

ITEM # MPO 1
DATE: 05-24-11

**AMES AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (AAMPO)
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION FORM**

SUBJECT: FINAL FY 2012 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

BACKGROUND:

As a part of the federal regulations governing Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provide planning funds to reimburse these agencies for transportation planning activities. The Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT) administers this program.

The Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) includes several elements to ensure an integrated transportation system. One element is review of development plans to determine impact on the transportation system. Beyond subdivision and major site development activity, this includes reviewing potential changes to the Land Use Policy Plan or Urban Fringe Plan, which are closely linked to the transportation system. The other elements of the TPWP include the general work of administering the MPO transportation activities, as well as public involvement. The AAMPO's Final FY 2012 TPWP is attached.

A public input session was held on April 26, 2011, to discuss the TPWP and receive comments. No revisions were requested by the public.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Final FY 2012 TPWP.
2. Direct staff to modify the Final FY 2012 TPWP.

ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:

The AAMPO Technical Committee reviewed the Draft FY 2012 TPWP and unanimously recommended approval. The AAMPO staff received and addressed comments from the Iowa DOT, FHWA, and FTA. At the public input session, no revisions were requested by the public. Therefore, it is recommended by the Administrator that the Transportation Policy Committee adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the Final FY 2012 TPWP.