



# DES MOINES AREA MPO

Policy Committee Meeting

August 18, 2022

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

# August 18, 2022 Agenda



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17. Next Meeting Date – September 15, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.
18. Adjournment

# APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

# CONTRACTS AND EXPENSES

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VENDOR	PURPOSE	NOTES/INFORMATION	AMOUNT REQUESTED
Dentons Davis Brown	Legal Services	Special legal services - MIPA	\$2,961.00
Dentons Davis Brown	Legal Services	Special legal services related to Container Locator patent	\$2,972.00
Jester Insurance	Insurance Policy	Included in FY 2023 budget	\$11,961.00
Now Now LLC	Contract for Website Update	Included in FY 2023 budget	\$16,800.00

# PUBLIC COMMENT ON MPO ACTIONS

# **PRESENTATION: IOWA DOT REGIONAL PROJECTS UPDATE**



# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNUAL REVIEW AND COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENT**

# ED Annual Review and Compensation Adjustment

- The MPO Chair has appointed the Executive Director Review committee
- The 2022 Review Committee members include:
  - Ted Weaver, City of Clive – Chair
  - Jeff Walters, Polk City
  - Ruth Randleman, City of Carlisle

# ED Annual Review and Compensation Adjustment

- The Review Committee completed our annual performance review of the executive director.
- Based on a review of the past year's goals and accomplishments, the committee determined Todd's overall performance to be Very Good (4.0).
- Based on the recently installed Salary Matrix Table and using the maximum COLA adjustment to account for current economic conditions, we recommend a salary increase of 5.5%.

# SAFE STREETS FOR ALL GRANT PROGRAM

# Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program

- Action Plan would cover the MPO planning area
- Staff is proposing a \$1 million project with \$800,000 being requested in SS4A grant funds.
- This would require \$200,000 in local matching funds
- Local match options include:
  1. MPO covers local match with reserve funds
  2. Special assessment to all member governments
  3. MPO covers half and other half covered by special assessment
  4. Iowa DOT provides some portion of the local match with remainder coming from MPO reserve funds
- Staff recommends Option 4
- Application must be submitted by September 15, 2022

# **IOWA CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATIONS**

# Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program

- Altoona – ITS Master Plan - \$76,000
- DART – Route #17 Extension to Bondurant - \$52,400
- DART – Outreach and Education Campaign – \$40,000
- Urbandale – 100<sup>th</sup> Street Signal Coordination - \$100,000
- West Des Moines – Traffic System Vehicle Detection Improvement - \$432,000

# Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program



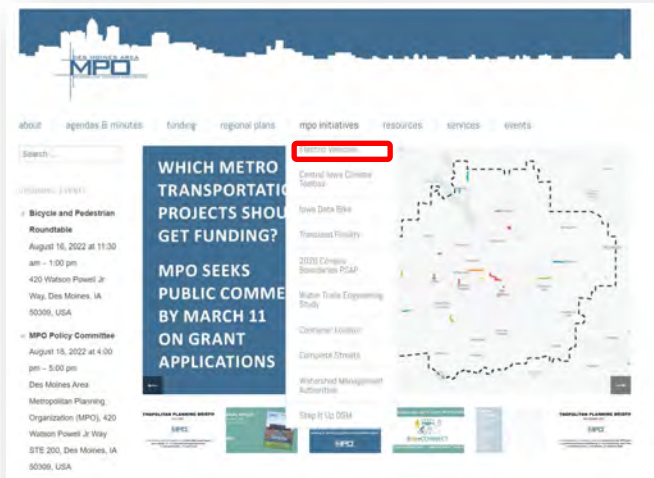
- ICAAP Schedule
  - September 2022 – Recommendation presented to Policy Committee and resolutions are forwarded to project sponsors
  - October 1, 2022 – Project sponsor submit their applications to the DOT



# EV WORKSHOP SERIES DEVELOPMENT & SURVEY

# EV Workshop Series Development & Survey

- MPO staff is working with partner organizations to piece together an EV workshop for member communities and partners
- While we work out preliminary details, MPO staff is requesting Transportation Technical Committee members to take a short survey to:
  - Identify emerging priorities
  - Develop and prioritize workshop topics and agendas
  - Identify additional partners
  - Narrow list of potential final products
- Survey open through August 31<sup>st</sup>
- New MPO EV Resource webpage is live!



# PURPLE HEART HIGHWAY UPDATE

# Purple Heart Highway Update

- Staff touched based with IDOT
  - Trying to wrap up report by August
  - No additional details for Action Plan
  - Cleared the regional stakeholders to initiate implementation
- Staff initiated conversation with Greater Des Moines Partnership regarding implementation.
  - Will be working on a detailed action plan.

