



TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 06, 2025

Osage Centre

1625 N. Kingshighway, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Voting Members Present:

Mr. Drew Christian, SEMO Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)
Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Jake Garrard, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. Cary Harbison, SEMO Port
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape Special Road District
Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. JoJo Stuart, Cape Girardeau Regional Airport (via Zoom)
Ms. Ginny Smith, Cape Girardeau County Transit

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Non-Voting Members Present

Mr. Corbin Carlton, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Ms. Cecelie Cochran, Federal Highway Administration – MO Division (FHWA) (via Zoom)
Mr. Thomas Caldwell, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) (via Zoom)
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation

Others Present:

Mr. Trey Scott, Missouri Department of Transportation

Staff Present:

Mr. Alex McElroy, City of Cape Girardeau

Program Administration/Support Consultant Present:

Ms. Janice Collier, KLG Engineering

Call to Order

Chairman, Mr. Shrimplin called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Introductions

Each person introduced themselves and their organization and Mr. McElroy identified those participating with Zoom.

Adoption of Agenda

Upon a motion by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Agenda of the August 6, 2025, Technical Planning Committee, was unanimously adopted.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Shrimplin identified some corrections that are needed in the July 2, 2025 minutes. Upon a motion by Mr. Christian, seconded by Mr. Phillips, the amended minutes of the July 2, 2025, Technical Planning Committee was, unanimously approved.

Communications from the Chairman

Mr. Shrimplin stated he had no communications at this time.

Public Comments

Mr. Shrimplin asked if there were any comments from the public regarding items not on the agenda. There were none.

New/Unfinished Business

Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update – Mr. McElroy stated that in July, the consultants made progress on Task 2.3 – Stakeholder Engagement and Task 2.4 – Public Engagement. Eight stakeholder meetings were held, representing Aviation, Bike/Ped, Economic Development & Tourism, Emergency Management, Freight, Neighborhood Groups, Transit, and Accessibility. In addition, two well-attended Public Open Houses were conducted on July 21 at the Osage Centre and July 22 at the Jackson Civic Center, generating valuable feedback from participants.

In August and September, we will advance Task 4 – 2050 Transportation Assessment Needs and Potential Emerging Technologies. This will include: 1) identifying efficient use of transportation resources, 2) conducting a needs assessment, 3) project modeling, 4) evaluating and recommending strategies for emerging technologies, and 5) updating fiscally constrained and illustrative project lists.

Transit System Planning Project scope development and RFP preparation are scheduled for August and September.

Multi Model Freight Plan A Task Order has been issued to SEMO RPC for project development and contract administration. We will collaborate with SEMO RPC on the RFP process and consultant selection.

Transportation Improvement Plan Update

The TIP update will be conducted by SEMO RPC under Task Order 1.

General Services Agreement

Our current GSAs expire in October 2026. I plan to initiate the solicitation in FY26 to allow sufficient time for execution, as waiting until FY27 would leave only four months before expiration. This project will begin later in the FY26 Planning Year.

Member Reports:

City of Cape Girardeau – Mr. Garrard reported the remaining project for the TTF 5 is the Main Street project to North Sprigg, they are waiting to bid until other projects are complete. TTF6, the South Sprigg water main project is half done, the street work reconstruction is moving North, to catch up with the water work. Lexington to Perryville intersection is open again, with West bound lane on Perryville work starting next week. The work is still ongoing West of Perryville to Carolina. Perryville is still shutdown between Sherwood and Lexington. They also have the box culvert project replacing the Perryville box while the road was shut down. Lappe doing the concrete work on Janet, they should have this finished by August 15th. Asphalt 2025 projects are finished up. There are a few smaller projects due to water main breaks. TTF7 compiling RFQ, the designs are done. We may not maintain the construction pace as the last year. Grant projects Cape Rock sidewalk review is underway. LaCroix Trail project will go to advertising for bids.

City of Jackson – Mr. Bollinger stated East Main Sidewalks bids were opened they received two bids, the lowest was Lappe Cement and MoDOT has issued Notice to Proceed. Construction should begin August 18 and be completed in November. Sunset Hills Bridge replacement was awarded to Putz Construction and the work is moving fast. Concrete box beams have been set, asphalt laid and should construct the sides next week. Deerwood roundabout, Lochmueller has applied for the construction permit, and it has been approved by MoDOT. It is out for bid and should be approved by August 28th. Middle School sidewalk project is proceeding with Smith and Co. and preparing to get these out for approval by MoDOT next week. TAP app was submitted for The Hubble Creek Trail project, Phase 3, extending the trail to the soccer park. The concrete street program was awarded to Lappe. Asphalt bids out this month.

Cape County – No report was given.

Cape Special Road – Mr. Phillips reported that Pace Construction finished the asphalt projects. Penzel has begun work on County Road 635 and 637 bridge replacement.

Cape Transit Authority – Ms. Smith reported that the transit is live with SEMO. SEMO services will begin on Saturday. The Trip Shot app is available.

SEMO University – No report was given.

SEMO Port – Mr. Harbison reported the earthwork is ongoing with the first blast today.

Cape Regional Airport – Mr. Smith reported that the taxiway Delta project is ongoing and new hanger construction has begun.

SEMO RPC - Mr. Christian stated they held the regional TAP meeting and finalized regional priorities. Regional Parkway project tied for 17th out of 21 projects on the list. This is the first time on the list. TIP updates were discussed.

Bootheel RPC – No report was given.

SEMO Redi – No report was given.

MoDOT- Mr. Carlton reported that Route Y has reopened. Work has begun on the Highway 61/34/72 junction and on August 22, we anticipate putting concrete in on the intersection lanes. The Bloomfield Road will likely be rolled into 2026 project with MoDOT. Work continues the Emerson Bridge rehabilitation project, and will begin some PCC overlay work, they have also been working on the overlay work and sandblasting.

Mr. Killian reported the 2026-2024 STIP has been approved by the Highway Commission and Federal Highways. Mr. Killian reported that he has a map that shows the projects for the first 3 years and the printed STIP. The High Priority Unfunded Needs public meeting will be held on August 28 in Poplar Bluff at the Ozark Foothills RPC. They encourage participation from the public and planning partners. They are in the middle of their asset management plan update, and plan to have this finished and turned into the Highway Commission by mid-November. Anticipate the announcement of the new DE. The Bloomfield Road project will be rolled a project that they will be letting in January. They will need a TIP amendment. They are also using some funds for experimental pavement on I-55, for 5-6 sections. Beginning in March, they will have a separate research project. Trey Scott will be working for MODOT on a permanent basis.

IDOT – Mr. Caldwell stated they held a meeting with the Transamerica group with Earl Norman. State Representative Jamie Burger and Cape Girardeau’s City Manager Trevor Pulley were in attendance. IDOT will proceed to funding for the study.

FHWA MO Division – Ms. Cochran stated she had no report.

Staff Report

Mr. McElroy stated he had no report.

Other Business and Communications

There was no other business or communication.

Adjournment Motion

The meeting was adjourned at 11.39 a.m. on a motion by Mr. Bollinger, seconded by Mr. Christian.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Collier