REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES: 2017

The following summarizes the regional transportation consultation activities conducted by the Commission pursuant to its Regional Transportation Consultation Process during 2017.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory Committee on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area (TIP Committee)

- The Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area Committee met on December 18 to review and consider the proposed functional classification of the arterial street and highway system in the year 2010 adjusted Round Lake Beach urbanized area.

Ozaukee County Transit Planning Advisory Committee

- The Committee met five times in 2017. The January, February, and April meetings considered the existing transit services and performance, and resulted in the approval of the first four chapters of the Transit Development Plan. In July, the Advisory Committee reviewed input from the first round of public meetings and a business-focused meeting and considered potential alternatives based on the input. The November meeting included approval of the draft alternatives chapter and directed Commission staff to conduct an additional round of public outreach to gather input on the draft alternatives.

Environmental Justice Task Force (EJTF)

- The Task force met twice in 2017, on June 6 and November 14. The Task force was provided with updates regarding several Commission work programs at the June 6 meeting. At the November 14 meeting, the Task Force reviewed their purpose and functions and discussed a holding a retreat to receive information on the history of discriminatory practices in the Region and how regional planning can part of the solution to disparities in the Region.

OTHER CONSULTATION EFFORTS

VISION 2050

A number of consultation efforts were conducted during 2017 as part of completing VISION 2050. More detail on these efforts can be found in the Public Involvement and Outreach section:

- Outreach continued to eight partner nonprofit community organizations, which include Common Ground, the Ethnically Diverse Business Coalition, Hmong American Friendship Association, IndependenceFirst, Milwaukee Urban League, Southside Organizing Committee, Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin, and the Urban League of Racine and Kenosha. One additional partner nonprofit community organization, Renew Environmental Public Health Associates (REPHA), was added to the Community Organization partner group. RPHA’s mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals and families, socially, physically, and economically in targeted neighborhoods by utilizing a triad composed of a community organizer—alderperson—population-health nurse (PHN) as the central operational unit of this initiative.

- The Commission staff reached out to numerous groups representing minority populations and low-income populations during 2017, primarily through letters, phone calls, and in-person meetings. Upon request, Commission staff gave presentations on VISION 2050 and other transportation issues.
Public Outreach

- Also during 2017, Commission staff conducted extensive public outreach and consultation efforts with groups, organizations, and officials representing minority populations and low-income populations, in addition to the outreach conducted for VISION 2050.