NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Meeting Minutes - Draft

1 Fenton Main St. Suite 201 Cary NC 27511

Technical Coordinating Committee

Thursday, October 2, 2025 10:00 AM **Conference Room**

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Tracy Stephenson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Introductions were then made.

(Clerk's Note: Robert Stone, Jillian Brookshire, and Julia Straight were all present in a non-voting capacity as additional agency representatives present.)

Present: 37 - Dallas Baker, Kenneth Ritchie, Bradley Kimbrell, Regan Buchanan, Ken Bowers, Thanh Schado, Barry Baker, Jay Sikes, Tim Gardiner, Brandon Watson, Het Patel, Paul Black, Kesha Smith, Tracy Parrott, Philip Hart, Robert Stone, Bryan Kluchar, Anne Calef, Jenna Shouse, Jason Kress, Juliet Andes, Sandi Bailey, Conrad Olmedo, Chris George, Tracy Stephenson, Julian Griffee, Chris Garcia, Tucker Fulle, Landon Chandler, Jillian Brookshire, Bret Martin, Emma Linn, Jeannine Ngwira, Lucy Garcia, Julia Straight, Matt Lower, and Matt Day

Absent: 20 - Britt Davis, Dylan Bruchhaus, Jason Rogers, Braston Newton, Akul Nishawala, Joe Geigle, Anita Davis-Haywood, Than Austin, Alan Shapiro, Nick Morrison, Neil Perry, Phil Geary, Riley Stout, Michael Landguth, Jeff Jones, Dorothy Taylor, Jennifer Ganser, Barbara Hollerand, Tanner Hayslette, and Bo Carson

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 4, 2025

Susan A. Owens, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Approve the Minutes of September 4, 2025

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Attachments: Staff Report

Minutes - September 4, 2025

There were no questions and/or comments.

Het Patel motioned to approve the TCC Minutes of September 4, 2025. Matt

Lower seconded the motion. The motion carried 34-0.

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5. Regular Business

5.1 Safety Performance Measure Targets 2026

Kenneth Withrow, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: Staff Report

Blueprint for Safety Target Setting - 2026

Mr. Withrow provided an overview of the requirements for adopting targets for the following safety performance measures, noting that CAMPO is now able to set its own targets:

- 1. Number of fatalities
- 2. Rate of fatalities (per 100 million VMT)
- 3. Number of serious injuries
- 4. Rate of serious injuries (per 100 million VMT)
- 5. Number of non-motorized (Pedestrian & Bicycle) fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries

He stated that, on April 16, 2025, the Executive Board endorsed the goals of a 50% reduction of fatal and serious injury crashes by 2055 and ultimately moving toward zero fatal and serious injury crashes by applying the noted short-term, mid-term, and long-term goals to set annual FHWA safety targets:

- Near-Term (2025-2035):To achieve the ultimate long-term goal, an interim goal for the 2025-2035 horizon is to reduce serious injury and fatal crashes by 10% (An annual 1% reduction).
- Mid-Term (2036-2045): During the 2036-2045 horizon, CAMPO's goal will shift to a more aggressive reduction in serious injury and fatal crashes by an additional 15-20% (a 2% annual reduction).
- Long-Term (2046-2055): During the 2046-2055 horizon, an ambitious goal will be set to reduce serious injury and fatal crashes by at least an additional 30% (a 4% annual reduction).

He noted that NCDOT is also making changes to their safety goals. He illustrated CAMPO's 2026 targets based on its near-term goal of reducing crashes by 1% annually. He then commented that low-cost safety countermeasures and educational efforts are all being considered. He concluded by adding that the public comment period ends on November 18, 2025, and that no public hearing is required for this item.

There were no questions and/or comments.

Jay Sikes motioned to agree to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the CAMPO Blueprint targets. Thanh Schado seconded the motion. The motion carried 34-0.

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5.2 Community Funding Area Program Management Plan Update

Suvir Venkatesh, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: Staff Report

Community Funding Area PMP Update - September 2025

Mr. Venkatesh provided an overview of the Community Funding Area Program Management Plan (PMP) and previously funded projects by category. He stated that this PMP Update is being developed in coordination with the 2035 Wake Transit Plan (WTP) Update. It will include alignment with the WTP and other policies/programs, where appropriate, including the LAPP. The PMP Update is scheduled to be adopted before the FY27 application cycle, which starts in January 2026. He provided an overview of the PMP Update process and timeline, noting that, based on partner feedback, they held off on finalizing a Draft PMP Update to solicit additional feedback and make further updates. He highlighted the major revisions in the PMP Update and the process change to require Wake Transit Governing Board adoption, alongside the 2035 WTP Update, due to the PMP Update's nature as a policy document with funding implications. He concluded by presenting the November 2025 adoption timeline, with the public comment period ending on October 21, 2025.

