



EAST-WEST GATEWAY
Council of Governments

Creating Solutions Across Jurisdictional Boundaries

AGENDA

INTER AGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

East-West Gateway and Virtual – GoToMeeting

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- 1. Call to Order**
- Carol Lawrence, East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- 2. Recap of the Air Quality Conformity Determination and FY 2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program**
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- 3. MOVES4 and Regional Collaboration**
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- 4. Other Business**
- 5. Adjournment**

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Meeting Minutes
Inter Agency Consultation Group
Tuesday, June 25, 2024
11:45 am – 12:30 pm
East-West Gateway Board Room and Virtual Meeting

Members

Carol Lawrence – East-West Gateway Council of Governments
Kevin Jemison – Illinois Department of Transportation
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1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Inter Agency Consultation Group (IACG) was called to order by Carol Lawrence, East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWG).

2. Update on the FY 2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program and Conformity Determination

- East-West Gateway Council of Governments

The draft FY 2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be presented to the East-West Gateway Board of Directors tomorrow, June 26. The FY 2025 – 2028 TIP includes 857 projects at a total cost of \$6.05 billion. Of that funding, 46% of it is going towards the preservation of existing facilities and systems. Projects in this TIP come from the Missouri and Illinois Departments of Transportation, Bi-State, Madison County Transit, and local public agencies. The Illinois Department of Transportation released its transportation program on June 14, just in time for it to be included in the draft TIP. In June, the IACG was sent a list of new projects to be included in the TIP and their air quality classification. No comments were received. The public comment period will begin on June 28 and remain open through August 1. There will be five public open house meetings throughout the region between July 11 and July 18. East-West Gateway is working on adding a sixth open house that will most likely be held at Delmar Divine in the City of St. Louis. Any comments received during the public comment period or at the open houses will be summarized and included in the final version of the TIP.

Systems Evaluation continues to work on emissions modeling and post-processing. Anticipate that the Draft for Public Comment Air Quality Conformity Determination will be completed before the start of the comment period for the Conformity Determination and TIP. The Presented for Approval Air Quality Conformity Determination document will be sent to the Federal Highway Administration-Missouri on August 19 and will be presented to the Board for approval on August 28.

3. Other Business and Adjournment

The Federal Highway Administration has modules available on its website to inform people about the air quality conformity process.

East-West Gateway staff will amend the Missouri Department of Transportation's I-70 widening project (Wentzville to Warrenton) into the FY 2024 – 2027 TIP along with four projects from Bi-State at the June Board meeting tomorrow, June 26.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on August 27, 2024.