Idaho Transportation Board
Subcommittee on State Highway System Adjustments

January 12, 2022

The Idaho Transportation Board (ITB) Subcommittee on State Highway System Adjustments met on January 12, 2022 at the District 3 Office in Boise.

Subcommittee Chairman Jim Kempton called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. ITB District 6, Member Hoff was present and District 3, Member DeLorenzo participated remotely. ITB Board Chairman Moad, District 1, Member Thompson, District 2, Member Osborn, and District 5, Member Horsch also attended.

Key principals attending from the Idaho Transportation Department were Planning Services Manager Ken Kanownik, Planner Robert Beachler, Deputy Attorney General Gary Luke, Chief Operations Officer Dan McElhinney, Highways Development Administrator-Chief Engineer Blake Rindlisbacher, Highways Construction and Operations Administrator Dave Kuisti, District 3 Engineer Caleb Lakey, and Executive Assistant to the Board Lorraine Dennis. Local Highway Technical Assistance Council Administrator Laila Kral also attended.

April 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Without objection, the minutes of the April 1, 2021 Subcommittee meeting were approved as submitted.

Review of Active Cases. Planner Beachler reviewed the list of six active cases totaling an estimated $5.4 million. District 6 notified Planning Services staff that the relinquishment of US-93 Challis Spur in Custer County has been withdrawn.

In response to Member Thompson’s question asking why it was withdrawn, Planner Beachler replied Jefferson County had concerns regarding facility costs they would be inheriting.

SH-19 Realignment, Caldwell, District 3. District 3 Engineer Lakey presented the proposal to remove the I-84B business spur by re-designating it as a portion of SH-19, stating the benefit is to simplify operational needs and align with motorists’ expectations. Currently, SH-19 terminates at the intersection of Blaine Street and Centennial Way in Caldwell. The proposal would extend it to I-84. Changes to the I-84 Business designation requires approval of AASHTO’s Special Committee on US Route Numbering.

Planning Services Manager Ken Kanownik elaborated they are working with AASHTO to remove the business loop in Nampa and Caldwell. Because of the lengthy processing time, 5 – 6 months, they plan to submit one application. Once completed the sections would be released to the locals.

In the interim of AASHTO’s approval, DE-3 Lakey requests a temporary sign change to include dual designation for I-84B and SH-19 segments.
Chairman Kempton asked if this is a two-part request for signage and construction funds, DE-3 Lakey confirmed it is only for signage – no construction.

Chairman Kempton stated there is a motion to change the signage by adding designation for both I-84B and SH-19 as recommended by staff. Member Hoff accepted the motion and there was no objection. The recommended motion will go to the ITB for approval.

Business Loop, I-84, Nampa. DE-3 Lakey updated the subcommittee on the status of I-84B, south to Nampa. They are waiting on the City of Nampa to decide on its plans to reroute SH-45 before they can proceed with a proposed realignment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
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