



Regional Transportation Discussions – Public Statement

The Purpose

Thrive convened and facilitated a conversation for a group of elected leaders to advance regional solutions for our transportation needs. This group worked together to identify a process to move forward on a regional transportation solution.

The Participants

- Steve Anders – Supervisor, Town of Cottage Grove
- Eileen Bruskevitz – Supervisor, Dane County Board
- Tom Clauder – Mayor, City of Fitchburg (President, Dane County Cities & Villages Assoc.)
- Joe Chase – Mayor, City of Sun Prairie
- Dave Cieslewicz – Mayor, City of Madison
- Jerry Derr – Chair, Town of Bristol (President, Dane County Towns Association)
- Kathleen Falk – Dane County Executive
- Karna Hanna – Executive Director, Sauk County Development Corporation
- Helen Johnson – Mayor, City of Stoughton
- Scott McDonell – Supervisor, Dane County Board (County Board Chair)
- Jeff Miller – President, Village of DeForest
- Jim Pulvermacher – Supervisor, Town of Springfield
- Kurt Sonnentag – Mayor, City of Middleton

The Agreement

The group agreed that:

- Transportation is a regional issue that requires regional solutions
- Significant time, energy and resources have been invested to identify and communicate potential transportation solutions
- More information and communication about potential regional transportation solutions are needed
- There is agreement to build off of the work done by Transport 2020
- In order to enhance that work, the Transport 2020 Finance and Governance Subcommittee composition will be expanded and diversified from its current participants (see below) to include the following additional representation:
 - 1 individual from a large business
 - 1 individual from a small business
 - 1 individual from the Cities & Villages (non-Madison)
 - 1 individual from the Towns
 - 1 individual from outside of Dane County
 - 1 individual from a company that moves goods

The group currently consists of:

- Al Matano - MPO
- Lori Kay – UW-Madison
- Supv. Scott McDonell – Dane County
- Dick Wagner – City of Madison
- Sandy Beaupre - WisDOT
- Michael Blaska - Dane County
- Chris Klein - WisDOT



- The outcome will be a subcommittee that includes a broader group of constituents to represent and examine the needs of the region

Next Steps

Each member of the group will recommend individuals who might best serve on the Transport 2020 subcommittee. A list of candidates will be presented to Scott McDonell, who will follow-up with the appointments.

We want to applaud the leadership of our elected officials for finding a solution to move the region forward on the issue of transportation, and we acknowledge their demonstrated commitment to collaboration.