

COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD

JAY WEBER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CRAB QUARTERLY REPORT

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JANUARY 2016 CRABOARD MEETING

Upcoming CRABoard Vacancy

Spokane County Commissioner Todd Mielke announced that this would be his last Board meeting. He is retiring from public service and has accepted a position in the private sector effective February 1, 2016.

CRABoard Meeting Agenda

The CRABoard meeting agendas are posted ten days prior to the next CRABoard meeting. The Board's next scheduled meeting is April 14-15, 2016 in Olympia. Past agendas and meeting minutes can also be found at the following link:

<http://www.crab.wa.gov/CRABoard/meetings/meeting.cfm>

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County Engineer/PWD Changes

Staff reported the following changes since October 2015:

Wahkiakum County

By letter on November 9, 2015, Wahkiakum County appointed Paul Lacy, PE, as County Engineer, effective September 21, 2015, following the resignation of County Engineer Peter Ringen, PE.

Asotin County

By email and attachment on December 23, 2015, Asotin County appointed Dustin Johnson, PE, as Public Works Director/County Engineer, effective October 12, 2015. Garfield County Engineer Grant Morgan, PE, had been serving as Acting County Engineer until then.

Kittitas County

By email on January 12, 2016, Kittitas County appointed Mark Cook, PE, as Interim Acting County Engineer, effective January 8, 2016, following the resignation of County Engineer Doug D'Hondt, PE. Staff Contact: Walt Olsen, Walt@crab.wa.gov, (360) 350-6080

Summary of State Auditor's Reports Findings

Staff reported that fourteen county audit reports representing fourteen counties had been reviewed since the October 2015 Board meeting. Four audits contained a total of five new findings issued and none involved County Road Funds in some form.

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CRABoard Sets Public Hearing for April

The Board set a public hearing for April 14, 2016 at 2:00 PM to consider adoption of a new Standard of Good Practice WAC 136-25 – Traffic Law Enforcement Expenditures and changes to existing WAC 136-15-022. Staff Contact: Derek Pohle, derek@crab.wa.gov, (360) 350-6082

RAP Project Actions by CRAB Staff since October 2015:

Mason County requested a scope change to their Cloquallum Road project, reducing the milepost limits from 5.85 – 6.85 to 5.85 – 6.60, with no change in RATA funding. The request will eliminate widening and paving improvements at the west 0.25 miles of the project, increase design speed from 40 mph to 50 mph, realign the existing unsafe horizontal curve, and increase proposed roadway width from 28 feet to 34 feet.

The county plans to use existing \$900,000 RATA and \$250,000 county funding to build the improvements.

CRAB staff found that taken together, the changes result in a better overall project, focusing RATA and county funds on the highest priority deficiencies of the existing road. The changes increase the score of the project from 61.29 to 65.29. After review and confirmation with the CRAB Director, on January 13, 2016 an amended contract was offered to the county.

Spokane County: On December 7, 2015 CRAB received a reimbursement from Spokane County in the amount of \$1,500,000 for RATA funds that were used on their Bigelow Gulch 3 project in 2005. The paid-back funds were forwarded to the treasurer and have been deposited into the RATA account. CRAB staff found that the project did not accomplish the prospectus improvements agreed to in the CRAB/County Contract. The County elected to reimburse the funds and pursue the new funding offered by the CRABoard to re-address the project needs.

Spokane County requested a two-year extension of the lapsing date for their Forker Road project, from March 26, 2016 to March 26, 2018. The right of way review was extended, and delayed at one point, involving WSDOT and FHWA processes.

CRAB staff found the issues of project delay impacting the project were unforeseen and beyond the county's control, and therefore granted an extension in construction lapsing to March 26, 2018.

