NOTES FROM THE TMACOG
SYSTEM PERFORMANCE & MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting was held on March 5, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the TMACOG Boardroom, 300 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 300, Toledo OH 43697-9508.

I. Call to Order – Vice Chair of the System Performance and Monitoring committee, Doug Parrish, called the meeting to order. Attendees included Stephanie Bartlett, Pete Bick, Brooke Biniker, Jamie Blazevich, Doug Parrish, Gary Stookey, Mike Stormer, Lisa Householder, Lance Dasher, and Michael Fuller.

II. Congestion Locations in TMACOG Region – The committee continued the discussion from the previous SP&M meeting of distinguishing congestion locations within the region. TMACOG staff is currently updating the Congestion Management Process report for the MPO planning area, last completed in 2013. Michael Fuller of TMACOG staff gave an overview on two data sources that will provide input to this report: Inrix and NPMRDS (National Performance Management Research Data Set) data. Each will provide a different methodology to determine congestion. Both datasets are derived from GPS/cell phone usage. With the Inrix data, staff will be looking at distance weighted delay hours (congestion would occur where the observed speed is less than 75% of the free flow speed). Data is observed over multiple years (back to 2010) and divided into four peak time periods – A.M., midday, P.M., and off peak. The NPMRDS dataset focuses on travel time reliability over the course of a 24 hour period with data availability as far back as 2011. The committee discussed how the NPMRDS data doesn’t take posted speed into consideration, and questions how congestion can be determined when the data shows that actual speeds could be much lower than posted speeds.

III. FHWA Local Road Focused Approach (for review) – Lisa provided an update on the pilot study for the FHWA Local Road Focused Approach, which started in 2015. ODOT District 2 and TMACOG staff met with local jurisdictions last week to discuss the proposed countermeasures at each of the five intersections selected for this program. They include Indiana at Gibbs in Maumee, Monroe at Harroun in Sylvania, Pickle at Munding in Oregon, Laskey at Talmadge in Lucas County/Toledo, and Laskey at Lewis in Toledo. If the project remains under $500,000 then work can begin relatively quickly. Some, however, are above that limit and will have to go through a formal review process. One page summary reports are being provided to this committee, but the information on them may not be accurate as further changes are discussed/proposed.

IV. Other Business –

- The TMACOG Transportation Summit will take place Friday, March 16, 2018 at the Premier Banquet Hall in Toledo. Most of the program will be related to traffic safety planning.

V. Next meeting date: May 7, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the TMACOG Boardroom.

VI. There was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.