

# MEETING NOTICE / CONFERENCE CALL



## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.*

**Special (Phone in) Meeting:**

**Dial 218-722-5545, extension 555  
to be connected to the conference call**

### **Action Item / Review for Approval:**

The Transportation Advisory Committee will meet via conference call on Tuesday, January 25 at 8:30 a.m. to vote on a single agenda item:

- **2011-2014 Duluth Area TIP Amendment #4**  
*(to include funding for a DTA Multimodal Terminal in the 2011-2014 Duluth Area TIP.)*

Shortly before 8:30 a.m., dial 218-722-5545, extension 555 to be connected to the conference call. *(You should hear a short beep when you join the call and will be able to speak with MIC staff and other callers).*

### **Attendance**

To ensure a quorum is present for this voting item, please confirm that you are planning to participate by contacting Beth Krebsbach at (218) 529-7541 or [bkrebsbach@ardc.org](mailto:bkrebsbach@ardc.org).

For questions, contact MIC Director Ron Chicka at (218) 529-7506 or [rchicka@ardc.org](mailto:rchicka@ardc.org).

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE (TAC)**

**MEMBERS**

**Airport (1 rep)**

Brian Ryks  
Alison Johnson (alternate)

**Bikes / Pedestrians (1 rep)**

Bryn Jacobson

**City of Duluth (4 reps)**

Chuck Froseth  
Cari Pedersen, *Vice Chair*  
Cindy Petkac  
Cindy Voigt

**City of Hermantown (1 rep)**

David Salo  
Lynn Lander (alternate)

**City of Proctor (1 rep)**

Jim Rohweder

**City of Superior (2 reps)**

Jason Serck, *Chair*  
Jeff Goetzman

**Douglas County (1 rep)**

Paul Halverson

**Duluth Transit Authority  
(1 rep)**

Dennis Jensen  
Jim Heilig (alternate)

**MN DEED Office (1 rep)**

Heather Rand

**MnDOT (2 reps)**

Denny Johnson  
Walter Leu

**Port/Harbor (1 rep)**

Jim Sharrow

**St. Louis County (1 rep)**

Jim Foldesi  
Brian Boder (alternate)

**WisDOT NW Region (1 rep)**

Dena Young

DULUTH-SUPERIOR  
METROPOLITAN INTERSTATE COUNCIL

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

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**AGENDA**

<b>1. Introductions / Agenda Review</b>	3 min
<b>2. 2011-2014 Duluth Area TIP Amendment #4</b>	5 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review for Approval, <i>James Gittemeier</i></li> </ul>	

**Next (regular) TAC Meeting:**  
Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 1:30 pm  
ARDC Conference Room, Duluth MN

**Background and Description for TIP Amendment #4:**

On Oct. 4, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood and the FTA announced an award of \$16 million to the DTA to construct a new Twin Ports Multimodal Transportation facility. Awards were made to 152 projects in 45 states and the District of Columbia and are focused on returning the nation's transit systems to a state of good repair by replacing outdated and inefficient transit maintenance and administration facilities, vehicles, transit centers and other capital projects.

The \$776 million program was made possible by utilizing unallocated funds from the FY 2010 FTA 5309 Major Capital Investments Program. Congress had previously awarded earmark projects for a portion of the FY 2010 5309 allocation, which left the remainder for the FTA to administer. In previous years, Congress would often earmark the entirety of the program. In the absence of formal surface transportation authorization legislation -- SAFETEA-LU, which expired as of September 30, 2009 -- federal agencies must determine investment priorities without legislative direction or guidance.

The DTA facility will serve as an off-street transit center and inter-city rail station serving DTA public transportation needs as well as Jefferson Lines, Greyhound, LCS and Arrowhead Transit. The facility will provide pedestrian and bicycle connections (via replaced skywalks and concourses) to the downtown area, convention center, and the Western Waterfront Trail. The facility will replace the existing parking and add parking for long-term use (in conjunction with the planned Northern Lights/Duluth Depot rail station), space for rental cars and taxi operations, as well as secure bicycle parking with amenities.

Project	Federal (FTA)	Local	Total
DTA Multimodal	\$16,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$20,000,000