

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

September 8, 2010
TAC: 3:00PM

Wilson Operations Center
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RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions – Tommy Rogers – TAC Chair

Action Items

2. Minutes - July 14, 2010
3. Wilson Mill's CMAQ Resolution

Old Business

4. Special Study Update

New Business

1. Project Request /SPOT Website
2. RPO Performance Evaluation
3. Other Business/TAC Member Comments

Reports

4. NCARPO July Meeting
5. UCPRPO CTP's Update
6. NCDOT Division 4
7. NCDOT Planning Branch

Dates of future meetings:

November 10, 2010 January 12, 2011 March 9, 2011 May 11, 2011

Attachments:

1. Minutes of the July 14, 2010 TAC meeting
2. CMAQ Resolution

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July 14, 2010

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

Attendance

TAC

A.P. Coleman, City of Wilson
Billy Morgan, Nash County
Doug Oglesby, Town of Benson
Gus Tulloss, NCDOT Board
Jim Alford, Town of Tarboro
Ray Woodall, Johnston County
Ron McCormick, Town of Saratoga

Tommy Hawkins, Town of Saratoga
Vines Cobb, Jr., Town of Pinetops

UCPRPO

Daniel N. Van Liere

General Information Meeting was held prior to TAC meeting.

1. Welcome and Introductions

TAC Chairman Tommy Rodgers welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that everyone introduce themselves as the group consisted of both TCC and TAC members. After introductions an invocation was given by Mr. A.P. Coleman and the attendees were invited to help themselves to the lunch that was provided.

Old Business

2. Special Study

Mr. Van Liere gave a brief update on the UCPRPO Economic Development website. He stated that the site was now live and that the RPO would be contacting the counties and Economic Development groups in the next few months to find out if the site is useful and what can be changed to make it more so.

3. Review of PWP/Five Year Calendar

Mr. Van Liere reminded the attendees that as of July 1st the RPO was in the new fiscal year and would be operating under the 2010-11 PWP that had been approved by both the TCC and TAC.

New Business

4. Upper Coastal Plain RPO Direction

Mr. Van Liere stated that this was the beginning of the third full year with the RPO housed at Nash County and second with him as coordinator. He stated that he felt the RPO was moving in the right direction but wanted to provide an opportunity for the RPO members, both TCC and TAC to weigh in on how the RPO is progressing and provide comments on how to improve participation and performance.

It was stated that a new data base would be developed as a partnership between the RPO and Division 4 to keep the counties and the municipalities aware of what projects are occurring in their area.

Conversation also stated that a transportation assistance list should be developed and distributed to the members as a way for the members to know what services are offered by the RPO

The statement was made that the RPO should make sure that it is involved in as many funding programs as possible, the example presented was CMAQ.

5. Other Business

None stated

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6. Johnston, Nash, and Wilson County CTP

Mr. Van Liere stated that all CTPs were still moving forward and Bike and Ped plans were still in process to be included within the Nash and Wilson County's CTPs documents.

7. Division 4/ Transportation Planning Branch

Bobby Lewis and NCDOT Board member Gus Tulloss commented on the Mobility fund Legislation that had been recently passed which provides \$30million additional funds to be used for transportation within North Carolina. It was emphasized that this money exists outside of the equity funds that are distributed throughout the state. The \$30 million that had been secured would be used for the Yadkin River Bridge.

TPB member was not present

8. TAC Meeting

Mr. Tommy Rodgers, called the meeting to order at 1:15 PM

Action Items

9. Approval of Minutes

UPON A MOTION by Councilman Coleman (City of Wilson), second by Councilman Alford (Town of Tarboro), the minutes from the UCPRPO TAC meeting held on May 12, 2010 were unanimously approved.

10. Upcoming Meetings

Next meeting will be held on November 10, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Tommy Rodgers, TAC Chair

Daniel Van Liere, UCPRPO Transportation Planner

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RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE WILSON MILL'S HIGHWAY 70 CMAQ PROJECT PROPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA) (Public Law 109-59, August 10, 2005) continues the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) (23 U.S.C §149); and

WHEREAS, CMAQ is a Federal program that funds transportation projects and programs in air quality nonattainment and maintenance areas to help achieve and maintain national standards for pollutants; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) administers the CMAQ program on behalf of non-attainment and maintenance areas within North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, The Upper Coastal Plain RPO has administered a CMAQ project selection process among local area jurisdictions in air quality non-attainment and maintenance counties; and

WHEREAS, The Wilson Mill's Highway 70 project proposal meets the requirement of CMAQ and the guidelines established by NCDOT to administer the program;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Upper Coastal Plain Rural Transportation Planning Organization endorses the proposed CMAQ project submitted by NCDOT Division 4 here on this, the 8th day of September, 2010.

Tommy Rodgers, Chair
Rural Transportation Advisory Committee

Daniel N. Van Liere, Secretary
Rural Transportation Advisory Committee