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MICHIGAN TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT COUNCIL RELEASES ANNUAL ROAD & BRIDGE REPORT

May 2, 2016 – Today, the Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) delivered the Michigan 2015 Roads and Bridges Annual Report to the Michigan Legislature and the State Transportation Commission. Michigan Law, MCL 247.659a(9), requires TAMC to file an annual report with the Legislature and State Transportation Commission by May 2 of each year. The report summarizes road and bridge conditions and provides condition projections into the future. The report also provides a synopsis of TAMC program activities and events over the past year.

During 2015, the TAMC rated the pavement condition of the paved federal-aid eligible roads for the twelfth consecutive year. This data collection included 52,049 lane miles of paved roads in Michigan, including State Freeways and Highways, City Major Streets and County Primary Roads. This effort was achieved through a cooperative effort of individuals from county road commissions, city and village engineering staffs, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), regional planning agencies, and metropolitan planning organizations. In addition, the Council also collected pavement conditions on some of Michigan's paved non-federal aid eligible roads as well.

In terms of physical condition, the report reveals further deterioration of Michigan's federal aid eligible roads from the previous year with more miles being rated as "poor." The 2015 condition data indicates 16% of these roads are in good condition, 45% are in fair condition, and

39% are in poor condition; in 2014, the breakdown was 17% good, 45% fair, and 38% poor.

The report also includes data on the condition of all public bridges in Michigan. An analysis of the bridge condition data indicates that state and local bridge owners are "holding their own" despite rising costs and revenue challenges. Reporting in both 2014 and 2015 reveals Michigan has 11.7% of bridges rated as "structurally deficient." By way of comparison with other Midwest states, Michigan has a significantly higher percentage of structurally deficient bridges than other Great-Lakes states with Wisconsin having 9.1%, Indiana 9%, Illinois 8.4% and Ohio 7%.

New for 2016, the TAMC website was redesigned with added enhancements to the Performance Measure Dashboards that show the condition, operation, and investment in Michigan's public road and bridge system. The TAMC website also contains an interactive map viewer that allows the public to view road and bridge conditions used in creating the annual reports. In addition to the 2015 Roads and Bridges Annual Report, the TAMC website has previous annual reports available for viewing under the "About Us" section. The 2015 report was approved by the Council on April 12, 2016, and can be viewed at this link:

http://tamc.mcgi.state.mi.us/TAMC/docs/aboutus/annualReports/2015_Annual_Report-Full_Version.pdf

The TAMC includes representatives from MDOT, Michigan Municipal League (MML), Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), Michigan Townships Association (MTA), Michigan Association of Regions (MAR), Michigan Transportation Planning Association (MTPA), the County Road Association of Michigan (CRA), and the Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget-Center for Shared Solutions (MCSS).

Transportation asset management is a process of managing public assets, such as roads and bridges, based on the long-range condition of the entire transportation system. The TAMC, created in 2002 by the Michigan Legislature, promotes the concept that the transportation system is unified, rather than separated by jurisdictional ownership. Its mission is to recommend an asset management strategy to the State Transportation Commission and the Michigan Legislature for all of Michigan's roads and bridges.

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