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**ENVIRONMENT**



## 50000 ENVIRONMENT

Element Number 55200 Transportation Air Quality Outreach Program (CMAQ – Funded\*)

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$85,000					\$85,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$85,000					\$85,000

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$33,454	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$33,454	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	39.36%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

### Promised Products:

1. Complete testing program and sponsor 35 gas cap replacement events to identify failing or missing gas caps on light-duty vehicles in Lucas and Wood counties. August 2012
2. Compile an end-of-year gas cap program report for public distribution. October 2012
3. Complete 2012 Ozone Action Season public awareness campaign to educate citizens of the negative health effects, environmental, and economic impacts of ozone. Begin preparation for the 2013 campaign. September 2012
  - a. Distribute Ozone Action Season fact sheets at community events.
  - b. Update the TMACOG website to include current air quality information.
  - c. Update the Ozone Action website to include the daily air quality forecasts.
  - d. Purchase advertisements/media spots promoting program objectives.
4. Review the effectiveness of roundabouts in reducing emissions. June 2013
5. Produce an annual Air Quality Summary. January 2013
6. Provide technical assistance to local governments, school districts, and fleet operators with emission reduction grants. June 2013
7. Work with the Green Fleets Program to educate local governments, school districts, and fleet operators to reduce emissions. June 2013
8. Make targeted outreach presentations to five local governments and/or community partners on the region's air quality status and the health and economic development impacts of non-attainment. June 2013

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\*This document covers only those portions of the environmental program that are transportation-related items funded with consolidated planning grant or other special transportation funds. To review the full environmental program, see the *Annual Work Program – Executive Summary*. CMAQ funding is provided through TMACOG-managed funds allocated through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (PID# 84328).

**First Semester:**

1. The 2012 Gas Cap Replacement Program was completed by the City of Toledo Division of Environmental Services. During the course of the program, 624 gas caps were tested and 120 faulty or missing gas caps were replaced.
2. The gas cap program final report was received in September and was posted to the Air Quality webpage and published in the TMACOG newsletter.
3. Ozone Action Season promotion was conducted as follows:
  - a. Ozone Action fact sheets were distributed at Gas Cap Testing locations.
  - b. The TMACOG Air Quality webpage has been kept up to date with agendas, minutes, recent documents and other information.
  - c. The daily air quality forecasts were posted to the Ozone Action Season webpage when notices were received from the City of Toledo.
  - d. Program marketing was conducted on billboards in Lucas and Wood counties, ads and feature stories in weekly and monthly print publications, sponsorship of 15-second radio traffic spots, on the local website Toledo.com and the website of the Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune, and on signage at the Toledo Mud Hens ballpark.
4. Work on roundabout effectiveness will take place in the second half of FY 2013.
5. The annual Air Quality Summary will be produced and posted in January of 2013.
6. There were no requests to assist with grant applications during the first half of FY 2013.
7. Staff distributed information materials received from Clean Fuels Ohio.
8. There were no requests for presentations in the first half of FY 2013.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

# **TRANSPORTATION**





## 60000 TRANSPORTATION

### ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

#### Element Number 60120 Highway Project Planning

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$16,000	\$2,000	\$2,000			\$20,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$28,960	\$3,620	\$3,620			\$36,200

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$12,678	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$12,678	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	35.02%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

#### Products:

1. Support and participate in other agencies' efforts to implement major elements of the 2035 Plan–Update 2011 (Element 61100). Ongoing
2. Provide staff and support for development of the following projects and ODOT Tier 2 and 3 improvements in our region identified by the Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC): Ongoing
  - a. Widening I-75 in Wood County from Perrysburg to the northern boundary of Hancock County.
  - b. McCord Road grade separation.
  - c. Phase 2 of the I-75/I-475 systems interchange in downtown Toledo.
  - d. Widening of I-75 in north Toledo from Phillips Avenue to I-280.
  - e. Design development of the I-475/US 23 systems interchange in western Lucas County.
  - f. Dorr Street safety and pedestrian improvements.
  - g. Several TIP-funded projects scheduled for FY 2013-2015.

#### First Semester:

1. A letter of support for the Detroit River International Crossing project was submitted by TMACOG to the U.S. Department of State during the public comment period. Staff provided support during development and attended opening ceremonies for the following projects: US 24 Fort to Port on August 28; Airline Intermodal Yard on August 29; Hallet Road grade separation on October 29; and the SR 18 dedication on November 19. Staff attended meetings held in the region related to the Ohio Turnpike and the Governor's announcement of the selected option for long term operation of the Turnpike.

2. Staff supported efforts, provided data, and participated in a presentation to the TRAC on September 9, 2012 related to submittal of applications in our planning area for the I-75 widening from Perrysburg to Findlay in Hancock County and Phase 2 of the I-75/I-475 systems interchange project. Staff participated in the ODOT conference call on December 19 to discuss options for funding of the US 20A project.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

Element Number **60123** Safety Studies

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$44,800	\$5,600	\$5,600			\$56,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$44,800	\$5,600	\$5,600			\$56,000

	Semester:	First	Second
Total Semester Expenditure		\$28,235	
Year-to-Date Expenditure		\$28,235	
Year-to-Date Percentage Expended		50.42%	
Semester Percentage of Work Completed		100%	
Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed		50%	

### Products:

1. Update benchmarks using the most up-to-date crash data as well as historical data to show trends. December 2012
2. Update the Highway Safety Program report completed in FY 2011 using data from 2010 and 2011. Incorporate Michigan data into the report. June 2013
3. Use the most up-to-date data breakdown and post safety crash data by jurisdictions on the TMACOG website. December 2012
4. Work with the System Performance and Monitoring (SPAM) Committee to continue to identify high crash locations and suggest low- to high-cost improvements. Ongoing

### First Semester:

1. This activity will take place in the second semester of FY 2013.
2. It has been determined that TMACOG will use the same ranking system as the previous report. However, the top locations will include rural and suburban locations. The countywide crash data spreadsheets are complete including the addition of Michigan data. Top locations will be determined in the second semester and countermeasures will be determined by the System Performance and Monitoring committee.
3. This activity will take place in the second semester of FY 2013.
4. Specific locations have been studied at every SPAM Committee meeting and will continue to be studied for the remainder of the fiscal year.

### Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:

None

## ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

### Element Number 60130 Regional Passenger Rail Planning

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$67,200	\$8,400	\$8,400			\$84,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$66,960	\$8,370	\$8,370			\$83,700

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$35,964	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$35,964	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	42.97%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

#### **Products:**

1. Hold one or more public informational events on passenger rail issues. May 2013
2. Work with stakeholders to strengthen the Toledo Amtrak station as a multimodal hub and incrementally improve passenger service to the region. Prepare a progress report by the end of the fiscal year. June 2013
3. Track progress and participate in efforts to implement the Ohio Hub and Midwest Regional Rail high-speed rail systems and other passenger rail initiatives in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan. Ongoing
4. Hold a minimum of three meetings of the Public Transit & Passenger Rail Committee. Ongoing
5. Provide passenger rail-related data and information for TMACOG's transportation planning processes, and update the rail information on the TMACOG website. Ongoing

#### **First Semester:**

1. The annual Passenger Rail Forum was held in October. Attendance was high, attributed to the keynote speaker, the chairman of the board of Amtrak. Also, work started on the Train Day Toledo educational open house event slated for May 2013.
2. Metroparks of the Toledo Area and downtown stakeholders requested that TMACOG participate in an initiative to improve connectivity from the train station to the downtown along the riverfront corridor. Exploratory meetings were held, and it appears this initiative will go forward. The TMACOG Public Transit & Passenger Rail Committee reviewed a Midwest High Speed Rail Association proposal to work jointly on adding trains to the northern corridor (Chicago-Toledo-New York).
3. At the Passenger Rail Forum in October, the Amtrak chairman reviewed progress on upgrading rail service in the Midwest. TMACOG staff kept abreast and shared information

related to key Michigan rail projects, including the planned Ann Arbor-Detroit commuter service and the upgrade of Chicago-Detroit Amtrak line to 110 mph.

4. The Public Transit & Passenger Rail Committee met twice (August and November). Topics included a review of rail developments and the human services/public transportation coordination plan. The steering committee also met twice (August and October.)
5. The website was updated with information from the Rail Forum and a link to Federal Transit Administration's webpage on the new MAP-21 federal transportation law.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

**ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning**

**Element Number    60140    Freight Planning**  
**60142    Ohio Conference on Freight**

<b>60140 Freight Planning</b>						
Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$45,250	\$5,656	\$5,656			\$56,562
Other Sources (Michigan):			\$6,795	\$30,643		
Revised Amount:	\$32,450	\$4,056	\$4,056			\$40,562

	Semester:	First	Second
	Semester Expenditure Ohio	\$18,839	
	Michigan	\$17,388	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure Ohio	\$18,839	
	Michigan	\$17,388	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended Ohio	46.44%	
	Michigan	46.44%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	100%	
	Michigan	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	50%	
	Michigan	50%	

<b>60142 Ohio Conference on Freight</b>						
Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$148,000	\$18,500	\$18,500			\$185,000
Other Sources:					\$62,690	\$62,690
Revised Amount:	\$128,000	\$16,000	\$16,000			\$160,000

	Semester:	First	Second
	Semester Expenditure Ohio	\$73,711	
	Local	\$62,690	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure Ohio	\$73,711	
	Local	\$62,690	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended Ohio	46.07%	
	Local	100.00%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	100%	
	Local	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	50%	
	Local	100%	

<b>60143 Ohio Conference on Freight</b>						
Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$8,000	\$2,000				\$10,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$8,000	\$2,000				\$10,000

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$10,000	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$10,000	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	100%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	100%	

