

# UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

July 18, 2018

## RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

### Attendance

#### TAC

C.B. Brown, Tarboro  
Brent Wooten, Pinetops  
Cheryl Oliver, Selma  
Brenda Lucas, Spring Hope  
Logan Liles, City of Wilson  
Derrick Creech, City of Wilson  
Jerry Medlin, Benson  
Ted Godwin, Johnson County

#### NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT Division 4  
Carlos Moya, TPB  
Craig Midgett, NCDOT  
Ronnie Keeter, NCDOT Division 4

#### UCPRPO

James Salmons

### Introduction

1. *Welcome & Introductions – Brent Wooten – TAC Chair*

TAC Chair Mr. Brent Wooten (Pinetops) called the meeting to order. Mr. Wooten welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

2. Mr. Wooten asked if any members have a conflict of interest on any of the items on the agenda. No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

3. Mr. Wooten asked everyone to review the agenda and requested a motion for approval. **UPON A MOTION** by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), second by Ted Godwin (Johnston) the agenda was approved.

4. *Minutes – May 16, 2018*

After reviewing the Minutes for the May 16, 2018 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), second by Jerry Medlin (Benson) they were unanimously approved.

### Decision Items

5. *Resolution of support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd*

Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), second by Ted Godwin (Johnston), the Resolution of Support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd was unanimously approved.

6. *Resolution of Support for Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant*

Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for the Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Ted Godwin (Johnston), second by Jerry Medlin (Benson), the Resolution of Support for the Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant was unanimously approved.

7. *Resolution of support for East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Grant*

Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for the East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Planning Grant. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Jerry Medlin (Benson), second by Ted Godwin (Johnston), the Resolution of Support for the East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Planning Grant was unanimously approved.

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### 8. *Letter of support for JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant*

Members were provided with the proposed Letter of Support for the JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), second by Logan

Liles (City of Wilson), the Letter of Support for the JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant was unanimously approved.

### 9. *STI P5 Regional Final Point Allocation Adoption*

Members were provided with the computed local data scores for P5 Regional projects and staff's recommendation for the UCPRPO P5 Regional points allocation. It was explained that project H111279 Alt US 70 had been omitted from the TAC ranking in error. Due to its high data score, it was recommended to apply 100 points to project H111279 by taking 100 points from the lower data scoring project H090224-B. In addition, members were informed the Fayetteville MPO offered to provide 15 points to be applied to the rail project R171628 Passenger Rail Service from Wilmington to Raleigh via Selma. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Ted Godwin (Johnston), second by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), the UCPRPO TAC agreed to accept 15 STI P5 Regional points from the Fayetteville MPO for project R171628 Passenger Rail Service from Wilmington to Raleigh via Selma. **UPON A MOTION** by Ted Godwin (Johnston), second by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), the STI P5 Regional Final Points Allocation recommended by staff was unanimously approved.

## Reports

### 1. US 70 Commission

Mr. Salmons encouraged anyone interested in the US 70 corridor in Johnston County should review the feasibility study and provide any comments they may have by July 20, 2018.

([http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/FS-1604A\\_US\\_70\\_Feasibility\\_Study\\_FINAL\\_DRAFT\\_May\\_2018.pdf](http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/FS-1604A_US_70_Feasibility_Study_FINAL_DRAFT_May_2018.pdf)). It was explained that the project(s) would still need to go through NEPA and public review.

### 2. *Hwy 17/64 Association – Next meeting April 18, 2018*

Mr. Salmons stated that at the last Hwy 17/64 Association meeting was held in Williamston. There was an excellent presentation on the impact agriculture has on eastern North Carolina as well as the importance of moving freight throughout eastern North Carolina. The next meeting is scheduled for August. In addition, members were encouraged to attend the Coastal NC Transportation Forum in Greenville, NC on July 24, 2018.

### 3. *Legislative Update*

Mr. Salmons reported BUILD NC has been signed into law.

### 4. *NCDOT Division 4*

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon (Division 4) reported that the deadline to input regional points for STI is July 27, 2018. The next step will be to review projects for divisional points allocation in September-October.

### 5. *NCDOT Planning Division (TPD)*

Mr. Carlos Moya stated there was nothing to report.

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## **Public Comment**

### *1. Public Comment*

There was no public comment

## **Other Business**

### *1. TAC Member Comments*

There were no TAC member comments.

## **Upcoming meeting:**

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 12, 2018.

**UPON A MOTION** from Jerry Medlin (Benson) was made to adjourn with a second motion was made by Mrs. Cheryl Oliver (Selma) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brent Wooten, TAC Chair

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James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner