



EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 318
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building
Evansville, Indiana

November 13, 2025

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1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Technical Members	Organization	In Person	Webex/ Phone
Luke Hill	INDOT	X	
Thomas Witt	KYTC	X	
Brent Wendholt	BF&S	X	
Mike Labitzke	City of Evansville, Engineer	X	
Megan Seiler	Evansville Disability Community	X	
Chris Gentry	INDOT	X	
David Reamer	INDOT	X	
Chai Mamidala	SJCA	X	
David Broderhausen	INDOT		X
Karen Brooks	Easterseals Rehabilitation Center		X
Nate Hahn	Evansville Regional Airport		X
Nick Hall	KYTC		X
Shawn Hayden	Eastland Mall		X
Matt Hughes	KYTC		X
Camille Robinson	FHWA		X
Steve Roelle	Success Warrick County		X
Jonathan Siebeking	METS		X
Jessica Waddle	KYTC		X
Rick Wilson	METS		X
Crystal Windhaus	HART		X

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

EMPO Staff	In Person	Webex/ Phone
Seyed Shokouhzadeh	X	
Pam Drach	X	
Kari Akin	X	
Matt Schriefer	X	
Erin Schriefer	X	
Amir Varshochi	X	
Jennifer Scott	X	
Lorenzo Marsh	X	
Cory Marshall	X	

Nate Hahn directed the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mike Labitzke made a motion for approval and Rick Wilson seconded the motion; motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Project Update – presented by Pam Drach

Project	Description	Most Current Status Information
City of Evansville		
Walnut Street Ph 3: MLK Jr Blvd to US 41	Road Diet with bike and pedestrian accommodations, green infrastructure, and a multiuse path	Construction is complete and the corridor is open to traffic.
Vanderburgh County		
Oak Hill Rd: Lynch Rd to St George Rd	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	Right of way acquisition complete. Project is ready for letting.
Wimberg Rd: Bridge over Locust Creek	Bridge replacement	Comments on the environmental document have been addressed and the document resubmitted to INDOT.
Warrick County		
Telephone Rd: Bell Rd to Fuquay Rd	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	Mainline work is ongoing from Bell Rd to Coal Mine Rd.
Epworth Rd Phase 1: Tecumseh Dr to south of SR 66	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	Environmental document approved. Right of way services is underway.
Oak Grove Rd Phase IV: SR 261 to Anderson Rd	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	Public information meeting held August 7, 2025. Design revisions are being considered based on feedback from the meeting. Utility coordination is ongoing.
City/County of Henderson		
Green River Rd: Bend Gate Rd to Osage Dr	Sidewalk extension with ADA improvements and markings	Project is complete.
Wathen Ln: US 60 to City Limits	Corridor upgrade with widened travel lanes, curb, gutter and sidewalk	Project is complete.
KYTC		
Watson Ln: Sunset Ln to Green River Rd	Intersection project to improve safety	Right of way acquisition process is underway with offers being made.

INDOT Updates – presented by Luke Hill

Contract	Project	Description	Most Current Status Information
INDOT			
R-44898	SR 66 At 1.79 mi E of US-41 (Vann Ave)	Intersection Improvement	Lane restrictions in place at Burkhardt and Cross Pointe are still in place; construction continues.
	SR 66 At 1.20 mi W of I-69 (Burkhardt Rd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 66 At 0.58 mi W of I-69 (Cross Pointe Blvd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 66 At 2.25 mi E of US 41 (Stockwell Rd)	Intersection Improvement	

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R-42287	SR 62 Pedestrian Walk at SR-62 EB/WB	Bridge Replacement	Work on pedestrian bridge between Lemke and St Joe has started; construction is ongoing.
	SR 62 At 6.62 mi W of US-41 (Schutte Rd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 At 4.58 mi W of US-41 (Rosenberger Ave)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 From Rosenberger Rd (4.59 mi W of S Jct US-41) to 3.92 mi W of S Jct US-41 (Ingle Ave)	Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards)	
	SR 62 From 8.56 mi W US 41 to 4.59 mi W of US 41 (East of Posey/Vanderburgh Count Line to Rosenberger Rd	Rubblize PCCP & HMA Overlay	
	SR 62 At McDowell Road, 7.75 mi W of US41	Intersection Improvement	
B-44147	SR 62 over HARPER DITCH, 01.78 E US 41	Substructure Repair And Rehabilitation	Construction was paused due to lack of permits, but now in process and will be completed in the next couple of weeks.
R-45152	SR 62 from 3.92 mi W of S Jct US 41 (Ingle Ave) to 2.72 mi W of Jct US 41 (Wabash Ave)	Pavement Replacement	Final Tracings have been sent to Central Office, waiting on letting. Utility relocations on-going.
	SR 62 At 3.09 mi W of US-41 (St. Joseph Ave.)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 2.72 mi W of US 41 (Wabash Ave)	Intersection Improvement	
R-44506	I 64 From 0.82 miles E of SR 65 to 0.96 miles E of SR 65	Slide Correction	Field check was held in October where slide limits and riprap was finalized. Currently working on stage 3 documents.
R-44013	SR 62 (Morgan Ave.) At Boeke Road, 1.01 mi E of US 41	Intersect. Improv. W/ Added Turn Lanes	Met with property owners to discuss concerns for businesses will hold a meeting with the engineers in the traffic department to discuss limits and design exceptions.
	SR 62 At Stockwell Road, 2.01 mi E of US 41	Intersect. Improv. W/ Added Turn Lanes	
	SR 62 SR 62 Bridge over HARPER DITCH, 01.78 mi E US 41	Bridge Deck Overlay	
R-45274	From 3.30 mi N SR-57 (0.20 mi N Boonville/New Harmony Road) to 0.85 mi S. SR 168 (0.20 mi N. Coal Mi	Rubblize PCCP & HMA Overlay	Began Stage 2 development. VE meeting scheduled for Nov 18, following is being incorporated • Profile Revisions: The US 41 profile will need to be revised to eliminate the 7" raise previously required for rubblized pavement. Lane Shifts: The northbound/southbound lane shifts will be removed/revised. Side-Road Tie-Ins: Side-road approach profiles and edge of pavement tie-ins will be revised to sync up with the US 41 revisions.
	From 3.30 mi N SR-57 (0.20 mi N Boonville/New Harmony Road) to 0.85 mi S. SR 168 (0.20 mi N. Coal Mi	Small Structures & Drains Construction	Stage 1 design plans are in development. Continued work on the following documents; Environmental, Right of Way, and Utilities.
	US 41 NB over Pond Flat Ditch 02.01 miles S of I-64	Bridge Replacement	Coordinated with Geotechnical Sub-consultant to submit Draft recommendations by the end of November. Started on Stage 2 Submission. Designed and submitted median drainage and culverts for side ditches. upcoming work Submit Stage 2 plans and documents. Coordinate supplement for median and side ditch culvert hydraulic design.
	US 41 SB over Pond Flat Ditch 02.01 miles S of I-64	Bridge Replacement	
R-45295	SR 66 From 1.81 mi E of US 41 to 1.91 E of US 41 (EB)	Bike/Pedestrian Facilities	Preliminary Field Check was held, addressing comments. Continuing work on environmental and right of way.
R-44499 (Des# 2200037)	US 41 1.57 miles S of SR 57 At St. George Road	Intersection Improvement	Railroad coordination has started with the district and CSX and continued work on stage 2 design.
R-44500	SR 66 2.23 miles W of SR 65 at University Parkway Intersection	Intersection Improvement	Scheduled an internal meeting talking about the Preliminary Plans.
	SR 57 3.36 mi S of I-69 (N. Green River Rd. Intersection)	Intersection Improvement	Stage 1 plans have been turned in. Field Check will be held in December.
	SR 57 3.36 mi S of I-69 (N. Green River Rd. Intersection)	ADA Sidewalk Ramp Construction	
R-39923	US 41 At Lynch Road, 1.0 mi N of SR-66	Intersection Improvement. Added left turn lane on SB US 41. No improvements on Lynch other than resurface.	Continued work on the scope and drainage of the project and discussion taking place about the current estimate of the project. Work on Stage 2 submitted.
R-45795	US 41 1.09 mi N of I 69 interchange (Covert Ave)	Intersection Improvement	Survey is about to commence.
R-44499 (Des# 2200044)	US 41 1.57 miles S of SR 57 At St. George Road	Intersection Improvement	Currently reviewing different designs for this intersection due to increase costs and lower budgets.
R-46317	Walnut St. and Lincoln Ave and Bellemeade Avenue in Evansville	Intersection Improvement	Project just getting started. Scoping meeting was held in September to discuss limits of the project and to look at the different alternatives

