

# South Central Regional Safety Coalition (SCRSC) Infrastructure & Operations Subcommittee Meeting

September 13, 2017

11:00 am to 12:00 pm



SCPDC Pelican Room – 5058 West Main Street, Houma, LA 70364

1. Review and approval of the June 8, 2017 meeting minutes.
2. Request to amend plan to include action step: Best Practices in School Zones under Action Objective 5: To increase knowledge on transportation planning process, including best practices and new technologies for safer roads.
3. Action Step Review

Action Step 1.2: Encourage the stakeholders and the public to express their safety concerns by completing the “Safety Concern to Refer to DOTD” yellow sheets and collaborate with DOTD and parishes on addressing the concern. [www.htmppo.org](http://www.htmppo.org)

- a. LA Highway 20 Intersection from St. Patrick to LA Highway 307
  - b. Intersection of LA 24 & 659
  - c. LA 311 at Fletcher Community College
  - d. LA 3235 (LADOTD Project)
  - e. LA 3040 (MLK) Terrebonne
  - f. Percy Brown & Highway 308 (Thibodaux, LA)
  - g. Prospect Bridge over Intracoastal
  - h. LA Highway 308
  - i. Choctaw (LRSP Project) Status
  - j. LA 20 (Bayou Chevreuil)
4. Action Step 4.1: Collaborate with local and state partners to update the South Central Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist and Terrebonne) on a biennial basis to ensure all routes are identified.
  5. Action Step 4.2: Partner with DOTD program coordinators to assist agencies in seeking resources to implement pedestrian safety improvement projects, such as; Safe Routes to Public Places and Transportation Alternative Program.
    - a. Transportation Alternatives Program
    - b. Safe Routes to Public Places Program
    - c. Local Road Safety Program
  6. Action Step 5.2 Provide regional workshops, lectures, trainings and meetings to subcommittee partners in an effort to keep abreast with best practices and new technologies in transportation world. *Past or Upcoming, Let us know if there are any trainings/workshops that you would like us to arrange for our region, email [cassie@scpdc.org](mailto:cassie@scpdc.org) or call at 985-851-2900*
  7. Next Steps/Adjournment  
*SC Regional IO Subcommittee: December 14, 2017*



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# SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL SAFETY COALITION

## Infrastructure & Operations Subcommittee

Thursday, June 08, 2017 @ 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
 South Central Planning & Development Commission

### Meeting Notes

**In Attendance:**

David Rome, TPCG	Dan Broussard, LADOTD	Terry Arabie, Lafourche Parish Gov't
Josh Manning, SCPDC	Gary Gisclair, LADOTD	Steve Willett, Rebecca Plantation
Cassie Parker, SCPDC	Sonny Carriles, Houma TMC	Archie Chaisson, City of Thibodaux
Joshua Manning, SCPDC	Joni Tuck, GLPC	Kyle Soignet, Lafourche ARC
Leo Marretta, LRSP/LTAP	Chris Pulaski, TPCG	Wendell Voisin, TPCG Transit Div.
Dawn Sholmire, LADOTD	Henri Boule, LA 1 Coalition	

**Call to Order**

D. Rome called the meeting to order at approximately 11:00 A.M and asked the committee to review the meeting minutes from the previous meeting.

*A Chaisson motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the March 9, 2017 meeting, C. Pulaski seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

**South Central Region – Local Parish Safety Plans**

D. Rome asked for more input from the committee in regards to parish interest in drafting safety plans. He stated that he would like to begin discussions with Terrebonne’s new administration in an effort to get support. L. Marretta suggested that the first step is for the parish administration to adopt the list of local roads that was provided to them by the Local Road Safety Program (LRSP) and identified through data as potential for safety improvement and begin applying for LRSP funds. He added that LRSP funds are 100% federally funded and all parishes should apply.

Mr. Arabie asked L. Marretta about a LRSP project on Choctaw Road, specifically the length of time of completing the project. He stated that signage has been purchased and installed for some time with the project beginning years ago. L. Marretta stated that he would look into the project status. C. Parker stated that during the last Policy Committee meeting, Councilwoman Sposito brought this project up as a safety concern as the local road is in desperate need of striping and until the project is completed, it is a safety issue. C. Parker informed the committee that SCPDC staff has contacted Mark Morvant for the status of the project. He stated that the date was set prior to having an agreement in place, but a more accurate date will be set. We asked if there was a way to speed the project up, M. Morvant stated that it is dependent on the consultant’s schedule and added that it is a relatively simple project so the design should not



take long. Leo added that if anyone ever has a question regarding the status of a project or questions regarding applying, please contact him.

**Action Step 1.1: Conduct RSA's and develop low-cost safety improvements intended to reduce crashes in the South Central Region.**

C. Parker informed the subcommittee that she participated in an RSA conducted by LADOTD Highway Safety Section RSA for LA 631 (Old Spanish Road) St. Charles Parish and will share the results of that RSA with anyone interested.

