

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

1 Fenton Main St.
Suite 201
Cary NC 27511

Thursday, January 2, 2025

10:00 AM

Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: 40 - Paul Black, Bradley Kimbrell, Travis Crayton, Tim Gardiner, David Keilson, Neil Perry, Andrew Spiliotis, Brandon Watson, Caleb Allred, Vice Chair Luana Deans, Jenna Shouse, Het Patel, Matt Day, Alan Shapiro, Emma Linn, Akul Nishawala, Kenneth Ritchie, Barry Baker, Chris George, Lucy Garcia, Chris Garcia, Austin Keefer, Jason Kress, Philip Hart, Margaret Tartala, Michael Frangos, Audrey Duchesne, Jillian Brookshire, Chance Mullis, Erin Joseph, Sarah Arbour, Matt Lower, Matt Klem, Becca Gallas, Het Patel, Allyssa Holman, Bynum Walter, Ryan Eldridge-Burch, Kesha Smith, and Delia Chi

Absent: 15 - Jeff Jones, Sandi Bailey, Phil Geary, Joe Geigle, Scott Hammerbacher, Braston Newton, Anita Davis-Haywood, Bo Carson, Than Austin, Dorothy Taylor, Brennan Fuqua, Britt Davis, Kenny Cole, Jennifer Ganser, and Reuben Blakely

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 - November 7, 2024

Requested Action: Adopt meeting minutes.

Attachments: [November 2024 TCC Meeting Minutes](#)

Het Patel motioned to approve the November 7, 2024 TCC meeting minutes.
Caleb Allred seconded that motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. Regular Business

5.1 Election of Chair & Vice Chair for 2025

Chris Lukasina, MPO Executive Director

Requested Action: Conduct elections for Chair and Vice Chair of the TCC for 2025.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Brandon Watson motioned to nominate Tracy Stephenson as the 2025 Chair and Luana Deans as the 2025 Vice Chair. Paul Black seconded that motion. Tracy Stephenson was elected as the 2025 TCC Chair and Luana Deans was elected as the 2025 Vice Chair, by unanimous vote.

5.2 SPOT 7.0 - Division Needs Project Programming & Draft 2026-2035 STIP

Daniel Spruill - MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)*Daniel Spruill, MPO Staff, presented this item.**Mr. Spruill provided a recap of the STIP development timeline and STI programming process. This included the funding distribution by statewide, regional, and division needs categories. He noted that the Division Needs results and Draft STIP will be forthcoming later this month. Adoption of the draft STIP is expected this summer.**Alex Rickard noted that NCDOT emailed today, stating that the results should be in by the February NCDOT Board of Transportation meeting – this will include Division needs and any other changes to the full draft STIP.**Tim Gardiner clarified that it would include both funded and unfunded projects.**There were no further questions and/or comments.***This item was received as information only.**

5.3 Unified Planning Work Program FY 2026

Shelby Powell, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[FY 2026 UPWP](#)
[Resolution Certifying Planning Process](#)
[Resolution of Adoption](#)

Shelby Powell, MPO Staff, presented this item.

Ms. Powell provided an overview of what is in the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which lays out the work plan and budget for CAMPO for FY 2026.

She noted the following FY 2026 continuing studies: NW Area Study, Wake Transit Update, Clayton Concept of Operations, Triangle Bikeway, and CMP. She then noted the following FY 2026 new studies: East Chatham Wildlife Crossing, Pleasant Park, Regional Advanced Air Mobility, Eastern Wake ITS, US 1 Connectivity Study, Wake Transit Bus Plan, and Wake Transit Staffing Analysis. Ms. Powell added that there will be a seven-cent increase per capita member share increase to cover the work requested from CAMPO. She noted that the public hearing to approve the UPWP will be held at the February 19, 2025, Executive Board meeting and the public comment period will begin on January 20, 2025.

Bynum Walters asked what the CMP is.

Ms. Powell responded that it is the Congestion Management Process.

Ms. Walters asked if the Program included staff proposed studies or if any votes were needed.

Ms. Powell responded that no action is needed today. She explained that the FY 2025 projects are just continuing from what was previously adopted and the FY 2026 items were the studies selected from the submitted proposals.

Chris Lukasina referred the TCC members to Ms. Powell for any further questions.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.4 Amendment #7 to FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Chandler Hagen / MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[FY2024-2033 TIP Amendment #7](#)

Chandler Hagen, MPO Staff, presented this item.

