

CAMPO Projects and Programs Funding Update Requested Actions

October 2021 TCC and Executive Board Cycle

1) Recommend approval of outstanding LAPP projects request to move forward after the FFY2021

authorization deadline: Towards the end of FFY2020, the CAMPO Executive Board extended a preexisting deadline that required all Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP) projects to receive their funding authorization by September 30, 2021. Projects unable to reach the specified deadline are required to request explicit permission from the CAMPO Executive Board for the federal funding to remain on the project. Project sponsors are eligible to make this request only when projects have completed all the required deliverables to request funding authorization for the next phase. There are currently three projects that have missed the September 30, 2021 deadline, but are ready to request funding authorization at this time. These projects are outlined below.

C-5604OF City of Raleigh Blue Ridge Road Bike/Ped Improvements

LAPP Year: FFY 2019 Phase Requesting: Construction Federal Funding: \$3,472,150

The City of Raleigh's Blue Ridge Road Bike/Ped Improvements Project (C-5604OF) includes Right Of Way and Construction funding for bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Blue Ridge Road including a new multi-use-path bridge over Wade Avenue and the state's first Protected Intersection at the Reedy Creek intersection. The Project was scheduled for a September 30, 2021 Construction Authorization Deadline. Due to multiple rounds of Signal Plans resubmittals, additional traffic analysis, and new site development in the area, the preliminary 100% PS&E package was not submitted for review until June 22, 2021 and comments were received 9 weeks later in late August. All comments have been addressed and the revised 100% PS&E package was resubmitted in late September 2021. The majority of the documentation has already been approved such as the Right of Way Certification, Utility and Railroad Certification, and approved portions of the construction plans including Landscape, Hydraulics, Signals, Signing, Structures, and Traffic Control. All that remains is a final continuity review from NCDOT Division of the revised Engineer's Estimate, Project Manual, and Full Plan Set prior to Final Approval. All documentation is expected to be completed and ready for Construction Authorization by the end of October 2021.

EB-6021 Town of Apex Beaver Creek Greenway Extension

LAPP Year: FFY 2020 Phase Requesting: Construction Federal Funding: \$1,052,881

The Town of Apex requests CAMPO Executive Board approval to move forward with a request for construction authorization for our Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP) project EB-6021 Beaver Creek Greenway. The project would complete an approximately 1-mile section of this greenway corridor that will ultimately extend from NC 55 to the American Tobacco Trail, a critical component of the bicycle and pedestrian network in Apex and the highest-priority in the Town's adopted Comprehensive Bicycle Plan. EB-6021 is a FY2020 LAPP project, construction authorization was initially anticipated in September 2020. The LAPP agreement was approved in August 2019. The project timeline was delayed due to difficulty in obtaining temporary construction and permanent easements along with a Letter of No Objection from Cardinal Pipeline. These have all been obtained at this time. Those delays required

additional re-reviews of CE Documents, Plans, Specifications, Cost Estimate and Bid Documents due to approvals being more than 6 months old and required updates to reflect changes in specifications per NCDOT updates and additional comments. There are no substantial issues with this project and the Town is ready to bid for construction upon notification by NCDOT.

TG-6812 GoApex Route 1 Bus Stop Improvements

LAPP Year: FFY 2021 Phase Requesting: Construction Federal Funding: \$427,000

The Town of Apex requests CAMPO Executive Board approval to move forward with a request for construction authorization for our Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP) project TM-0026 GoApex Bus Stops. The project consists of constructing 39 bus stops and pedestrian-to-transit connections along GoApex Route 1, the Town's first local fixed-route bus service. TM-0026 is a FY2021 LAPP project, construction authorization was initially anticipated in September 2021, so the project is approximately two months behind schedule. The LAPP agreement was approved in March 2021. While the Town and NCDOT were able to proceed with location and plan approval to keep the project on track due to a municipal agreement with NCDOT for advance review; right of way certification was required to wait until the LAPP agreement was in place. Given the procedural requirements for each phase of the process to wait on approval of a prior phase and additional re-reviews of plans due to changes in some bus stop locations and additional comments, the project overall was slightly delayed. There are no substantial issues with this project, which also leverages the Wake Transit Community Funding Area Program.

2) Recommend extension of FFY2021 authorization deadline for delayed CMAQ projects to the end of FFY2022: During the FFY2020 and FFY2021 LAPP call for projects, CAMPO designated Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding to six projects, as is common during the LAPP funding cycle. Due to uncertainty caused by the rescission scheduled for the end of FFY2019 and the NCDOT revenue concerns exacerbated by COVID-19, the NCDOT CMAQ Unit did not hold a call for projects in either FFY2020 or FYF2021. The FFY2020 and FFY2021 CAMPO-designated CMAQ projects have been unable to move forward because these calls for projects were cancelled. As a result, the six CMAQ projects will miss the September 30, 2021 deadline set in place by the CAMPO Executive Board without being able to officially start. The CMAQ Unit has since hosted a call for projects, and the FFY2020 and FFY2021 LAPP projects have been accepted. To adjust for these delays that were 100% outside the control of the managing agencies, CAMPO Staff is recommending extending the September 30, 2021 deadline for one year, to September 30, 2022. The specific projects impacted by this recommendation are shown in the table below:

Project	FFY	Jurisdiction	Phase	Approved LAPP Funding
Judd & South Main Intersection Improvements	2020	Fuquay-Varina	PE, ROW, Construction	\$494,610
Hwy 55 and NE Judd Parkway Intersection Improvements	2020	Fuquay-Varina	PE, ROW, Construction	\$1,516,106
Crabtree Creek Greenway- Bond to High House	2020	Cary	PE, CON	\$1,320,000
Jones Street Sidewalk	2020	Fuquay-Varina	PE, ROW, Construction	\$725,040
Crabtree Creek Greenway Connector	2020	Cary	CON	\$2,260,000
3 Sidewalk Connections to GoCary Transit Service	2021	GoCary	PE, ROW, Construction	\$1,020,534

3) Recommend removing delayed CMAQ projects from submittal reductions for FFY2023 LAPP call for projects: This requested action pertains to the projects shown in the table above. The LAPP program has a policy during the call for projects that limits the number of submittals an applicant has by the number of delayed projects the applicant has outstanding. For the FFY2023 call for projects, applicants will lose a submittal from each mode of transportation by the number of outstanding projects the jurisdiction has. This rule is in place to help manage the number of projects LAPP has outstanding. The policy is not in place to serve as a form of punishment, rather to control for jurisdictions overextending their capacity and resources managing a multitude of LAPP projects at one time. For the FFY2022 call for projects, the CAMPO Executive Board chose to waive the outstanding CMAQ projects listed above from the submittal reduction policy for the impacted applicants. This year, the applicants impacted by the delayed CMAQ projects are in the same situation and are requesting the policy waive the outstanding CMAQ projects for the FFY2023 call for projects.