**Action Step 1.2: Encourage the stakeholders and the public to express their safety concerns by co Concern to Refer to DOTD" yellow sheets and collaborate with DOTD and parishes on address committee was updated on the following safety concerns submitted:**

**a. LA Highway 20 Intersection from St. Patrick to LA Highway 307**

T. Wang re-ran crash list data on LA 20 from St. Patrick Street to LA 304 to LA 307. She stated that it appears on abnormal high PSI section list for 2014, 2015. Majority of crashes were rear end (speeding) -- put transverse rumble strips between St. Patrick Street to LA 304, between LA 304 to LA 307 to slow down vehicles. To address non- collision crashes (roadway departure) it was suggested to put curve reflectors along curves and 6" edge lines in which Safety Department approved these. T. Wang will ask Gary and Chris if approve as well. No centerline rumble strips will be placed due to lack of head on & sideswipe crashes. No edge line rumble strips will be placed due to noise caused when drive over it along driveways. Will place centerline raised pavement markers throughout LA 20 to help drivers see at night.

**b. Intersection of LA 24 & 659**

T. Wang re-ran data for LA 24 @ LA 659 within 500' of the intersection which encompasses both LA 24 Main Street and LA 24 Park Avenue @ St. George Road intersections. Majority were right angle crashes. Sign crew have replaced all 4 stop signs along St. George Road to LA 659 with 48"x48" stop signs for emphasis.

**c. LA 311 at Fletcher Community College**

SCPDC will coordinate a meeting with LADOTD, TPCG and L. E. Fletcher in order to implement safety countermeasures that address safety issue that arises from traffic exiting out of Fletcher's campus onto LA 311. The proposed solution is warning signs and flashing beacons.

**d. LA 3040 (MLK) Terrebonne**

C. Parker reminded the subcommittee that the Houma-Thibodaux MPO submitted a letter to LADOTD District 02 to conduct a Stage 0 Feasibility Study on LA 3040, she updated them that the LADOTD Highway Safety Section approved the study to be completed.



**Action Step 4.1: Collaborate with local and state partners to update the South Central Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist and Terrebonne) on a biennial basis to ensure all routes are identified. (Next update: 2017)**

J. Manning informed the subcommittee that SCPDC and MPO staff have completed a scope and submitted to LADOTD for funding for the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. LADOTD is currently reviewing the scope.

**Action Step 4.2: Partner with DOTD program coordinators to assist agencies in seeking resources to implement pedestrian safety improvement projects, such as Safe Routes to Public Places and Transportation Alternative Program.**

C. Parker asked the subcommittee partners for any project updates that he/she has for projects being completed with the above mentioned funding sources. No responses. C. Parker stated that SCPDC assisted Terrebonne Parish complete an application for Transportation Alternatives Program funding for Williams Avenue multi use path, but has not received an approval yet. She also stated that SCPDC staff assisted St. James in applying for Safe Routes to Public Places for pedestrian improvements near their Senior Center and Courthouse. The application has made it to LADOTD's short list.

**Action Step 5.2 Provide regional workshops, lectures, trainings and meetings to subcommittee partners in an effort to keep abreast with best practices and new technologies in transportation world. *Past or Upcoming, Let us know if there are any trainings/workshops that you would like us to arrange for our region, email [cassie@scpsc.org](mailto:cassie@scpsc.org) or call at 985-851-2900.***

