

**Missouri Department of Transportation (CD&NE) &
American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri
Liaison Committee**

**- MINUTES -
April 23, 2018**

The Missouri Department of Transportation (Central & Northeast Districts) and the American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri held their meeting on April 23, 2018, at 1 p.m. at the MoDOT Central District office in Jefferson City. The following individuals were present:

MoDOT Representatives:

Mike Dusenberg	Natalie Roark
Steve Engelbrecht	Dave Silvester
Jerad Noland	Jason Vanderfeltz

ACEC/MO Representatives:

Timothy Broyles	Pat Poepping
Dave Hurt	Chip Touzinsky
Todd Kempker	Bruce Wylie
Linda Moen	

1. **Introductions** - Introductions were made and a record of attendees was checked.

2. **Previous HCM Update / legislative Issues**

- Commission meetings have been very light on content, Commissioner Pace is Vice Chair, Commissioner Smith is Chair.
- New members - Terry Echer - Elmo MO Farmer NW MO; Robert Brinkman, PE - STL Area Big D/B Contractor.
- Legislative Standpoint
 - 10 cent fuel tax is moving through legislature even with Turmoil of Governor Status; some of this tied to other tax saving measures; some decoupling of tax saving measure; maybe ties to tax offset (\$90m increase) and maybe not to vote of the people. Governor not necessarily in favor of this. Being done with not a ton of MoDOT involvement.
 - 0.4% sales tax for Highway Patrol in lieu of coming out of MoDOT funding.
 - Maybe rival bills coming soon. Eigel's bill may die in committee / funding review. Leadership may not be comfortable with this.
 - Maybe a Corlew bill will move forward.
 - Still potential for Governor to move the vote to a November vote.

3. **MoDOT Leadership Updates / Key Initiative Update**

- InfraGrant - Put in for a lot of these. Biggest priority was the 270 corridor (I-70 to Illinois); Other part was I-70 improvements for freight; Rocheport Bridge was part of this. Some six laning to Wentzville - Somewhere in the Billion Dollar Range.
- TIGR is changing to Build - 1.5B announcement coming July 19.
- Chris Redline - New NW District Engineer.
- Brian Kidwell - New KC District Engineer.
- Joey Hitten - KC Asst. to District Engineer.
- New Asst. DE for KC interviewing this week.
- RB's spot is still in consideration, not sure what is going to happen there.
- Troy Hughes - moving to Design Liaison Engineer.
- Mike and Danika meeting will be taking over Troy's duties. Will backfill that position moving forward.
- Thursday in capital 2018 report card for infrastructure.

4. STIP Update

- Draft STIP Due - May 2nd; Comments Due June 1; approved on July Commission Meeting.
- Does STIP have any info on TDD's? Not sure. Cost share, yes.
- Hwy 54 north of Mexico; Hannibal Bypass Expressway maybe for TDD's.
- ECO Devo - Safety - Always listening for these projects.

5. Buckle Up/ Phones Down

- Still promoting internally - Still some bills in legislature
- Fair/Fare act. Anyone who does this for a transportation source (I.e. UBER or Taxi) comply with no texting ban.
- District - about getting the word out, etc. Educate public on need for this.

6. Update on District Priorities

- *Northeast District*
 - MOU on sidewalks ADA; Roadway design ADA components, variety of work.
 - Route 19 over I-70 will go out to consultant. I -70 ramps, outer road alignment, signals, growing in scope. Luv's development going in.
 - More bridge projects – several.
 - District at design capacity now. Any new or additional work will go to consultant.
- *Central District*
 - Route 63 and 54 intersections both are done with advertisement.
 - Draft STIP is out - lots of shouldering jobs.
 - Bridge met with statewide for upcoming bridges.
 - 3 bridges out shortly with Mike Duesenberg FY 20 projects.
 - Traffic study on WB off ramp bridge to BL 70 from I-70 (voided slab structure) 18mo study on where the traffic goes if the bridge closes.
 - Conley Road connection opening shortly.
 - On-call for consultant bridge inspection.
 - Recently did several ADA projects.
 - Still try to deliver all remaining ADA work as progressive design build. Preliminary D/B will be a good way to deliver this. Maybe for '19 but most likely '20-'22. Statewide there is interest as well. Engineering Procurement Construction Qualifications up front then a two-phase contract. Commit to a price then moving forward. Maybe around a \$10m contract.
- *Route 61 Cuivre River* - goes out to letting next fall.
- *I-70 Rochport Bridge*
 - Discussion with federal highway on the EA - maybe reopen EA.
 - Look at the south side for the relocation (MO DOC has some land there).
 - Maybe hire the consultant to do SHPO work - Richard More took over for Gayle Unrue.
 - Do have in the STIP a project in there for rehab and painting of the old bridge.
 - Trying to find funding for this. Looking for Grants, etc.
 - Maybe still proceeding next year with rehabbing of old structure.
 - Do have some work ongoing with Dave Simmons on that for the new bridge - looking at risk assessment for that - start in mid-May.
 - 25-mile backup is on the WB direction maybe 8-mile on the EB side, but that is not really acceptable.

7. Road to Tomorrow (I-70) Update

- Nothing new to discuss

8. Cost Share Program

- Route K Sinclair
- Potosi had one approved, but City backed out
- \$15m in 19 increases by \$5m/yr up to \$40m
- State infrastructure bank is open and accepting applications for low cost loans.
- Send date for end of the 2018 application dates.

9. District Bridge Closures; bridge rating changes

- Still closing bridges when need to. Nothing closed in a while. Risk always out there. Still looking for Gasconade River Bridge.

10. Construction Management services

- Using an on-call construction inspection contract for an ADA project.
- Consultant responsible for all aspects of inspection including RE with the exception of approving change orders.
- This is the only one for the year in the CE district.
- None in the NE district anticipated. Let other districts do the trial and error on this.

11. Route 63 Safety improvement projects status

- Jacobs/CH2M Hill was selected - negotiating the contract.
- Route 54 project selection is coming. 13-14 submittals received.

12. On-Call

- *CE*: Lots of ADA a couple of bridges. More than normal. Probably less this year, but not 100% sure yet. Shouldering jobs/bridges mostly.
- *NE*: Volume staying the same; staffing isn't changing. Trying to get ahead in scoping projects, but no significant changes.

13. Next Meeting

- The next meeting is set for Wednesday, October 17th at ACEC/MO's office.