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DeKalb-Sycamore Area Transportation Study

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Introduction

The purpose of the *Fiscal Year 2010 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)* is to establish the activities and projects that the DeKalb-Sycamore Area Transportation Study (DSATS) intends to accomplish during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010. The Program outlines the activities to be undertaken to advance the cooperative, comprehensive and continuing planning efforts for the DeKalb-Sycamore region's transportation systems. The Program identifies the budget and work activities to be undertaken by DSATS Staff, its Committees, and its consultants as required by the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1962 and as governed by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

On May 1, 2002, the U.S. Census Bureau designated the DeKalb-Sycamore area as an "Urbanized Area," with a total population of 55,805. This designation was based on a combination of total population and contiguous areas of "urban" population exceeding 1,000 people per square mile. This designation triggered the federal requirement that a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was to serve the urbanized area. The primary purposes of the MPO are to establish the policy direction for prioritizing federal transportation investments in the region, and to provide mechanism for regional planning and cooperation for addressing the area's transportation issues.

Fiscal Year

When dealing with transportation, many of the grants and timelines are based on fiscal, rather than calendar years. The planning process for DSATS is based on the Fiscal Year of its host organization, the City of DeKalb, which is currently based on a July 1 – June 30 Fiscal Year. For planning purposes, DSATS looks at the following fiscal years:

- DSATS / City of DeKalb: July 1 to June 30
- State of Illinois: July 1 to June 30
- US Federal Government: October 1 to September 30

As a result of varying fiscal years, some of the projects identified in a DSATS fiscal year may cover multiple fiscal years when dealing with Federal deadlines and requirements.

Study Area

In determining whether the area met the threshold for creating a MPO, the Census Bureau designated an "**urbanized area**" ("**UZA**") based on a minimum population density threshold of 1,000 people per square mile. Because the total population enumerated in this area exceeded 50,000 (61,984 people in the 2005-2007 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates), the DeKalb-Sycamore area was certified as an urbanized area. This designation triggered the federal requirements for the creation of a MPO to provide transportation planning for the area.

The "urbanized area" delineation includes most of the area's residential developments but omits nonresidential areas and those subdivisions that were developed or occupied after 2000. Recognizing that these areas have urban characteristics and have impacts on the

urbanized area's transportation system, **adjusted urbanized area boundary ("A-UZA")** is shown on the map as well. This area was modified to include the parcels that may be developed within the next five years. Roadways included in the adjusted urbanized area are eligible for both Surface Transportation Program-Urban (STU) and rural transportation funding.

The adjusted urbanized area is encircled by the **"Planning Area Boundary,"** which generally includes all of the areas shown on the municipalities' comprehensive plans. This boundary identifies the areas where development activity and accompanying transportation improvements may be anticipated within the next 20 years. The Planning Area, once established, and all of the parcels and roadways included therein will be considered in future planning studies, including the DSATS' Long Range Transportation Plan. This area also serves as the extent to which STU funds can be expended; rural transportation funds may also be applied to any project within the planning area so long as it is outside of the urbanized area (solid tan area on the map).

Organization

The DSATS organization includes three primary components: the Policy Committee, the Technical Committee, and the Staff:

The Policy Committee is the governing body for the MPO and is primarily responsible for approving programs that direct federal transportation investments in the urbanized area. Each Policy Committee member is entitled to one vote; a quorum of the Policy Committee consists of a simple majority of the voting members of the Committee.