C. Parker urged the committee to submit any requests for regional workshops or trainings to her.



## South Central Regional Safety Coalition's LADOTD Safety Concern Updates

Date	Location	Parish	Type of Issue	Safety Concern	Initial Action Taken	Dec-17	17-Mar	17-Jun	17-Sep
4/18/2016	LA 20: Intersection of St. Patrick Highway to LA Highway 307	Lafourche	Infrastructure: LA Hwy 20 is a major north/south arterial in northern Lafourche Parish. The state highway, which was originally a farm to market roadway, does not have a shoulder. The state does not own the right-of-way along the highway. Limited lighting is also a concern. There are no center-line rumble strips, no edge-line rumble strips, and there are no raised pavement reflectors. Subsequently, there have been an extreme amount of vehicular accidents; some with and without injury and some with fatalities.	I would like to request a Regional Safety Assessment (RSA) to be completed along the above stated area of highway. In my opinion, an RSA will support my proposed solution of the construction of a 2' shoulder with edge-line rumble strips on both north and southbound lanes and the addition of a center-line rumble strip. Curves enhanced with raised pavement reflectors may also assist drivers at night.	LADOTD contacted 4/25/16. Speed study was completed. C. Parker requested DOTD to decide if rumble strips and raised pavement markers can be done or if an RSA was the best route. Waiting on further guidance from LADOTD	12/1/16 C. Parker emailed Tracey Wang for update. 12/12/16 TW informed CP that LADOTD sub district is reviewing this concern. Tracey will consult with District Administrator on potential for improvements.	Followed up with LADOTD District 02 via email. Submitted concern to LADOTD. Requested further guidance on LADOTD's ability to add rumble strips and reflector based on the crash data or if an RSA would be better. 3/8/17 District 02 met with Highway Safety Section which approved the placement of raised pavement markers from St. Patrick to Choctaw Road. T. Wang will follow up on the time line for project implementation. Center line rumble strips are proven effective with abnormal number of head on and side swipes from the opposite direction. T. Wang and C. Parker will review crash data again to see if feasible.	a. LA Highway 20 Intersection from St. Patrick to LA Highway 307 T. Wang re-ran crash list data on LA 20 from St. Patrick Street to LA 304 to LA 307. Appears on abnormal high PSI section list for 2014, 2015. Majority of crashes were rear end (speeding) -- put transverse rumble strips between St. Patrick Street to LA 304, between LA 304 to LA 307 to slow down vehicles. To address non- collision crashes (roadway departure) put curve reflectors along curves and 6" edge lines in which Safety Department approved these. T. Wang will ask Gary and Chris if approve as well. NO centerline rumble strips due to lack of head on & sideswipe crashes. NO edge line rumble strips due to noise caused when drive over it along driveways. Will place centerline raised pavement markers throughout LA 20 to help drivers see at night.	Awaiting follow up from T. Wang on status. She stated that C. Morvant and the Design and Safety would have to provide update.

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8/17/2016	LA 24 & LA 659	Terrebonne	Intersection - sight distance issues/vegetation overgrown, speed, irregular design, high crash location	Reduce Speed, trip vegetation, add right turn lane	On 9/7/16 C. Parker requested LADOTD review crash data on larger radius, specifically LA 24 NB/WB (Park) at intersection of 659 as more concerns were raised.	12/1/16 C. Parker emailed Tracey Wang for update. 12/12/16 TW informed CP that she will pull the data on both LA 24 @ St. George and LA 24 & LA 659 intersections at 200 feet radius.	3/8/17 District 02 requested clarification on the intersection that data has been requested to be pulled. The original concern LA 24 & St. George has been closed out. The *new* concern at the intersection of LA 24 & LA 659 will be looked at by Tracey.	T. Wang re-ran data for LA 24 @ LA 659 within 500' of the intersection which encompasses both LA 24 Main Street and LA 24 Park Avenue @ St. George Road intersections. Majority were right angle crashes. Sign crew have replaced all 4 stop signs along St. George Road to LA 659 with 48"x48" stop signs for emphasis.	Completed installation of signage. Will continue to monitor.
10/27/2016	Highway 311 @ Fletcher	Terrebonne	Speed/Lighting	Traffic exiting onto highway and many unexperienced drivers. Speed limit on 311 is 55 MPH and drivers travelling at this rate of speed do not have any warnings to slow down as Fletcher students are leaving the campus. Suggested Caution Light.		12/1/16 C. Parker emailed Tracey Wang for update. 12/12/16 T. Wang stated that LADOTD is looking into this, possibly warning signs and flashing lights but must be approved by LADOTD District Administrator.	Submitted to LADOTD. 3/7/17 Awaiting response prior to scheduling a meeting with Fletcher Community college to discuss potential placement of caution lights. 3/8/17 LADOTD District 02 stated that Fletcher would have to pay for the caution light. G. Gisclair will email C. Parker a cost estimate and is willing to discuss this concern with Fletcher College along with D. Rome from Terrebonne Parish who stated that the parish is willing to maintain the light after it is placed. 6/6/17 C. Parker is working with stakeholders to schedule a meeting in June 2017.	LADOTD, SCPDC, HTMPO, TPCG and L.E. Fletcher met on June 13, 2017 to discuss safety concern. Fletcher will ask if their budget committee approves the purchase of one caution light. The other light will be provided by the parish. LADOTD will provide parish permission to install and maintenance will be done by parish as well.	LADOTD has added advanced intersection signs for both driveways and TPCG has installed both caution lights (one provided by Fletcher, the other by the parish) COMPLETED

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12/1/2016	LA 3235	Lafourche	Access Management	LA 3235 safety issues - access management enforcement and traffic impact analysis requirement	Safety Concern collected from Lafourche Transportation Plan public meeting	C. Parker has been in contact with LADOTD Highway Section. Last update rec. 5/5/16: Arcadis conducted 16 mile corridor study focusing on access management improvements. Currently, there is no funding for the project.	Currently no funding for this project	Currently no funding for this project	Currently no funding for this project
1/26/2017	LA 3040 (MLK)	Terrebonne	Corridor Safety Improvements/Access Management				1/26/17 The Houma-Thibodaux MPO requested LADOTD District 02 to conduct Stage 0 Feasibility Study. 3/8/17 Highway Safety Section approved Feasibility Study be completed.		T. Wang will be submitting the LA 3040 (MLK Blvd) Corridor Study this evening to Gary Gisclair, Chris Morvant, District 02 Design Section (Brittany, Corey, etc.) and Baton Rouge Safety Section (Adriane, Karla, etc.).

