

**NC Capital Area Metropolitan
Planning Organization
Meeting Minutes - Final
Technical Coordinating Committee**

1 Fenton Main St.
Suite 201
Cary NC 27511

Thursday, October 5, 2023

10:00 AM

Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: 30 - Sandi Bailey, Paul Black, Joe Geigle, David Keilson, Neil Perry, Jay Sikes, Darius Sturdivant, Bynum Walter, Brandon Watson, James Salmons, Alan Coats, Shaun McGrath, Braston Newton, Jenna Shouse, Het Patel, Matt Day, Tracy Stephenson, Danielle Kittredge, Tracy Parrott, Aaron Prichard, Akul Nishawala, Kenneth Ritchie, Catherine Farrell, Barry Baker, Chris George, Jeannine Ngwira, Lucy Garcia, Michael Frangos, Elizabeth Yokley-Krige, and Travis Crayton

Absent: 18 - Phil Geary, Dennis Jernigan, Catherine Knudson, Pamela Perry, David Walker, Vice Chair Luana Deans, Bryan Chadwick, Anita Davis-Haywood, Bo Carson, Scott Hammerbacher, Emma Linn, Bradley Kimbrell, Bronwyn Redus, Tim Gardiner, Thomas Marrow, Jeff Triezenberg, Meredith Gruber, and Michael Landguth

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Minutes

4.1 Minutes - September 7, 2023 TCC Meeting

Requested Action: Approve minutes

Attachments: [September Minutes](#)

Jay Sikes motioned to approve the September 7, 2023 minutes.

Kenneth Ritchie seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

5. Regular Business

5.1 2055 MTP Update - CommunityViz

Alex Rickard, CAMPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard explained why the CommunityViz model is important to the Metropolitan Transportation Planning (MTP).

He provided a brief technical overview of the MTP process, noting that they are currently building the CommunityViz model. CommunityViz is the land use model that will form the development of the 2055 MTP.

Mr. Rickard stated that CommunityViz is a tool used to understand growth capacities and allocate future growth. He explained that using the CommunityViz tool provides an opportunity to better explore and study the relationship between land use and transportation. It allows the ability to explore the trade offs between different land use patterns and different mobility investments, which leads to better decisions and options for the MTP.

TCC Chair opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

There were none.

This item was received as information only.

5.2 NC 540 Bonus Allocation Projects Update

Alex Rickard, CAMPO Staff & NCDOT Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard provided a refresher on CAMPO's bonus allocation process, and its guiding principles. He noted that the Strategic Transportation Investment (STI) law provides bonus allocation funding for local funding participation, highway tolling and programming limitations. He also noted that there are certain limitations and caps on how the funding could be used.

Mr. Rickard stated that the MPO's Executive Board adopted bonus allocation methodology which is based on the following guiding principles:

- Inclusion in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)*
- Logical Nexus to Generating Source of Bonus Allocation Funds*
- Recognition of funding challenges with STI law*
- Recognition of funding opportunities with STI law*

Mr. Rickard informed the TCC that when there's local contribution, the MPO works with the contributing local government to determine existing MTP projects suitable for programming with bonus allocation funds. He noted that the MPO's Executive Board approves all bonus allocation funding, and that the projects must go through the SPOT process.

Mr. Rickard provided an overview of the four phases of analysis for candidate project prioritization for tolling. He noted that after the project goes through the four phases, the Executive Board makes the decision and programs the project.

Mr. Rickard stated that the section of the NC 540 that is under construction, has provided \$100M of bonus allocation funds, and that the Division Staff will be providing updates on where these projects are within the process.

Beth Quinn and Ben Upshaw, NCDOT, provided a status update on a list of projects that will be funded with this award of \$100M.

Ms. Quinn shared a National Highway Construction Cost Index (NHCCI) with the TCC to show the challenge of funding the maximum amount of projects with \$100M.

She provided an update on the HL-0006 project, which is the US 401 Hilltop-Needmore Road/Hilltop Road/Airpark Road intersection and Lake Wheeler Road intersection in Fuquay-Varina. She stated that this project will convert to reduced conflict intersections and realign Hilltop Road to intersect opposite of Lake Wheeler Road.