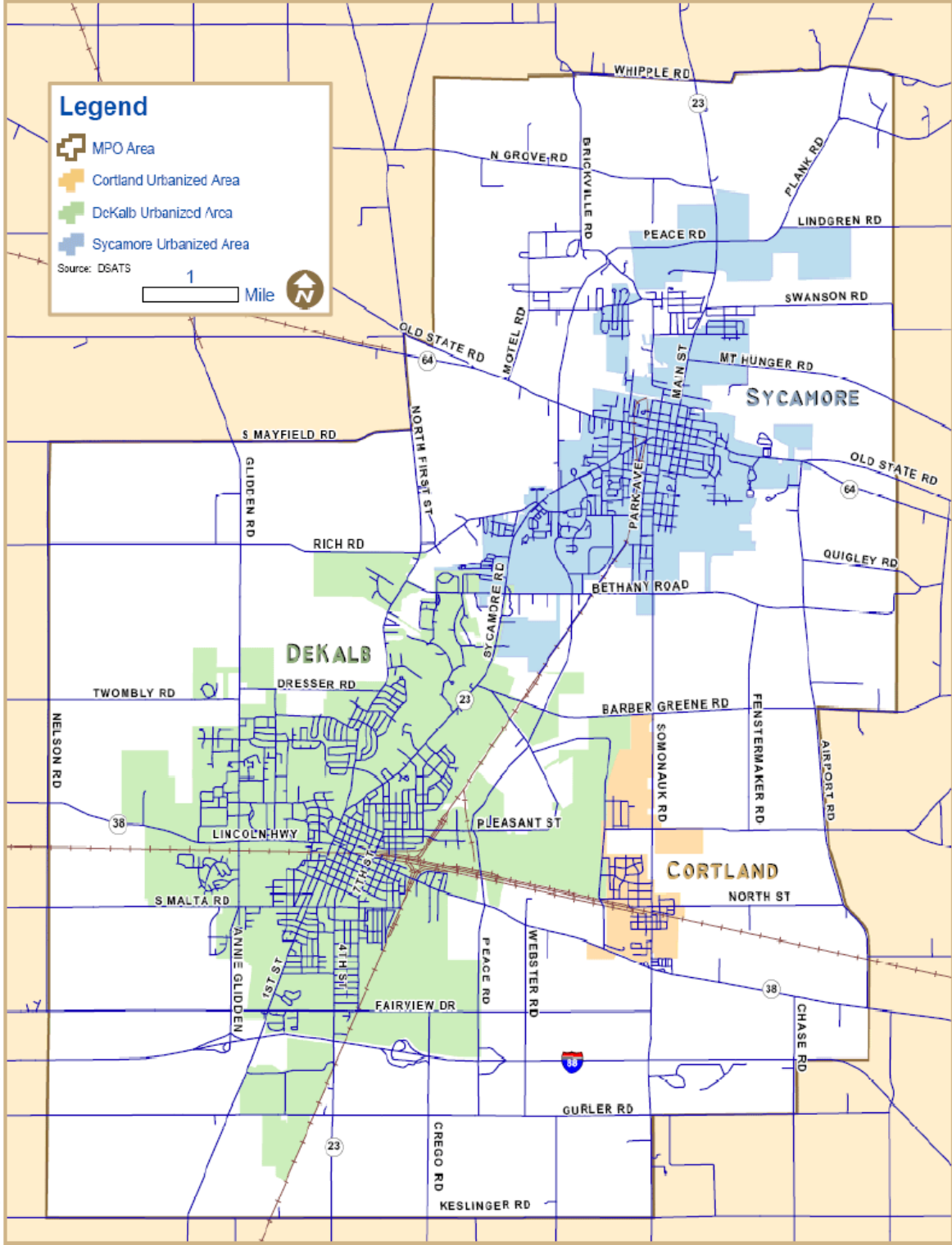
The Technical Committee provides professional technical advice and recommendations to the Policy Committee, and conducts or oversees the technical planning functions and duties of DSATS.

The City of DeKalb serves as the fiscal agent for the DSATS Program. On the behalf of the region, the City provides the local match to the federal planning funds. The City's Engineering Department also houses the DSATS' staff, who are charged with implementing the activities established in this Program.