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3/9/2017	Percy Brown & Highway 308 (Thibodaux, LA)	Lafourche	Intersection	Turning lane for traffic trying to turn onto Percy Brown Bridge from Highway 308 in both directions (North & South) is congested at peak time.				T. Wang stated that there is a project (H.012593) with letting date of 7/11/18 which is to add a left turn lane Northbound by widening LA 308 to turn into LA 648. L. Leblanc had requested also for the right turn land heading southbound (not included due to fire hydrant nearby - contact corey.gaudet@la.gov to find out why)	T. Wang discussed this with Corey Gaudet of District 02 Design - he said it's possible to add both left turn lanes. It's still in the planning stages.
4/3/2017	Prospect Bridge over Intracoastal	Terrebonne	Maintenance	The bridge is completely dark at night. The lane painting is barely visible and you cannot see the concrete carrier that divides the bridge. If you aren't familiar with the area, it could be very dangerous.				T. Wang sent email to eric.scivicque@la.gov to drive through Prospect Bridge over Intracoastal Waterway in Houma to determine if need centerline and edge lines to be refurbished and to add reflectors. If so, then add to list for striping crew next visit.	T. Wang stated: He drove by and placed them on the striping list for New Orleans striping crew to come by and stripe. Note our list has a number of striping request and are placed in order of priority.
5/17/2017	LA Highway 308	Lafourche	Drainage	Signage and Drainage. Multiple areas of Highway 308 between Highway 182 and Laurel Valley Road needs striping. Come curved areas have no striping at all. Same stretch of roadway holds water during rain.				T. Wang sent email to eric.scivicque@la.gov to drive through LA 308 from Laurel Valley Road to LA 182 to determine if refurbish striping is needed. If so, to add onto the list for striping crews next visit to the Houma area. Also sent to teresa.scivicque@la.gov for her to maintenance crew to look at drainage issues along this roadway.	T. Wang stated: He drove by and placed them on the striping list for New Orleans striping crew to come by and stripe. Note our list has a number of striping request and are



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				Shoulders should be graded to allow drainage.				placed in order of priority.
4/27/2017	Choctaw Road	Lafourche	LRSP project to add striping has not been completed				<p>C. Parker contacted M. Morvant for status update. M. Morvant responded via email: That date was set prior to having an agreement in place. A more accurate date will be set once I get the project scoping report finalized from our consultant. Federal authorization has been requested for the development of this report. I expect to get this authorization by next week. A request for a task order for our consultant to begin work has been submitted. Once both are in place I will be able to issue an NTP to schedule the Kick-off meeting. Moving the letting date sooner will depend on the consultant's work schedule. As this is a relatively simple project, I do not expect a long design period once I am able to NTP the project design.</p> <p>Basically I will be able to provide a more definitive answer in about two months when the scoping report is complete.</p>	

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## Parishes may work together on La. 20 widening

By **Dan Boudreaux** Staff Writer

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Members of the La. 20 task force in St. James Parish are asking Lafourche Parish for assistance in getting the highway widened.

Last week, members of the task force and St. James government officials presented a report to the Lafourche Parish Council on why widening the rural highway is so important and what would need to be done to accomplish this goal.

“This project is a state project. The road had a road safety assessment in 2006 and the number of sideswipes, head-on collisions, rear ends, they’re all way higher than the statewide average,” said Dennis Hymel with T. Baker Smith.

The assessment recommended immediate improvements and long-term improvements, including widening the road.

The task force said that because the highway is so narrow with no shoulder and has a canal adjacent to the southbound lane, the number of crashes on the road is nearly two times the state average and fatalities are nearly three times the state average.

For the project to get state and federal money, the task force said, Lafourche and St. James would have to pay for design and engineering for the widening. Because about 15 percent of the project would be in Lafourche Parish, the task force is asking for Lafourche to pay \$327,000 over the next three years toward the estimated \$1.67 million cost.

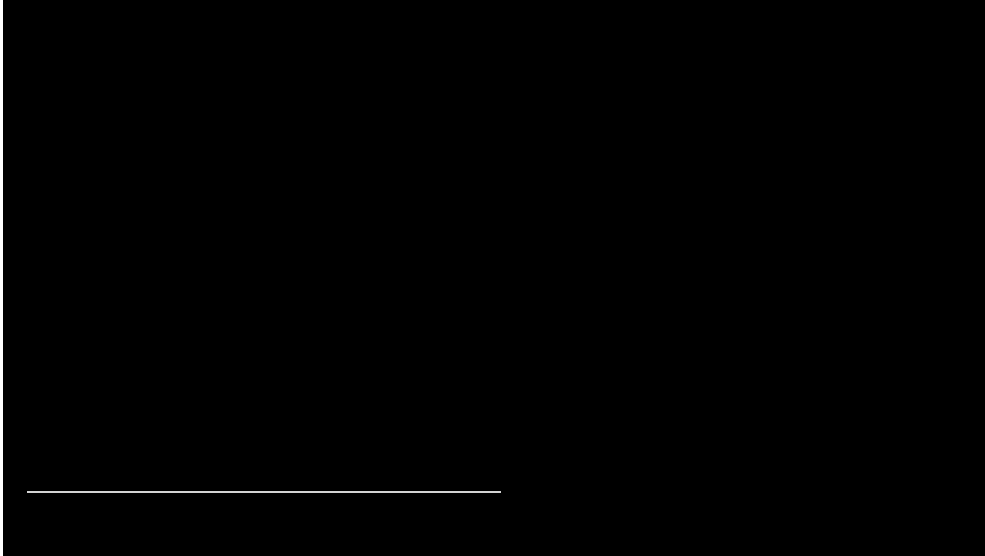
The highway is used by over 10,000 vehicles per day and is projected to reach an average of 25,000 by 2040, so the widening has widespread local support.

“There’s some idiots driving that road. I’ve seen it driving back from Baton Rouge,” said Councilman Jerry LaFont. “I think that \$327,000 to save even one person’s life is worth the investment for Lafourche Parish.

Parish President Jimmy Cantrelle said he's talked with the task force and is trying to find a way to budget the money to help with the project in 2018.

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### **MOST POPULAR STORIES**



SOUTH CENTRAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

# Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

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Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St.  
John the Baptist, St. Mary, & Terrebonne  
Parishes

**Houma-Thibodaux Metropolitan Planning Organization**

**September 13, 2017**

## Project Description

According to NHTSA's Countermeasures That Work (8<sup>th</sup> Edition), 743 bicyclists died in traffic crashes nationwide in 2013, the highest number killed since 2006. In addition, approximately 48,000 bicyclists were injured. Bicyclists accounted for 2% of total traffic fatalities and 2% of total injuries (NCSA, 2015). Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development data shows that there were a total of 4,397 crashes involving bicycles in Louisiana from years 2011-2015, of those crashes, 97 individuals lost their lives while 3343 were injury related crashes. In the South Central Region alone (Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes), bicycle related crashes totaled 269 for years 2011-2015. Pedestrian crashes almost doubled the amount of bicycle crashes in the state of Louisiana and South Central Region from years 2011-2015 at 7645 and 561, respectively.

In order to address these potentially fatal crashes and accomplish the South Central Regional Safety Coalition's goal to reduce serious injury related and fatalities crashes involving bicycle and pedestrians by 50% by 2030, **it is imperative that collaboration among the local jurisdictions of the South Central Region, South Central Planning and Development Commission, Houma-Thibodaux Metropolitan Planning Organization, South Central Regional Safety Coalition and their stakeholders take place through the update and implementation of the South Central Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.**

## Scope of Services

The South Central Planning and Development Commission (SCPDC) or its consultant will conduct a field evaluation of existing conditions; meet with elected officials and staff for parishes local municipalities to discern local initiatives and priorities; provide the public with opportunities to provide input to the planning process; develop a GIS data of identified projects; identify various funding sources and priority areas; and facilitate the adoption of the plan by the Houma-Thibodaux Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and other local planning commissions. Tasks to be performed by SCPDC include:

### Task 1: Project Timeline and Kick-Off Meeting

SCPDC or its consultant shall coordinate a project initiation meeting for this project to be held at the South Central Planning and Development Commission offices. The purpose of this meeting will be to obtain the background information of the area relative to this project and to obtain views from various agencies. SCPDC or its consultant will prepare a draft project schedule including major milestones (Project Management Committee meetings, site visits, draft reviews, final report submission, etc.). The timeline will be submitted at a project kick-off meeting that will include SCPDC staff, LADOTD district staff, LA DOTD Headquarters liaison, representation from the various affected parishes and municipalities. Other stakeholders, such as tribal leaders shall be included as necessary. The initial kick-off meeting may be held in conjunction with a regularly scheduled MPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting or Active Transportation Committee meeting.

## **Task 2: Project Management Committee (PMC)/Active Transportation Committee**

SCPDC or its consultant will establish and support a Project Management Committee to guide the technical work effort and to review SCPDC's work products. The PMC will include SCPDC staff, LADOTD district staff, LA DOTD Headquarters liaison, representation from the various affected parishes and municipalities. SCPDC will provide all necessary agendas, handouts, and exhibits in advance of the PMC meetings for review and approval and prepare summary minutes of the meetings. The PMC can also act as the MPO's Active Transportation Committee or the South Central Regional Safety Coalitions Bike/Ped Emphasis Area Group. PMC meetings may be held in conjunction with a regularly scheduled MPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting or Active Transportation Committee meeting when deemed appropriate.

## **Task 3: Site Investigations, Data Collection, and Analysis**

SCPDC or its consultant will conduct site investigations throughout in the region in order to determine existing conditions. This site investigation should document land-uses, travel patterns, and existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities, along a sample set of roadways. The sample set of roadways should include a mix of urban and rural and be located in various land-use settings.

The investigation will document all existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities along the functional classification network (collectors and arterials) as well as gather data on schools, parks, and other public facilities that should be connected by these modes of transportation.

In addition, the investigation will include obtaining relevant transportation and land-use plans, including, but not limited to, the regional transportation plan, the parish comprehensive master plan, and appropriate ordinances and policies relating bicycle and pedestrian modes of transportation. In addition, crash data will be used to identify bicycle and pedestrian safety issues in the region, areas with insufficient accommodations and locations where conflicts between non-motorized users and vehicles are likely to occur will be documented. Bicycle and pedestrian network will be planned with emphasis on safe transportation which may include removing users from high speed arterials and collectors and using systemic FHWA proven countermeasures. Proven effective countermeasures will be given consideration when planning bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

This evaluation will include coordination with SCPDC, the various parish and municipal governments, and LADOTD on the results of the findings.

## **Task 4: Consultations with Parish and Local Government Officials**

SCPDC or its consultant will meet with various parish and local government officials and staff members to consult with them on potential projects and policies they would like to have specified in the plan.

## **Task 5: Public Outreach**

SCPDC or its consultant will conduct at least one public meeting in each of the parishes for the purpose of gathering public comment on the various bicycle and pedestrian projects. In an effort to engage the

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public further, SCPDC or its consultant will create a website and online survey to gather public input on planned routes and collect public comment.

### **Task 6: Develop GIS Layer of Projects**

SCPDC or its consultant will create a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database layer documenting existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities and the various landmarks and public places identified in Task 3. In addition, proposed facilities identified in Tasks 4 and 5, or through professional judgement, will also be included.

### **Task 7: Identification of Potential Funding Sources**

SCPDC or its consultant will document the various funding programs offered by the LADOTD, the MPO, or other government or private-sector grant opportunities. To the best extent possible, SCPDC will provide a brief description of each program, project eligibility, and discuss any funding cycle applications or deadlines.

### **Task 8: Opinion of Probable Cost**

SCPDC or its consultant will prepare a high-level estimate of engineering fees, right of way acquisition, utility relocation, and construction costs associated with each project. This may be done by as an estimate per each type of facility (ex. \$xx/mi. of sidewalk).

### **Task 9: Identification of Priority Areas**

SCPDC or its consultant will develop a prioritized list of projects for each parish and local municipality within the study area. At a minimum, the prioritization process will include crash data and connectivity, but may be expanded to include other quantifiable factors identified by the PMC.

### **Task 10: Develop Action Plan**

SCPDC or its consultant will develop a data-driven action plan that will list goals, objectives, strategies and action steps that address the reduction of the number of fatalities, serious injuries and overall crashes involving bicyclists and pedestrians.

### **Task 11: Reporting and Coordination**

In addition, SCPDC or its consultant shall:

- Submit monthly progress reports to the LADOTD Coordinator
- Coordinate and review work by Sub-Consultants (if any)

SCPDC or its consultant will initiate these contacts and prepare summary meeting minutes for review and discussion with the PMC. These meetings may be held in conjunction with a regularly scheduled MPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting or Active Transportation Committee meeting when deemed appropriate.

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## Task 12: Report Documents

### I. Draft Report

A draft of the report with documentation of all the above tasks will be submitted to the PMC for review by, at the latest, 75% of project completion. The report will include the conceptual layout of each analysis section. The report text will briefly describe the purpose and need for the project and include preliminary findings from Tasks 3, 4, and 5. The draft report will be published on the website and available for public comment for a minimum of 30 days.

### II. Final Draft Report

Upon review of the draft report by the PMC, SCPDC or its consultant shall address all items/questions identified during the review process and submit a revised report identified as "Final Draft."

### III. Final Report

Following review and approval of the draft submission, SCPDC or its consultant will provide the PMC copies of the Final Report, documenting the information and analysis described in the various tasks above. Printed copies of the report disks in electronic format (pdf including all maps and visualizations) will be submitted by SCPDC to the PMC. Any GIS files created during the process should also be submitted in ESRI's shapefile or geodatabase format.

