



NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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To: Executive B

US 401 Corridor Study - Study Contract Amendment

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The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) is embarking on a study that will cover the US 401 corridor from generally US 421 in Harnett County north to Banks Road in Wake County. The study will determine the ultimate cross-section and alignment of US 401; and will explore interim projects that may lead to that ultimate cross-section and alignment. The study will result in a functional design of the ultimate corridor, and an implementation strategy that recommends short term, long term and policy recommendations that will lead to the successful implementation of US 401.

Following the CAMPO Executive Board request at their December 8, 2021 meeting to have CAMPO staff and the US 401 Corridor Study team to review alternative ideas including an additional southeast alignment for the corridor and report back in March, 2022; a presentation was given to the Executive Board on March 16, 2022. Following the presentation, the Executive Board voted to, "Revise the scope and schedule of the U.S. 401 corridor study based on staff's findings and include the additional route of alignment W (401/55/210), along with the original alignment X (A4 B6 C1) and partially original alignment Z (A2/B5/210) in the study's findings".

Additional funding has been incorporated into a supplement that addresses the revision to the scope and schedule for the completion of the US 401 Corridor Study to include the aforementioned routes in the study's findings while still accomplishing the initial objective to determine the ultimate cross-section and alignment of US 401 as noted within the existing scope. Additional public engagement activities have been included within the supplement to address areas that encompass the additional alignments. The US 401 Corridor Study amendment to be spent this fiscal year is \$45,000. The supplement will include the expenditure of an additional \$45,000 in FY 2023. The US 401 Corridor Study is expected to be completed with a final document by February, 2023.

Requested Action: Approve US 401 Corridor Study amended scope authorize Executive Director to execute a contract amendment.