



Project: Verona Road Interchange, I.D. 1206-07-05/06/09

Strand Job No.: 1089.369

Meeting Location: Strand Associates, Inc.®, 910 West Wingra Drive, Madison, Wisconsin

Meeting Purpose: Dane County Stakeholder Meeting No. 21

Present and which group meeting they attended:

Joe Bunker–Business and Labor
Rochelle Codlyn–Business and Labor
Wyolanda Singleton–Business and Labor
Clay Tschillard–Labor
Paul Zimmer–Labor
Mary Watrud–Labor
Jay Jerde–Business and Labor
Debbie Schanke–Business and Labor

**In attendance by phone/Internet live meeting
and which group meeting they attended:**

Michele Carter–Business and Labor
Alicia Griffin–Business and Labor
Julie Harkinson–Business and Labor
Julie Larson–Business and Labor
Angela Ward–Labor

Meeting Handouts (provided via e-mail before the meeting)

- Meeting notes and presentations from May 2013 meeting
- Meeting Agenda

Discussion:

Action:

1. Labor Group Meeting (5 P.M.)
Welcome and Opening Remarks

The group was welcomed by Rochelle and brief introductions were given.

Michele reviewed the agenda items:

The group discussed Priority 1: Employment Opportunities

- a. Michele noted job creation was an easy action step agreed upon by the group. When discussing the underrepresented group, the stakeholders meetings were used to get the word out to underserved populations.
- b. Michele said the group has now embarked on aspirational goal setting to see who is employment ready.
- c. Michele asked for comments from the group regarding progress toward goal of employment opportunities.
 - (1) Clay stated stakeholders are doing their portion, but wondered whether contractors will hire. Clay suggested more speed networking opportunities.
 - (2) Mary stated she is waiting for contractors to put people to work

Discussion:

- and looking for ways to get people to work.
- (3) Debbie said contractors need to provide opportunities for people to work.
 - (4) Paul stated people and projects are constantly moving, so he worries about new workers being able to be mobile with the jobs.
 - (5) Julie suggested having WisDOT-sponsored events in Dane County to bring people together with an overall focus on employment opportunities.

Action:

The group discussed Priority 2: Compliance

Michele discussed data collection and noted a significant amount of data was collected by the group. The group identified who to contact and who to get information from and received data from various agencies that also work with apprenticeships. From this data, the group can say that a 25 percent labor goal is achievable. Additionally, the group knows who to contact and who has workers that are ready, willing, and able to work. Additionally, the group knows how to contact those with workers.

Michele asked the group their thoughts on keeping in touch with those who are ready, willing, and able and how to maintain contact information.

- a. Jay suggested a database be prepared to maintain contact information. Michele stated the database would need to be kept current so that contractors would be able to use it.
- b. Mary said a worker maintaining a valid driver's license will likely be a problem for some along with back child support.
- c. Michele said workers need to know resources available to get their licenses back.
- d. Julie stated the YWCA has a driver's license recovery program. The waiting list is long and currently there is only part-time staff on the project but 90 percent are eligible to get their licenses back.
- e. Mary stated Operation Fresh Start will also work with people for license recovery.
- f. Clay said he has had trouble contacting applicants, but he recently added e-mail to the contact sheet and has noticed improvement.
- g. Paul said the appropriate coordinator at the agency level needs to have the workers contact information readily available.
- h. Michele asked who the best contact person is at the various agencies?
 - (1) YWCA: Julie Harkinson
 - (2) MATC: Check with Marge/Jim Cook
 - (3) CWDA: Mary Watrud
 - (4) BlackHawk: Dean (retired)
- i. Clay mentioned the high school career consortium TRADES training in each high school. He will share the information with consortium group.
- j. Joe asked what the incentive is for a contractor to hire new people rather than people they have hired in the past?
- k. Michele stated contractors need to be aware of hiring opportunities

Discussion:

Action:

and reminded of the TrANS grads who are available for hire.

- l. Joe asked whether contractors could receive the \$5 per hour incentive from WisDOT for hiring persons other than TrANS graduates, for instance Fresh Start graduates.
- m. Michele stated if the other programs can ensure they meet all benchmarks of the TrANS program and understand the expectations, WisDOT may consider them eligible for the incentive.
- n. Julie asked whether WisDOT can issue a certificate to the other programs to make it official?
- o. Michele stated she will discuss the certificate issue with WisDOT.