## Task 13: Adoption of Plan by the HTMPO and the various local planning commissions

Once the Final Report is adopted by the PMC, SCPDC or its consultant will present the plan to the MPO and the various local planning commissions located throughout the study area. SCPDC or its consultant will work with these commissions to get the plan adopted by the various municipalities throughout the region.

## Task 14: Plan Implementation Assistance

SCPDC or its consultant will assist the various parishes and local municipalities in plan implementation. This includes technical assistance for project application, grant writing services, and ongoing meetings of the Active Transportation Committee/ South Central Regional Safety Coalition Bike/Ped Emphasis Area Group to discuss projects and best practices for implementation.

**TIMELINE:** 30 months

**Budget:** \$252, 837



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August 16, 2017

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development is pleased to announce that the following projects have been conditionally accepted into the Transportation Alternatives Program for 2016-2018. For a project to be formally accepted into the program, the Entity will be required to provide the following information by **October 31, 2017**:

1. Certification in the form of a resolution by the Entity's governing body that the Entity will assume full responsibility for the required local match (20%); for design engineering; for construction administration and testing; for managing and maintaining the project; and for any legal liability incurred as a result of the project.
2. Completed Responsible Charge form for the design phase of the project. (Note: The form can be found at: [http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside\\_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administration/LPA/Pages/Forms.aspx](http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administration/LPA/Pages/Forms.aspx))
3. Copy of the Responsible Charge's certificate from the LPA Core Training Work Shop (Note: If the Responsible Charge has not attended the LPA Core Training Work Shop, information about upcoming classes can be found at: <http://www.ltrc.lsu.edu/ltap/index.html>. If additional classes need to be scheduled, please contact Ann Wills at 225-379-2515.

Further information will be provided in letters being sent to the Entity.

If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Laura Riggs at 225-379-1585 or [laura.riggs@la.gov](mailto:laura.riggs@la.gov).

## 2016-2018 TAP CALL FOR PROJECTS

ENTITY	PROJECT NAME	MAX FEDERAL FUNDING
<b>District 02</b>		
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government	Williams Ave. Multi-use path	\$ 190,171.16
Town of Jean Lafitte	Lafitte Rosethorne Park Path	\$ 955,201.00
City of New Orleans Dept. of Public Works	Tullis-River Route	\$ 584,724.00
Jefferson Parish	Manhattan Blvd. Pedestrian Improvements (Lapalco Blvd. to Bayou Barataria)	\$ 308,210.00
Jefferson Parish	Kawanee Ave. Bike Route Phase I (Power Blvd. to Suburban Canal)	\$ 287,009.00
Lafourche Parish Government	Bayou Lafourche Multi-Use Path Lafourche Parish Government Center Trailhead	\$ 473,758.40
St. Bernard Parish Government	St. Bernard Parish Mississippi River Trail Phase IV	\$ 582,384.00
City of Harahan	Harahan Streetscaping Improvements	\$ 338,763.00
City of Kenner	Veterans Blvd Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements-Richland St. to Williams Blvd	\$ 1,679,111.00
Jefferson Parish	4th St. Bike Path (Barataria Blvd to Gretna City Limit)	\$ 413,681.61
City Park Improvement Association	City Park Palm Drive Sidewalks	\$ 183,360.00
City of Kenner	Kenner Levee Trailhead Expansion	\$ 225,735.00
<b>District 03</b>		
City of Kaplan	Cushing Ave. Sidewalk Safety and Revitalization-Phase III	\$ 556,800.00
The City of Youngsville	Youngsville Sidewalk Improvement Phase I	\$ 560,804.33
Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana	Sidewalk, LA 93/W. Martin Luther King Dr.: I-49 frontage to Burleigh Lane	\$ 398,520.00
Lafayette City - Parish Consolidated Gov't	Sixth Street Sidewalk Connection	\$ 284,952.45
Lafayette City - Parish Consolidated Gov't	South College Rd./Coulee Mine Bike-Ped Underpass Lighting and Reconfiguration	\$ 4,592.60
Lafayette City - Parish Consolidated Gov't	Northside High School Pedestrian and Bikeway Plaza	\$ 209,880.34
<b>District 04</b>		
Parish of Caddo, Louisiana	Caddo Parish Bicyclist Awareness Signage	\$ 280,688.68
Parish of Caddo, Louisiana	Byway Scenic Viewing Area and Comfort Station	\$ 340,229.90
City of Shreveport	Transit Amenities for Downtown Circulator Route	\$ 174,720.00
<b>District 05</b>		
City of Ruston	Ruston Downtown Revitalization-Phase X	\$ 561,664.32
City of Monroe, Louisiana	Winnsboro Road Pedestrian Crosswalks and ADA Compliance Grant	\$ 232,986.00
City of Monroe, Louisiana	DeSiard Street Pedestrian Crosswalk and ADA Compliance Grant	\$ 203,524.00
City of West Monroe	Kiroli Road Sidewalk	\$ 172,052.46
Louisiana Tech University	North Campus Trails	\$ 72,760.00

<b>District 07</b>		
No Projects Submitted		
<b>District 08</b>		
No Projects Submitted		
<b>District 58</b>		
No Projects Submitted		
<b>District 61</b>		
City of Baton Rouge - Parish of East Baton Rouge	Elm Grove Garden Drive Pedestrian Improvements	\$ 500,000.00
East Baton Rouge City-Parish/Downtown Development District	Downtown Greenway Louisiana Connector	\$ 100,000.00
Capital Area Transit System (CATS)	BRT Florida Blvd	\$ 1,000,000.00
City of Baton Rouge - Parish of East Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge Bike Share	\$ 593,904.00
<b>District 62</b>		
City of Mandeville	West Causeway Approach Path: Sandra Lee Drive to Monroe St	\$ 335,001.00
City of Denham Springs	Hatchell Lane Sidewalk	\$ 225,141.80
City of Ponchatoula, Louisiana	LA Hwy 22 (Pine Street) Corridor Improvements	\$ 696,837.34
City of Covington	Jefferson Avenue Trail	\$ 958,238.40

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September 5, 2017

Town of Lutcher Council Meeting

RE: Local Road Safety Program Application for 5<sup>th</sup> Street and King Street

**Starting Point:** 5<sup>th</sup> Street @ Lionel Washington Street (towards Lutcher Avenue)

**Overall:**

Sidewalks on each side of the road (Safe Routes to Public Places (SRTPP) Application – March 2018)

Striping Analysis

Signage Analysis

1. Ensure Signage meets MUTCD Standards
2. Lack of directional/street signage

Students utilize this roadway to walk to and from Lutcher High School

**Apply for the following low cost safety improvements:**

1. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching W. Lebray:
  - a. Sidewalks (good condition) continued but not ADT compliant
  - b. Speed bumps are present
  - c. Pedestrians utilize sidewalks for travel to school as well as other locations



2. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching E. Lebray:
  - a. Sidewalks (good condition) continued but not ADT compliant
3. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching Exchange Alley: (road does not line up straight across)
  - a. Sidewalks (good condition) continued but not ADT compliant
  - b. Vehicles parked on side of road but not sidewalk (check of line of sight improvements)



- 4. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching N. King Avenue:
  - a. Sidewalks (good condition) continued but not ADT compliant
  - b. Five leg intersection. (Right is two lanes, separated by median)
    - i. Speed limits and signage inconsistent
    - ii. Is the road one-way? Signage needed.
    - iii. Suggested crosswalk (apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTPP grant)
    - iv. Sidewalk ends



- 5. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching N. Albert Street
  - a. N. Albert streets have sidewalks (apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTPP grant)



6. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching Texas Street
  - a. Sidewalk begins on right side (towards Lucher high school) and ends at Texas Street
  - b. No pedestrian signage
  - c. Curve
  - d. No Crosswalk to Texas Street



7. 5<sup>th</sup> @ Texas Street intersection
  - a. Lack of Signage
  - b. Existing signage not MUTCD standard



- 8. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching Cypress Street
  - a. Apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTTP grant



- 9. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching Louisiana Avenue
  - a. Apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTTP grant
  - b. Signage
  - c. St. James Parish Neighborhood Center located at intersection



10. 5<sup>th</sup> @ Lutcher Avenue (Dangerous intersection)
  - a. Apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTTP grant
  - b. No crosswalks
  - c. Request pedestrian signal in SRTTP application



11. 5<sup>th</sup> approaching 2nd and 3rd Street
  - a. Apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTTP grant
  - b. Update signage
12. School Street
  - a. Lutcher High School and St. James Parish Career and Technology Center
  - b. Apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTTP grant

**Starting Point:** King Street @ West. Main Street

**Overall:**

Lutcher Elementary School

Low Income Housing

Students utilize this roadway to walk to and from Lutcher High School and Lutcher Elementary School

Used as evacuation road

Striping Analysis

Signage Analysis

1. N. King Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street
  - a. Sidewalks (good condition) continued but not ADT compliant
  - b. Right is two lanes, separated by median
    - i. Speed limits and signage inconsistent
    - ii. Suggested crosswalk (apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTPP grant)
2. N. King Street to LA 3125
  - a. Sidewalks from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Housing units (apply for connectivity of sidewalk with SRTPP grant)
  - b. Narrow roadway





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