Public Engagement Update

October 2023

Public Notices & Comment Periods (CAMPO)

Item	Req'd # of days	Public Comment Period & Public Hearing
Executive Board Action in OCTOBER		
FY 2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program – Amendment #1	30	Public Comment: Sep. 18 – Oct. 18 Public Hearing: Oct. 18
Executive Board Action in NOVEMBER		
FY 2024 Wake Transit Work Plan – Q2 Amendment		Public Comment: Sep. 1 – Sep. 30 Public Hearing: None

CAMPO Projects – Public Engagement Updates

U.S. 401 Corridor Study:

https://www.US401CorridorStudy.com

The fourth round of public engagement will occur throughout the month of October 2023.

Recommendations for improvements along the existing U.S. 401 Corridor, and the preferred alignment for the Future U.S. 401 have been developed and reviewed by both the Technical and Stakeholder Oversight Teams for the Study. This engagement phase will have information on the website about the draft recommendations for public review and feedback, two in-person "Open House" public meetings (October 17 and 23), and one virtual "Ask a Planner" public meeting on Oct. 26. Partnering organizations are asked to help spread the word about the availability of the recommendations for review. A summary of feedback will be shared with the project team in November, and, if all goes smoothly, the final report and recommendations will then be updated and considered by the Exec. Board for endorsement in February 2024.

Southeast Area Study Update (SEAS)

https://seareastudyupdate.com/

Phase 2 community engagement on the draft SEAS Update recommendations occurred from mid-June to mid-July and included a public meeting, tabling at several local events and community gathering places, and an interactive map of projects. The study team is working update the recommendations for the final report. In the next few months, that report will be shared through a third and final phase of community engagement to conclude the approximately 18-month long study. Ultimately, the Executive Board will consider "endorsing" the study for use in future transportation planning efforts, including the development of the 2055 MTP.

Regional Partner Projects – Public Engagement Updates

Greater Triangle Commuter Rail Feasibility Study (GoTriangle = Lead Sponsor)

https://www.readyforrailnc.com/

The public comment period for the Feasibility Study report concluded in February and a summary was presented at the Joint CAMPO and DCHC MPO Boards meeting on March 29th. Each MPO has a Rail Subcommittee working to identify next steps for the project that decision making organizations can take action on.

Bus Rapid Transit (Raleigh = Lead Sponsor

https://raleighnc.gov/bus-rapid-transit

In the Fall of 2023, the Raleigh Project Team for the Wake BRT lines will be conducting a large phase of public engagement. It will focus on gaining input related to the Northern BRT line, while sharing an update with the community on the Western, Southern, and New Bern BRT lines progress. Additional details will follow in September.

Public Engagement Planning (CAMPO

CAMPO staff are actively engaged with public and stakeholder engagement planning for the following projects/studies. This is in addition to typical technical analysis, reviews, and engagement as key stakeholders for member organization projects (i.e. SPOT process, STIP/TIP project development, local Comprehensive Transportation Plans, LAPP investments, and transportation studies).

Engagement Anticipated for Fall 2023 (October-December)

- SEAS Update final recommendations
- US 401 Corridor Study proposed recommendations
- Bike/Ped Element for MTP Update
- Coordinated Public Transit Human Service Transportation Plan Update
- Regional Multi-Modal Safety Plan
- NW Harnett County Transit Study
- Wake BRT Transit Projects and Studies – ongoing

Other Studies/Projects that may have community engagement/outreach in 2024:

- Triangle Bikeway NEPA/Design Management
- Wake Transit Plan Update
- Morrisville Parkway Access Management Study
- Fayetteville-Raleigh Passenger Rail Study, Phase II
- Non-Motorized Volume Data Program
- Mobility Management Committees & Program Implementation
- Safe Routes to Schools – Road Safety Audits
- Wake BRT Transit Projects and Studies – ongoing

General Communications:

CAMPO continues to be active on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn. In addition, a quarterly email newsletter is sent to the MPO's general email distribution list consisting of over 1,600 people.

IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation

IAP2's Spectrum of Public Participation was designed to assist with the selection of the level of participation that defines the public's role in any public participation process. The Spectrum is used internationally, and it is found in public participation plans around the world.

INCREASING IMPACT ON THE DECISION

	INFORM	CONSULT	INVOLVE	COLLABORATE	EMPOWER
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL	To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	To place final decision making in the hands of the public.
PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC	We will keep you informed.	We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will look to you for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.	We will implement what you decide.

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