Lewis County has withdrawn Centralia Alpha Road from RATA funding. The county cited the need to reallocate their Federal STP funding from that project to their higher priority and more expensive Highway 603 project, which is also RATA funded. The county also committed to paying back \$152,283.80 of RATA funds used on Centralia Alpha Road. *Staff Contact: Randy Hart, randy@crab.wa.gov, (360) 350-6081*

TRAINING

CRAB Training November 2015 – January 2016

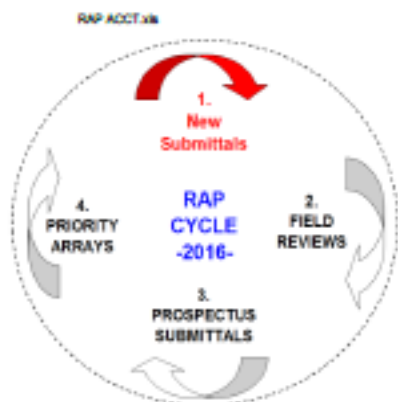
Date	Subject	Location	Participants	Counties Represented
November 3-5	Road Design Conference	Chelan	90	21
November 18-19	Mobility	CRAB Offices	8	3
November 20	Introduction to CRAB	WSAC Conference, Stevenson	7	7
December 2	Mobility	CRAB Offices	10	1
December 8-10	County Engineer	CRAB Offices	12	8

Future Training Schedule January – May 2016

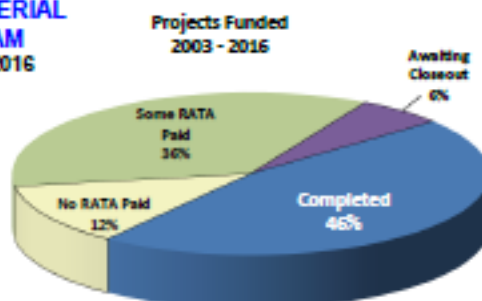
Date	Subject	Location	Registration Deadline
January 27-28	Mobility	CRAB Offices	January 21, 2016
May 17-19	County Engineer	CRAB Offices	May 13, 2016

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 Jim Ayres, JimA@crab.wa.gov, (360) 350-6091 (AutoCAD, Autodesk Design Systems)
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RURAL ARTERIAL TRUST ACCOUNT (RATA) ACTIVITY AND BALANCE SUMMARY



RURAL ARTERIAL PROGRAM JANUARY, 2016



PROJECT STATUS:

Billing Phase	'83-'03	'03-'05	'05-'07	'07-'09	(Two Biennia) '09-'13	'13-'15	Current '15-'17	TOTAL
Completed	886	42	26	38	23	6	1	1022
Awaiting Closeout		2		1	3	6		12
Some RATA paid	1		2	5	18	36	11	73
No RATA Paid						2	23	25
TOTAL	887	44	28	44	44	50	35	1132

FUND STATUS:

Anticipated Revenue to end of '15 - '17 Biennium:		
Fuel tax receipts and Interest through June, 2015		522,051,074
Estimated fuel tax receipts, interest and MVA Transfers July 2015 thru June 2017		39,531,400
Total estimated revenue		561,582,474
RAP Expenditures to date:		
To Completed Projects		471,526,427
To Projects in Design or Under Construction		32,308,312
Administration		10,011,712
Total RATA spent		513,846,451
RAP Obligations:		
RATA Balance on Active Projects		106,151,897
RATA \$ yet to allocate to Partially funded projects -	\$19,784,889	19,784,889
Estimated remaining administration through 2015- 2017 biennium		846,000
Total RATA obligated		126,782,786

QTR 4 - 2015 RATA ACTIVITY:

MONTH	BEGINNING BALANCE	MVFT REVENUE	INTEREST + Cash Receipts	PROJECT PAYMENTS	#	ADMIN CHARGES	ENDING BALANCE
October	\$17,316,336.71	\$1,730,786.38	\$5,610.11	(3,957,165.71)	24	(40,115.78)	\$15,055,651.71
November	\$15,055,651.71	\$1,601,693.64	\$3,155.11	(1,257,844.80)	20	(30,603.01)	\$15,383,152.76
December	\$15,383,152.76	\$1,664,202.00	\$3,429.19	(1,376,088.00)	33	(40,050.74)	\$15,614,645.21
TOTALS:		\$4,996,682.22	\$12,394.41	(6,591,098.50)	77	(110,969.53)	

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