Nate Hahn asked for a follow up on a comment that was in the September meeting from Shawn Hayden, when Shawn asked about lane restrictions on the Lloyd Expressway at Cross Pointe and Burkhardt during the holiday season. Luke Hill responded that we should expect the lane restrictions to stay in place throughout the holidays. Luke explained that unfortunately it will make it more crowded, but it would cost more to move things around for maintenance of traffic and then have to move it back after the holidays.

Shawn Hayden asked if he could get more information about the intersection at Stockwell and Morgan. Luke Hill responded that it was possible.

Seyed Shokouhzadeh asked INDOT if it would be possible to have state police, at least during rush hour, to make sure lanes aren't blocked around the intersections on the Lloyd Expressway. Chris Gentry responded that they can talk to people from their office about how this can happen.

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2023-2030 TIP Modifications – presented by Pam Drach

There were no modifications to review.

b. 2026-2030 TIP Amendments – presented by Pam Drach

The Evansville MPO amended the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program with the following:

Sponsor	Contract	Des#/ID#	Road	Description	County	Work Type	Funding Type	% Split	Action	Fiscal Year	Phase/Source	Current TIP Entry Total	New TIP Entry		
												Total	Federal	State/Local	
INDOT	46308	2500823	SR 62	From US 41 to 1.0 mi E of US 41 (Boeke Rd)	Vanderburgh	Bike and Pedestrian facilities	HSIP	90/10	Add Project	2026	PE	\$0	\$460	\$414	\$46
										2028	RW	\$0	\$250	\$225	\$25
										2030	CN	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,250	\$250
INDOT	46285	2500802	SR 62	At Posey County Line Rd	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement project.	HSIP	80/20	Add Project	2026	PE	\$0	\$511	\$409	\$102
										2030	CN	\$0	\$3,700	\$2,960	\$740
INDOT	45753	2200037	US 41	At Petersburg Road, 0.66 mi S of SR 57	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with added turn lanes and signals.	HSIP, NHPP	90/10	Add & Revise Funding	2026	PE	\$0	\$30	\$27	\$3
										2026	RW	\$0	\$50	\$45	\$5
										2026	CN	\$650	\$50	\$45	\$5
										2027	CN	\$943	\$160	\$144	\$16
INDOT	46317	2500798	US 41	Intersections with Walnut St, Lincoln Ave and Bellmeade Ave	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with new signals	HSIP	80/20	Add Project	2026	PE	\$0	\$820	\$656	\$164
										2028	RW	\$0	\$123	\$98	\$25
										2029	PE	\$0	\$150	\$120	\$30
										2030	CN	\$0	\$5,900	\$4,720	\$1,180
INDOT	46290	2500801	SR 62 & SR 66	Intersections with Epworth Rd, Bell Rd, and SR 61	Warrick	Intersection improvement with new signals	HSIP	80/20	Add Project	2026	PE	\$0	\$1,900	\$1,520	\$380
										2030	CN	\$0	\$13,700	\$10,960	\$2,740
INDOT	n/a	2500051	n/a	AASHTOware Safety Software	Various	Other Type Project	HSIP	80/20	Add Project	2026	PE	\$0	\$870	\$696	\$174
										2027	PE	\$0	\$450	\$360	\$90
										2028	PE	\$0	\$450	\$360	\$90
										2029	PE	\$0	\$450	\$360	\$90

Nate Hahn asked if these projects were known to us and we are just moving them up from a future year. Pam Drach responded that these projects have been discussed before, and they are either being added to the TIP or revisions are being made based on those discussions.