Ms. Quinn noted that right-of-way acquisition for this project is about to start, with a tentative let of March 2025. She also noted that there was a lot of public support on this project.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0007 project, which is the NC 55 at Technology Drive/East Williams Street in Apex. She stated that this project will convert the

intersection of NC 55 at Technology Drive/East Williams Street to a reduced conflict intersection. It will also widen NC 55 to a 6-lane divided median, and widen East Williams Street to a 4-lane divided median. She stated that there would also be construction of a westbound right turn lane on Sunset Lake Road/Old Smithfield Road at Williams Street.

Ms. Quinn noted that right-of-way acquisition for this project is scheduled to begin next month, and that the tentative let date is March 2025. She noted that the overall need for this project was highly supported. She also noted that there were some neighborhoods that expressed concerns of these intersections being placed in front of their neighborhood.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008C project, which is the NC 50/Benson Rd at Timber Drive and Timber Drive East which will extend north bound right turning lane on NC 50 from State Employee Credit Union to existing right turning lane at New Rand Road.

She stated that the right-of-way acquisition is complete on this project and that the let will be combined with the let date for the HL-0008H project, which is tentatively set for May 2024.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008D project, which is Sunset Lake Road improvements that stretch from Holly Springs Road and Lockley Road. She stated that the project will expand the roadway to a 4 lane divided median.

She noted that the right-of-way acquisition is set to begin later this year, with a let tentatively set for April 2025. She also noted that there was great neighborhood support on this project.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008F project, which is improvements to Old Stage Road at the Ten Ten Road intersection. This project will add a north bound right turning lane onto Old Stage Rd. and an east bound right turning lane on Ten Ten Road.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project begins next month, with a tentative let date of March 2025. She also noted that there was an overwhelming amount of public support on this project, and that this project was completely designed by NCDOT.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008G, which is improvements to Lake Wheeler Rd and Hilltop Needmore Road intersection. This project consists of the construction of left turning lanes on each approach at the intersection of Lake Wheeler and Hilltop Needmore Road. She stated that it also will improve intersection radii to accommodate larger truck turns.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project is already underway, with a tentative let of October 2024. She also noted that there was a lot of public support on this project.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008H project, which is improvement to Lake Wheeler Road at Simpkins Farm Road. This project is the construction of left turning lanes in both directions on Lake Wheeler Road at the intersection with Simpkins Farm Lane and Simpkins Road. It will also add a north bound right turning lane on Lake Wheeler Road and a west bound left turning lane on Simpkins Road.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project is underway and almost complete, with a tentative let of May 2024.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008I project, which is the improvements on Old

Stage Road at Rock Service Station Road. This project will widen Old Stage Road from Rock Service Station Road to Rolling Meadows Drive. It will also realign the intersection of Old Stage Road and Rock Service Station Road. She stated that a signal and partial RTI will be added as well.

She noted that public input on this project was highly supported. She stated that the public was understanding and agreed that this project was needed. Right-of-way acquisition will start by the end of this year, with a tentative let date of April 2025.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL- 008J project, which is NC 50 (Benson Road) to Buffalo Road which will widen NC 50 to a 4-lane divided median, adding a second structure to the west of the current structure.

She noted that due to complications with the cost, right-of-way acquisition is anticipated for Summer of 2024, with a tentative let of early 2026. This will be funded with the second round of bonus allocation.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-008L project, which is the construction of left turning lanes on each approach at the intersection of Ten Ten Road at Bells Lake Road/Graham Newton Road.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project is underway, with a tentative let of 2024. She also noted that there has been general good public support on this project.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008O project, which is the construction of a left turning lane on NC42 at Johnston Road .

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project is underway, however with this project they have stopped at 90% plans after right-of-way acquisition. She stated that the construction of this project will be considered in the next round of bonus allocations.

Mr. Rickard noted that this project is considered one of the top safety area projects for the bonus allocation programs.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008P project, which is the construction of dual left turning lanes on north bound NC 50 and also widens Ten Ten Road for the receiving lanes.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition is underway for this project, and will be stopped after acquisition to be considered for the next round of bonus allocation.

Ms. Quinn provided an update on the HL-0008Q project, which is the construction of left turning lanes on all legs of the intersection of Optimist Farm Road and Bell Lakes Road.

She noted that right-of-way acquisition on this project will begin by the end of this year, with a tentative let of April 2025.

TCC Chair opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

Tracy Parrott commented that the first list of projects were much longer, and that work was done to determine effectiveness and make better use of funds

Mr. Rickard noted that this is only the first round of the bonus allocations and that more funding is coming in Summer of 2024.