Ms. Hagen stated that additional amendments to the FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are necessary to accommodate new projects, changes to project schedules, and funding changes. She noted that the public comment period would begin on January 17, 2025, and that the public hearing to approve the TIP is scheduled for the February 19, 2025, Executive Board meeting.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.5**FFY 2026 LAPP Program**

Chandler Hagen, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)[FFY 26 LAPP Final Scores](#)[FFY 26 Recommended Projects Map](#)[FFY 26 LAPP Selection Panel Discussion](#)

Chandler Hagen, MPO Staff, presented this item.

Ms. Hagen provided an update on the FFY 2026 LAPP Program and provided a review of the project selection process. She noted that all nine projects submitted were recommended for funding based on historical scoring methods.

Ms. Hagen reported that approximately \$6 million was requested for roadway projects. Two projects scored less than 50 points but were recommended for funding as their scores would have been higher with construction points. She noted that both were competitive projects. All bicycle/pedestrian projects were recommended for funding; however, she noted that the Tunstall Ave and Center St Sidewalk project would be funded under the transit category instead.

Ms. Hagen then spoke regarding what will happen with the remaining LAPP Program funds. She discussed the difference between what the MPO typically gets in yearly DA funds and the funding that has remained unobligated, as well as CMAQ funding, returned funds, and what has already been obligated. She stated that there is an approximately \$21 million discrepancy coming from unauthorized funds and additional funding requests. The proposed recommendation is to apply the leftover funds from the current LAPP cycle to close that gap.

She noted that this presentation is for informational purposes only at this time and that the public hearing on the matter is forthcoming.

Het Patel asked what would happen if the leftover funds do not cover the gap.

Ms. Hagen replied that the funds still need to be applied to addressing the gap.

Chris Lukasina stated that the gap between the red and grey bars equals the exposure to funds rescission, and currently that is about \$21 million. He noted that once a project is obligated, it is not at risk of fund rescission.

Matt Lower asked if this has happened before with the LAPP program.

Mr. Lukasina responded that, prior to 2020, they were close to having funds on hand. There were big changes in differences due to NCDOT pauses. He spoke regarding the decision to anticipate the unfreezing of funds and proceeding with the funding of projects. He added that it will take a while to remobilize and spoke regarding projects costing more than they were originally funded for. He added that overprogramming by a small amount (10-20% of available funds for given year) is intentional, but this big of a gap is not good. It was just bad luck that there were not more project requests this year.

Margaret Tartala asked whether there would be programmed projects this year.

Mr. Lukasina responded that the MPO typically overprograms by 10-20% and that it is recommending fully funding the projects that were requested. He added that he suspects that some existing projects will need additional funding.

Bradley Kimbrell asked if this affects future LAPP cycles.

Mr. Lukasina responded that we'll see how FFY 2025 goes with obligation. We hope to bring the red line down. If there are delays with current LAPP projects, then we'll revisit any needed changes to the LAPP program with the LAPP Committee in the Spring.

Luana Deans asked about the socio-economic data scores and scoring methodology.

Ms. Hagen responded that the matter will be addressed at the LAPP Committee meeting. She noted that there was not much impact to the scores from the methodology that was applied.

Paul Black noted that there was not a lot of transit requests and recommended that the TCC discuss with TPAC the option of using LAPP funds towards the purchase of buses.

Vice Chair Luana Deans noted Mr. Black's request.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.6

DRAFT 2055 MTP Update - Deficiency Analysis

Chris Lukasina, MPO Executive Director

Requested Action: Receive as information and comment on preliminary Deficiency Analysis results.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Preliminary Deficiency Analysis](#)
[2055 MTP Schedule](#)

Chris Lukasina, MPO Executive Director, presented this item.

Mr. Lukasina explained where CAMPO is in the MTP development cycle. He noted that 2020 was being used as the base year, and that next time the base year will be 2025. The analysis will look at future travel patterns and populations in the context of only the committed investments known today. He explained that it will set a baseline to understand alternatives analysis in the Spring and it helps illustrate failures in the transportation network.

Bradley Kimbrell asked if the analysis included the completion of 540.

