

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

January 15, 2020

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

Attendance

TAC

C.B. Brown, Tarboro
Miranda Boykin, Sims
Cheryl Oliver, Selma
Oscar Mabry, Pinetops
Derrick Creech, City of Wilson
Ted Godwin, Johnston
Lu Harvey Lewis, Middlesex
Brenda Lucas, Spring Hope
Andy Moore, Smithfield
Jerry Medlin, Benson

NCDOT

Kevin Bowen, NCDOT Division 4
Carlos Moya, TPD
Jimmy Eatmon, Division 4

UCPRPO

James Salmons

Other

Neil Davis, JCATS

Introduction

1. *Welcome & Introductions – Lu Harvey Lewis – TAC Chair*
TAC Vice Chair Mr. Lu Harvey Lewis (Middlesex) called the meeting to order. Mr. Brown welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. Mr. Lu Harvey Lewis asked if any members have a conflict of interest on any of the items on the agenda. In reference to item 11-Request for Letter of Support for 5310 Funding for Johnston County Industries, Ms. Cheryl Oliver (Selma) stated that she served the Johnston County Industries board but does not make any money for serving.
3. *Minutes – September 18, 2019*
After reviewing the Minutes for the September 18, 2019 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by C. B. Brown (Tarboro), second by Oscar Mabry (Pinetops) they were unanimously approved.

Presentation

4. *NC MOVES 2050 Plan Update*
A brief power point presentation on the next steps in the ongoing NC MOVES 2050 Plan. The presentation provided plan updates, future needs, and how to get engaged in the plan. The plan is currently in the 3rd survey period. All members were encouraged to provide their input at <http://ncmoves.gov>. For more information on previous survey results and fact sheets generated from previous surveys on the plan website.

Discussion

5. *Review current Draft STI P6 Projects List*
Members were provided with the most current Draft list of proposed STI P6 projects. The deadline to submit projects is May 1, 2020. Members were asked to carefully review the list and to let staff know if there were any projects within their areas that needed to be added or omitted. The list included all modes of transportation. It is anticipated that the TAC would be asked to adopt the final list at their next scheduled meeting on March 11, 2020
6. *New STI P6 Calendar*
Members were provided with the most current STI P6 calendar with revised due dates.

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7. *Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) Funding and Training*
A call was made for potential CMAQ project within Edgecombe, Johnston, and Nash Counties. If anyone had any identified potential CMAQ projects, they should contact Mr. Salmons. Members interested were encouraged to attend LAPP training in late February to mid-March provided by CAMPO. It was noted that the CMAQ program is not a grant program but more of a reimbursement program with strict restrictions and reporting guidelines, therefore a CMAQ project must be financed by local communities. It was encouraged local communities work with their local Division 4 District Engineer.
8. *Draft FY 2020-2021 PWP*
Members were provided with the draft Planning Work Program (PWP) for FY 2020-2021 and were asked to review and provide any suggestions or comments. The draft will be presented to TBD for review and comment. The final PWP will be presented to the TAC at their next meeting on March 11, 2020 for adoption.
9. *UCPRPO Crash Data Reports and interactive web map*
Members were provided a brief County by County crash report and review of the interactive web map created by staff at www.ucprpo.org.
10. *FY2019 5339 Discretionary Award Announcement for JCATS Facility*
Mr. Neal Davis expressed his appreciation for all members support for the 5339 Discretionary Award. The funding awarded will help provide JCATS with a much-needed upgraded facilities for both administrative and maintenance.

Action Items

11. *Letter of Support for 5310 Funding for Johnston County Industries*
Johnston County Industries requested a Letter of Support for 5310 funding from NCDOT. After a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Ted Godwin (Johnston), second by C.B. Brown (Tarboro) the Letter of Support for the Johnston County Industries 5310 funding was adopted unanimously.

Reports

12. *US 70 Commission*
13. It was reported the US 70 Commission met in Goldsboro on November 14, 2019. Ms. Marlena Byrne, Deputy Chief Resilience Officer provided a presentation on the newly formed State Resiliency Office and how the State is working towards reducing impacts and mitigating future flooding. In addition, David Key with ESP provided a presentation on Flood Inundation Mapping and Alert Network FIMAN (<http://fiman.nc.gov>). FIMAN is a web-based network system that gathers and distributes reliable and accurate rain and stage gage data. It provides real-time flood inundation maps and alerts with the hope of preventing or reducing loss of lives and property.
14. *Hwy 17/64 Association*
The bypass around Maysville and Pollocksville just south of New Bern is complete. The project is the first 4 lane highway in Jones County and planning began for the project in 1965. It was reported the next Hwy 17/64 meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2020; where is to be determined.
15. *Legislative Update*
There was no legislative activity reported.
16. *NCDOT Division 4*
Mr. Jimmy Eatmon introduced Kevin Bowen as the new Division 4 Engineer. He reported that Division 4 was going to have an Open House "drop in" to solicit input on selecting projects to enter into SPOT P6.0 February 11-13, 2020.

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17. NCDOT Planning Division (TPD)

TPD reported on the NC Moves 2050 statewide transportation plan and how the study needs everyone's input to help guide future transportation needs. To provide input please visit www.ncmoves.gov. He also provided all members with the TPD newsletter with current transportation planning information.

Public Comment

18. Public Comment

There was no public comment

Other Business

19. TAC Member Comment

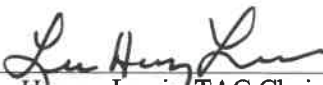
There was TAC member comment

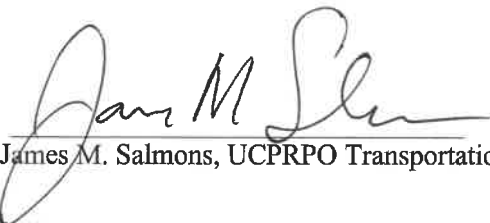
Upcoming meeting:

It was noted that the next meeting was pushed back one week to March 11, 2020.

UPON A MOTION from C.B. Brown (Tarboro) was made to adjourn with a second motion was made by Jerry Medlin (Benson) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Lu Harvey Lewis, TAC Chair


James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner