

Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG)

PASSENGER RAIL COMMITTEE

Monday, July 26, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

TMACOG Boardroom

DRAFT AGENDA

- 10:00 **I. Introductions; review agenda**
- 10:05 **II. Ohio Hub and MWRRI** -- Don Damron, Ohio Rail Dev't Commission
-3C: preliminaries underway
-Ohio Hub PEIS: underway! (see www.dispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2010/07/15/ohio-rail-toledo-pittsburgh.html?sid=101 news article)
-Future funding: Congress deciding on FY 2011 appropriation for HSR;
FY 2010 HSR funding applications due Aug 6 --www.fra.dot.gov/Pages/press-releases/206.shtm
- 10:20 **II. Short-Term Projects** (see attached)
Review and prioritize list of potential short-term projects to improve passenger rail service.
- 10:40 **III. 2035 Plan-Update 2011 Input** --Diane Reamer-Evans
Any revisions needed to passenger rail and public transit elements of the regional transportation plan?
-Existing projects and initiatives: keep, delete or revise?
-Add new ones?
- 11:10 **IV. Policy Questions**
1) Comment on proposed federal rulemaking affecting streetcar funding? (see attached)
2) Use of federal transit capital funds for operating costs? (see MORPC resolution, attached)
- 11:20 **V. Projects in Progress** -- reports on new developments
A. Michigan update: WALLY and Ann Arbor-Detroit (semcog.org/AADD.aspx) projects; Michigan input meetings scheduled -- Lee Markham; John Guidinger
B. National Train Day Toledo, April 30, 2011 --Bill Gill
C. Amtrak update --Derrick James, Bob Grogan
D. Light rail / Streetcar developments --Jerry Wicks; Charley Sheets
E. Northwest Ohio Passenger Rail Assoc. (NOPRA): Steering meeting Sept. 9
F. Other
- 11:45 **VI. Announcements, Other Business**
- 12:00 **VII. Adjourn**

NEXT MEETING: October 26, 2010

Meeting Schedule for 2010

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| Full Committee | Last Monday, first month of each quarter, 10:00 a.m. (at TMACOG): 2010—January 25, April 26, July 26, October 25 |
| Toledo's National Train Day | Sat, April 30, 2011, Toledo Amtrak Station/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza |
| 2010 Ohio Conference on Freight | September 14-15, 2010, Dana Conference Center, Toledo |