**Products:**

1. Plan and present the annual Ohio Conference on Freight in coordination with the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) and ODOT. September 2012
2. Complete the evaluation of the National Highway System (NHS) intermodal connectors in the region and produce a report that includes an inventory of the routes and identifies inadequacies. June 2013
3. Provide maps, data, and online resources that can help inform regional decision makers and the general public of our freight transportation assets and freight movement concerns in the region. Ongoing
4. Create a regional rail crossing map and include links to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio rail crossing data. June 2013
5. Monitor legislation that impacts the freight community and promote awareness of national, state, and local transportation issues. Ongoing
6. Maintain [www.ohiofreight.org](http://www.ohiofreight.org) as an important source for statewide news and information affecting freight transportation in Ohio. The site also includes information related to the annual Ohio Conference on Freight. Ongoing
7. Provide staff and support for a minimum of four meetings of the TMACOG Freight Committee. Ongoing

**First Semester:**

1. The goal of the Ohio Conference on Freight continues to be to support a strong and growing distribution and logistics industry in Ohio via an excellent multimodal freight infrastructure system. The conference connects planners, engineers, and economic developers with industry leaders who are responsible for producing and shipping goods. The two-day conference held on September 13-14, 2012 attracted 240 registrants – up 50 % from the previous year. Supply chain experts, infrastructure engineers, entrepreneurs, regulatory officials, planners, academic researchers, legal and financial specialists, and professionals involved in developing talent and regional economies came from 14 states, plus Ontario, Canada. Among the participants and presenters there were representatives from 11 Ohio metropolitan planning organizations and ODOT officials in attendance from

six districts and the central office. All freight transport modes were featured across five keynote sessions, 13 workshops, and a facility tour. There were more than 40 presentations that offered information on all freight modes: rail, surface, pipeline, air, and sea.

2. In coordination with ODOT's Intermodal Facility and Connector Update project, the following proposed NHS intermodal connectors for the TMACOG planning area were submitted to FHWA and were accepted. Connectors for the Cargill Grain Terminal, BP-Husky Refinery, and The Andersons Maumee facility. Updated information for the previously existing NHS connectors was also submitted and accepted by FHWA. Staff will complete the final NHS intermodal connector report in the second semester of FY 2013.
3. Freight-related maps updated this semester for the TMACOG website include the NHS intermodal connectors, truck traffic volumes, railroad grade separation projects, and regional logistic investments. Staff produced a foreign trade zone map for the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority's presentation at the 5 Lakes Global Economic Forum. Staff also updated the TMACOG freight planning display for use at various meetings and conferences. Information on freight assets and concerns was also presented and discussed at the annual Ohio Conference on Freight, and at meetings of the TMACOG Freight Committee.
4. Staff obtained the latest rail crossing database from the Public Utilities Commission and will combine this data with the latest ODOT railroad layer to complete the regional rail crossing map in the second semester of FY 2013.
5. Legislation that impacts freight transportation was discussed at the Ohio Conference on Freight with topics that included the freight implications of the MAP-21 transportation bill, and U.S. and Canadian freight policies and international cooperation. Legislation was also discussed at meetings of the Freight Committee including MAP-21 freight provisions and the proposed plan to leverage the value of the Ohio Turnpike. Links to news articles on freight-related legislation were included on the Ohio Freight website ([www.ohiofreight.org](http://www.ohiofreight.org)).
6. The Ohio Freight website ([www.ohiofreight.org](http://www.ohiofreight.org)), an important source for freight information, is maintained by TMACOG staff and is updated bi-monthly with links to freight-related news articles and upcoming events. In addition to news and events, the site contains links to freight organizations, planning organizations, port authorities, economic development agencies, and freight-related government sites. The website also includes agenda and registration information for the annual Ohio Conference on Freight, along with information on past conferences. The Ohio Freight website was re-designed this semester and the updated format and content was demonstrated at the November meeting of the Freight Committee.
7. There were three meetings of the full Freight Committee and two meetings of the steering committee this semester. Highlights included a presentation from Grand Aire, an air cargo provider based at Toledo Express Airport. Along with the Ohio Turnpike plan and the MAP-21 freight provisions, meeting topics included the progress of ODOT's intermodal connector project, the new US 24 Fort to Port highway, and two major rail yard expansions in Toledo and Bellevue. At the November meeting, the committee members voted to have TMACOG compose a letter that was submitted to ODOT encouraging the formation of a statewide Freight Advisory Committee, as recommended by the MAP-21 legislation.



**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

### Element Number 60150 Pedestrian and Bikeways Planning

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$92,800	\$11,600	\$11,600			\$116,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$100,160	\$12,520	\$12,520			\$125,200

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$49,171	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$49,171	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	39.27%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

### **Products:**

1. Encourage transportation alternatives and promote increased usage through the activities of the annual Bike Week/Month. May 2013
2. Continue the availability and distribution of TMACOG bicycle user maps and dissemination of printed and electronic materials. Ongoing
3. Provide staff and support for the Pedestrian and Bikeways Committee and hold a minimum of four meetings. Ongoing
4. Support regional bikeway development efforts including conducting scheduled meetings of the Westside Corridor Committee. June 2013
5. Continue to update the *Bicycle Facilities Guide for Recreational Riding* as needed and disseminate the information via the website. Ongoing
6. Keep current on the TMACOG website reference material, with links to principles for accommodating bicycle and pedestrian transportation, bikeway definitions, and the regional bicycle/pedestrian plan. Ongoing
7. Develop a regional “complete streets” policy that calls for design of street corridors to serve multiple transportation modes, including pedestrians, bicycles, and transit. April 2013

### **First Semester:**

1. Planning is underway to promote several activities for the month-long event scheduled for May 2013 with safety being the primary focus.
2. This is an ongoing effort. The materials are made available through the TMACOG website and via print.
3. The Pedestrian and Bikeways Committee held meetings in August, October, and November during the first semester of FY 2013.
4. The Westside Corridor Committee held meetings in July, September, November, and December during the first semester of FY 2013.

5. This is an ongoing effort with current updates posted to the TMACOG website prior to subsequent printed editions of the guide.
6. The development of this area of the website is a continuing project.
7. Staff is working with the Pedestrian and Bikeways Committee to establish a “complete streets” policy. The focus of this effort is to establish a policy that can be used as a tool or template for member agencies that choose to adopt a similar policy.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

### Element Number 60160 Regional Public Transportation Planning

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$44,806	\$5,600	\$5,600			\$56,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$47,360	\$5,920	\$5,920			\$59,200

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$23,236	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$23,236	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	39.25%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

### **Products:**

1. Hold an informational event that includes information on public transit issues. May 2013
2. Provide public transit-related data and information for TMACOG’s transportation planning processes, and update the transit information on the TMACOG website. June 2013
3. Track progress and participate in efforts to implement public transit projects and initiatives outlined in the 2035 Plan–Update 2011 and other regional transit planning documents. Ongoing
4. Hold a minimum of three Public Transit & Passenger Rail Committee meetings. June 2013

### **First Semester:**

1. Work started on the Train Day Toledo educational open house event—which includes information on public transit-slated for May 2013. Staff also prepared a white paper summarizing future performance measures and “state of good repair” provisions of MAP-21, Section 5326.
2. The website was updated with a link to Federal Transit Administration’s webpage on the new MAP-21 federal transportation law and posting of the draft Coordinated Human Services/Public Transit Plan Update. Staff continued to work with the Public Transit & Passenger Rail Steering Committee on researching transit funding, alternative transit service options, transit’s relationship to Environmental Justice, and performance measures.
3. Staff participated in meetings for development of the new downtown Toledo transit station (a priority project in the 2035 Plan). Through the Transportation Enhancement/Alternatives program, TMACOG is supporting this project with funding for pedestrian enhancements in the new station area. Through the TMACOG Transportation Improvement Program, federal funds are being provided for TARTA bus fleet replacement. TMACOG staff serves on the

steering committee for the Coordinated Human Services/Public Transit Plan Update which will be completed in January 2013. The Transportation Council reviewed and endorsed this plan in December 2012.

4. The Public Transit & Passenger Rail Committee met twice (August and November). Topics included a review of the draft human services/public transportation coordination plan, environmental justice and public transportation, and transit funding under MAP-21. The steering committee also met twice (August and October.)

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 601 – Short Range Transportation Planning

### Element Number 60190 Transportation Service

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$16,000	\$2,000	\$2,000			\$20,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$19,680	\$2,460	\$2,460			\$24,600

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$7,301	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$7,301	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	29.68%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

### Products:

1. Assist members with transportation planning, project development, and funding as requested, and provide members with information needed for the transportation planning process. Ongoing
2. Create new maps or provide copies of existing maps as requested by members or associates. Ongoing
3. Provide GIS data, demographic and socioeconomic data, and other technical information as requested. Ongoing
4. Maintain the online regional Highway Construction Projects map. Ongoing

### First Semester:

1. Staff provided GIS and mapping assistance to the University of Toledo for the Westside Corridor multipurpose trail project. GIS assistance was also provided to WSOS for a mapping project. Staff assisted the Metroparks of the Toledo Area in locating Lucas County building footprint data. And staff printed 50 ODOT Ohio Safe Routes to School maps of City of Toledo schools for the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department. Staff also participated in planning for GIS Day, an event hosted by the City of Toledo, by coordinating with media (TV and newspapers) and judging the student map competition.
2. New maps were created on at least three occasions for members or associates including the City of Toledo (Summit Street area bike facilities), the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority (foreign trade zone), and the Toledo Design Center (warehouse district bike facilities). Existing maps (printed or electronic) were provided to the University of Toledo (Westside Corridor multipurpose trail), the City of Toledo (TMACOG area bike facilities), Metroparks of the Toledo Area (TMACOG area bike facilities), and the Toledo Design Center (TMACOG area bike facilities, bike network map).
3. Data was provided on at least eight occasions for members or associates including TARTA (centerline streets for Lucas and Wood counties), Metroparks of the Toledo Area (Westside

Corridor trail route, railroads, rail junctions, 2011 traffic count data), the University of Toledo (Westside Corridor route, Lucas County school locations, key destinations, railroads, rail junctions, bike facilities, TARTA transit routes and stops), WSOS (parcels for Seneca and Wood counties), and the Toledo Design Center (bike facilities, parcels).

4. Staff maintained the online highway construction projects map with updates as needed. The 2013 highway projects preview map, along with a chart of detailed project information, was created in December and is featured on the TMACOG website. The 2013 map will be updated in the second semester with additional highway projects as they are scheduled.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

**ODOT Category 602 – Transportation Improvement Program**

**Element Number 60210 Transportation Improvement Program Development**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$80,000	\$10,000	\$10,000			\$100,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$48,000	\$6,000	\$6,000			\$60,000

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$25,532	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$25,532	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	42.55%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

**Products:**

1. The TIP Committee will continue to pursue the timely utilization of federal and state funding to maximize the use of available resources. Ongoing
2. Publish the annual listing of highway, transit, pedestrian, and bikeway projects using federal funding in TMACOG’s area. September 2012
3. Monitor and maintain the FY 2012–2015 TIP. Ongoing
4. Prepare the FY 2014-2017 TIP for adoption by the TIP Committee, the Transportation Council, and the Board of Trustees. Ongoing
5. Develop air quality model network/complete air quality conformity analysis. Ongoing
6. Provide staff and support for the TIP Committee meetings to manage the program. Ongoing

**First Semester:**

1. This continues to be a primary focus of the work of the TIP Committee. The active TIP project list was reviewed at each committee meeting to assure timely use of available dollars.
2. The annual listing of projects was published in the TMACOG newsletter in November 2012.
3. The TIP Committee and staff processed five TIP amendments in the first half of FY 2013 to keep the TIP on track.
4. The FY 2014-2017 project list was submitted to ODOT in November. Other TIP development activities are ongoing.
5. TMACOG staff is preparing model variables to be included in the 2010 base model. The conformity analysis will be performed in the second half of FY 2013.
6. Four TIP meetings were held in the first half of FY 2013.



**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

**ODOT Category 602 – Transportation Improvement Program**

**Element Number 60220 Transportation Improvement Program Management (STP-Funded\*)**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$80,000		\$20,000			\$100,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$80,000		\$20,000			\$100,000

	Semester:	First	Second
Total Semester Expenditure		\$41,848	
Year-to-Date Expenditure		\$41,848	
Year-to-Date Percentage Expended		41.85%	
Semester Percentage of Work Completed		100%	
Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed		50%	

**Products:**

1. Prepare program monitoring reports with actions needed to keep projects on schedule. Ongoing
2. Complete FY 2014 lockdown with the ODOT District 2 staff. December 2013
3. Proactively manage TMACOG sub-allocation funding to actively pursue project schedules, track adherence to project development commitment dates, and notify project sponsors of missed commitment dates. Ongoing
4. Work with project sponsors and ODOT District 2 to schedule project sales with quarterly goals of 20%, 30%, 30%, and 20% of projects sold in the respective quarters of the fiscal year. Ongoing
5. Work with project sponsors and ODOT District 2 to identify the reservoir of projects ready to be sold totaling 25% of current year allocation. Ongoing

**First Semester:**

1. A TIP monitoring meeting was held with TMACOG, ODOT and project sponsors on December 20, 2012 to track projects and discuss issues. The December TIP Monitoring meeting brought some issues to light that are currently being addressed with project sponsors.
2. TMACOG staff worked with ODOT to complete the lockdown list.
3. As described above, project monitoring is an ongoing effort with emphasis placed on sponsoring jurisdictions to meet or exceed agreed upon project development schedules. Funds are balanced within the three categories, STP, CMAQ, and Transportation

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\* TMACOG STP funding is provided through TMACOG-managed funds allocated through the TIP (PID# 84330) and is not part of consolidated planning grant funds.

Enhancements, on a continuing basis to maintain balances within the four-year TIP and where possible on an annual basis.

4. This is an ongoing effort to balance the workload of project approval and monitoring with ODOT District 2 and Central Office.
5. Local jurisdictions are continually encouraged to proactively prepare projects as they are able ahead of developed schedules so that the TIP maintains an active reservoir. As the situations develop and we are able to do so, the TIP attempts to borrow funding from other Ohio MPOs to accelerate projects into earlier fiscal years.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 605 – Continuing Planning – Surveillance

### Element Number 60510 Data Collection and Management

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$124,800	\$15,600	\$15,600			\$156,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$149,760	\$18,720	\$18,720			\$187,200

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$85,045	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$85,045	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	45.43%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

