

# MINUTES

## TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 17, 2016

NC Research Campus  
UNC Building  
500 Laureate Way  
Kannapolis, North Carolina 28081

### Members:

Joe Wilson	City of Concord
Josh Watkins	Town of Harrisburg
Jonathan Marshall	Cabarrus County
Doug Paris	Town of Midland
Reuben Crummy	NCDOT-TPB
Marc Morgan	NCDOT-Div 10
Diane Hampton	NCDOT-Div 9
David Jaynes	Town of East Spencer
Ed Muire	Rowan County, Town of Cleveland
Samantha Fisk	Town of Mt. Pleasant

### Others:

Phil Conrad	CRMPO Director
Connie Cunningham	CRMPO Staff
Stuart Basham	NCDOT Div 10
Scott Cole	NCDOT Div 10
Lloyd Payne	City of Concord
Loretta Barren	FHWA
Louis Mitchell	NCDOT Div 10
Warren Cooksey	NCDOT Div 10

### **Call to Order**

Vice Chairman Doug Paris called the August 17, 2016 meeting of the Cabarrus Rowan MPO TCC to order and explained that Chairman Wendy Brindle was unable to attend the meeting. Vice Chairman Paris welcomed those in attendance and began the meeting by calling the roll of eligible TCC members. After the roll was called and it was determined a quorum had been met, Vice Chair Paris asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

Vice Chairman Paris then asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda. With none heard, Vice Chairman Paris continued by asking if there were any speakers from the floor. With none heard, Vice Chairman Paris moved forward with the meeting.

### **Approval of Minutes**

TCC Vice Chairman Paris called TCC members' attention to the May 18, 2016 meeting minutes included in their meeting packets. With no comments or corrections being heard, Mr. Jonathan Marshall made a motion to accept the minutes as they appear. Mr. Joe Wilson seconded the motion and TCC members followed with a unanimous vote to approve.

### **TIP Priority Project Division Tier List**

Phil Conrad CRMPO Executive Director began by reminding TCC members that NCDOT has applied their methodology to rank transportation projects across the state. Phil continued by explaining this methodology includes a quantitative component that was recently released for all

projects in North Carolina. Phil went on to state that NCDOT will incorporate the quantitative scores with the CRMPO points assigned as well as the Division Engineer points to initiate the development of the FY 2018-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Phil then called members' attention to Attachment 3 in their packets which outlined the results for the top highway, aviation, rail, sidewalk and greenways projects in the CRMPO area. Phil reviewed the attachment with the members explaining each project.

Phil called upon Diane Hampton with NCDOT Division 9 and Stuart Basham with NCDOT Division 10 to provide members with information about the ranking of the projects on a Division level. Mr. Basham informed TCC members that the Regional Tier rankings input ended on July 29, 2016 and the Division Tier ranking input will close at the end of October 2016. He went on to say that the Draft STIP should be finished and available to the public in January 2017. Stuart called members' attention to a copy of the Revised P4.0 Schedule of Key Dates included in their packets. Mrs. Hampton closed by saying Division 9 will support the projects that the CRMPO has selected.

After all review was complete, Phil asked for questions or comments. With none heard, Mr. Joe Wilson made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC consider releasing the division tier portion of the TIP Priority Project List for public comment. Mr. Ed Muire seconded the motion and TCC members voted unanimously to approve.

### **FY 2016-2020 MTIP Amendment #2 and Conformity**

Phil Conrad reported to the TCC members that staff has been working on an Air Quality Conformity Determination Short Form Report due to amendments to the 2016-2020 TIP. Phil reminded members that the TIP Conformity Report demonstrates that the Transportation Improvement Program is a subset of the 2040 MTP and the Conformity Report is consistent with the State Implementation Plan (SIP). Phil continued by stating that due to the acceleration of some of the projects in the CRMPO area using State transportation funds, the CRMPO is required to amend the MTIP using this Short Form Report to show the new schedules for the accelerated projects. Phil called members attention to Attachment #4 included in their packets which was a draft copy of the report and a worksheet of Proposed List of Changes for CRMPO TIP Amendment #2. Phil reviewed the information with the members

With little discussion, Mr. David Jaynes made a motion to request that the CRMPO TAC consider adopting the Air Quality Conformity Determination Short Form Report. Mr. Josh Watkins seconded the motion and TCC member voted unanimously to approve.