David Broderhausen made a motion for approval and Shawn Hayden seconded the motion; motion carried.

c. 2026 Safety Target Setting Recommendations – presented by Pam Drach

The FAST Act and subsequent federal rulemaking established five performance measures related to safety. The measures are:

- Number of fatalities
- Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
- Number of serious injuries
- Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
- Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries

Federal regulations require state DOTs to establish and report annual targets to each of these five performance measures by August 31st of each year. MPOs are required to either adopt and support their DOT's statewide targets or set their own targets specific to their areas within 180 days of that date. At this time, the Evansville MPO is recommending the adoption and support of the statewide targets for both INDOT and KYTC.

Safety		Indiana	Kentucky
		2026 Targets	2026 Targets
	Number of fatalities	794.7	726.0
	Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled	0.992	1.500
	Number of serious injuries	2965.5	2353.0
	Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled	3.702	5.610
	Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries	462.96	321.0

Shawn Hayden asked if there is anything that shows the differences from year to year. Pam Drach explained that the requirement is that the targets show a downward trend. Nate Hahn asked if the targets are ever compared to the actual numbers. Pam explained that there is a review, and the most recent review is a 5-year rolling average showing numbers from 2019 through 2023 actuals. They compare to see if it met the target or met a baseline. For the 2019-2023 targets, Indiana did not meet for the number of fatalities, number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries, or number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries, but did meet the target for rate of fatalities. KYTC did not meet any of their targets. One challenge with meeting targets is the vehicle miles of travel continue to go up, so there are more people on the road and driving, while the goal is to address safety and reduce the number of fatalities and serious injuries as best as possible.

David Broderhausen made a motion for approval and Steve Roelle seconded the motion; motion carried.

d. Section 5310 Call for Projects for FY 2026 – presented by Jennifer Scott

The Evansville MPO announced the Section 5310 Call for Projects for FY 2026 on Monday, November 3, 2025. The applications are due Tuesday, December 2, 2025.

The call for projects was sent by email to the Non-profit Transit Advisory Committee on November 3, 2025. The call and application have been added to the Section 5310 page of the MPO website. This call is only for projects eligible for Section 5310 funding (acquisition of buses and vans; wheelchair lifts, ramps, and securement devices; transit-related information, technology systems including scheduling/routing/one-call systems; and mobility management programs to aid in the transportation of seniors and/or individuals with disabilities). Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations that provide transportation for seniors and/or individuals with disabilities.

If there are any questions about the call for projects or application, please contact Jennifer Scott at jscott@evansvillemopo.com or 812-436-7833.

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

e. 2025-2029 Transit Asset Management Plan – presented by Jennifer Scott

The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Transit Asset Management (TAM) rule became effective on October 1, 2016, requiring transit agencies to have a written plan, with the first complete plans due by October 1, 2018.

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO), with the assistance of the Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) and Henderson Area Rapid Transit (HART) developed and certified the first Transit Asset Management Plan in September 2018. Additionally, a revised TAM Group Plan for METS and HART was adopted for the period of 2022-2026.

In late 2024, HART became eligible to file grant applications under the KYTC Section 5311 program and joined the State of Kentucky Group TAM Plan. Due to the transition, the Evansville MPO assisted METS with the development of a new TAM Plan for the period of 2025-2029. The 2025-2029 METS Transit Asset Management Plan was certified on October 29, 2025.

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

a. How a Project Becomes a Project – presented by Chris Gentry and David Reamer, INDOT

Chris Gentry and David Reamer, both with the INDOT Vincennes District, gave a presentation on the process of how a project becomes a project. The full presentation can be heard on the EMPO website:

http://www.evansvillemopo.com/Meetings/2025/Technical/Audio/Nov2025_Tech.mp3

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. UPCOMING DATES

- CY 2026 EMPO Technical Meetings:
 - January 8
 - March 12
 - May 14
 - July 9
 - September 10
 - November 12

Meeting adjourned.