

NOTICE OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING FOR ROCKFORD URBAN AND METROPOLITAN AREA

Notice is hereby given that the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP), the federally-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Rockford Urban and Metropolitan area, is seeking public comment on the transportation planning process and the development of the following documents. RMAP coordinates publicly funded transportation planning and improvements among the various jurisdictions in Winnebago and Boone counties.

- 1. RMAP 2040 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORATION PLAN (LRTP): This document discusses, plans and assigns priority for all major transportation systems improvements for the Metropolitan Area over the next 30 years. Public comment is welcome at any time by contacting RMAP staff listed below or attending one of the open houses scheduled, at which time a draft copy of the document will be available. The open houses are scheduled for the following locations and times:
 - Cherry Valley Village Hall, 806 E. State St., Cherry Valley, IL: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25th
 - Boone County Administration Campus, 1212 Logan Ave., Belvidere, IL: 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25th
 - Village of Winnebago Village Hall, 108 W. Main St., Winnebago, IL: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26th
 - Loves Park City Hall, 100 Heart Blvd., Loves Park, IL: 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26th
- 2. RMAP FY-2011 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM (UWP): This document specifies the transportation planning work proposed over the next year (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011). A draft of the FY-2011 UWP is in progress and will be considered for adoption on May 20th, 2010 at the RMAP Policy Committee meeting in Belvidere City Hall. Comments will be accepted at the Technical Committee meetings at 10:00 a.m. on April 22, 2010 and May 20, 2010 in Loves Park City Hall or by contacting RMAP staff listed below.
- 3. RMAP FY-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP): This document will identify and prioritize all major transportation and public transit improvements scheduled for implementation in the RMAP Metropolitan Area in the next four years (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014). The document is now under development and a draft will be available for comment at the end of August, 2010. The scheduled date for adoption is on or about September 30, 2010 at the Winnebago County Administration Building. Public comments will be accepted anytime, but should be submitted prior to September 23, 2010.
- 4. RMAP HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN (HSTP): The intent of the HSTP is to assess the needs and concerns of public transit users in the area, develop strategies that will address and remedy these concerns and increase the overall efficiency of transit services provided to the public. While transit improvements benefit public transit users as a whole, particular attention is given to public transit dependent populations including elderly individuals, persons with disabilities and individuals with low incomes. This document is being updated on an ongoing basis, and will have modifications made to it as needed throughout the year based upon factors including guidance from state and federal agencies and the recommendations of the RMAP Mobility Subcommittee. Public comment on the HSTP is welcome at any time by contacting RMAP staff listed below or attending a meeting of the Mobility Subcommittee, typically held the second Tuesday of the month at the YWCA of Rockford.
- 5. AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 (ARRA): Monies from the Federal ARRA program disbursed to the RMAP MPA for the Highway & Bridge category were saved due to lower than projected bids during the letting process. The monies saved will be put forward to be used in other projects, and those projects will need to be amended into the TIP, or if already in the TIP, the new funding source will need to be updated to reflect the usage of these Federal monies. Public comment is welcomed on the projects by contacting

our future, our goals, our map 313 North Main Street, Rockford, IL 61101 815.964.RMAP direct 815.967.6913 fax rmapi



RMAP staff or attending the May, 2010 meeting of the RMAP Technical Committee, at which time the projects to be amended are scheduled to be discussed. The amendments are projected to be approved at the May, 2010 meeting of the Policy Committee. This notification is intended to satisfy the public notice required by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

> For more information, contact RMAP: By Phone at 815-964-7627 By Fax at 815-967-6913 On the Internet at http://www.rmapil.org

Public comments are welcomed on the above documents and other planning documents of RMAP at all RMAP meetings or by contacting RMAP by telephoning, emailing or writing. RMAP Technical Committee meetings are typically held on the third Thursday at each month and the Policy Committee meetings on the following Thursday. The exact meeting dates, times and locations are finalized and announced at least a week in advance. Persons seeking more information on these meetings, at the above mentioned studies or any other information related to RMAP should navigate to the RMAP website at http://www.rmapil.org or contact RMAP staff.