

**KYOVA INTERSTATE PLANNING COMMISSION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE – VIRTUAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

1. Nate Brugler – ODOT
2. Brian Carr – WVDOH
3. Steve Cole – City of Ashland
4. Paul Davis – TTA
5. Bill Dingus – LEDC
6. Bernadette Dupont – FHWA KY Division
7. Carrie Elliston – KYTC OTD
8. Jason Fauber – CEC
9. Allison Fluitt – Kimley-Horn and Associates
10. Vicki Green - FIVCO
11. Daniel Haake – HDR
12. Chandra Inglis-Smith – FHWA WV Division
13. Blake Jones – KYTC
14. Todd Kelley – Ashland PD
15. Chris Kinsey – WVDOH
16. Leigh Lane – EL Robinson
17. Abigail Lowe – FTA Region 3
18. Tony Maietta – EPA Region 5
19. Sadie Middleton – KYTC
20. Douglas Parker – EL Robinson
21. Mike Payne – Lawrence County Transit
22. Saleem Salameh – KYOVA
23. Matt Selhorst – HDR
24. Stephen Sewell – Palmer Engineering
25. Terri Sicking - KYOVA
26. Jody Sigmon – KYOVA
27. Velyjha Southern – FHWA OH
28. Scott Thompson – ODOT D9
29. Neal Vance – WVDPT
30. Bethany Wild – KYOVA
31. Thomas Witt – KYTC
32. Betty Wood – TTA
33. Jennifer Woodall – TTA

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Paul Davis called the meeting to order and requested self-introductions from those in attendance.

**2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED**

Meeting minutes for the December 1, 2020 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting were presented to the TAC.

### **3. KYOVA TRANSPORTATION STUDIES UPDATE**

#### **• KYOVA MULTIMODAL STUDIES**

- Huntington Truck Route Study – A draft truck route study has been sent to KYOVA; next step will be a stakeholder meeting combined with the Downtown Huntington Parking Study
- Downtown Huntington Parking Study – A public survey has been distributed; results from survey will be summarized; draft report will be ready in about a month
- Parking Study for Tri-State Airport – Data collection is on hold
- \*There was a note to check on the status of the 31<sup>st</sup> Street Bridge – update is that the bridge will have some equipment installed and will be reevaluated to determine if weight limit can be removed

#### **• US 52/SR 7 SAFETY CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN**

- Public meeting was held February 9<sup>th</sup> – map on KYOVA website will be available for comments until around mid-March
- HDR will be working on prioritizing funding and alternatives for hot spot locations as well as developing preferred alternatives. This will include new technologies for the future of the corridor.
- Completion scheduled for end of May
- Freight update – O-D data analyzed and showed an increase in traffic due to Portsmouth Bypass but Ironton-Russell Bridge is not being shown as a major freight corridor. Additional data will be studied near the Walmart area.

- **BOYD-GREENUP FREIGHT PLAN** – The freight profile is being developed to enhance economic development. Final tasks before completion include scenario planning, SWOT analysis, opportunities to improve freight mobility.

- **DOWNTOWN ASHLAND TRANSPORTATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY** – 2 alternatives have been developed which include reducing Winchester Ave down to 2 lanes. One of the goals of the project was to provide angled parking, which has been incorporated. Bicycle lanes were also included.

- **HARVEY ROAD PEL STUDY** – EL Robinson gave an update on the status of the study. Alternatives have been identified and screened for reasonable alternatives. Consultants are working closely with DOH-Environmental and working on a public involvement plan to have a virtual public meeting. A draft PEL should be available in June and complete in July.

### **4. AMENDMENT #4 TO THE KYOVA FY 2021-2024 TIP & #16 TO THE 2040 MTP**

Saleem Salameh and Jody Sigmon presented amendment which includes highway projects in Cabell, Wayne, and Lawrence counties. The public review process was complete for the amendments.