2. Project Updates

Rochelle asked Joe to provide an update on the Governor's Budget for the Verona Road project and the Governor's comment that the project may be delayed. Joe stated comments regarding the Governor's budget should be addressed by WisDOT project staff.

Paul asked whether the bids for the first portion of the Verona Road project were accepted as he had not seen them posted to WisDOT's web site yet. Joe stated that bids were received and that they varied by more than 5 percent from the engineer's estimate; therefore the bids are currently under review.

Paul asked when the preconstruction meeting will be for the Verona Road project. Joe stated it would likely be held near the end of June. Joe said he could make the group aware of the preconstruction meeting date. Rochelle asked whether WisDOT was having a meet and greet at the preconstruction meeting for the labor group to discuss employment opportunities? Michele supported the meet and greet and asked Joe to discuss with WisDOT project staff.

3. Business Group Meeting (6:15 P.M.)

Michele discussed the agenda for the meeting.

Michele discussed the Verona Road contract provisions.

- a. Michele noted the remaining portions of the Verona Road project will include DBE and TrANS goals as the projects will receive federal funding.
 - (1) Julie asked whether the goals for the projects are known to date?
 - (2) Joe noted the goals are not yet known.
 - (3) Alicia asked whether there is a list of contractors that attended the prebid meeting for the recently let Verona Road project?
 - (4) Joe stated the list of contractors was provided with the May Dane County Stakeholder meeting minutes that were e-mailed to the group.
 - (5) Rochelle asked when the next prebid meeting is scheduled.
 - (6) Joe stated there may not be further prebid meetings as the

Discussion:

Action:

- meetings tend to have a low turnout.
- b. Dane County DBE Orientation meeting held May 3, 2013.
 - (1) Michele noted the response was very positive with approximately 35 firms attending the meeting.
 - (2) Rochelle reiterated the positive aspects of the meeting and thanked the project teams for their project overviews during the meeting.
 - c. Action Item 3
 - (1) Michele stated action plan item 3 discusses increased communication with DBE firms. She stated the orientation meeting was a first step and noted additional communications should be planned with DBE firms regarding the I-39 and Verona Road projects to ensure they are prepared for the upcoming work.
 - (2) Michele noted the mandatory prebid meeting was another step and will look to continue those meetings if agreed upon by WisDOT project staff.
 - (3) Julie stated some DBE training this summer might be a good addition.
 - (4) Alicia asked about conducting a survey of DBE firms regarding their knowledge of the projects? She stated a survey is being done for Rock County stakeholders in early July for I-39 and can potentially be combined with Dane County. She will check with the project teams.
 - d. Michele provided an overview of the HCCI website to review.
 - (1) Michele stated DBE firms who could be competing on projects can use the website to see how many primes they may need to interact with.
 - (2) Rochelle stated WisDOT can teach DBEs how to access this information.
 - (3) Rochelle reviewed last month's meeting handouts as she reviewed the HCCI website, how to use it, and how to access information within the site.

4. Announcements

The July meeting will be cancelled. The next meeting will be August 7, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7 P.M.

If there are any additions or comments on these minutes, please call (608) 251-4843 or e-mail Joe.

Prepared by Joe Bunker and Wyolanda Singleton and respectfully submitted to all participants and invitees.

c: All Participants and Invitees



Dane County Stakeholder Committee Focus: Verona Rd & I-39/90 Projects

June 5, 2013
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

TELECONFERENCE

{In Person at Strand Associates (Optional)}

AGENDA

Labor

5:00p.m.