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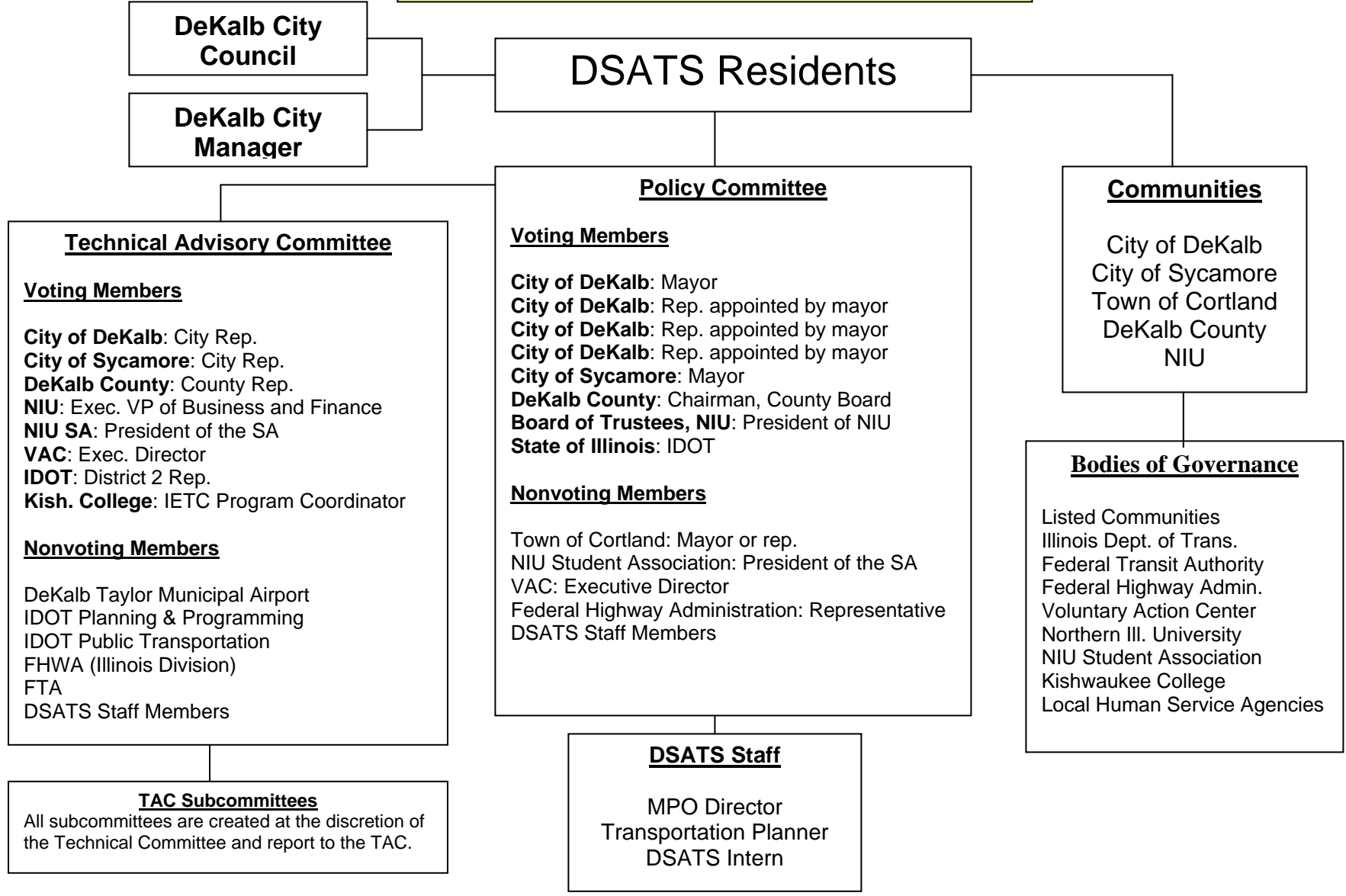
FIGURE I - 1

MPO PLANNING AREA



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DSATS MPO Organizational Chart



UPWP Elements

The activities to be undertaken by the DSATS Committees and Staff have been categorized under four general Elements, as detailed below. These Elements are coordinated to the budget information found on pages 13-15 of this Program.

Element 1. DSATS Program Administration and Support

Objective:

To fund the administrative functions associated with managing the DSATS program and providing support to the DSATS Policy and Technical Committees. This program element includes administering and coordinating the transportation planning activities between local, state and federal agencies and other transportation interests that serve the region. DSATS Staff are responsible for preparing the Unified Planning Work Programs for subsequent fiscal years, which will establish the priorities using federal planning funds to address identified transportation initiatives or problems. A primary focus of this element will be to make transportation-related information relevant and accessible to decision-makers, and to provide opportunities for informed public participation in the planning processes undertaken.

Status:

Starting in FY 2005, the DSATS program started receiving Planning (PL) funds from the Federal Highway Administration and transit planning funds (Section 5303) from the Federal Transit Administration for MPO planning activities. The grants, administered through the Illinois Department of Transportation, provide funding for a part-time (0.35 FTE) MPO Director and a full time (1.0 FTE) Transportation Planner to serve as DSATS staff. Additional funds are set aside for a part-time intern (1.0 FTE)

In FY 2010, DSATS anticipates applying 71% of its resources toward the administration of the program, including management of the PL and Section 5303 grants. The activities and products proposed for FY 2010 are similar to or complete those undertaken in FY 2009, reflecting the ongoing, consistent management of the program.