Responding to Jenna Shouse, Mr. Venkatesh stated that there have been no changes to the PMP Update since it was last presented to TPAC.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.3 Strategic Regional Rail Infrastructure Investment Study

Daniel Spruill, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: Staff Report

Triangle Rail Study - Compiled Report

Triangle Rail Study - Service Concepts & Project Matrix

Triangle Rail Study - Comment Resolution Matrix

Mr. Spruill provided an overview of the Strategic Regional Rail Infrastructure Investment Study and how it came to be, noting the combined efforts of the CAMPO and Triangle West TPO (TWTPO) Joint Rail Sub-Committee and its goal to study how further incremental progress and impactful strategic improvements can be achieved. He provided comparisons of rail terminology in relation to service concepts, noting that the focus of this Study was on passenger rail, and highlighted several elements of the passenger rail service concept. He stated that the project tasks for the Study included looking at service concepts, the project universe, federal/state project funding screening, the local decision-making framework, and future Study recommendations. In regard to service concepts, he stated that the Mebane to Clayton route is the primary route, with the other routes listed being extensions in order of priority. He commented that the Study included understanding how the additional train trips will affect traffic and noted that the proposed additions are on top of the existing number of trips. He stated that the existing infrastructure will probably not be able to hold all of the proposed additional traffic. The Project Universe component was created to address bottlenecks and includes all of the projects needed to bring each proposed segment online. He noted that some projects will improve multiple segments and that the full project matrix is actually much larger and includes federal and state funding availabilities and attractiveness considerations. He next provided an overview of the Local Decision-Making Framework and its Principles, the Strategic Investment Decision Tree which provides a priority order for investments allowing incremental progress while larger programmatic investments are pursued, and highlighted future areas for study. He spoke regarding the discussions on when the Study should be updated next and noted that it is not a static document and that it will be updated throughout the process; however, it was recommended that the Study be reevaluated in two to five years and include review of any funding availability and needs changes. He noted that it is easier to get federal funding for improvements to existing service than new service. He announced that FSP received a grant from FRA. He added that a notice of \$5 billion in funding opportunities was announced last week, with the submission deadline being January 7, 2026, and stated that we are looking to submit projects and make some movement. He concluded by stating that Staff will also be making this presentation at the Joint CAMPO-TWTPO Board meeting on October 29, 2025, to see how we can keep the ball rolling.

Responding to Conrad Olmedo's inquiry regarding whether NCRR not expressing passenger rail in the Town of Clayton was projected to change, Mr. Spruill stated that the corridor is an active part of the corridor identification program being studied by NCDOT and noted that there have already been conversations with state and federal partners regarding service to Selma and into Wilmington.

Responding to Bret Martin, Mr. Spruill stated that NCRR has not contacted CAMPO about siding in the Town of Cary, but that CAMPO works with the railroad companies wherever it can and that he expects increased coordination going forward.

Mr. Martin expressed surprise that NCRR had not reached out to CAMPO. He commented that NCRR is looking to build sidings and received a grant. He expressed a desire to keep track of funding opportunities and not duplicate efforts.

Mr. Lukasina responded that Staff is aware of the NCRR project and that it is in the TIP.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.4 Amendment #1 to FY 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Alex Rickard, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: Staff Report

Mr. Rickard provided an overview of Amendment #1. He stated that the actual TIP document is not yet available for approval, but that it will be posted online next week, and that an email will be sent out to all TCC members and alternates. He commented that the public comment period does not start until October 20, 2025, so there is still time, and that the item will come back to the TCC in November 2025 for action at that time. He provided the following overview of what will be included in Amendment #1 and noted the next steps towards a November 2025 adoption:

- All FY 2024-2033 TIP Amendments made since the FY 2026-2035 TIP was approved
- · Utility funding is being added
- FF27 LAPP project award adjustments and housekeeping items
- NCDOT STIP Amendments since July 2025
- · Transit requests

There were no questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.5 2055 MTP/CTP Update

Chris Lukasina, MPO Executive Director

Requested Action: Receive as information, provide feedback or recommendations for the

Executive Board.

Attachments: Staff Report

2055 MTP Initial Fiscal Constraint

2055 MTP Schedule

2055 MTP Public Involvement Update

Mr. Lukasina provided the monthly 2055 MTP/CTP Update, noting where we are now in process and that the initial project lists and maps were included in the agenda. He provided highlights of the Preferred Scenario Transit, Roadway, and Bike/Ped Elements and the proposed major transit, roadway, and bike/ped investments, as well as an overview of the 2055 MTP Revenue Forecast comparing available traditional funding sources to the region's identified needs at the statewide, regional, and division levels. He noted that the preliminary financials from private/developer funds was updated with just a slight change. He provided an overview of the recommended 2055 New Regional/Local Revenue Option approved by the Executive Board, noting the following allocations and the fact that this option will provide funding for a total of 42 additional projects:

- · 40% Complete Streets/Safety
- · 30% Bike/Ped
- 15% Road O&M
- 10% Transit
- 5% Road System Op.

