

MINUTES

TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

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

Members:

Joe Wilson	City of Concord
Reid Walters	Town of Spencer
Susie Morris	Cabarrus County
Wendy Brindle	City of Salisbury
Reuben Crummy	NCDOT-TPB
Stuart Basham	NCDOT-Div 10
Chris Corriher	NCDOT-Div 9
Chris Stiller	Town of Rockwell
Shane Stewart	Rowan County, Town of Cleveland
Josh Watkins	Town of Harrisburg

Others:

Phil Conrad	CRMPO Director
Connie Cunningham	CRMPO Staff
Loretta Barren	FHWA
Andy Christy	RIDER Transit
L.J. Weslowski	RIDER Transit
Rob Donham	Harrisburg
Scott Cole	NCDOT Div 10

Call to Order

Vice Chairman Reid Walters called the meeting of the Cabarrus Rowan MPO TCC to order. Vice Chairman Walters began the meeting by calling the roll of eligible TCC members. After the roll was called, Chairman Walters determined a quorum had been met. Vice Chairman Walters asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda. With no additions or corrections being heard, Vice Chairman Walters continued by asking if there were any speakers from the floor. With none heard, Vice Chairman Walters moved on to the next item of business.

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chairman Walters called TCC members' attention to the March 15, 2017 meeting minutes included in their meeting packets. With no corrections or additions being heard, Mr. Josh Watkins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Joe Wilson seconded the motion and TCC members followed with a unanimous vote to approve.

DRAFT CTP Index

Vice Chairman Reid Walters reported to the members that NCDOT has spent the past year working on a series of maps to update the Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). These maps he stated serve as a compliment to the currently adopted and fiscally constrained MTP. He went on to say that NCDOT has provided regular updates on the CTP to the TCC and the maps were adopted by the MPO in January 2017. Vice Chairman Walters continued by saying a TCC subcommittee met in April 2017 to review the accompanying index and that a copy of the DRAFT CTP Index is archived on the CRMPO website. The Vice Chairman then asked CRMPO Director Phil Conrad to provide additional information and detail on the item.

Director Conrad thanked the Vice Chair and called members' attention to a power point presentation of the DRAFT CTP Index. Director Conrad reviewed the spreadsheet format of the Index and called attention to the columns of information provided explaining each of their relevance. After review, Phil reported that NCDOT TPB contacted him about their concerns over the volume of multiple changes to the Index and hoped that the current DRAFT CTP Index would be close to being complete. Phil stated that he and Mr. Reuben Crummy, NCDOT TPB would be doing some very minor tweaking to the current DRAFT CTP Index but for the most part the document was finished. He also expressed that NCDOT TPB would be looking to the MPO staff to maintain the Index and make any changes necessary as they become available.

Mr. Joe Wilson asked when the Problem Statements were to be submitted to the MPO for review on the projects included in the Index. Mr. Wilson reminded TCC members that Ms. Linda Dosse, previous NCDOT TPB Coordinator to the CRMPO had told the MPO members that these Problem Statements were required to be completed on these projects and that she had said once they were finished she would submit them to the TCC for review. Mr. Wilson's opinion was that these documents should have already been submitted to the MPO for review. He asked Mr. Crummy when the MPO could expect to review them. Mr. Crummy stated he did have some project Problem Statements that Ms. Dosse had previously done but not for all required projects. When asked, Mr. Crummy said he could not say whether Problem Statements would be completed on all projects or whether they would be submitted to the MPO for review.

With no more discussion, Mr. Joe Wilson made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC consider adopting the CTP Index. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Wendy Brindle and the TCC member voted unanimously to approve.

DRAFT 2020-2029 TIP Project Call

Director Phil Conrad reported to the TCC members that the anticipated adoption of the 2018-2022 TIP in August, MPO staff has prepared a schedule for identifying and adopting the next STI list for the CRMPO area.

The first step of the schedule, Phil explained was to have a call for new projects for all modes of transportation. The deadline for those new project submittals was March 31st. Phil then called members' attention to Attachment 4 which was a list of the new projects submitted to date. The list included project name, project description, jurisdiction submitting, cost, funding tier, resolution completed and the date the project was submitted to CRMPO staff. Phil also explained that this list does not include any carryover projects from the previous STI process.

Phil reviewed each project for the TCC members and called their attention to copies included in their packets of the Cabarrus Rowan MPO Local Highway Priority List Project Request Form for each of these projects. Phil also called members' attention to a spreadsheet included in their packets labeled as P5.0 Maximum Number of Submittals for Each Mode. He reviewed the CRMPO portion of the spreadsheet for members.

Lastly, Phil called members' attention to the P5.0 Schedule also included in their packets. He explained that the second step in schedule would be for MPO staff to enter and submit projects for review by SPOT. That step he explained would occur between July 5th and September 30th.

After all review and with little discussion, Mrs. Wendy Brindle made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC consider endorsing the NEW TIP Priority projects for submittal to NCDOT for

quantitative review. Mr. Chris Stiller seconded the motion and the TCC members voted unanimously to approve.

Reports/CRMPO Business

Local Reports - MPO/TPB/NCDOT Division 9 & 10 – NCDOT Division 10 representative Mr. Scott Cole updated members on the I-85 project. Scott informed members that some of the construction had been accelerated on the project. He also stated that beginning approximately on July 10th, Brantley Road, Centergrove Road, and Lake Concord Road would see some traffic closings in order to finish the I-85 construction. He also said there would be some shift in traffic patterns to let crew's complete portions of the project. Mr. Stuart Basham from Division 10 verbally reported on project updates on Division 10 Projects for the TCC members.

Mr. Chris Corriher, from NCDOT Division 9 reported on updates for the Rowan County jurisdictions. A spreadsheet of those updates had been provided to members in their meeting packets. He did inform members that they may see some detours and delays at night while crews are working to complete parts of the I-85 project in southern Rowan County.

DRAFT 2018-2027 TIP Conformity and Schedule Release – Phil called members' attention to Cabarrus Rowan Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP Summary of the Draft 2018-2027 TIP list included in their packets. Phil informed members that this list would be re-released on June 28, 2017 and that the MPO should not see any significant changes to the list at that time.

2045 MTP Update and Public Review – Phil reported that MPO staff has been conducting outreach meetings for the 2045 MTP Update to get public comment. More are scheduled to be held.

New MPO Website Update – Phil reported that MPO staff has been working with the website consultant to get the new site up and live. He stated that staff worked with the consultant up until close to midnight the night before hoping to have it up for today's meeting. According to the consultant some components of the website take 12 to 24 hours to load and that it should be live and working later today.

DRAFT Public Participation Policy - Phil reported to the TCC members that MPO staff is currently working on an update to the Cabarrus Rowan MPO Public Participation Policy. Phil reviewed the highlights of the Draft Policy for the members. After review, Mr. Joe Wilson made a motion to recommend that the CRMPO TAC consider releasing the Draft Cabarrus Rowan MPO Public Participation Policy for public comment. Mrs. Wendy Brindle seconded the motion and TCC members voted unanimously to approve.

Informational Items

- Concord Express, Salisbury Transit, and RIDER Transit Ridership Information – Phil referenced the ridership information included in the member packets.

- Next scheduled meeting August 16, 2017.

Adjournment

CRMPO Director Phil Conrad, informed members that TCC Chairman Doug Paris was absent today to attend the funeral of Town of Midland Mayor Kathy Kitts who passed away last Saturday. Phil asked everyone to keep the Kitts' family in their thoughts and prayers.

TCC Vice Chairman Walters asked if there was any other business to discuss. With no other business to be considered, Mr. Josh Watkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Susie Morris seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.