### Products:

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| 1. Gather the required counts pertaining to the HPMS and safety locations, as well as cordon/screen line locations if necessary.   | June 2013     |
| 2. Provide data for use in updating the downloadable traffic flow map.   | Ongoing       |
| 3. Maintain and update socioeconomic data files for the transportation study area.   | Ongoing       |
| 4. Maintain and update network data files including newly constructed project information.   | Ongoing       |
| 5. Maintain and update traffic count database.   | June 2013     |
| 6. Maintain and update GIS data (roads, political boundaries, Census, etc.).   | Ongoing       |
| 7. Develop maps as required to assist various transportation committees and events.  | Ongoing       |
| 8. Continue to work with local jurisdictions to use the Traffic Count Database System (TCDS) software to upload counts into the traffic count website.   | Ongoing       |
| 9. Update the database that organizes all transportation data (ODOT inventory system, network inputs, counts, Transportation Improvement Program projects, forecasts, etc.).                                   | June 2013     |
| 10. Complete any needed revisions to the ITS regional architecture.  | June 2013     |
| 11. Coordinate with stakeholders to advance development of traffic signal coordination in the region, holding meetings as needed.  | December 2012 |
| 12. Coordinate with ODOT and regional ITS stakeholders to support improved transportation system safety and security, as well as implementation of ITS projects within the ITS Plan and 2035 Plan–Update 2011. | June 2013     |
| 13. Continue to examine trends on the transportation network by comparing historical and new data (i.e. bridge condition, traffic counts).   | June 2013     |
| 14. Integrate the ODOT and county bridge condition databases to assemble a   | December 2012 |

- regional inventory.
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| 15. Provide traffic count data upon request by TMACOG members and non-members. | Ongoing   |
| 16. Review and smooth the 2010 Census Toledo urbanized area boundary.          | June 2013 |
| 17. Update the highway functional classification network.                      | June 2013 |

**First Semester:**

1. TMACOG and local jurisdictions obtained counts for the HPMS program and safety locations. In all, over 300 traffic counts were obtained this year.
2. The data was provided to the consultant this semester. It is anticipated the traffic flow map will be available online during the second semester of FY 2013.
3. Other Census-related data products were created for committee review including, population density, age, and income information.
4. The travel demand model network was updated to 2010 base year conditions. Currently, staff is updating the network with traffic count station IDs, and the portion of the network containing actual changes (due to construction projects) is complete.
5. Ongoing. The database was maintained and updated as traffic counts were obtained over the course of the semester. Counts obtained by TMACOG, Lucas County, Toledo, and Oregon were uploaded onto the site.
6. Obtained updated general GIS data for Fulton, Lucas, and Ottawa counties (parcels, centerlines, etc.), and additional land use and zoning data for Lucas County. Congestion location shape files were updated. Obtained 2012 GIS data from ODOT that includes roads, rails, bridges, political boundaries, and miscellaneous layers. Obtained updated Metroparks of the Toledo Area property data, and Ohio and Michigan legislative district boundary data. Created TMACOG 2000 environmental justice GIS layer from U.S. Census data. Updated and consolidated TMACOG's regional bike facility GIS data.
7. Updated the maps used for the TMACOG organizational boundaries presentation. Updated the Westside Corridor trail access map for the coordinating committee meetings. Created demographic maps (environmental justice, population density, median income, and median age) for TMACOG land use meetings. Created 2013 highway project map and chart for Toledo Trucking Association presentation, and for MDOT's highway project meeting.
8. Ongoing. Counts are uploaded to the traffic count website as they are received from member jurisdictions with counting programs.
9. Crash data and updated congestion location shape files from 2011 were added to the transportation database.
10. No changes were made to the ITS architecture.
11. No meetings were held this semester. ODOT District 2 is in the process of coordinating signal timing along Woodville Rd (SR 51) between themselves, City of Toledo, City of Oregon, City of Northwood, and Wood County.
12. Staff continued to track progress on implementing the ODOT freeway management system for the Toledo area.
13. Activity on this item will occur in the second semester when data for the entire calendar year of 2012 is available.
14. Activity on this item will occur in the second semester when data for the entire calendar year of 2012 is available.

15. Ongoing. Requests were made by local member jurisdictions as well as other local non-member businesses.
16. The urban area boundary smoothing effort commenced during the fall. ODOT staff reviewed the smoothed boundary and offered additional suggestions. Local stakeholders and the TMACOG System Performance and Monitoring committee will review the additional suggestions in January, with completion on this item anticipated to occur in February.
17. Activity on this item will occur in the second semester when the data is available.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

## ODOT Category 610 – Long Range Planning

### Element Number 61100 Long Range Planning

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$130,050	\$16,256	\$16,256			\$162,562
Other Sources (Michigan):			\$6,795	\$30,643		\$37,438
Revised Amount:	\$99,650	\$12,456	\$12,456			\$124,562

	Semester:	First	Second
	Semester Expenditure Ohio	\$63,212	
	Michigan	\$18,999	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure Ohio	\$63,212	
	Michigan	\$18,999	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended Ohio	50.75%	
	Michigan	50.75%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	100%	
	Michigan	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	50%	
	Michigan	50%	

### Products:

1. Update the 2035 Plan projects and initiatives progress tables. June 2013
2. Identify and gather available data relevant to the creation of a regional land use inventory and growth patterns analysis. June 2013
3. Provide information and assistance in support of the 2035 Plan, including presentations, distribution of plan documents, and input to state planning processes. Ongoing
4. Work with partners on top priority 2035 Plan initiatives. Ongoing
5. Assist as requested in area community comprehensive plan updates and major development efforts. Ongoing
6. Hold at least four meetings of the Transportation Planning Committee. June 2013

### First Semester:

1. No activity. To be completed in the second semester of FY 2013.
2. A transportation/land use steering committee was convened, including representatives of city and county planning and administration staff, the homebuilders association, and ODOT. Staff prepared analysis maps and tables showing changes in the region's land use for committee review; two committee meetings were held. Next steps will include consideration of how changing land use will impact future transportation needs.
3. Preparation of the draft 2013-2014 Legislative Agenda was completed with adoption by the collaborative partners expected in February 2013. This informational document

communicates the region's transportation priorities, including key projects from the regional transportation plan. Staff monitored progress on the update of the Access Ohio transportation plan, sharing draft documents as appropriate with the Planning Committee members and the public; also provided a one-page summary on the TMACOG region for inclusion in Access Ohio.