Management of the Section 5307 and Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP) transit grants are included in this Program Element to reflect the administrative nature of this responsibility. These programs will require considerable DSATS Staff time in FY 2010. Via FTA Section 5307 funds and American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funds, 3 rolling-stock vehicles will be purchased in FY10. In addition, funds are looking to be used to repave the transit parking lot, installation of AVL systems, fare boxes, and radios in the transit fleet. Staff and VAC officials will be looking at ways to further enhance the use of this new software in FY09 as well as providing more accurate data for DSATS required transit data reporting to the National Transit Database (NTD).

FY 2009 activities and products included:

1. Preparation of agendas, meeting summaries, and support materials for DSATS Policy and Technical Committees;
2. Status reports to IDOT regarding the use of PL and Section 5303 funds;
3. Preparation of the FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP);
4. Reporting of transit statistics to the National Transit Database (NTD);
5. Continuous update of content on the DSATS website;
6. Continued of policies and procedures identified as needing improvement in the FTA Triennial Review performed in April 2009; and
7. Purchase of 15 new buses to replace aging transit fleet at VAC.

FY 2010 Activities and Products:

1. Coordinate the transportation planning and programming functions among the municipal, county, state and federal transportation agencies including the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).
2. Prepare the FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program and the accompanying FHWA-PL/Section 5303 contract for IDOT, DSATS, and City of DeKalb approval.
3. Prepare and submit financial program status reports for the use of PL and Section 5303 funds, as required.
4. Prepare agendas, meeting summaries, and support materials for DSATS Policy and Technical Committees meetings.
5. Maintain contact information for Policy and Technical Committees, and for other local, state and federal transportation agency representatives.
6. Acquire software, hardware or other equipment needed for DSATS projects and activities, as required.
7. Apply for and manage Section 5307, including providing grant monitoring, drawdowns, and reports, as required; also includes vehicle acquisition, scheduling system upgrade, facility study, and completion of RFP process for transit provider.
8. Apply for and manage Downstate Operating Assistance Funds (state transit grant), including grant monitoring, drawdowns, and reports, as required; also include coordination and planned service expansion between City/VAC and Huskie Bus services.
9. Submit all required monthly and annual National Transit Database reports.

Element 2. Program Development and Information Management**Objective:**

To obtain and prepare information relevant to the transportation planning, programming and decision-making to occur in the DSATS region. Information acquired through this task will be used to support the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update, which is scheduled to be done in FY 2010. During the calendar year 2010, DSATS will do an update of its 2030 LRTP. The writing and adoption of the actual plan is anticipated to occur during the first half of FY10. As part of the LRTP process, updating of the Public Participation Plan (PPP), the Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP), the Bike and Pedestrian Plans, as well as the ITS Architecture Plan will be looked at further.

Status:

With the adoption of the new federal transportation SAFETEA-LU, DSATS Staff will continue to monitor changes to transportation funding and policies, and attempt to assess impacts to the DSATS' future planning and programming activities.

This program element also includes the annual update to DSATS' Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which establishes the project priorities for federal transportation investments in the area. The FY 2010-2014 TIP for the DeKalb-Sycamore area identifies priorities for projects to be funded with federal Surface Transportation-Urban (STU) funds and other Federal funds. The TIP also includes a running list of other transportation-related improvements and investments initiated at the state or local levels, as well as the Transit TIP.

FY 2009 Activities and Products included:

1. Continued updating of the DSATS website.
2. Periodic reports on the SAFETEA-LU federal transportation legislation and its potential impacts on local planning and programming efforts.
3. Worked with local municipalities to identify transportation projects ready to go to use the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funds along with initiating a TIP Amendment and Roadway Reclassification for proposed projects.
4. Preparation of the FY 2010-2014 Transportation Improvement Program, including an updated list of state and local transportation projects planned or programmed for the area over the same period.
5. Attended various meetings of the Illinois MPO Advisory Council, attendance of various state planning and transportation conference, as well as local economic development, human services, and transportation meetings.

FY 2010 Activities and Products:

1. Preparation of the FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
2. Develop timeline to do four-year update of the 2030 LRTP. Projects will include gathering of needed data and initial public outreach activities to identify goals of the update plan.