**PHASE 1:**  
Stakeholder Study  
and Action Plan

**Summer 2021 to  
Fall 2022**

- Led by IDOT
- Supported by MPO

**NEXT STEPS**

- Finalize report with meeting notes

**PHASE 2:**  
Pursue State and  
Federal Exemptions

**Fall 2022 to  
Fall 2023**

- Staffed by MPO
- Led by Steering Committee

**NEXT STEPS**

- Action plan
- Form Steering Committee
- Identify legislative champions
- Continue stakeholder outreach
- Target the 2023 Iowa Legislature & transportation allocation bill (fall 2023)

**PHASE 3:**  
Complete Analysis  
Required by FHWA

**Fall 2022 to  
Spring 2023**

- Overseen by MPO
- Conducted by consultant

**NEXT STEPS**

- Request updated scope of work from HNTB for review
- Staff will make recommendation during September committee meetings

**PHASE 4:**  
Formally Request  
Designation

**Summer 2023**

- Led by IDOT
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**NEXT STEPS**

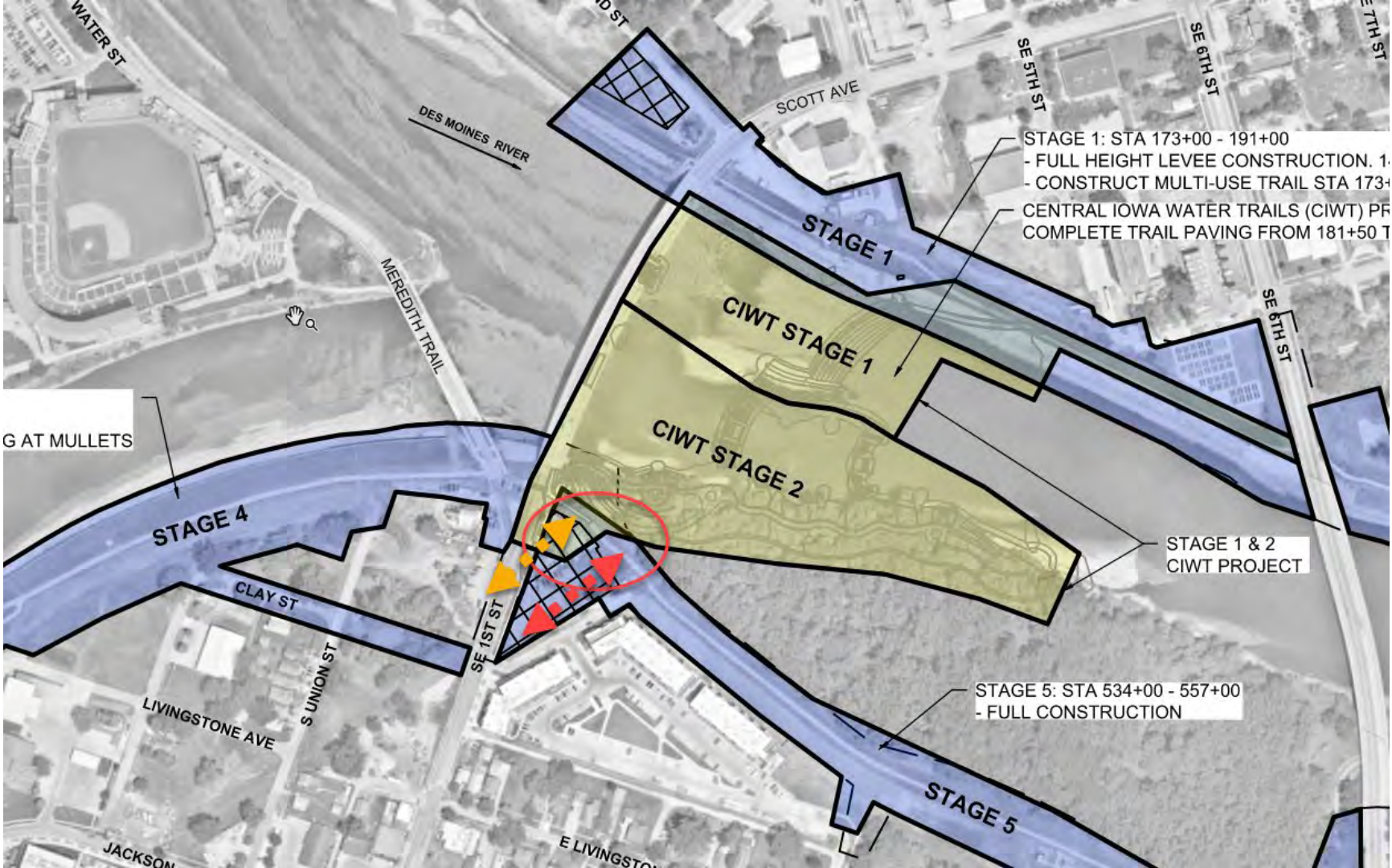
- None at this time

# WATER TRAILS UPDATE

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- The amended agreement has been signed by MPO, DOT, and FHWA
- Design team has developed a document outlines proposed scope changes aimed at reduction overall project costs
- Snyder & Associates have been coordinating with the City regarding the staging of work that overlaps with the levee project



STAGE 1: STA 173+00 - 191+00  
- FULL HEIGHT LEVEE CONSTRUCTION. 1.  
- CONSTRUCT MULTI-USE TRAIL STA 173+  
CENTRAL IOWA WATER TRAILS (CIWT) PR  
COMPLETE TRAIL PAVING FROM 181+50 T

STAGE 1 & 2  
CIWT PROJECT

STAGE 5: STA 534+00 - 557+00  
- FULL CONSTRUCTION

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STAGE 4

STAGE 1

CIWT STAGE 1

CIWT STAGE 2

STAGE 5

DES MOINES RIVER

MEREDITH TRAIL

SCOTT AVE

SE 5TH ST

SE 6TH ST

SE 7TH ST

CLAY ST

SE 1ST ST

S UNION ST

LIVINGSTONE AVE

JACKSON

E LIVINGSTONE



# Water Trails Update

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## Target Dates for the Scott Avenue In-River

- 7/11 – MPO submits check plans
- 7/29 – FHWA/DOT/City return check plan comments (*please let me know if this is a problem ASAP*)
- 8/8 – MPO resubmits plans for FHWA/DOT/City review
- 8/12 – FHWA/DOT/City provides any last comments
- 8/23 – Contracts Turn-In
- 9/20 – Plans Available to Contractors (6-week bid period)
- 11/1 – Special Letting

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

# National Legislation – FY 23 Appropriations Bill

- House of Representatives passed FY 2023 THUD bill as part of ‘minibus’ spending package on July 20<sup>th</sup>:
