

Asset Management Facts (A.M. Facts)

Understanding the Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC)

The Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) was formed under Public Act 499 of 2002 (amended by P.A. 199 of 2007) to develop a coordinated, unified effort by the various roadway agencies within the state of Michigan to advise the State Transportation Commission (STC) on a statewide asset management strategy. The TAMC is comprised of 10 voting members: two each from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Michigan Municipal League (MML), and the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM); one each from the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), the Michigan Township Association (MTA), the Michigan Association of Regions (MAR), and the Michigan Transportation Planning Association (MTPA); and one non-voting member from the Michigan Center for Shared Solutions (MCSS).

Mission Statement: To support excellence in managing Michigan's transportation assets by:

1. Advising the Legislature and STC
2. Promoting asset management principles
3. Providing tools and practices for road agencies

Training and Education: The TAMC focuses on training and educating MDOT, local agency staff, and elected and appointed officials on the benefits of asset management. Each year, the TAMC sponsors two asset management conferences that are held in the spring and fall. Ten "Introduction to Asset Management for Elected and Appointed Officials" workshops, six "Asset Management" workshops, and 10 on-site PASER (Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating System) training sessions are held statewide, with more than 1,000 attendees.

Performance Measure Dashboards: In addition, the TAMC has developed and maintains several performance measure dashboards that show the condition, operation, and investment in Michigan's public road and bridge system.

Annual Report: By May 2 of each year, the TAMC submits an Annual Report to the STC and Michigan Legislature describing the asset management-related efforts and condition of the road and bridge system from the prior year.

Asset Management Guide/Sample Asset Management Plan: In spring 2011, the TAMC, working with MDOT, adopted an updated Local Agency Guide for Developing an Asset Management Process/Plan and developed a new Sample Asset Management Plan. The guide was designed to lead an agency through the steps of an asset management process with the idea that, when applied to 600-plus local agencies, one size does not fit all. This idea ultimately led to the creation of a tiered (basic, moderate, and advanced levels) sample asset management plan.

Asset Management Guide for Local Agency Bridges in Michigan/Sample Bridge Asset

Management Plan: The TAMC has developed an Asset Management Guide for Local Agency Bridges in Michigan that is intended to provide assistance to local agency bridge owners and decision-makers in understanding bridge management and preservation. In this regard, the guide provides guidance to decision-makers and county bridge or highway engineers in the planning, developing, programming, and implementing of effective and efficient capital programs and maintenance actions to preserve the bridges under their jurisdiction. The guide also provides information to assist local agencies (1) in understanding their bridge network, (2) in the preparation and implementation of a bridge preservation plan, and (3) to support applications for funding under MDOT's Local Bridge Program.

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A.M. Facts was developed by the Asset Management Division of the MDOT Bureau of Transportation Planning to provide an overview of the many processes and projects the Asset Management Division is responsible for and oversees.