Mr. Lukasina stated that all of the analyses and data for all options are still available online at https://www.campo-nc.us/transportation-plan/in-development-2055-mtp. Project lists and maps will also be posted online. He requested that members continue to review their information as the window for changes will be closing in the next two to three weeks. He noted that the 42-day public comment period starts on October 8, 2025, and that the public hearing will be on November 19, 2025. After that, the MTP will go through the air quality conformity approval process and then be back for final adoption in January/February 2025. He commented that a potential recommendation from the TCC will be requested at its November 6, 2025, meeting.

In response to Jenna Shouse's question as to whether there is an interactive version of the map, Mr. Lukasina responded in the affirmative and added that he hopes to have it posted online by tomorrow.

Mr. Lukasina stated that the CAMPO liaisons will be reaching out to schedule any further municipal meetings needed and that he hopes to have individual summaries for each municipality in the next few weeks.

Responding to Chair Tracy Stephenson, Mr. Lukasina confirmed that the window for any feedback will close in the next two to three weeks.

In response to Dallas Baker's inquiry regarding where rail projects fit in, Mr. Lukasina stated that this only shows roadway projects; however, portions of these revenues can be used for rail projects, with some limitations, and that this does not include discretionary and/or other competitive funding sources.

Dallas Baker expressed concern regarding the focus on passenger rail, noting that it is not cost effective and that it does not serve many people. He added that we should be putting more money into buses and BRT and let the railways focus on freight and taking trucks off the roads.

In response to Bret Martin's request, Mr. Lukasina reiterated that a total of 42 additional projects can be funded with the recommended 2055 New Regional/Local Revenue Option.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

6. Informational Item: Budget

6.1 Operating Budget, FY2025

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Received as information.

Attachments: Staff Report

2025 Projected Operating Budget Q4

There were no questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

6.2 Member's Shares, FY2025

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Received as information.

Attachments: Staff Report

2025 Projected Member's Dues

There were no questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

7. Informational Item: Project Updates

7.1 Project Updates

Requested Action: Receive as information

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: Staff Report

Project Updates - October 2025

NCDOT Div. 6 Project Report - October 2025

Eric Marsh, Town of Rolesville, asked where to start the conversation on their Main Street

project budget changes and was directed to Alex Rickard.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

7.2 Public Engagement Updates

Bonnie Parker, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: Staff Report

Public Engagement Updates - October 2025

There were no questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

8. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Report:

Chris Lukasina reported the following:

- He introduced Raul Rojas as CAMPO's new HR & Operations Manager.
- Keep your eyes open for an email regarding the upcoming Regional Safety Summit being planned for late Fall 2025. It will be separate from the TWTPO and Bike/Ped Summit in November 2025.
- LAPP/One-Call-for-All project applications are due by October 31, 2025.

 One-Call-for-All applications can be emailed to Shelby Powell. LAPP applications can be submitted via the online portal. Initial applicant meetings have already begun.
- There will be a Joint CAMPO-TWTPO Board meeting on October 29, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. at the Central Pines Regional Council office.

NCDOT Transportation Planning Division:
No report provided.
NCDOT Division 4:
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No report provided.
NCDOT Division 5:
No report provided.
NCDOT Division 6:
Philip Hart stated that the Division's project list was included in the Agenda, and that he is available if there are any questions.
NCDOT Division 8:
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No report provided.
NCDOT Rail Division:
No report provided.
NC Turnpike Authority:
On behalf of NCTA, Chris Lukasina reported the following:

• Two neighborhood meetings for Phase 2 of the Complete 540 Project were held. There were 85 attendees between the two meetings.

• Project R2829B will begin impacting Neuse River Trail soon with clearing equipment. NCTA will be coordinating with the City of Raleigh Parks & Recreation and will provide updates as necessary.

NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division:

No report provided.

TCC Members:

No reports provided.

9. Adjournment

Chair Tracy Stephenson adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

CAMPO Executive Board Meeting CAMPO Board Room 1 Fenton Main St. Ste 201 Cary, NC 27511

CAMPO-TWTPO Boards Meeting Central Pines Regional Council Central Pines Conference Room 4307 Emperor Blvd, Ste 130

Networking - 8:30 am Meeting - 9:00 - 11:30 am Durham, NC 27703

CAMPO TCC Meeting CAMPO Board Room 1 Fenton Main St. Ste 201 Cary, NC 27511

November 6, 2025 10:00 am - Noon

October 15, 2025

October 29, 2025

3:00 - 5:00 pm

CAMPO Executive Board Meeting CAMPO Board Room 1 Fenton Main St, Ste 201 Cary, NC 27511

November 19, 2025 3:00 - 5:00 pm

CAMPO TCC Meeting CAMPO Board Room 1 Fenton Main Street, Suite 201 Cary, NC 27511

December 4, 2025 10:00 am - Noon