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Review Agenda
- 3) Review Stakeholder Committee Priorities/Action Plan
- 4) Dane County Aspirational Labor Goal

Refer to "Data Collection for Aspirational Goal Worksheet"

- 5) TRANS Benchmarks
- 6) Discuss Database Strategy

6:00 – 6:15 Project Overview-

- Governor's Budget Impact on Projects
- Let Schedule for I39/90- Katrina
- Let schedule for Verona Road- Joe Bunker

Business

6:15p.m

- 1) Small Business Orientation Outcome
- 2) May Bid Letting Results
- 3) Review Stakeholder Committee Priorities/Action Plan
- 4) Projects Let Schedule

Future Meeting Schedule

July 3, 2013

Dane County Stakeholder Committee PRIORITIES FROM OPPORTUNITY AND BARRIERS ANALYSIS

1 Employment Opportunities for the Under-represented

- Increase number of under-represented populations working in the trades
 - *People of color, unemployed, women*
- Ensure contractors hire people of color, low income and community residents
- Facilitate apprenticeship-based training for low income area residents and corrections population
- Evaluate existing training programs for applicability of \$5/hr incentive:
 - *START program, Operation Fresh Start, Tools for Tomorrow*

2 Compliance, Enforcement & Monitoring of WISDOT & Contractors Fulfillment of Equity & Access Rules

- Make contractors accountable to community by providing access to them and through reporting
- Enforce prompt payment provisions
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- Consistently monitor DBE commitments

3 Timely Education & Networking for Jobseekers and Potential Businesses

- Conduct and evaluate 'open communication' networking opportunities for quality/efficacy
 - *For potential subcontractors and TRANS graduates*
- Provide 'how to' and technical training for prospective small businesses
- Inventory local DBE firms and small businesses in the Dane County area; create a database
- Produce, post, share a schedule of opportunity that allows preparatory lead time

4 Effective & Inclusive DOT Opportunity Analysis

- Set high DBE goals and monitor whether they are fulfilled throughout contract life
- Unbundle and/or Right Size contracts so they are a size that small business can perform
- Conduct small business capacity analysis and capacity building effort
- Research/Document number, availability and skills of Dane County jobseeker pool (more than TRANS)

5 Utilization of Community Networks for Education and Awareness

- Create a communication network based on database of media of color, faithbased organizations, neighborhood associations that may range from an email distribution list to a newsletter posting
- Evaluate how government (City, County, Workforce Investment Board, Technical College system) business and workforce targets and funds can further WISDOT construction opportunities and market
- Formalize relationship/connection with CWDA and Allied Drive Neighborhood Association

DATA COLLECTION for LABOR ASPIRATIONAL GOAL WORKSHEET

Ready, Willing & Able Construction Workers (People of Color and Females)

Ready, Willing & Able Construction Workers (All Construction Workers)

Data Collection Exercise:

- ✚ Request numbers representing their overall pool of ready, willing and able members or participants.
- ✚ Ask that the data be segregated to account for minority, women demographics
- ✚ Ultimately interested in the contact information for their pool of candidates

2013 Data Requests:

COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS				
	<i>Minority</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Non-minority</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
YWCA of Madison (TrANS):	<i>114</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>192</i>
CWDA:				
• <i>Operation fresh start,</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>20</i>
• <i>START</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>69</i>
SCHOOL SYSTEMS				
MATC	<i>78</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>490</i>	<i>658</i>
Blackhawk Technical College	<i>27</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>190</i>	<i>235</i>
Sun Prairie Diesel School				
Department of Public Information <i>(for high schools with construction specialties in Dane County)</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>161</i>
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES				
Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards	<i>33</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>230</i>	<i>286</i>
Workforce Investment Board (WIA) Job Centers	<i>13</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>39</i>
CONSTRUCTION UNIONS				
Construction Laborers (Local 464)	<i>148</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>416</i>	<i>586</i>
Electrical	<i>8</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>95</i>
Ironworkers	<i>6</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>42</i>
Operating Engineers	<i>12</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>362</i>	<i>374</i>
TOTALS	<i>504</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>1947</i>	<i>2662</i>

PROJECTED DANE COUNTY ASPIRATIONAL GOAL= 26.89%

USDOL Minority Labor Goals: **Dane County 2.2%, Rock County 3.1%; Female Labor Goal 6.9%**



TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE FOR NEW SOLUTIONS **TrANS**

Overview

TrANS is Wisconsin Department of Transportation's investment in community-tailored workforce development to facilitate the potential projected hiring opportunities prompted by our contracts. From the federal perspective, TrANS is our construction contractor on-the-job training service. From a state perspective, TrANS is a jobs partnership program.

TrANS is a public-private model for collaboration and success for preparing the underemployed with skills needed to gain access to the road-building industry as laborers and apprentices. TrANS demonstrates how the public and private sectors can work together to address the outreach, preparation, placement and retention of women, and minorities and others in the highway skilled trades. TrANS is an industry driven plan produced from the ground up by major industry and labor organizations, community based service providers and government. There are over twenty four core partners, including: the Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association (WTBA); National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC-Wisconsin); Wisconsin Women's Council; the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council; and many more.

Community based organizations provide services to screen and orient and prepare people for employment as laborers in the road building industry and facilitate their movement into skilled trade apprenticeship and journeyman status.

Benchmarks

- ☞ 18 years of age or older
- ☞ Valid driver's license (or acceptance into the Driver's License Recovery program)
- ☞ Reliable personal transportation
- ☞ Math & reading competencies above the 6th grade level
- ☞ Ability to: pass a drug & alcohol screen
- ☞ Ability to lift 50 lbs consistently
- ☞ Ability to work 40 – 60 hrs per week including weekends, alternate shifts locations
- ☞ Willingness to travel statewide consistently as part of work requirement

STATE HIGHWAY PROGRAMS

State Highway Rehabilitation (SHR)

This program provides for the rehabilitation of existing highways and bridges.

The FY 13-15 biennial budget request provides a 7.0 percent decrease in SHR funding from \$1.636 billion in the 2011-13 biennium to \$1.521 billion in the 2013-15 biennium. The budget provides \$640.7 million in SEG funds and \$876.6 million in FED funds. No General Obligation bond funds are included in the request. This funding level will erode pavement conditions on the State Trunk Highway (STH) system from 19 percent of the roads rated as poor or worse to 22 percent by the end of FY 15.

Major Highways

This program provides for the development and construction of new or significantly improved highways. The program includes two categories of major highway projects:

- The first category includes projects with a total cost threshold of \$30 million.
- The second category includes any project with a cost of at least \$75 million that does not meet the other statutory requirements defining a major highway project. For example, projects on the southeast Wisconsin freeway system with a cost between \$75 million and \$500 million will be funded through the Major Highway Program.

For both categories of major highway projects, the total cost threshold is adjusted annually using the Wisconsin DOT Transportation Price Index, Yearly Moving Average.

The budget request reduces Majors Program funding by 36.3 percent compared to the 2011-13 biennium. Requested SEG funds over the biennium will total \$49.5 million. Requested FED funds over the biennium will total \$124.8 million. Transportation Revenue Bonds (TRB) total \$299.5 million over the biennium, a five percent decrease from base. The budget request provides total program funding of \$243.2 million in FY 14 and \$230.6 million in FY 15

Assuming Majors Program funding will be restored by the 2015-17 biennium, the Department's requested funding level will result in the following project delays:

Highway	Project Name	Delay
14	Viroqua-Westby	1-year delay
18/151	Verona Road (Stage 1)	1-year delay
15	STH 76 – New London	1-year delay
23	STH 67 - USH 41	1-year delay
12	Lake Delton – Sauk City	2-year delay
18-151	Verona Road (Stage 2)	2-year delay
10/441	CTH CB – Oneida Street	2-year delay

The budget request enumerates no new highway projects.

May 14, 2013 WisDOT Letting:

Dane County:

 Project #s, Highway Name & Location
 Bidding Contractors

Project ID	County	Highway	Name of Road	Bidding Contractors
(2) 1003-10-70	Rock & Dane	I-39	Illinois State Line - Madison ~ Stateline Rd to CTH O ~ CTH O to North Rock Cty Line ~ South Dane Cty Line to USH 12/18	1) Highway Landscapers, Inc. 2) Arbor Green, Inc. (DBE)
(4) 1009-10-97 (WTSC 2013 262)	SW Region-Wide	Various Highways	SW Region Pavement Marking Eastern Counties	1) Century Fence Company
(8) 1206-00-72	Dane	USH 12 & USH 18	South Madison Beltline ~ Seminole Hwy Bridge Mt. Horeb - Madison ~Raymond Rd. to Seminole Hwy ~ CTH PD Pedestrian Bridge	1) Zenith Tech, Inc. - Waukesha 2) Hoffman Construction Company 3) Edward Kramer & Sons, Inc. 4) Parisi Construction Co., Inc.

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Overview

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is overseeing a multi-year reconstruction project that will improve Verona Road, a heavily-used highway in Fitchburg and Madison.

During construction, traffic is expected to divert to several local streets to avoid delays. WisDOT will be upgrading some local intersections to accommodate traffic increases at the intersections and will install digital message boards throughout the area to alert motorists of traffic delays.

Construction is scheduled to start in July 2013 and continue in 2014. Additional work to reconstruct Verona Road and the Beltline is scheduled for fall 2014 through 2019.

Intersection Improvements

1. County M and County PB: 2014
Install signal and turn lane extensions.
2. County M and Fish Hatchery Road (County D): 2014
Turn lanes additions.
3. Fish Hatchery Road and Whalen Road: 2014
Turn lane and bike accommodations proposed.
4. Seminole Highway and Lacy Road: 2013
Turn lane additions.
5. County PD and Seminole Highway: 2013
Eastbound left turn lane extension.
6. Seminole Highway and Sentinel Pass: 2013
Install signal and turn lane extensions.
7. Whitney Way and Gilbert Road: 2014
Southbound left turn lane extension.
8. Seminole Highway, Yuma and Nakoma Drive: 2013
Install signal and revised pavement markings.



Major Construction Activities

Seminole Highway Interchange and bridge July - November 2013
Eastbound on ramp to the Beltline will be closed from July to mid-August. The bridge will be closed from mid-August to November after eastbound ramp work is completed. Periodic nighttime lane closures may occur on the Beltline for bridge work. Access to area businesses will be maintained. Alternate routes are advised.

Verona Road work July - October 2013
Southbound lanes of Verona Road to be resurfaced and widened to accommodate future traffic staging. Single lane closures to occur.

Freeport Connection July - October 2013
Construction of a temporary access road to occur under Verona Road at the Southwest Commuter Path to connect the frontage roads. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations will be maintained adjacent to the new roadway.

Military Ridge Path Summer 2013 - May 2014
Pedestrian overpass to be constructed east of the County PD and Verona Road intersection.

Beltline expansion Summer 2014
Addition of a third lane on the westbound Beltline from Whitney Way to the Gammon Road interchange.

Other work includes installing three noise walls along the Beltline and storm water improvements in the area.





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Overview

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Schedule

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Note - dates subject to change.

Current

2013

- July 2013 - Construction on WIS 11 (Racine St.) interchange scheduled to start.
- July 2013 - Installation of message boards and traffic monitoring cameras.
- July 2013 - Temporary widening of the I-39/90 shoulders from the Illinois state line to the Woodman Rd. overpass.



Future

- 2014 - WIS 73 reconstruction between I-39/90 and US 12/18 anticipated to start.
- 2015 - I-39/90 construction scheduled to start.
- 2021 - Construction expected to be completed.

Past

2013

- May 2, 2013 - County S stakeholder meeting
- Apr. 24, 2013 - PIM for US 12/18 Freeway Conversion Study
- Feb. 20, 2013 - Neville area PIM

2012

- Survey work and traffic counts throughout project area.
- Maintenance work and improvements to possible alternate routes.
- Sept. 24, 2012 - North segment PIM
- Sept. 19, 2012 - Central segment PIM
- Aug. 28, 2012 - South segment PIM
- May 30, 2012 - Second PIM for WIS 11 (Racine St.) interchange.
- Apr. 24, 2012 - North segment PIM
- Mar. 28, 2012 - PIM for WIS 11 (Racine St.) interchange.

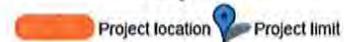
2011 and earlier

- Nov. 2011 - Design process started.
- Oct. 19, 2010 - Wisconsin's Transportation Projects Commission (TPC) recommended the study proposal improvements be "enumerated" or added to the list for construction projects in the 2011-13 state biennial budget.

Project segments

- North segment
- Central segment
- South segment

Key



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