

IOWA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Workshop Overview

June 8, 2020
Telephonic Meeting

(Fifty minutes)
Begin at 3:30 pm

1. Commission Input Commission 10 min.
 - **Purpose:** Commission discussion of items.
 - **Requested Action:** N/A
2. Director's Welcome Scott Marler 10 min.
 - **Purpose:** Director update of activities at the DOT.
 - **Requested Action:** N/A
3. COVID-19 Transportation Funding Impact Update 10 min.

Stu Anderson, Director
Planning, Programming and
Modal Division

 - **Purpose:** Provide a status report on COVID-19 transportation funding impacts, federal funding relief, and actions to mitigate impacts.
 - **Requested Action:** N/A
4. 2020 Highway Program Balance Report 5 min.

Shawn Majors
Program Management Bureau

 - **Purpose:** Present the latest FY 2020 monthly highway program balance report. Through April, receipts to the Primary Road Fund have come in \$44.4 million above forecast. Through the May letting, project costs are \$93.5 million above programmed amounts. When combined with the \$51.7 million over-programmed amount we began FY 2020, the current highway program balance is \$100.8 million over-programmed.
 - **Requested Action:** N/A
5. Five-Year Program Discussion 10 min.

Stu Anderson, Director
Planning, Programming and
Modal Division

 - **Purpose:** The draft 2021-2025 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program (Program) was presented at the May workshop. The department received two public comments and they are summarized as follows.
 - **Comment:** A resident of central Clinton County commented that I-80 from Iowa City to the Quad Cities should be six-lanes and truck traffic

should be restricted to the right two lanes. They also commented that US 30 should be four-lane due to many close calls going through and near the small towns between DeWitt and Cedar Rapids.

- **Response:** Regarding I-80, work will begin in 2021 on the six-lane improvement from Iowa City east about eight miles. There also is work scheduled in the Program to replace bridges in Cedar County to accommodate future widening. In addition, the Mississippi River Bridge replacement was added to the Program that will accommodate more lanes.

For US 30, the department completed a Planning and Environmental Linkages study this year that determined a Super-2 improvement can best address the safety and traffic issues on the corridor while minimizing the impact on the small communities along the corridor and agricultural land. This Program includes a Super-2 improvement on US 30 in Cedar County from Lisbon to Mechanicsville.

- **Comment:** A resident near Peosta on US 20 west of Dubuque wanted to see intersection improvements on US 20 at Cox Springs Road and Thunder Hills Road because these have high-volumes due to serving several residential developments on the east side of Peosta.
 - **Response:** The district office has communicated with the residents in this area in the past. The types of improvements requested were not justified at the time; however, the district is working with the county and the Regional Planning Affiliation to perform a safety audit in this location this summer. Depending on the results of the audit, a project could be recommended for programming or a joint DOT/county project could be funded using the County - State Traffic Engineering Program (C-STEP) funding allocated in the back of the Program.

Only minor editorial changes have been made to the draft document.

- **Requested Action:** Be prepared to ask any remaining questions as action will be requested at Tuesday's business meeting.

6. Transfer of Jurisdiction – Portion of Virginia St. 5 min.
from Sioux City to Iowa DOT

Mitchell J. Dillavou, Director
Highway Administration

- **Purpose:** As part of I-29 reconstruction in Sioux City, the portion of Virginia Street from Gordon Drive south to the I-29 northbound frontage road will now be the Iowa 12 connection to I-29. Therefore, a transfer of jurisdiction agreement has been negotiated to transfer this segment of Virginia Street from Sioux City to the Iowa DOT.
- **Requested Action:** Provide input and comments during the workshop. Action will be requested at Tuesday's business meeting.