

Staff Report

## Agenda Date: 9/18/2024 To: Executive B

## Agenda Item: 5.3

## **FY 24 Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan Recommendations** Crystal Odum, MPO Staff

The Capital Area MPO posted a Request for Proposals soliciting firms to update the region's Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan (CPT-HSTP) in fiscal year 2024 and on October 2, 2023, the MPO issued a notice to proceed to the firm Moore & Associates, Inc. The update which will be completed by June 30, 2024, builds upon six technical reports, input from a three (3) phase stakeholder and public outreach strategy culminating into an updated plan and implementation schedule.

The last major update to the region's plan was in 2018 as a component of the initial Wake Transit Bus Services Implementation Plan. In 2020, the coordinated plan was updated to reflect changing priorities in the region regarding the establishment of a regional Mobility Management Program and the need for a mobility manager. The MPO conducted a Mobility Management Implementation Study in FY 22 and FY 23 to establish a framework and partnership structure for delivering a mobility management program for the region. As recommended in the 2018 plan, the MPO also established and administers a Mobility Coordination Committee (MCC) to monitor the implementation of recommendations from the adopted CPT-HST Plans and to assist with regional public transit and human service transportation services coordination. By design, the MCC acts as the technical steering committee to the FY 24 CPT-HSTP update.

In addition to helping the region remain federally compliant and eligible to receive specific federal transit grant funds, this coordinated plan is also intended to help coordinate the regional transportation services, efforts, and programs initiated over the last few years particularly those that affect the elderly, disabled and low-income populations. The MPO has pooled funding with the Wake Transit program to deliver the update to the plan.

The Draft Final 2024 CPT-HSTP is completed and will be posted for a 30-day public comment period from August 17<sup>th</sup>- September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The final plan will be presented to the Executive Board at its September 2024 meeting with a public hearing scheduled to occur at the start of the meeting. The Executive Board will be asked to approve the plan following the public hearing.

More information and the finalized reports can be found on the CAMPO website at <a href="https://www.campo-nc.us/programs-studies/transit/coordinated-human-services-transportation-plan"></a>

**Requested Action:** Conduct a Public Hearing and approve the 2024 Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan update.