

April 2011

Cowlitz Area TAC

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The meeting began at 3:30 at the Cowlitz County Public Works Conference Room.

Topic #1: STP Fund Update

As of April 26, 2011 the STP-R balance is \$1,794,331 and \$2,391,495 for the STP-U balance.

Topic #2: TIP/STIP Training

Jun 14 & 15 WSDOT will provide training on the new web based STIP. All are highly encouraged to attend. Amy Asher will be attending the morning session on June 14th, if you would like to join her,

Topic #3: 432/433 NEPA

Unfortunately the NEPA for the 432/433 rail improvements did not receive any funding from the state legislature. USDOT has recently made \$40 Million available through a TIGER planning grant. This will be something we will be looking into to fund the NEPA. A standing TAC meeting will be organized for the month of June.

Topic #4: Transportation Systems Plan

The last hurdle in the TSP is to sign a contract with the consultant, Parametrix. Once that is completed the project will be kicked off at a future TAC meeting. Jeff Cameron asked about the timing of the model update with the plan. Matt Hermen will check the scope of work and get back to him.

Topic #5: Complete Streets

A June 27th Workshop has been scheduled at the McClelland Art Center. Cowlitz On the Move received a grant from the Department of Health to host the workshop. The workshop will also include information regarding the TSP's planned implementation of the complete streets objectives.

Senate Bill 1071 (Complete Streets) was recently approved by the state legislature.

Topic #6: WA State Legislature Transportation Bills

Ken Hash detailed the funding amounts area cities received through Safe Routes to School grants. Longview and Castle Rock received grants.

Topic #7: West Main Realignment

Mike Kardas shared with the group the current events with the West Main Realignment project. Phase 1 is set to go to construction in the Spring of 2012.

Topic #8: Federal Functional Class

Mitch Vernon from WSDOT will be asked to attend the next TAC meeting to discuss functional class updates.