Local Systems Bureau

* **Purpose:** Provide an overview of one RISE project. The RISE material is available on the Commission material website for your review. If you have any questions that you would like responses prior to the workshop, please contact Deb Arp at 515-239-1681 or at [debra.arp@iowadot.us](mailto:debra.arp@iowadot.us) by Friday, May 9, at 4:00 pm.
* **Requested Action:** Review the project summary material prior to the workshop as action on the RISE grant will be requested at the business meeting.

8. RISE Policy – Cost per job annual review 5 min.

Deb Arp, Team Leader

Local Systems Bureau

* **Purpose:** Per Commission guidance, after every calendar year when the latest construction cost index information is available, the department provides analysis and a recommendation on changes to the maximum RISE participation per job figure. No changes are being recommended this year.
* **Requested Action:** Provide input and comments during the workshop.

9. Corridor Preservation Zone: US 20 from just 10 min.

west of Sundown Road to just west of Swiss Gary Harris

Valley Road near Peosta, Iowa Location and Environment Bureau

* **Purpose:** Present a recommendation to approve a Corridor Preservation Zone on US 20 near Peosta.
* **Requested Action:** Provide comments at the workshop. This is an action item on the Tuesday business meeting agenda; however, if there are concerns with the recommendation, the action item can be deferred.

10. Intercity Bus Program Policy 15 min.

Matt Oetker

Modal Transportation Bureau

* **Purpose:** The Intercity Bus Program is a federally funded program to support the provision of intercity bus service that includes stops at non-urbanized areas and makes connections to the nationwide network. This is an annual application-based program with awards made by the Commission. The department will present recommendations to adjust the funding categories to incentivize retaining and expanding service in Iowa by prioritizing funding for operations over funding for new bus purchases.
* **Requested Action:** Provide comments at the workshop. If the Commission does not have any concerns with these program changes, the changes will be implemented in the next application cycle. Formal action is not required to implement program changes.

11. Five-Year Program Discussion 10 min.

Shawn Majors, Director

Program Management Bureau

* **Purpose:** The draft 2026-2030 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program (Program) will be handed out. The draft Program also includes modal and grant programs that have previously received Commission approval. The draft Program will be formally presented as an informational item at Tuesday’s business meeting and then posted on the department’s website for public comment. Action will be requested on the Program at the June business meeting.
* **Requested Action:** Provide comments during the workshop.