



## **GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

August 18, 2021

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The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was via Zoom and teleconference. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive  
Curtis Dame, McLean County Judge/Executive  
Adam O’Nan, Union County Judge/Executive  
Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), District Office 2  
Mike Baker, Hancock County Industrial Foundation  
Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport  
Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative  
Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Representative  
Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro  
Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center  
Doug Boom, Henderson City Engineer (Rep. Steve Austin)  
Mark Brasher, Daviess County Road Department Engineer (Rep. Judge Al Mattingly, Jr.)  
John Licht, TNT Rail Services

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Johnny “Chic” Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive  
David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive  
Brad Schneider, Henderson County Judge/Executive  
Candace Brake, President of Greater Owensboro Chamber  
Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/Green River Intra-County Transit System (AACS/GRITS)  
Missy Vanderpool, Executive Director of Henderson Economic Development  
Tristan Durbin, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport  
Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police (KSP) – Post 16  
Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitor’s Bureau

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Suzanne Miles, Kentucky State Representative  
Keirsten Jagers, KYTC  
Nick Hall, KYTC District Office 2  
Blake Edge, GRADD  
Gina Boaz, GRADD  
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD  
Therese Payne, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steve Henry called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and called on Blake Edge to update the committee on the Regional Transportation Planner position. Mr. Edge explained Luke Hill accepted a position with Indiana Department of Transportation in July. Cheyton Pendley moved into the position at the beginning of August, but with the recent resignation of Skyler Stewart, he will be moving into her position of Infrastructure Planner. Sean Gee has been hired as the new Regional Transportation Planner, starting September 1, 2021. Gina Boaz and Jennifer Alvey have extensive experience with transportation and have agreed to lead the meeting today.

II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Chairman Henry offered the minutes of the April 28, 2021, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Adam O’Nan and seconded by  
Curtis Dame to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2021,  
GRADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting.  
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS

None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. GRADD Priority Point Allocation (Boost)

Chairman Henry turned the meeting over to Gina Boaz. Ms. Boaz explained GRADD can boost 11 projects from the list. The list is color-coded and sorted by score. Green indicates projects the district office is considering sponsoring already. They have a few more sponsorships to distribute. Blue indicates projects the Regional Transportation Committee boosted in FY21. Yellow indicates county priority projects. Deneatra Henderson shared why some projects had been boosted by the district and why some had not. After discussion of several projects, Chairman Henry suggested the Committee start at the top of the list and discuss

each project to determine whether points should be attributed to the project. Nick Hall led the Committee through the list, discussing projects according to county. Two projects were boosted in Hancock, McLean, and Ohio Counties. Three projects were boosted in Webster County. (See attached list)

A motion was made by Donnie Mayton and seconded by Charlotte Whittaker to approve the GRADD boost points.  
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. Consideration of Regional Goals and Objectives

Gina Boaz shared a copy of GRADD FY 2022 Annual Work Program for Transportation Planning Work Element 2E Public Involvement Goals and Objectives for the Committee's approval. The goals and objectives must be approved by the Regional Transportation Committee and submitted to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet each year. Ms. Boaz explained most goals and objectives were broad but questioned one objective regarding retaining funding for the Regional Airport control tower. Ms. Boaz promised to research this objective to determine if it still applies.

A motion was made by Mike Baker and seconded by Donnie Mayton to approve the GRADD FY 2022 Annual Work Program for Transportation Planning Work Element 2E Public Involvement Goals and Objectives.  
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

C. Consideration of Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) Bylaws

Gina Boaz shared a copy of the GRADD FY 2022 Regional Transportation Committee Bylaws. A copy must be approved by the RTC and submitted to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet each year. There are no suggested changes.

A motion was made by Charlotte Whittaker and seconded by Donnie Mayton to approve GRADD FY 2022 Annual Work Program for Transportation Planning Work Element 2D Public Involvement Transportation Committee Bylaws.  
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

D. 2022 Nominating Committee

Chairman Henry asked if anyone would be willing to volunteer to be on the Nominating Committee to elect new members. Charlotte Whittaker volunteered. When no other volunteers came forward, Chairman Henry appointed Adam O'Nan and Curtis Dame, who both accepted, stating they would be happy to serve.

V. UPDATES

A. Highway District Office Update

Deneatra Henderson asked Committee members to reach out to her if they had questions about specific projects since the Committee had discussed several projects during the priority point allocation portion of this meeting. Nick Hall reminded the Committee the Fairview Drive Update public meeting will be on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Highland Elementary School. The wrong date was published in the paper.

B. Other Updates

Charlotte Whittaker thanked Ms. Henderson and Mr. Hall for the mowing she observed on the Natcher.

Chairman Henry asked about the status of inmates being utilized on county highways. Ms. Henderson asked the Chairman to speak to her after this meeting.

VI. OTHER ITEMS

A. Public Comments

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

A motion was made by Adam O’Nan and seconded by John Licht to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

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Judge Steve Henry, Chairman

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