

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

1 Fenton Main St.
Suite 201
Cary NC 27511

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

3:00 PM

Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Butch Lawter, Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

(Clerk's Note: Board Member Don Mial was present in a non-voting capacity as additional agency representatives present, and Board Member John Adcock was present as an ex-officio, non-voting member.)

*****EIGHTEEN voting members were present.*****

- Present:** 20 - Darryl Moss, Jonathan Lambert-Melton, Katie Kenlan, Russ May, Butch Lawter Jr., Susan Evans, Don Mial, Teresa Bruton, Harold Weinbrecht, Porter Casey, John Allers, Elmo Vance, Mike Kondratick, Neil McPhail, TJ Cawley, Ben C. Clapsaddle, Deans Eatman, Jessica Harrison, John Adcock, and BJ Ayscue
- Absent:** 14 - Logan Davis, Duncan "Eddie" Jagggers, Bob Jusnes, Jacques Gilbert, Chris Coats, William (Bill) H. Harris, Stephen Morgan, Ronnie Currin, Yolanda Jordan, Patrick Hannah, Melvin Mitchell, Valerie Jordan, Ralph Huff, and Lisa Mathis

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

There were no adjustments to the Agenda.

3. Ethics Statement:

Vice Chair TJ Cawley read the required Ethics Statement.

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. Consent Agenda

Board Member John Allers motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Board Member Susan Evans seconded the motion. The motion carried 18-0.

5.1 **Minutes - March 18, 2026**
Susan Owens, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Approve the Executive Board Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2026

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Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Minutes - March 18, 2026](#)

This item was approved 18-0 as part of the Consent Agenda.

5.2 **FY 2026 UPWP - Amendment #2**
Shelby Powell, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Adopt Amendment #2 to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[FY 2026 UPWP - Amendment #2](#)
[Resolution of Adoption](#)

This item was approved 18-0 as part of the Consent Agenda.

End of Consent Agenda

6. Regular Agenda

6.1 **Triangle Transportation Choices/Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program Update**

Evan Koff, MPO Staff; Jenna Kolling, CPRC Staff; Shuchi Gupta, CPRC Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[FY25 TDM Program Impact Report - Executive Summary](#)
[FY25 TDM Program Impact Report](#)

Mr. Koff introduced Jenna Kolling, CPRC Staff.

Ms. Kolling provided an overview of the Triangle Transportation Choices Program and its FY 2025 Annual Impact Report, including FY 2025 funding and grant recipients, FY 2025 grant recipients in the CAMPO region, outreach events and efforts, annual impact calculations, Program-wide impacts, FY15-25 VMT reductions, the Fall 2025 Student Travel Survey results, and TDM influences on student travel choices.

This item was received as information only.

6.2 NC 540 (R-2829) Bonus Allocation Programming Update

Alex Rickard, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)
[R-2829 Bonus Allocation Letter](#)

Mr. Rickard provided an overview of the Strategic Transportation Investments law (STI) and the \$100 million bonus allocation received for the tolling of NC 540 (R-2829), noting that the funds must be allocated by June 30, 2029. He commented that there are different caps on spending for the different tiers and that our maximum for division needs is \$33.8 million. The bonus allocation must be spent on the same area tolled. He spoke regarding the selection process and the 16 projects selected. Since last presented, Staff has worked with NCDOT Division 5 to go through each project on the original candidate list and identify their actual scopes and determine updated costs. He highlighted several projects and summarized them and provided further details on the recommendations. The recommended projects are planned to be included in Amendment #3 to the FY26-35 TIP, which is the next item on the Agenda. A public hearing will be held in May 2026.

Chair Butch Lawter commented that, although these funds cannot be used in Johnston County, he likes the fact that many of the projects will still benefit Johnston County.

Responding to Board Member Darryl Moss's question regarding how the NC 50 project relates, Mr. Rickard stated that the project relates to the Timber Drive to NC 540 section of NC 50, not the northern Wake County portion of NC 50.

In response to Board Member Susan Evans' inquiry regarding the area south of Ten-Ten Road, Mr. Rickard provided a summary of the project area, noting that it includes widening a section to four lanes. It will not improve all of Benson Road, just the choke points. Eventually the rest of the corridor will become more competitive in the SPOT process and there are will also be future opportunities for private development. This project includes the most expensive parts of the improvements.

Responding to Board Member Deans Eatman's question regarding the inclusion of pedestrian access on the Poole Road Bridge, Mr. Rickard stated that the greenway bridge is north of the existing bridge. The road bridge would include sidewalks on the south side of the bridge. The project will create a sidewalk gap to Barwell Road; however, right-of-way acquisition costs blow the budget and we can't afford it. He noted that there will be crosswalks at Barwell and Poole Roads and other options for people to cross. In the long-term, there will be other opportunities to continue the work as additional properties are developed.

This item was received as information only.

6.3 Amendment #3 to FY 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Alex Rickard, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)[TIP Amendment #3](#)

Mr. Rickard provided an overview the quarterly TIP amendment, noting that it includes the NCDOT STIP changes made from January-March 2026 and LAPP, transit, and RDU adjustments. He provided the following updates and noted that the public hearing will be held in May 2026:

- I-5966 had a \$20 million increase due to right-of-way and construction costs.
- AO-0004 is the new RDU project for a partial interchange at Aviation Boulevard and National Guard Drive, meant to reduce delays at the intersection. It will be 100% funded by RDU, but they may also seek federal grant funding for it.
- BL-172 is a FY 2026 LAPP project in the Town of Cary that is not able to proceed and is being removed at the request of the Town.
- HL-0169 is a FY 2026 road project previously identified as W-5805E. This was just an administrative change in project identification number.
- TD-5314 is a GoTriangle Park & Ride project funded by Wake Transit. The funds are being reallocated to other GoTriangle project costs, and the Project needs to be removed from the TIP.

This item was received as information only.

6.4 Wake Transit Conference Committee Update

Ben Howell, CAMPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as Information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)

Mr. Howell provided an overview of the February 23, 2026, Conference Committee meeting and the decision to allocate \$0 of vehicle rental tax (VRT) revenues in the FY27 Wake Transit Work Plan and notate that the financial assumptions for FY28 and beyond are "TBD" for future VRT allocations. He then provided a summary of the March 26, 2026, Committee meeting where GoTriangle presented financial outlook/long-term budget projections, information on how their bus services compare in the Triangle, and options for long-term resolution and analysis of tradeoffs. He noted that CAMPO Staff provided information on the impacts to the Wake Transit Financial Model resulting from the removal of VRT revenue and examples of what that VRT revenue could buy. Wake County Staff presented an option for Wake Transit to continue receiving VRT revenue, but fund additional GoTriangle projects equaling the VRT revenue in cost; however, there seemed to be no interest in that option. He stated that the meeting went well and that the Committee members all commented that the meeting was one of the best held to date. The next Committee meeting will be on May 19, 2026, where a long-term VRT decision will be discussed and potentially voted on.

Chair Butch Lawter commented that the last Committee meeting was the best so far.

Deans Eatman commented that he learned a lot at the meeting.

Chair Lawter noted that there was a desire from all to bring the matter to a conclusion, sooner rather than later. He recognized Brian Smith's leadership at GoTriangle and stated that it meant a lot to the discussion.

This item was received as information only.

7. Informational Item: Budget**7.1 Operating Budget, FY2026**

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)
[2026 Projection Operating Budget Q2](#)

This item was received as information only.

7.2 Member's Shares, FY2026

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)
[FY2026 Projection Member's Dues](#)

This item was received as information only.

8. Informational Item: Project Updates

8.1 Project Updates

Requested Action: Receive as information

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Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[CAMPO Project Updates - April 2026](#)

[NCDOT Div. 6 Project Report - April 2026](#)

This item was received as information only.

8.2 Public Engagement Updates

Bonnie Parker, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Public Engagement Updates - April 2026](#)

This item was received as information only.

9. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Report:

Chris Lukasina reported the following:

- *The LAPP Project Manager training was this week, and it was well attended.*
- *The Safe Streets for All grant funding opportunity is still open and the NOFO is online. Please contact Staff with any questions.*
- *Kudos to the Board for getting all of their ethics filings completed a week early.*
- *One-on-one meetings with new Board Members have begun and are scheduled through July 2026. Some good project ideas came out of the City of Creedmoor meeting a couple of weeks ago. If any other Members would also like to meet, let us know.*
- *The NCAMPO Conference is on May 6-8, 2026, in Asheville. We have several Staff members that will be giving presentations. If anyone would like additional information, they can contact me.*

TCC Chair:

No report provided.

NCDOT Transportation Planning Division:

No report provided.

NCDOT Division 4:

No report provided.

NCDOT Division 5:

TCC Member Becca Gallas reported the following:

- *I-440:*
 - o *Ligon Street has reopened.*
 - o *Western Boulevard is getting concrete work done, and traffic patterns will be shifting. The multi-use path work has started.*
- *Blue Ridge Road: The rail grade separation work has concluded, and that portion of the Project is being turned over to the railroad contractor who will be working on Blue Ridge Road to change the travel alignment from the temporary to the permanent bridge.*
- *Capital Boulevard:*
 - o *Right-of-way acquisition work will continue over the next months.*
 - o *Coordination of utilities and Geotech work is still moving forward. There will be some survey work along the corridor. The Division is continuing to coordinate with the Town of Wake Forest.*
- *US 1-I40/440: Firms have been short listed for design build work scheduled to begin in the Fall.*

- *US 401/Ligon Mill Road/Mitchell Mill Road/Perry Creek Road: The Division has negotiated with the Contractor to accelerate completion of the Project to July 2026.*

NCDOT Division 6:

The Division noted that its Report was included in the Agenda.

NCDOT Division 8:

No report provided.

NCDOT Rail Division:

No report provided.

NC Turnpike Authority:

TCC Member Ron McCollum reported the following:

- *He introduced Cameron Richards, the new Eastern Deputy Chief Engineer.*
- *I-87: Nightly lane closures will begin at the end of the month.*
- *US 70: Nightly lane closures will start on April 20, 2026.*

NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division:

No report provided.

NCBOT:

No reports provided.

Executive Board Members:

No reports provided.

10. Adjournment

Chair Butch Lawter, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