  - \$105 billion for transportation, an increase of \$2.4 billion over FY 2022
  - \$775 million for RAISE (BUILD/TIGER) - \$10 million increase
  - \$7 million for Des Moines International Airport terminal design
  - \$5 million for Broadway Ave reconstruction
- Senate Appropriations Committee released their version of the bill on July 28<sup>th</sup>
  - \$106 billion for transportation
  - \$1.09 billion for RAISE (BUILD/TIGER)

# National Legislation – Inflation Reduction Act

- Senate passed bill on August 7<sup>th</sup>
- \$7+ billion for transportation electrification and individual incentives for clean vehicles
- Neighborhood Access and Equity Grant Program:
  - Discretionary program to fund projects that holistically create mobility choices, reduce barriers to mobility, and mitigate damaging physical and environmental impacts to communities
  - \$3 billion through FY 2026 – states, cities, counties, MPOs all eligible to apply
    - \$1.89 billion for general project eligibility, which requires 20% local match
    - \$1.26 billion for projects in distressed areas, which requires no local match
    - \$50 million for technical assistance

# UPCOMING EVENTS

# 2022 Passenger Transportation Summit

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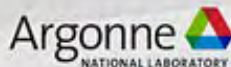
- Thursday, August 11
- 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Panelists from human-service agencies and transit agencies.
- FFA Enrichment Center  
1055 Southwest Prairie Trail Parkway  
Ankeny, IA 50023



# I-80 STAKEHOLDER CONVENING & FUNDING UPDATES

**WHEN:** TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022

**WHERE:** WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - QUAD CITIES



IOWA CLEAN CITIES COALITION



Illinois Department  
of Transportation



Online option available:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/i-80-stakeholder-convening-funding-updates-tickets-387557724587>

# FHWA Webinar: Cold, In-Place Recycled Asphalt

## Innovation Exchange

Conversations Launching Change

*Presented by the Federal Highway Administration Local Aid Support*



- Thursday, August 18
- 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Cold In-Place Recycling (CIR) consists of recycling asphalt pavement without the application of heat.
- For questions, email Karyn Vandervoort with FHWA's Office of Federal Lands Highway:  
[karyn.vandervoort@dot.gov](mailto:karyn.vandervoort@dot.gov)



**Don't Miss Early Bird Discount Ending July 15!**



[www.iowastormwater.org/events/conference](http://www.iowastormwater.org/events/conference)