4. TMACOG has been in dialogue with ODOT and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority regarding funding to improve US 20A to provide better access to the trucking terminal at Toledo Express Airport (Initiative 1, Lake Erie West Global Logistics Hub). Staff provided training to City of Rossford on use of ODOT's pavement condition rating system (Initiative 2, system preservation process). TMACOG participated in the development of a regional transit/human services coordination plan (Initiative 3, regional transit). TMACOG focused on the shortfall of transportation funding in the draft Legislative Agenda (Initiative 8, education campaign on funding needs). TMACOG supported the study of how the Ohio Turnpike could be used to leverage more funds for transportation improvements (Initiative 11, support research on transportation funding).
5. Staff is assisting in setting up a study of the corridor from the train station to the new Middlegrounds Metropark to downtown Toledo in order to improve connectivity.
6. Two meetings of the Planning Committee were held (August and December). Topics included MAP-21 (new transportation law) changes to regional planning and funding, review of draft demographic analysis maps, progress on major projects, and the draft Legislative Agenda.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None



**ODOT Category 615 – Continuing Planning – Procedural Development**

**Element Number 61520 Modeling and Forecasting**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$112,000	\$14,000	\$14,000			\$140,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$186,080	\$23,260	\$23,260			\$232,600

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$80,116	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$80,116	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	34.44%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	75%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

**Products:**

1. Continue to update the pavement management process with 2011 ODOT pavement condition rating (PCR) data. June 2013
  - a. Inventory roadway pavement and provide anticipated future rating based on its condition.
  - b. Include the gathered pavement inventory in a database.
  - c. Prepare list of catch-up projects and maps by jurisdiction.
  - d. Examine trends in the PCR data by comparing historical and new data.
2. Assemble Census block level data into traffic analysis zones (TAZ). August 2012
3. Assemble Census 2006-10 ACS-based block level data and calculate TAZ values. August 2012
4. Review special generators to determine the accuracy of current locations and include locations with new development. August 2012
5. Provide data and information to support the Congestion Management Process report. September 2012
6. Provide traffic projection results to members as needed. Ongoing
7. Provide staff and support for System Performance and Monitoring Committee meetings. Ongoing
8. Continue to refine and improve the capabilities of the traffic model including the 2010 update/validation schedule of activities from ODOT’s Urban Modeling staff. As well as perform updates to the highway network and other model input files as needed. June 2013

**First Semester:**

1. Ongoing. Work was delayed on bullet points a, b, and c due to increased modeling activity and will be attempted in the second semester. The PCR trending item (bullet point d) was

completed within FY 2012. Pavement condition rating data from 2007, 2009, and 2011 was used for the comparison.

2. Ongoing. Some data has been assembled into the TAZs.
3. Complete.
4. Complete.
5. Data has been assembled for the Congestion Management Process report. The report will be completed during the second semester of FY 2013.
6. There were no requests made.
7. The System Performance and Monitoring committee met two times this semester, on August 30 and November 8.
8. Ongoing. By the end of the first semester, staff has updated the model network for the 2010 base year and is currently coding traffic count station IDs onto the network. This effort will allow the traffic counts database to link up to the network via a table join. Staff is continuing the effort to update the zonal data table and will start coding transit routes onto the model network in the second semester of 2013.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

Work with the pavement condition data obtained by ODOT was delayed due to increased modeling activity with the 2010 base year update.

**ODOT Category 674 – Transit Planning**

**Element Numbers 67495 TARTA Short-Range Planning**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:						

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$0	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$0	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	0%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	0%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	0%	

**Products:**

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| 1. Complete and submit the annual Capital Plan for Transit Improvements. | May 2013       |
| 2. Preparations of 2013 Program of Projects.                             | September 2012 |
| 3. Public Transit Monitoring System (PTMS) Report update.                | February 2013  |
| 4. National Transit database report.                                     | April 2013     |
| 5. 2011 certification of data.   | April 2013     |

**First Semester:**

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

**ODOT Category 697 – Transportation Program Reporting**

**Element Numbers**    **69710**    **Transportation Policy Committee Reporting and Administration**  
                                  **69720**    **Transportation Summit**

<b>69710 Transportation Policy Committee Reporting and Administration</b>						
Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$56,075	\$7,009	\$7,009			\$70,093
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$41,419	\$8,927	\$8,927			\$89,273