3. Further expansion of the DSATS website as well as implementing a new website for VAC.
4. Marketing and informational products to promote public transportation, including maps and website information.
5. Attend meetings/training/educational opportunities that support the DSATS Staff's professional development and abilities to support the DSATS program.
6. Attend meetings looking at expansion of rail transportation in the communities surrounding the Metropolitan Chicago area.
7. Participating in meetings and activities of the Illinois MPO Caucus, when possible.
8. Attend other transit, transportation, and planning organization conferences and activities, where possible.
9. Participate in regional tourism meetings or planning efforts, as needed. Outreach to municipalities within DeKalb County, human services organizations, as well of area Chambers of Commerce and other Economic Development organizations.

Element 3. Long Range Transportation Planning

Objective:

To develop and update the Long Range Transportation Plan for the DSATS region, the foundation for transportation planning and programming activities for the next 20-25 years. The LRTP includes population, development and travel demand forecasts; analyses of the current system's ability to meet future demands; priorities for future transportation investments, and recommendations for short- and long-range planning and programming activities. The Plan also provides guidance on future federal and state transportation investments, project priorities, and strategies for *continuing, cooperative and comprehensive* ("3-C") transportation planning and programming.

Status:

The first LRTP for the DSATS area was completed with the assistance of URS Corp. staff under the FY 2005 planning grant. In FY08 the plan was amended to comply with new with new SAFETEA-LU requirements. The first update to the 2030 LRTP will be done in FY10 with its implementation in FY11. The current LRTP has a limited Travel Demand Model for the region. Funds for FY09 and FY10 are allocated to developing a Travel Demand Model for the region and beginning the process of updating the LRTP.

FY09 Activities and Products Included:

1. Worked with other MPO's and IDOT on the development of a Travel Demand Model for smaller MPO's in preparation of developing a DSATS TDM;
2. Start data gathering and map making in preparation of the FY10 Long Range Transportation Plan update.

FY 2010 Activities and Products:

1. Completion of the 2030 LRTP Update using staff resources, and anticipation of hiring a consulting firm to do the majority of the LRTP research and plan writing.
2. Review of existing DSATS supplementary plans to identify needs for updates.

Element 4: Short-Range Transportation Planning and Special Studies**Objective:**

To provide short- and intermediate range transportation planning and programming support to the DeKalb-Sycamore area. This program element focuses on developing and implementing plans that have a more immediate impact than, but are consistent with, the LRTP. This element also includes planning efforts for specific modes (e.g. transit) or areas (e.g. corridor studies).

Status:

In FY 2005, DSATS Staff focused on studies and activities that addressed specific modes of transportation, locations, or issues. DSATS retained a traffic consultant to conduct truck counts to determine the origination and destination of travel. In FY07 a more comprehensive Truck Traffic Study was performed to get a more in depth view of the impact of truck traffic in the region. In order to develop a comprehensive database of traffic trends in the region, the Policy Committee has made the policy that traffic counts will be performed each year. Major intersections have been identified that will be looked at every year, with a number of random locations chosen each year. In addition, an additional truck traffic study should be performed every 3-5 years to identify any changes in traffic patterns in the region.

In FY 2006, DSATS retained a consultant to prepare an Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) plan to comply with FHWA and FTA requirements. In FY 2007, the ITS plan was completed and adopted by the DSATS Policy Committee. Without this plan, DSATS would not be permitted to use federal funds for the purchase of the new transit scheduling system, new traffic signals, etc. As part of the LRTP development, the ITS plan will be reviewed and possibly updated as part of the process.

A Corridor Study for the Eastern DSATS region was started in FY09 and will continue into FY10. This study will look at identifying up to 3 possible transportation corridors connecting the northern and southern sections of the Eastern DSATS region.

DSATS Staff will continue to participate in and provide occasional support to the region's tourism development activities. DSATS will also look at ways to further promote the use of public transit in the region including providing more information on the websites and compiling a regional public transportation map.

FY 2009 Activities and Products:

1. Completion annual traffic counts on major intersections and roadways in MPO area.
2. Completion of South Peace Road Corridor Study.
3. Completion of initial Eastern DSATS Transportation Corridor Study. Due to concerns about the identification of only three corridors, an extension of the study was implemented to identify additional corridors. Project will continue into FY10;
4. Completed installation of RouteMatch scheduling software at the Voluntary Action Center.
5. Initiated study of the Coordinated Traffic Signal System serving the DeKalb area. This study will identify the needs and costs of replacing the existing control system. This study will continue into FY10.

FY 2010 Activities:

1. Completion of Enhanced Eastern DSATS Transportation Corridor Study;
2. Completion of Coordinated Traffic Signal System Plan;
3. Approval of FY09 Annual DSATS Regional Traffic Counts Report;
4. FY10 Annual DSATS Regional Traffic Counts;
5. Update of DSATS Human Services Transportation Plan, if needed.
6. General Transportation Studies as needed.

Element 5. Budget Information

The activities and products identified in the FY 2010 UPWP are based on a projected total budget of \$222,601, which is an increase of \$2,773 (1.3%) increase in funding from FY08. The sources for the DSATS’ planning activities are:

Federal Highway Administration PL funds:	\$149,222
Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 funds:	\$28,858
Subtotal Federal Funds (80%):	\$178,081
City of DeKalb Local Match (20%):	\$44,520
Total Budget (100%):	\$222,601

The following pages show the budget breakdowns of how the federal and local funding sources will be applied to the four primary work elements, and how the funding sources will be applied to particular budget cost categories. This information will be included in the City of DeKalb’s Fund 61 “Transportation Fund” for FY 2010.

Approximately 71% of the total UPWP budget will be used to cover personnel costs. In FY 2010, Staff anticipates focusing most of their time and effort on the “Program Administration” and \$23,000 for the update of the LRTP. The budgeted “contractual services” includes approximately \$30,000 that may be used to retain consultant assistance with the annual traffic count study.

**DSATS FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program:
Cost Distribution by Funding Source and Program Element**

Budget Category	PL Funds (85%)		5303 Funds (15%)		Total Share	Percent
	Fed (80%)	Local (20%)	Fed (80%)	Local (20%)		
Program Administration FY 2010 UPWP Admin. For PL and 5303 funds Manage DOAP transit grant Manage Sec. 5307 transit grants Meeting/Committees support	\$105,220	\$26,305	\$20,348	\$5,088	\$156,961	71%
Program Development & Information Management TIP updates Demographic/transportation statistics Website maintenance Education, Outreach	\$8,514	\$2,128	\$1,646	\$412	\$12,700	6%
Long Range Transportation Planning 2010 DSATS Long Range Transportation Plan Update Plan Reviews: Bike, Pedestrian, ITS, HSTP Travel Demand Model Preparation	\$15,378	\$3,845	\$2,974	\$744	\$22,940	10%
Short-Range Transportation Planning & Special Studies Eastern DSATS Corridor Study (continued from FY09) Traffic Signal System Study (continued from FY09) 2010 Annual Area Traffic Counts Projects Participation in Future Commuter Rail Corridor Studies	\$20,111	\$5,028	\$3,889	\$972	\$30,000	13%
Program Totals	\$149,222.00	\$37,305.50	\$28,858.00	\$7,215.50	\$222,601.00	100%