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM & AGENDA**  
**2022 IOWA STORMWATER CONFERENCE**  
FFA Enrichment Center | Ankeny, Iowa | September 15-16, 2022



This FREE training is designed for busy elected officials & community leaders. In 1.5 hours, we will identify the link between land use & water resource protection and help you be better prepared to address stormwater issues and opportunities in your community. The event kicks off the annual IStorm Conference. [Join us at the conference!](#)

- 7:30-7:45 AM Reconnecting Iowans to Water**  
(Hannah Innman, Great Outdoors Foundation & Maggie McClelland, ICON)
- 7:45-8:00 AM Stormwater Basics for Community Leaders**  
(Aaron Gwinnup, EOR)
- 8:00-8:15 AM Stormwater Ordinance Lessons Learned**  
(Rudy Koester, City of Waukee)
- 8:15-8:30 AM Crafting a Stormwater Master Plan**  
(Patrick Beane, City of Des Moines)
- 8:30-8:45 AM A New Funding Approach: Batch & Build**  
(John Swanson, Polk County)
- 8:45-9:00 AM Q&A**

**September  
15, 2022**

**FFA  
Enrichment  
Center**

**Ankeny, IA**

Certificates  
provided  
for PDHs



WED <sup>SEP</sup> 28

THU <sup>SEP</sup> 29

# 2022 IOWA WATER CONFERENCE: OUR WATERSHED MOMENT, BUILDING COMMUNITIES FOR CONSERVATION

Dubuque, Iowa

REGISTER

# Annual APA Iowa Conference

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## APA Iowa Chapter

2022 Annual Conference | Ottumwa | Oct 12-14

*Make little plans to reach high hopes!*

- [iowa.planning.org/conferences-and-meetings/chapter-conference/](https://iowa.planning.org/conferences-and-meetings/chapter-conference/)
- Bridge View Center, Ottumwa





# GROWING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 17-18, 2022

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# OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST



# Iowa's EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan Released

- State plan required for NEVI submitted to Joint Office August 1
- Now available online
- Iowa DOT will receive a total of \$51,374,369 in NEVI funds during the 5-year period from FFY22 to FY26.
- Aligned EV goals to *Iowa in Motion*

Table 1: Iowa EVIDP Goals Aligned With System Objectives

IOWA EVIDP GOALS	IOWA IN MOTION SYSTEM OBJECTIVES
Goal 1: An EV fast-charging system that supports regional and interstate travel.	Flow, Accessibility
Goal 2: A local EV system that promotes equitable access and mobility throughout Iowa's communities.	Accessibility
Goal 3: A charging network that helps provide the traveling public with a variety of transportation and energy options.	Flow, Accessibility
Goal 4: A transportation system that reduces energy life-cycle emissions to minimize impact on human and environmental health.	Sustainability
Goal 5: A sustainable transportation and energy system that can adapt to economic, technological, and environmental changes, while providing a high level of system reliability.	Sustainability, Flow
Goal 6: A charging network that supports long-term EV station success, which maximizes economic benefits for consumers.	Sustainability, Flow
Goal 7: A growing network of chargers that fosters innovation and collaboration to expand economic opportunities.	Sustainability

# Iowa's EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan Released

- Preliminary takeaways:
  - Focus on Alternative Fuel Corridors
    - Non-AFC investments can be made after AFC built out (expecting ~ 2 years)
  - No EV infrastructure on DOT properties (IE: Rest Stops)
  - Outcomes (p. 15):
    - Maximize \$\$
    - Providers align with State goals
    - Ownership, Operations, & Maintenance: responsibility of partners, not DOT
    - Engage community partners near sites
  - “...the utilities and present representation felt that most of the utilities could handle an additional 600-kW load at most interstate exits, provided three-phase power is already located nearby.”



# Iowa's EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan Released

- Current DCFC stations in Iowa – compliant v non-compliant
  - NEVI: Minimum of four 150-kW charging stations located within 1 mi of the AFC
  - Currently 3 comply with NEVI – including Waukee – K & G
  - Lists 9 metro DCFC that are within distance but lack capacity req's
- None of the proposed and analyzed sites are within DMAMPO boundaries
- Workforce needs & Justice 40 considerations
- Performance Metrics:
  - Percent of NEVI-compliant AFCs & stations built out
  - Number serving disadvantaged & rural areas
  - Annual charging energy consumed
  - Uptime rates & charging speeds
  - Average consumer cost per kWh
  - # of charges per port per day
  - # of EVITP Certified Professionals
- Plan will be updated with time and progress

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