Mr. Lukasina responded that it did. He noted that the region is growing a lot. He added that the latest results of the analysis will be available online and that a preliminary draft is in the agenda package, although some information has been updated since the agenda was published. He laid out the following key dates:

- March/April 2025: Alternatives analysis*
- June 2025: Preferred scenario selection*
- Fall 2025: Fiscal constraint on preferred scenario*
- November 2025: Initial adoption*
- January/February 2026: Final adoption*

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

5.7 Safety Performance Measure Targets 2025

Alex Rickard / CAMPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Safety Target Adoption Resolution](#)
[Safety Performance Measures-2025 Targets Memo-CAMPO-12-18-24](#)

Alex Rickard, MPO Staff, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard explained the safety target requirements and the two options available to CAMPO, namely CAMPO either agreeing to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of the NCDOT HSIP target or developing their own quantifiable targets with a methodology consistent with federal reporting requirements. He recommended that, for now, CAMPO follow NCDOT's five targets:

- 1. Reduce total fatalities by 30.40 percent from 1,585.2 to 1,103.3 by December 31, 2025*
- 2. Reduce the fatality rate by 31.63 percent from 1.353 to 0.925 by December 31, 2025*
- 3. Reduce total serious injuries by 38.80 percent from 5,236.8 to 3,204.8 by December 31, 2025*
- 4. Reduce the serious injury rate by 40.12 percent from 4.467 to 2.675 by December 31, 2025*
- 5. Reduce total non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries by 39.01 percent from 712.6 to 434.6 by December 31, 2025*

Mr. Rickard added that, once the safety plan has been completed, CAMPO can revisit these targets. He noted that CAMPO has concerns with NCDOT's approach, which is why staff is recommending that CAMPO revisit these targets and discuss them with its members once it has more information from the study. Mr. Rickard stated that NCDOT set its targets in August and that CAMPO has until February 28, 2025, to develop its own safety performance targets or adopt those established by NCDOT. He announced that the public comment period begins on January 20, 2025, and that the Executive Board is expected to take action on the matter at their February 19, 2025, meeting.

Bradley Kimbrel noted the aggressiveness of NCDOT's targets and asked where information on the means to achieve those goals can be found.

Mr. Rickard responded that additional information will be included in the February 6, 2025, meeting agenda.

Chris Garcia expressed his support for adopting targets that are more tailored to our area.

Mr. Rickard clarified that, even if CAMPO develops its own quantifiable targets and methodology, the performance measures will still be the same. CAMPO is looking to revise the aggressiveness of the NCDOT targets so that they are more realistic.

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: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[2025 Projected Operating Budget Q1](#)

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: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[2025 Member Shares Projection Q1](#)

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.

Attachments: [January Project Updates](#)
[Division 6, Project Report - CAMPO January 2025](#)

There were no 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: [TCC Public Engagement Updates January 2024](#)

There were no questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

8. Informational Item: Staff Reports*MPO Report:*

Chris Lukasina reported that the MOU has been adopted by all local members and is being transmitted to the State for execution. Signed copies will be provided to all CAMPO members in a couple of months.

He emphasized the importance of members helping the CAMPO keep its member information up to date, especially for Executive Board members and new appointees. He reminded everyone that new Executive Board appointees are required to file with the State Ethics Commission immediately upon their official appointment, and that all Executive Board members are required to file annually by April 15th. He noted a situation where the State Ethics Commission issued a letter of delinquency to a member due to their agency notifying CAMPO two months after the member's appointment.

He reported that the MTP is underway, and that CAMPO staff will be coordinating review of the Deficiency and Needs Analysis and the Alternatives Analysis. He noted that there will be subsequent meetings for the other phases in the MTP development and directed the members to contact the planners if they have any questions on the process.

Mr. Lukasina announced that the Wake County Insights Survey is now open. He noted that it will help Wake County better tailor their services to the community.

Mr. Lukasina noted that the Regional Safety Action Plan (Blueprint for Safety) Technical Advisory Team will be meeting January-February to review next steps. He highlighted the importance and the cost of the project and encouraged everyone to participate.

He reported that CAMPO will be conducting two MTP training sessions on January 22, 2025. The first one will be a MTP 101 session and the second one will be on alternatives analysis.

NCDOT Transportation Planning Division:

No report.

NCDOT Division 4:

No report.

NCDOT Division 5:

No report.

NCDOT Division 6:

No report.

NCDOT Division 8:

No report.

NCDOT Rail Division:

Neil Perry reported that his work group will be visiting all MPOs and RPOs to start project development discussions for STIP projects and advised that the meetings are being planned for early February to May.

NC Turnpike Authority:

Alan Shapiro provided an update on the 540 project and noted the following:

- With the opening of the Old Stage and Bells Lake interchanges in November, all Phase 1 areas are now accessible to the public.*
- They are working on completion of the Y-lines.*
- Phase 2 pre-construction started in December with clearing of the area around the future White Oak interchange.*

NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division:

No report.

TCC Members:

No further reports.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Deans adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

<i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i>	<i>January 15, 2025</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>4:00 - 6:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	
<i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i>	<i>February 6, 2025</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>10:00 a.m. - noon</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	