**Cook DuPage Corridor Committees**

The primary purposes of the Cook DuPage Corridor committees are:

1) To provide policy and technical guidance in the development and selection of recommended long range major transportation investments in the RTA Cook-DuPage Corridor and

2) To ensure an open and transparent decision making process.

The composition of the committees will meet or exceed the breadth of participation described by SR 0173, adopted May 31, 2003 by fostering the participation of chief municipal elected officials, community and environmental groups, citizen representatives employed at Corridor activity centers, members of the business community, and involving representatives of all of the transportation agencies for northeastern Illinois.

**Policy Committee**

**Responsibilities**

1) Provide input and formulate recommendations to the RTA at key decision points during the Study process, including decisions related to the following items:
   a. Problem Statement
   b. Purpose and Need for corridor mobility improvements
   c. Corridor Goals and Planning Standards
   d. Recommendation of potential improvement options for feasibility consideration
   e. Recommendation of specific alternatives to undergo alternatives analysis
   f. Oversight of local study component for Transit Supportive Community Development Policies
   g. Selection and recommendation of Locally Preferred Alternative(s)

2) Communicate the varied viewpoints and perspectives of colleagues from within each respective jurisdiction of appointment.

3) Provide leadership on behalf of local government through direct service on the Policy Committee, and engage professional staff in supporting roles.

4) Ensure balanced, representative subregional participation, and ensure coordination with local and other subregional planning activities.

5) Provide informed comment to media on behalf of all members of the Policy Committee and with the notification of RTA.

**Membership/Composition**

- Three WCMC mayors/presidents
- Three DMMC mayors/presidents
- Mayor of the city of Chicago or designee
- Two Cook County Board commissioners
- Two DuPage County Board directors

**Time Commitment**

- Quarterly
Technical Committee

Responsibilities

1) Provide high-level technical input and/or preliminary policy guidance to the RTA regarding key aspects of the Cook-DuPage Corridor Study, including:
   a. Purpose and Need for corridor mobility improvements
   b. Goals and objectives of corridor mobility improvements
   c. Development of evaluation criteria
   d. Potential options for feasibility consideration
   e. Preliminary evaluation results
   f. Recommendation and refinement of specific alternatives to undergo alternatives analysis

2) Provide necessary agency and project data
3) Review work products and findings
4) Share perspective and develop consensus on recommendations
5) Ensure coordination with other regional transportation planning activities
6) Identify potential concerns and ways to resolve them

Composition

• Municipal staff
• County staff
• Council of Mayors Planning Liaisons
• Regional planning agencies
• Implementing agencies
• Federal agencies

Time Commitment

• Monthly or bi-monthly as needed
Citizen Advisory Committee

Responsibilities

1) Provide citizen-perspective guidance to the Policy Committee and RTA on the following:
   a. Public Involvement Plan
   b. Goals and objectives
   c. Written and other communications to citizens, and Corridor community organizations and businesses
   d. Groups/populations that may need special public outreach
2) Monitor effectiveness of outreach strategies
3) Review and provide input on preliminary outreach strategies, materials & events
4) Promote public awareness of Cook-DuPage Corridor Study and encourage participation of others
5) Assist in dissemination of public materials and/or information, when possible
6) Identify potential needs or concerns and ways to resolve them

Composition

• Business groups
• Professional associations
• Workforce Boards
• Civic and social organizations
• Citizen advocacy groups

Time Commitment

• Quarterly (approx.)
Corridor Planning Standards Working Group

Responsibilities

1) Lead development of corridor planning standards
2) Facilitate efforts to gather local data and develop community profiles
3) Identify commonalities and differences among local values and community goals
4) Promote local awareness of Cook-DuPage Corridor planning standards and encourage participation of others
5) Identify potential needs or concerns and ways to resolve them

Composition

• Municipal staff
• County staff
• Council of Mayors Planning Liaisons

Time Commitment

• Monthly or bi-monthly meetings

Other Working Groups

The RTA or the Cook-DuPage Corridor Committees may develop additional working group(s) to provide specific guidance or input on various study components. These working groups may include municipal, county and agency staff, the public, business and citizen advocates, or any others, as appropriate. Initially, the Corridor Planning Standards working group is being formed to provide local guidance of the corridor planning standards element of Phase II: Options Feasibility.
Cook DuPage Corridor
Phase II Organizational Framework

Technical Committee
- Municipal staff
- County staff
- Regional planning & implementing agency staff
- Federal/state agency staff

Policy Committee
- Three WCMC mayors/presidents
- Three DMMC mayors/presidents
- Mayor of the city of Chicago or designee
- Two Cook County Board commissioners
- Two DuPage County Board members

Citizen Advisory Committee
- Business organizations
- Citizens advocacy groups
- Professional associations
- Workforce Boards
- Social/cultural organizations

Planning Standards Working Group
- Municipal staff
- County staff
- Planning Liaisons