



## **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

*Submitted for approval on March 4, 2026*

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**Members Present:** Janeen Abar, Rick Bailey, Josh Bender, Jon Eckel, Matt Griggs, Mike Hill, Allyson Murray, Mick Murray, Rob Nash, Doug Parrish, Joe Shaw, Paul Roman, Jason Sisco, Matt Sommerfeld, Brian Thomas; **Members Excused:** Josh Belnap, Jon Gochenour, Tim Grosjean, Mike Hampton; **Other interested Parties:** Tom Kovacic, TAGNO; **Staff Present:** Dave Gedeon, Lisa Householder, Sean Sammon, Jennifer Allen

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**Call to Order** – Joe Shaw welcomed everyone and introductions were made by everyone present.

**Approval of Minutes** – A *motion* was made by Tom Uhler and **seconded** by Mick Murray to approve minutes from the November 19, 2025, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**FY 2026-2029 TIP Modifications and Amendments** – Lisa Householder presented the following amendments and modifications to the committee for review and approval. Copies of the amendment and modifications were included in the agenda packet.

**Amendment #5:** This amendment adds two projects and modifies three projects at the request of the project sponsors. A *motion* was made by Jason Sisco and **seconded** by Rick Bailey to approve the amendment as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **City of Toledo:** Modifies the project scope of PID 117683 (Emerald Ave Shared Use Path) by removing the mention of roadway reconstruction. This project does utilize TMACOG-managed funds.
2. **TARTA:** Modifies PID 120281 to transfer a portion of the scope (operating assistance) to a new PID (125527), as well as move the bus purchase into FY2026. This project does utilize TMACOG-managed funds.
3. **TARTA:** Adds PID 125527 by transferring a portion of the project scope (operating assistance) from PID 120281 to become its own project scheduled for FY27. This project does utilize TMACOG-managed funds.
4. **Village of Whitehouse:** Modifies the scope in PID 122749 by removing the mention of a roundabout at Finzel and Dutch. This description was added in error when the project was originally programmed. This project does utilize TMACOG-managed funds.
5. **TARTA:** Adds PID 125145 to the FY 2026 project list. This project does not utilize TMACOG-managed funds.

**Amendment #6** – This amendment adds the following 11 projects to the FY 2026-2029 TIP. They are all from the last CMAQ/TAP/CRP solicitation held in the summer of 2025, and they utilize TMACOG-managed funds. A *motion* was made by Tom Uhler and **seconded** by Doug Parrish to approve the amendment as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **City of Toledo:** PID 122726 is an existing project; the addition of TAP dollars is being added to the project for the shared use path on Lawrence between Monroe and Bancroft.
2. **Toledo Area Metroparks:** PID 124901 (University/Parks Trail Bridge over Ten Mile Creek)
3. **Village of Walbridge:** PID 124989 (Union St. Sidewalk)
4. **Village of North Baltimore:** (SR 18 Shared Use Path & Poe Rd Walk)
5. **Lucas County Engineers:** PID 124990 (Angola West Roundabout at Crissey)
6. **City of Sylvania:** PID 124991 (Harroun & Holland-Sylvania Roundabout)
7. **Village of Whitehouse:** PID 125004 (Weckerly Rd. Shared Use Path)
8. **City of Rossford:** PID 125183 (Crossroads & Deimling Roundabout)
9. **City of Rossford:** PID 125190 (Crossroads & Bass Pro Roundabout)
10. **TARTA:** PID 125533 (Bus Vehicle Replacements: Diesel)
11. **TARTA:** PID 125541 (Bus Vehicle Replacements: Electric Vehicle)

**Modification #3** – This modification impacts the following four projects. All PIDs utilize TMACOG-managed funds. A *motion* was made by Mick Murray and **seconded** by Allyson Murray to approve the modification as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **City of Sylvania:** PID 116993 (Erie & Monroe Roundabout) has an increased estimate of 36% (from \$3,580,000 in overall costs to \$4,873,974).
2. **City of Oregon:** PID 121105 (Oregon Trail Phase 5) moves from FY2027 to FY2026.
3. **Lucas County Engineer:** PID 121833 (Sylvania Herr Roundabout) moves from FY2028 to FY2027.
4. **City of Perrysburg:** PID 124170 (Perrysburg Shared Use Path FY27) combines PID 121107 into the project scope.

**TIP Administrative Modifications Summary** – Mrs. Householder presented the modification summary to the committee. The list of projects presented did not require TAC review and approval. Mrs. Householder will email the list to the committee.

**ODOT's Lockdown Procedures and Schedule (for information)** – Matt Sommerfeld presented info on ODOT's lockdown procedures and schedule. The purpose of the procedures and schedule is to help fund projects and to use all the funding allotted to the region. The goal is to prevent carryover balances, which can result in the loss of funding for the region. Mr. Sommerfeld recommended local public agencies (LPA) do the following to keep projects moving along: 1) have a realistic and flexible schedule; 2) commit to doing things in the first quarter as projects may get programmed sooner; and 3) contact ODOT as soon as possible if there are any changes that may affect their project (e.g. price adjustments). Mr. Sommerfeld noted that as a region, we score above average. However, there is still room for improvement. Lake Erie West Regional Council is doing well. However, the council is below target numbers in the current fiscal year due to the cancellation of a CMAQ project. ODOT District 2 meets with TMACOG frequently and holds TIP monitoring meetings with sponsors at least twice a year, which helps to identify project delays.

**Transportation Department Update** - At the January 30 TMACOG Winter General Assembly, TMACOG members voted to authorize TMACOG to do business as the Lake Erie West Regional Council and elected its leadership for 2026. Other items that were reported on include the following:

- Lake Erie West Regional Council was awarded a Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant. This funding will be used to conduct safety studies for Ottawa and Sandusky counties.

- The draft Active Transportation Plan is almost complete. The document will be available for public review and comment in March. The final draft document will be presented to TAC for approval in June.
- FY 2027 Annual Work Program/Budget summary review will be presented at the March 4 TAC meeting. The first draft of the document will be sent to ODOT in March and a final version again five weeks later.
- The STBG Funding Review Ad Hoc Committee is scheduled to meet on February 11. The committee has had 3 meetings to review scoring for the various projects. This process is expected to wrap up at next week's meeting. The changes proposed are substantial. The next STBG round will go out in May. Staff is reviewing the CMAQ program and will determine soon if another solicitation round will occur this year.
- The annual Transportation Summit is scheduled to take place on Friday, March 27 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Premier Banquet Hall.
- Staff discussed the idea of Lake Erie West Regional Council establishing a small set-aside of its funding to implement projects that can be turned around more quickly to be more responsive to communities. Staff asked committee members if there are needs that would be helpful in assisting their respective communities. Responses included: 1) alleys, 2) sidewalks, 3) planning, 4) tree purchases, and 5) funding for parks and recreation.

**Public Comment** – There were no representatives from the public present for comments.

**Roundtable** – Joe Shaw mentioned that the Monroe Street Bridge over US 23 in Sylvania will close to all traffic for 150 days beginning March 8, weather permitting. He noted that the ramps will be open.

**Adjournment/Next Meeting** – The next committee meeting is scheduled to take place on March 4, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. A **motion** was made by Paul Roman and **seconded** by Rick Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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