Category Description	FY10 Budget	% of Tot	MPO Fed Share	5307 Fed Share	State Share	Local Share
INCOME	\$3,619,862.00	100.0%	\$ 222,600.00	\$1,302,003.00	\$2,139,779.00	\$ 44,520.00
Total Intergovernmental Revenue:	\$3,575,342.00	98.8%	\$ 178,080.00	\$1,302,003.00	\$2,095,259.00	\$ -
3310 Federal Grants (PL & 5303)	\$ 178,080.00	5.0%	\$ 178,080.00			
3315 Federal Passthrough Grants	\$1,302,003.00	36.4%		\$1,302,003.00		
3340 State Grant (DOAP)	\$2,095,259.00	58.6%			\$2,095,259.00	
Total Other Income:	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
3970 Miscellaneous Income	\$ -					\$ -
4701-01 General Fund	\$ 44,520.00	1.2%	\$ 44,520.00		\$ 44,520.00	\$ 44,520.00
EXPENSES	\$3,619,862.00	100.0%	\$ 181,000.00	\$1,298,353.00	\$2,095,259.00	\$ 45,250.00
8100-Personnel	\$ 148,910.00	4.1%	\$ 119,128.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,782.00
8101 Regular Salary	\$ 85,363.00	57.3%	\$ 68,290.40			\$ 17,072.60
8103 Parttime Salary	\$ 14,500.00	9.7%	\$ 11,600.00			\$ 2,900.00
8113 Longevity	\$ 263.00	0.2%	\$ 210.40			\$ 52.60
8171 FICA	\$ 7,387.00	5.0%	\$ 5,909.60			\$ 1,477.40
8173 IMRF	\$ 10,317.00	6.9%	\$ 8,253.60			\$ 2,063.40
8175 Health Ins.	\$ 29,830.00	20.0%	\$ 23,864.00			\$ 5,966.00
8176 Life Ins.	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -			\$ -
8178 Workers Comp.	\$ 1,250.00	0.8%	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 250.00
8200-Commodities	\$ 5,000.00	0.1%	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
8202 Printed Materials	\$ 1,000.00	20.0%	\$ 800.00			\$ 200.00
8204 Supplies	\$ 500.00	10.0%	\$ 400.00			\$ 100.00
8226 Vehicle Maint. Parts	\$ 500.00	10.0%	\$ 400.00			\$ 100.00
8245 Vehicle Gas & Maint	\$ 1,500.00	30.0%	\$ 1,200.00			\$ 300.00
8285 EDP Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	30.0%	\$ 1,200.00			\$ 300.00
			\$ -			\$ -
8300-Contractual Services	\$2,563,352.00	70.8%	\$ 55,792.00	\$ 398,353.00	\$2,095,259.00	\$ 13,948.00
8305 Freight & Postage	\$ 200.00	0.0%	\$ 160.00			\$ 40.00
8310 Equipment R&M	\$ 400.00	0.0%	\$ 320.00			\$ 80.00
8366 Legal Notices & Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	0.2%	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 1,000.00
8373 Marketing - Public Outreach	\$ 2,000.00	0.1%	\$ 1,600.00			\$ 400.00
8375 Professional Orgs	\$ 1,200.00	0.0%	\$ 960.00			\$ 240.00
8376 Education	\$ 8,000.00	0.3%	\$ 6,400.00			\$ 1,600.00
8399 Contractual Obligations	\$ 52,940.00	2.1%	\$ 42,352.00			\$ 10,588.00
8388 Contractual Obligations (DOAP Program)	\$2,095,259.00	81.7%			\$2,095,259.00	
8388 Contractual Obligations (5307 Grant)	\$ 398,353.00	15.5%		\$ 398,353.00		\$ -
8500-Equipment	\$ 902,600.00	24.9%	\$ 2,080.00	\$ 900,000.00	\$ -	\$ 520.00
8510 Office Furniture	\$ 1,000.00	0.1%	\$ 800.00			\$ 200.00
8515 Electronic Equipment	\$ 1,600.00	0.2%	\$ 1,280.00			\$ 320.00
8521 Vehicles	\$ 900,000.00	99.7%		\$ 900,000.00		\$ -

Glossary of Terms

AVL: Automated Vehicle Location System

DSATS: DeKalb-Sycamore Area Transportation Study.

DOAP: Illinois Department of Transportation Downstate Operating Assistance Program.

Enhancements (Program funds): Program within the surface transportation program (STP) that sets aside 10% of STP funds for non-highway projects, including bike/pedestrian facilities, streetscape improvements, and preservation of historic transportation buildings or structures.

FHWA: Federal Highway Administration

FTA: Federal Transit Administration

FTE: Fulltime Employee

Highway Trust Fund: The federal trust fund established by the Highway Revenue Act of 1956; this fund has two accounts – the Highway Account and the Mass Transit Account. Trust Fund Revenues are derived from federal-highway-user taxes and fees such as motor fuel taxes; trust fund uses and expenditures are determined by law.

HSTP: Human Services Transportation Plan

IDOT: Illinois Department of Transportation

ITS: Intelligent Transportation Systems

LRTP: Long Range Transportation Plan.

MPO: Metropolitan Planning Organization

Metropolitan Planning Area: The region in which the MPO carries out its transportation planning responsibilities and is designated as such by the MPO and the Governor in accordance with ISTEA regulations.

NIU: Northern Illinois University

NTD: National Transit Database

PPP: Public Participation Plan

PL funds: Planning funds.

SAFETEA-LU: The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users

STP: Surface Transportation Program - Urban

TIP: Transportation Improvement Program.

UPWP: Unified Planning Work Program.

UZA: Urbanized Area - An area with a population of 50,000 or more as designated by the U.S. Census Bureau. A-UZA, Adjusted Urbanized Area.

VAC: Voluntary Action Center