	Semester:	First	Second
	Semester Expenditure	\$66,705	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$66,705	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	74.72%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

<b>69720 Transportation Summit</b>						
Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$36,000	\$4,500	\$4,500		\$15,000	\$60,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$44,160	\$5,520	\$5,520		\$12,000	\$67,200

	Semester:	First	Second
	Semester Expenditure Ohio	\$3,682	
	Local	\$800	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure Ohio	\$3,682	
	Local	\$800	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended Ohio	6.67%	
	Local	6.67%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	100%	
	Local	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed Ohio	10%	
	Local	10%	

**Products:**

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| 1. Convene a TMACOG Transportation Summit  | March 2013     |
| 2. Complete the Annual Work Program  | September 2012 |
| 3. Provide staff and support to regional and state transportation organizations and agencies | Ongoing        |

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| 4. Provide staff and support for the Transportation Council | Ongoing |
| 5. Review and update the TMACOG Transportation webpages     | Ongoing |

**First Semester:**

1. A committee comprised of volunteers and staff has begun planning team meetings to organize and develop a draft agenda for the 2012 Transportation Summit. Input is now being received on potential topics including Changes to the Operations and Ownership to the Ohio Turnpike; MAP-21 Planning Considerations; Anticipated Public Transit in Transition; and Projects in the Region for the Upcoming Construction Season. The Summit will be held March 22, 2013.
2. The FY 2012 Completion Report was prepared and submitted on September 20, 2012. A review of the program was conducted with ODOT and FHWA staff on October 18. Development of the FY 2014 Annual Work Program is now underway with scheduled draft submittal to ODOT by March 1, 2013.
3. Staff attended several meetings of the SEMCOG Transportation Advisory Committee to coordinate planning between SEMCOG and TMACOG, provided support staff for the Northwest Ohio Passenger Rail Association, participated in meetings of the Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) Transportation Committee, served as a Board member of the Toledo Trucking Association, and the Toledo Section Chair of the Ohio Contractor's Association. Staff also participated in monthly meetings of key northwest Ohio transportation leaders and gave presentations at the 5 Lakes Global International Economic Forum on September 25, the Northwest Ohio Planning and Zoning Workshop on November 8, the Monroe County/MDOT Transportation Summit on November 8, the American Council of Engineering Companies on November 13, and the Monroe County Economic Development Corporation on December 13. And last, staff prepared an Op-Ed article published in the *Toledo Blade* related to MAP-21 and prepared summary information related to the new transportation bill for our members.
4. Transportation Council met four times this semester as demonstrated by supporting minutes, agenda, briefings, etc. In the first semester of FY 2013, one staff member retired and was replaced with a new hire on July 31.
5. Ongoing. The website continues to be reviewed monthly to keep posted data up to date and remove outdated or non-current information.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

# **COMMUTER SERVICES**



**70000 COMMUTER SERVICES**

**Element Number 73100 Share A Ride (CMAQ-Funded\*)**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$25,000					\$25,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$25,000					\$25,000

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$15,139	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$15,139	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	60.55%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

**Products:**

- Maintain and update the Share A Ride information on TMACOG’s website so that it is consistent with marketing efforts being used to promote the department’s programs. Ongoing
- Participate in and support the Gas Cap Testing and Replacement program, which is held in partnership with the Ozone Action program to foster a greater awareness of the importance of air quality issues. Emphasize the importance of decreasing the amount of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) released into the air by the automobile. Ongoing
- Provide information applicable to the update of the Congestion Management Process (CMP) Report. Ongoing

**First Semester:**

- The Share A Ride webpage is being kept up to date.
- Share A Ride information was made available at Gas Cap Testing Program events.
- Information on the Share A Ride Program and carpooling will be included in the Congestion Management Plan Report.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

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\* This element is funded through separate Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding, and is not part of consolidated planning grant funds. CMAQ funding is provided through TMACOG-managed funds allocated through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (PID# 76595).



**Element Number 74100 Specialized Transportation (CPG-Funded\*)**

Funding Sources:	FHWA / FTA	ODOT	Local Assess	Other Federal	Other Local	Total
Original Amount:	\$6,400	\$800	\$800			\$8,000
Other Sources:						
Revised Amount:	\$6,800	\$850	\$850			\$8,500

	Semester:	First	Second
	Total Semester Expenditure	\$2,259	
	Year-to-Date Expenditure	\$2,259	
	Year-to-Date Percentage Expended	26.58%	
	Semester Percentage of Work Completed	100%	
	Year-to-Date Percentage of Work Completed	50%	

**Products:**

1. Work to increase the quality of applications for the Specialized Transportation Program and increase quantity of funds by 20%. December 2012
2. Continue to monitor the maintenance and use of the Specialized Transportation Program vehicles in accordance with ODOT requirements. Ongoing

**First Semester:**

1. TMACOG staff sent out notifications for the 2013 round of Specialized Transportation Applications. Staff will assist applicants as questions arise.
2. This activity will take place in the spring following the notification of the vehicles that are due for inspection.

**Delays / Problems Encountered / Corrective Action:**

None

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\* This element is funded through a Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG).