

**NC Capital Area Metropolitan
Planning Organization
Meeting Minutes - Final
Executive Board**

1 Fenton Main St.
Suite 201
Cary NC 27511

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

4:00 PM

Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: 19 - Teresa Bruton, Porter Casey, Corey Branch, TJ Cawley, Ronnie Currin, Chair Vivian Jones, Vice Chair RS "Butch" Lawter, Susan Evans, Deans Eatman, Stephen Morgan, Chris Coats, Chris Deshazor, Elmo Vance, John Allers, Neil McPhail, Glenn York, Jacques Gilbert, Sheveil Harmon, and Russ May

Absent: 14 - Grady Hunt, Blake Massengill, Lewis Weatherspoon, Harold Weinbrecht, Montell Irvin, Scott Brame, Patrick Hannah, Katie Kenlan, Yolanda Jordan, Harry Foy, Terry Turner, Melvin Mitchell, Valerie Jordan, and Catherine Knudson

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3. Ethics Statement:

Vice Chair Butch Lawter read the ethics statement.

There were no conflicts.

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Minutes - Mar 20, 2024 Executive Board Meeting

Requested Action: Approve the March 20, 2024 minutes

Attachments: [March Minutes](#)

**5.2 Mobility Management Program Memorandum of Understanding
Crystal Odum, MPO Staff**

Requested Action: Authorize the Executive Director to sign and execute the final MMP

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[CAMPO Region Mobility Management Implementation Final Report
June 2023F](#)
[Final Mobility Management Program Memorandum of Understanding
20240326](#)
[Mobility Coordination Committee -Final Bylaws-20240325](#)

5.3 FAST 2.0 Study Funding Agreement

Shelby Powell, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Authorize the Executive Director to sign the FAST 2.0 Funding Agreement with NCDOT to contribute \$50,000 toward the study effort, as per the FY 2024 UPWP.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[FAST 2.0 Scope FINAL-NCDOT](#)
[FAST-Study-2-CAMPO-Funding-Contribution](#)

End of Consent Agenda

TJ Cawley motioned to approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

Glenn York seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

6. Regular Agenda

6.1 Southeast Area Study Update - Final Phase

Gaby Lawlor, CAMPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[SEAS Final Report December 2023](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard explained why area studies are completed, stating that it creates an opportunity to explore, in depth, the details and changes that are going on in transportation throughout the MPO, and get feedback from the communities. He noted that this is not only a transportation project, but it is also a land use study opportunity to study land use scenarios within the MPO.

Mr. Rickard briefly discussed the guiding principles for each study. He stated that the studies are usually very similar but they've noticed that the emphasis/priorities greatly changes as you move across the region.

He noted that the project started in March of 2022, the baseline conditions analysis and recommendations development steps have been completed. He stated that now they are getting to the final phase of the project which is endorsements.

Mr. Rickard discussed the action plan which focuses on the prioritization process. He noted that CAMPO is working towards a more holistic approach for prioritization.

Mr. Rickard informed the Board that the recommendations presented would form the CAMPO 2055 MTP and that they can also be incorporated into the UCPRPO area's CTP.

He noted that this is the opportunity for the local governments to give sign offs on the transportation projects, and also they are hoping that the land use recommendations to be incorporated into their local plans.

Chair Vivian Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

Vice Chair Butch Lawter asked if comments could still be provided within their endorsement.

Mr. Rickard answered yes, all feedback is welcome.

Stephen Morgan asked was there any future changes anticipated for safety in the prioritization process.

Mr. Rickard responded yes, they are looking at a new prioritization process that will take economic development, freight, safety, equity, environment and other metrics more into account. He noted that the beauty in this system is that the users decide the emphasis to place on each metric measured.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

6.2 Amendment #4 to FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Chandler Hagen / MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[TIP Amendment 4 CAMPO](#)

Chandler Hagen, CAMPO, presented this item.

Ms. Hagen provided an overview of the changes made from January 1-March 31, 2024.

She noted that two statewide projects, HV-0001 and ER-5600, would be accelerating along with the FFY 25 LAPP projects.

Chair Vivian Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

There were none.

This item was received as information only.

6.3 NC 540 (R-2829) Bonus Allocation Programming

Alex Rickard/MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO Bonus Allocation Methodology](#)
[BA MTP Candidates MapTable](#)
[BA Recommendations](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard reminded the Board that the Strategic Transportation Investment (STI) law provides Bonus Allocation funding for local funding participation, highway tolling, and programming limitations. He explained that these funds needed to be used to fund programs not likely going to be covered within the SPOT and that today's discussion would be on the draft recommendation for programming.

He discussed the methodology for the 540 (R-2829) Bonus Allocation Project. He provided a breakdown of the four phases of analysis for candidate project prioritization.

Mr. Rickard explained that when bonus allocation funding is received, there are limitations on how you can use the funds. The funds must also be obligated within 5 yrs.

He discussed the breakdown of the 2 rounds in which included R-2721 & R-2828; and also R-2823, noting that 17 projects were eliminated because they were located in Johnston County and not Wake County. He also noted that 11 projects were eliminated due to timeline constraints.

Mr. Rickard stated that this item is posted online for public comment and review, and that a public hearing will be conducted in May. He stated that if the Board is not ready to make a decision in May, it can be delayed until June. The hope is to have TIP Amendment #5 in June, posted over the Summer for public comment and approved in August. This would make these funds available to the Department in August.

Chair Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

Corey Branch commented that he believes the bridge for Knightdale and Raleigh would be very beneficial.

Stephen Morgan asked what does it mean when its stated that a project is obligated?

Brandon Jones answered that it means that the project is going to construction.

Mr. Morgan asked would the design build team have a problem completing the project due to funding.

Mr. Rickard responded that he doesn't believe that would be a problem with any of the projects.

There were no further questions and/or comments.

This item was received as information only.

6.4 CAMPO Memorandum of Understanding

Chris Lukasina, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Recommend approval of the updated MOU for local adoption by all MPO members.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO MOU Updates](#)

Chris Lukasina, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Lukasina provided an overview of updates made to the updated CAMPO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). He stated that the MOU update would include the MPO boundary changes which includes Chatham County, Town of Coats, and the Town of Lillington as official voting members.

He noted that the MOU updates also included updating transit agency names, updated federal regulations and also recognize weighted voting schedule update process.

Mr. Lukasina informed the Board that if the MOU is approved today, it would be sent to local member jurisdictions for execution and adoption.

Chair Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

There were none.

Corey Branch motioned to approve the updated MOU for local adoption by all MPO members.

Ronnie Currin seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

7. Informational Item: Budget

This item was received as information only.

7.1 Operating Budget FY2024

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Received as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[2024 Operating Budget Projection Q3](#)

7.2 Member's Shares FY2024

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Received as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[2024 Projected Member's Dues Q3](#)

8. Informational Item: Project Updates

This item was received as information only.

8.1 Project Updates - April 2024

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [April Project Updates](#)

8.2 Public Engagement Updates

Bonnie Parker, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Ex Board Public Engagement Updates 2024_04_10](#)

9. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Director:

Mr. Lukasina stated that a few CAMPO personnel are currently at the NC AMPO conference. He stated that Timothy Shortley and Gerald Daniel presented on the Roadway Prioritization Tool, and Kenneth Withrow presented on the engagement process and activities related to the US 401 Corridor Study.

He informed the Board that the next Joint MPO Board with DCHC will be held on May 31st. It will be at 9am and held at Central Pines Regional Council.

Mr. Lukasina reminded members to sign in for attendance.

NCDOT Division 5:

Brandon Jones stated that both tonight and tomorrow night:

I-40W to NC 42 will be closed at 10pm -5am.

I-40E median lane will be closed, along with intermittent multiple slow rolls that would last 30mins to allow the ability to move 2 cranes from the outside shoulder of I-40E to the outside shoulder of I-40W. Mr. Jones stated that a detour will be in place for the I-40W traffic, which would be to take NC 42E to US 70W back to I-40W.

He stated that as part of the Complete 540 Project; NC 55 Bypass at NC 540; the loop on ramp from the North bound NC 55 bypass to NC 540W is scheduled to temporary close to traffic overnight, on or around the nights of April 18-May 10th. The loop on ramp will close intermittently each night 9pm - 5am. There will be detours in place for that traffic as well.

Mr. Jones stated that to complete the NC 42 conversion diamond, the closure of NC 42 over the weekends have been scheduled to start this weekend IF the weather warrants. He stated that Cleveland School Road will be opened during closures to handle that traffic.

Vice Chair Butch Lawter commented that though they couldn't get approved for additional funding, he appreciates the work completed in Johnston County.

Porter Casey asked does Goggle Maps annotate the closures and detours.

Mr. Jones responded that they typically work with Ways, Google & Apple Maps with this. He stated that he isn't sure if they would pick up the intermittent closures.

Corey Branch commented on the concern about cleanliness along highways, and asked how often is litter pick up completed and the process in which it is completed.

Mr. Jones responded that litter is picked up in 5 different ways, contracted litter crews that are hired by NCDOT, "Sponsor a Highway" in which the sponsor pays a contractor for cycled pickups; "Adopt a Highway" Program, in which volunteers pickup 4 times per year; NCDOT crews who devote to picking up litter, which are not used as much as in the past. He noted that they try to pick up twice per month, and coordinate this with mowers during mowing system.

Deans Eatman commented that it was helpful that details of the closures were emailed to him after the last meeting. He asked if it was possible to send this information to local town managers and elective officials so that they could get the information to residents.

Mr. Jones responded that they do send out to media for announcement, but he would look into this because he agrees that it would be beneficial to do so.

Chair Vivian Jones agreed.

Vice Chair Butch Lawter suggested sending to Counties as well.

Chair Vivian Jones expressed that she was proud to see golfer Akshay Bhatia playing in the Masters this weekend. She stated that he is from Wake Forest, and that at the age of 17, Akshay graduated from High School and went straight to the Pros. She stated that it has been a pleasure watching his career advance over the years.

10. Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings/Events

<i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i>	<i>May 2, 2024</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>10:00am - 12:00pm</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	

<i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i>	<i>May 15, 2024</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>4:00pm - 6:00pm</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	