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Memorandum

Date: July 14, 2023

To: MoPac-Lied Connector Subcommittee Members

From: Paul Zillig, General Manager

RE: MoPac – Lied Connector Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

The MoPac-Lied Connector Subcommittee met at 5:00 pm on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at the NRD Office in Lincoln. Subcommittee members present included Ray Stevens, Christine Lamberty, Melissa Baker, Luke Peterson, John Yoakum, and Anthony Schutz. Others present included Dave Landis, Corey Wasserburger, Mike Sousek, Dave Potter, Will Inselman, Ari Kennedy, and myself.

Chair Stevens opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. The only action item was to consider recommending approval of a trail development and maintenance fund project agreement with the State of Nebraska, Game and Parks Commission, for the MoPac – Lied Connector Trail “MoPac GAP Project”. Staff reported that we’ve been working with Nebraska Game and Parks Commission staff on updating the draft agreement to obligate the \$8.3M approved by the Legislature for this project. The agreement spells out the process to follow, reimbursement requirements, guidelines, reporting, and the usual agreement terms, a copy of the draft agreement is attached.

The Subcommittee discussed the project status and the agreement. It was moved by Anthony, seconded by Yoakum, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the trail development and maintenance fund project agreement with the State of Nebraska, Game and Parks Commission, for the MoPac – Lied Connector Trail “MoPac GAP Project”. Staff did report that NRD Legal Counsel had reviewed the document, unfortunately, the copy provided did not include NRD Legal Counsel’s recommended changes. A copy with those changes is also attached and should be acted upon by the Board. ** I recommend Chair Stevens makes a motion at the Board Meeting to recommend the Board of Directors approve the “Trail Development and Maintenance Fund Project Agreement with the State of Nebraska, Game and Parks Commission, for the MoPac – Lied Connector Trail “MoPac GAP Project” which includes NRD Legal Counsel’s recommended changes. This motion will require a second.

The last item on the agenda was a report that the Cass County Commissioners will consider approval of an interlocal agreement spelling out our efforts to work together on determining the location of the MoPac GAP Project and that Cass County would acquire any non public right-of-way required for the project. Cass County is scheduled to consider this interlocal agreement at their meeting on July 18th. Staff reported that, if approved, the interlocal agreement would then be taken up by this Subcommittee and the Board in August.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

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cc: Seglin & Wasserburger