### **County Level Socioeconomic Projections**

Phil informed the members that the CRMPO has been working on projecting population and employment for the 2025, 2035 and 2045 horizon years in the Metrolina Regional Model. CRMPO Phil explained, is one of four MPO's in the proposed non-attainment Metrolina/Charlotte Region. Phil called members' attention to Tables 1 and 2 under Attachment 5 in their packets which was a summary of County level projections. After reviewing the population and employment projections data with the members, he asked for any questions or comments.

With none heard, Mr. Joe Wilson made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC consider endorsing the socioeconomic projections for Cabarrus and Rowan counties. Mr. Jonathan Marshall seconded the motion and TCC members voted unanimously to approve.

### **FY 2016-2025 MTIP Amendment #5**

Phil reported to TCC members that CRMPO staff is bringing MTIP Amendment #5 before them from a recent NCDOT Board of Transportation agenda for their consideration. Phil called members' attention to information included in their packets which explained which projects were included in the amendment. Phil explained that the first part of the amendment concerned some additional TAP funds in FY 2016 at the Division level for Division 9 and 10 projects (R-5789 and R-5790). The second project of the amendment Phil reported, is the delay of construction by one fiscal year to FY 2017 for the Mt. Vernon Road bridge replacement project B-5160. The third and final project in the amendment, W-5313 is to widen Old Beatty Ford Road and provide rumble strips, and construction has been delayed to FY 2017 as well.

With no additional comments or questions, Mr. Ed Muire made a motion to request that the CRMPO TAC consider endorsing Amendment #5 to the FY 2016-2025 MTIP. Mr. David Jaynes seconded the motion and members voted unanimously to approve.

### **Reports/CRMPO Business**

Local Reports - MPO/TPB/NCDOT Division 9 & 10 – NCDOT Division 9 representative Mrs. Diane Hampton called members' attention to a spreadsheet included in their packets of updates on the Rowan County projects. Diane called attention to and highlighted updates on projects I-3802B and B-4808. Mr. Stuart Basham from Division 10 also highlighted project updates on Division 10 Projects for the TCC members from a spreadsheet included in member packets as well.

CTP Comments and Maps – Mr. Reuben Crummy, NCDOT TPB presented a PowerPoint presentation of map updates to the CTP. Reuben explained that comments from TCC members were taken and implemented into the CTP maps. The Power Point displayed those updates to the maps on a comment by comment basis. Once his presentation was complete, Reuben explained that the CTP Appendix and the CTP Inventory are both complete and these corrections to the maps that he had just reviewed now made the CTP Maps complete as well. Representatives from the City of Kannapolis had some specific questions and comments to one of the updates that Mr. Crummy provided and he said he would be glad to speak with them after the meeting to answer their questions.

With no further discussions, Mr. Joe Wilson made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC endorse the changes and updates to the CTP Maps and that motion was seconded by Mr. Josh Watkins. Members voted unanimously to approve.

- ✓ Proposed Federal Rule on Coordination and Planning Area Reform for MPO's – Phil Conrad called members' attention to several pages of a PowerPoint presentation included in their packets that was published by Federal Highway Administration on the proposed NPRM which proposed reform in MPO Planning areas across the nation. Phil reviewed the information provided the presentation to TCC members.
- ✓ 2045 MPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan Goals – Phil called members' attention to a copy of the draft 2045 MPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan Goals and Objectives included in their packets. He reviewed the information with the TCC members. Vice Chairman Doug Paris asked for some language related to Economic Development and Freight Rail be included in this document.

### **Informational Items**

- Concord Express, Salisbury Transit, and RIDER Transit Ridership Information – Phil called the TCC members' attention to the ridership information included in their packets.
- Freight Study Update – Phil called members' attention to information provided in their TCC packets regarding the study and said it appears the study is progressing.
- MPO Website Draft RFQ – Phil called members' attention to a draft of the RFQ for updating the MPO website.
- Next scheduled meeting September 21, 2016.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business to be considered, Mr. Josh Watkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Samantha Fisk seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.