Chris Lukasina noted that the 5 year window will begin July 2024.

Sandi Bailey asked for clarification on the county's inability to maintain bike/pedestrian funding.

Mr. Rickard responded stating that all projects for bike/predestrian accommodations were reviewed, and that they were able to include bike/predestrian accommodations on many projects. He also noted that Wake County and WCPSS decided not to include these projects.

Bynum Walter requested a report, on how some improvements may signal change in development and whether or not that would be consistent with land management planning, at the next meeting.

Mr. Rickard stated that he will discuss this and have more info in the upcoming months.

Tracy Stephenson asked if the town is spending money on a portion of SPOT projects, how do we get bonus allocation?

Mr. Rickard responded stating that you would explain how local bonus allocation gets assigned. He stated that most reduces cost to NCDOT.

This item was received as information only.

5.3

Amendment #1 to FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Chandler Hagen / MPO Staff

Requested Action: Recommend approval of Amendment #1 to the FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO 2024_2033 Amendment1](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard informed the TCC that in last June when the new FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was released, it only included CAMPO specific projects. He stated that this was an oversight, therefore this amendment is to add in statewide programs to the new TIP.

TCC Chair opened the floor for questions and/or comments.
There were none.

Paul Black motioned to approve Amendment #1 to the FY2024-2033 TIP.

Jay Sikes seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

6. Informational Item: Budget

This item was received as information only.

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Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [2023 Operating Budget Projection Q4](#)

6.2**Member Shares FY 2023**

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as Information

Attachments: [2023 Member Dues Projection Q4](#)

7. Informational Item: Project Updates

This item was received as information only.

7.1**Project Updates - October 2023**

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [October Project Updates](#)

7.2**Public Engagement Updates**

Bonnie Parker, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [TCC Public Engagement Updates 2023_09_28](#)

8. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Director:

Mr. Lukasina reminded TCC members that the next round of the US-401 Corridor Study public engagement will be October 17th, 23rd, and 26th. He stated that there will also be an online survey.

Mr. Lukasina advised TCC members to share info about the CommunityBiz model and how important it is.

He recognized the combined staff effort between NCDOT, DCHC, and CAMPO in the successful delivery of the new TRMG2.

Mr. Lukasina reminded TCC members that One-Call-For-All is open until the end of October. He noted that LAPP submittals must be submitted by the deadline. He also noted that due to a one project being halted, additional funding is now available and all roadway and bikeway projects are now covered using that funding.

Mr. Lukasina stated that there were two Reconnecting Community Grant applications in the region, which CAMPO wrote letters of support for. One was for NCDOT's application for the S-Line project, and the other was for GoTriangle's Mobility Hub and Spoke project.

NCDOT Division 5:

I-40 project from 440S, final pavement is down in east bound direction and west bound from that same point back to 540 South.

I-440 Rehab project at Glenwood and Six Forks Road- paving is complete and completion will be in 2024.

I-440 Hillsborough/Blue Ridge project- Hillsborough Road has been reopened. Added work to install a temporary rail platform for the state fair.

NCDOT Division 6:

Last week a \$40M contract was awarded for the R-5705A which is 210 to Coats. Construction will start soon.

NCDOT Rail Division:

P7 window closes October 7th.

NCDOT Integrated Mobility:

Ryan Drumfield has departed. Brandon Fuquay is now the Interim Director.

City of Raleigh received funding through the Multimodal Planning Grant Program to update Bike Plan.

2025-2029 Locally Coordinated Plan for transit agencies that received 5310 funding is underway.

9. Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings/Events

<p><i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i> <i>1 Fenton Main Street</i> <i>Suite 201</i> <i>Cary, NC 27511</i></p>	<p><i>October 18, 2023</i> <i>4:00pm - 6:00pm</i></p>
<p><i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i> <i>1 Fenton Main Street</i> <i>Suite 201</i> <i>Cary, NC 27511</i></p>	<p><i>November 2, 2023</i> <i>10:00am - noon</i></p>
<p><i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i> <i>1 Fenton Main Street</i> <i>Suite 201</i> <i>Cary, NC 27511</i></p>	<p><i>November 15, 2023</i> <i>4:00pm - 6:00pm</i></p>
<p><i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i> <i>1 Fenton Main Street</i> <i>Suite 201</i> <i>Cary, NC 27511</i></p>	<p><i>December 7, 2023</i> <i>10:00am - noon</i></p>