**Jennifer Woodall made the motion and Mike Payne seconded the motion to move Amendment #4 to the FY 2021-2024 TIP forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.**

### **5. PRESENTATION OF KYOVA FY 2022 DRAFT UPWP FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA**

Saleem Salameh presented the FY 2022 UPWP which includes all work activities to be completed by KYOVA in FY 2022.

**Chris Kinsey made the motion and Jennifer Woodall seconded the motion to move FY 2022 UPWP forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.**

## **6. TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT COORDINATION UPDATE**

Saleem Salameh and Bethany Wild presented updates to the performance measure targets which include an adjustment to the mid-term performance targets in WV and KY. KYOVA also presented a resolution for the transit targets.

**Chris Kinsey made the motion and Todd Kelley seconded the motion to move the resolution to update PM 2, PM 3 and Transit Targets forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.**

## **7. TRANSIT SYSTEMS STATUS UPDATE FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA**

- **TRI-STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY**
  - Ridership is down significantly, but service is continuing for those who are transit-dependent. TTA has been working on getting employees vaccinated.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY TRANSIT**
  - The Transit Agency is preparing for new service to start this summer
- **ASHLAND BUS SYSTEM**
  - No Update
- **RIDESHARE PROGRAM GOHIO**
  - The program is now live on KYOVA's website but has not received much activity, likely due to the current pandemic.

## **8. FTA 5310 TRANSIT PROGRAM FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA**

The FY 2021 Application cycle will be available starting March 8<sup>th</sup> on KYOVA's website. Prospective applicants should contact KYOVA for any additional information.

## **9. KYOVA STUDIES/BRIEF PROJECT UPDATES/INFORMATIONAL SESSION**

- **FEDERAL UPDATE – NOFA** released last week for INFRA grants. No word on BUILD grants.
- **TRI-STATE AIRPORT PROJECTS** – No update
- **CITY OF HUNTINGTON PROJECTS** – No update
- **WVDOT UPDATE** – Long-Range Plan received good feedback from stakeholders. The leadership team is wrapping up the needs assessment and revenue forecasting. A press release is coming soon along with social media info for MPOs to post on websites.
  - DOT is also looking at submitting INFRA grants for bridge clusters
- **KYTC CENTRAL OFFICE** – KYTC is working on developing its 6-Year Highway Plan. They are continuing to use the SHIFT process. They are also working on a Statewide Corridor Plan
- **BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES PROJECTS UPDATE** – A brief update was given on the projects. See project sheet for more information.

- **ODOT UPDATE** – Programmed project at US 52/Solida Rd to widen the roundabout giving trucks more turning space
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY PROJECTS UPDATE** – No update
- **US 35/SR 7 CONNECTOR** – No update

## 10. KYOVA SUBALLOCATED FUNDS UPDATE

KYOVA has switched applications to an online process for STBG & TAP projects allowing for an open cycle for projects

## 11. OTHER BUSINESS

- Introduction of Ms. Southern – FHWA OH
- FUTURE KYOVA MEETING DATES:

<b><i>KYOVA Technical Advisory Committee</i></b>	<b><i>KYOVA Policy Committee</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting time: 10:00 a.m. to noon</li> <li>• Location: To Be Determined**</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting time: Noon</li> <li>• Location: To Be Determined**</li> </ul>
February 23, 2021 (Tuesday)	February 26, 2021 (Friday)
April 20, 2021 (Tuesday)	April 23, 2021 (Friday)
September 28, 2021 (Tuesday)	October 1, 2021 (Friday)
December 7, 2021 (Tuesday) – tentative	December 10, 2021 (Friday) – tentative

\*KYOVA reserves the right to alter the dates based required board approval and if need, to hold special meetings.

\*\* As meeting date nears a determination may be made to meet virtually to ensure the health and safety of attendees and staff. If the meeting is virtual KYOVA will post the connection information on the KYOVA website and forward electronically to committee members.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT