



Regional Planning, Research & Advisory Services

MINUTES

HILLSDALE COUNTY RTF SUBCOMMITTEE

Hillsdale County Road Commission
1919 Hudson Rd.
Hillsdale, MI 49242

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Members Present: Heather Boyd, HCRC (Chair)
Julie Boyce, Key Opportunities
Nicole Benson, City of Litchfield

Others Present: Heather Bowden, MDOT*
Brett Gatz, Region 2 Planning Commission
Garry Leininger, HCRC
Brooke Lewis-Stiverson, Key Opportunities

*Attended the meeting virtually

ITEM 1 **CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Boyd called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. Introductions were made.

ITEM 2 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Leininger stated that Waldron Rd has a large section in need of work. He believes that the road should be reconstructed from Prattville Rd and go north, due to it serving grain elevators. He thinks this could be done in 2028 or 2029.

ITEM 3 **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 12, 2021 HILLSDALE COUNTY LOCAL RTF MEETING MINUTES**

Chair Boyd pointed out a correction to be made in Item 7 of the minutes, as the chair was mistakenly referred to as 'Kline' instead of 'Sanders'. A motion was made by Ms. Boyce, supported by Ms. Benson, to approve the Hillsdale County Local RTF meeting minutes of November 12, 2021 with the correction. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 **RURAL TASK FORCE UPDATE FROM MDOT**

Ms. Bowden had no update to give, but said she is available to answer any questions.

ITEM 5 **REVIEW OF FY 2025-2026 HILLSDALE COUNTY RURAL-STIP / TEDF-D TIP PROJECTS AND FUNDING LEVELS**

The following amendments were presented by the Hillsdale County Road Commission:

- FY 2025 – JN 216105
 - Adding specific roads (Concord Rd, Herring Rd, and Jonesville Rd).
 - Adding work description (2" HMA Overlay).
 - Decrease local funding amount from \$115,178.65 to \$109,338.65.
- FY 2026 – JN 216458
 - Adding specific roads (Concord Rd, Jonesville Rd, and Reading Rd).
 - Adding work description (2" HMA Overlay).
 - Decrease Federal STP funding from \$973,000 to \$950,000 to match new estimates, increase State-D funding from \$2,500 to \$176,160, and decrease local funding from \$273,953 to \$95,340.

A motion was made by Ms. Boyce, supported by Ms. Benson, to approve the amendments as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The following amendment was presented by Key Opportunities:

- FY 2024 – JN 214997
 - Split funding from 'Equipment' into \$9,000 for office furniture and \$3,500 for tires.

A motion was made by Chair Boyd, supported by Ms. Benson, to approve the amendments as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6 **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FY 2026-2029 RURAL-STIP AND TEDF-D PROJECTS**

A list of proposed projects with funding amounts for FY 2026-2029 was presented by the Hillsdale County Road Commission, with \$12,500 left over each year for transit projects.

A motion was made by Ms. Boyce, supported by Ms. Benson, to approve the proposed projects for FY 2026-2029. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7 **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ALL-SEASON ROAD NETWORK**

A map of the current all-season road network for Hillsdale County was provided in the packet. No changes to the network were requested. A motion was made by Ms. Benson, supported by Ms. Boyce, to approve the current all-season road network. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8 **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Gatz stated that a Full Region 2 Rural Task Force meeting will be held sometime in November.

ITEM 9 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 10 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Boyd adjourned the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

Brett Gatz, Recording Secretary
Region 2 Planning Commission