



OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

15 December 2010
3:00 p.m.
Busch Building
Room 106
Springfield, Missouri

MEMBERS PRESENT

Josh Bird	Joel Keller
Dawne Gardner	Rick Hess
David Hutchison	Terry Whaley

STAFF PRESENT

Natasha Longpine

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 pm.

2. PROJECT SUBMISSIONS

The committee discussed possible project submissions for the bike/ped portion of the LRTP. It was decided that an annual project list should be produced and reassessed on an annual basis. This list should contain regional priorities and correspond to the roadway priorities. Examples of projects include Jordan Valley Trail, North-South connections between trails, sidewalks on high-volume bus routes, trail connections between communities, streetscapes in urban centers, a trail loop around Springfield, and reclaiming rail bed (especially out to Sparta and Clever). It is thought that a gap analysis could help determine some of the projects. Staff asked for the committee and jurisdictions to submit anything they could think of (to help populate the general database) and then staff would work with each jurisdiction to get any additional data needed. The prioritization process will help to determine what the most important projects from that list will be.

3. PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA

Staff handed out a sheet with the revised prioritization factors. In reviewing this list of factors, it was determined that a quantitative process was not a good fit at this point in time. A lot of the data is not necessarily available right now, but this type of process should be kept in mind for future evaluations. The committee recommended that developing this type of data should be considered in future planning efforts. So then there was discussion on projects of regional significance versus priority projects. Staff was asked to develop a potential list of regional priorities and then the committee would review the prioritization process from there.



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There was a question on how funding types should relate to the list of priorities. Funding categories are not necessarily static and may change with the next reauthorization, so it was recommended keeping the idea of funding categories separate from the overall needs list.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

5. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm.