

State Transportation Commission

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Overview

- Transportation Funding Task Force (TF2)
- Winter Maintenance Report

TF2

Public Act 221 of 2007

Creates Task Force to “review the adequacy of surface transportation and aeronautics service provision and finance” in Michigan



TF2 Progress

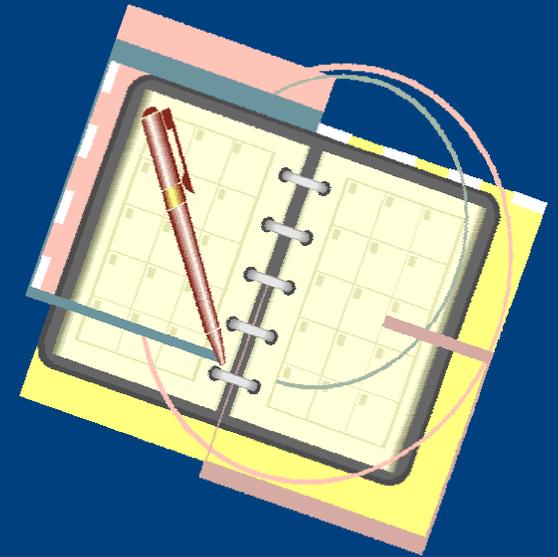
- Co-Chairpersons
 - Richard Studley, representing commerce
 - Dennis Gillow, representing labor
- Next meeting scheduled for June in Lansing
- TF2 Email address
 - MDOT-TF2@michigan.gov
- TF2 Website
 - www.michigan.gov/tf2
 - Schedules & minutes for all meetings
 - Committee resources & reports

Considerations Being Discussed

- Need recommendations that are workable in the short run, sustainable in the long run
- Need public education, especially about rapid rise in cost of construction materials
- Explore bringing more federal investment back to Michigan for all modes
- Consider steps to stretch current dollars, and encourage regional coordination
- Research what other states are doing

TF2 Meeting Schedule

- June 30 - Lansing
- July 21 - Traverse City
- August 11 - Frankenmuth
- September 8 - Lansing
- September 29 - Marquette
- October 13 - Alpena
- October 27 - Lansing



CAC Progress

- Chairperson Named
 - Gretchen Driskell, representing Michigan Municipal League
- Approved Subcommittee Structure
 - Intermodal
 - Aviation
 - Intermodal Freight
 - Intermodal Passenger
 - Highway, Road & Bridge

CAC Meeting Schedule

- Intermodal Subcommittee
 - May 27 – Lansing
- Aviation Subcommittee
 - June 2 & 13 – Lansing
- Intermodal Freight Subcommittee
 - June 2 & 13 – Lansing
- Intermodal Passenger Subcommittee
 - June 2 & 13 – Lansing
- Highway, Road & Bridge Subcommittee
 - June 2 & 13 - Lansing

Questions?

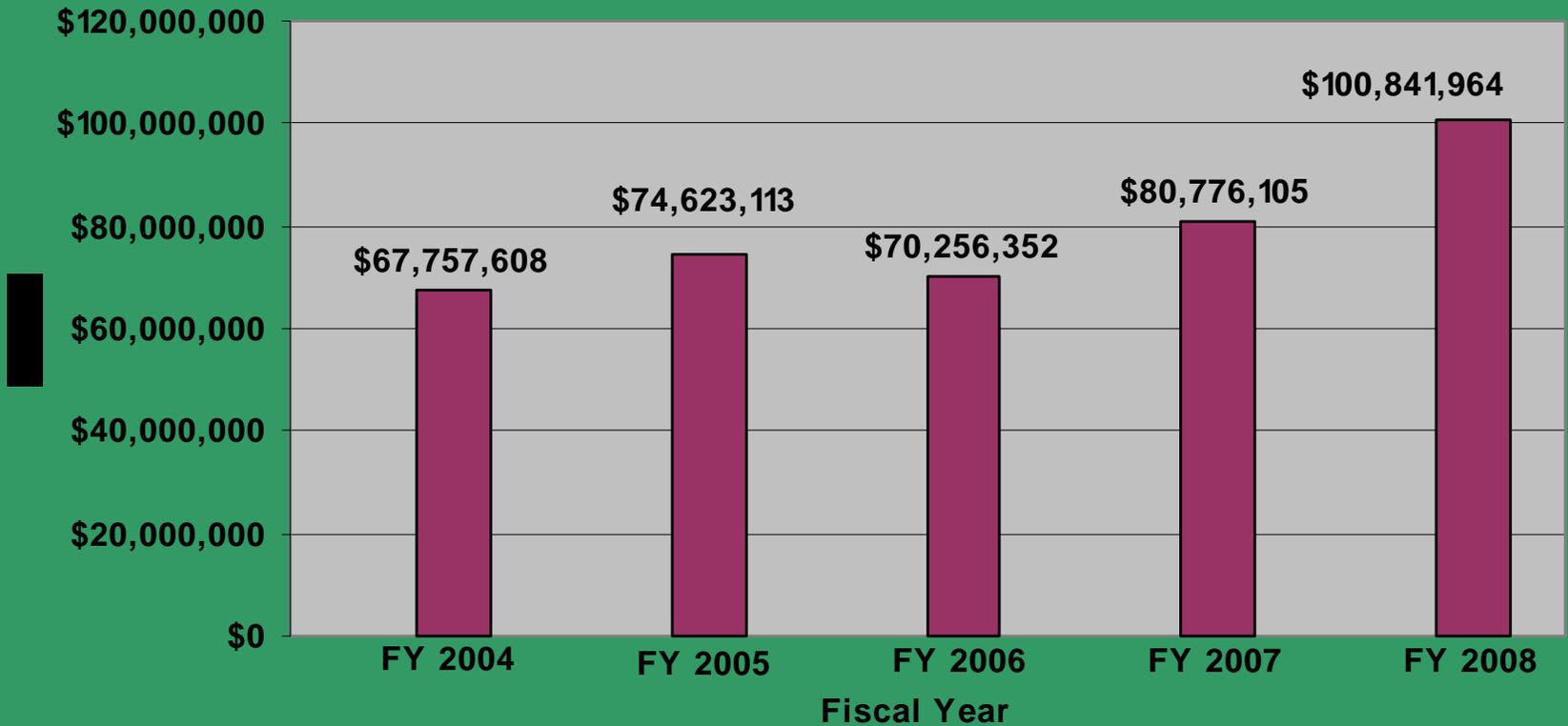
Winter of 2008

- Above average snowfall - statewide
- Significant increase in snow and storm events
- Continuous winter events without a “break”
- Frequency and intensity of snow removal and pavement clearing meant longer than normal hours of operation



Winter of 2008

Total Winter Maintenance Expenditures



2008 Budget Numbers

“\$18 Million Shortfall”

- Maintenance Appropriation \$278M
- Winter Expenditures \$101M
- **Amount for Non-Winter \$177M**

Our current three-year average for non-winter expenditures is \$195M

- Three-year average expenditures \$195M
- 2008 Non-Winter Available \$177M
- **Shortfall \$ 18M**

Effect on Summer Maintenance Program

- Normal summer work would include a variety of work under routine, preventive, and heavy maintenance categories:
 - Mowing, litter control, sweeping
 - Surface sealing and repairs
 - Bridge, guardrail and sign repairs
 - Rest areas and roadside parks
 - Building repairs
 - Heavy maintenance (pavements)
 - Roadside management; drainage and vegetation



Program Adjustments to Offset \$18M Shortfall

- Actions and steps taken:
 - Identified critical summer activities.
 - Identified and prioritized non-critical activities.
 - Ensured statewide consistency in level and type of service provided.
 - Ensured consistency between direct and contract agency forces.

Reduced Summer Maintenance Program

- MDOT must scale back summer activities through September 30 to stay within budget.
- Statewide cutbacks include:
 - Mowing
 - Litter pickup
 - Curb and shoulder sweeping
 - Ditch cleaning



Reduced Summer Maintenance Program

- Summer Youth Corps Program
- Snowplow and heavy equipment replacement
- Freeze on hiring maintenance personnel



Reduced Summer Maintenance Program

- Total budgets remains the same
- Major maintenance activities not affected
- 20% reduction in a portion of the remaining normal summer program
- Affects 28 MDOT garages, 66 counties, and 158 municipalities
- Regions are revising work plans to stay within budget; details being worked out with contract agencies
- A monthly maintenance planning and projections initiative has begun to ensure statewide equity through September 30

Questions?