

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

November 14, 2012

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Agenda

TAC

Billy Morgan, Nash County
Tommy Rogers, Nashville
Vines Cobb, Jr., Pinetops
Kenneth Jones, Wilson's Mills
Ron McCormick, Saratoga

Attendance

NCDOT

Gus Tulloss, NC BOT
John Rouse, Division 4
Saeed Mohamed, NCDOT TPB

UCPRPO

Daniel N. Van Liere

TAC meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions

TAC Chair Kenneth Jones welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Action Items

2. Approval of the Minutes

UPON A MOTION by Tommy Rogers (Nashville), second by Billy Morgan (Nash Co), the minutes from the UCPRPO TAC meeting held on September 12, 2012 were unanimously approved.

3. 2012 – 2013 PWP Revisions

Mr. Van Liere compared the original PWP to the proposed changes and explained that the changes are being made to allow for more funding going to the Eastern Carolina Coalition activities as well as to the NCARPO which he had been elected to serve as President.

UPON A MOTION by Tommy Rogers (Nashville), second by Billy Morgan (Nash Co), the 2012-13 PWP changes were unanimously approved.

Old Business

4. Special Study Update

Mr. Van Liere informed the TCC that work was continuing on the NC Report App and that he and James Salmons would be presenting the app to the City of Rocky Mount on November 28th. The presentation will allow staff to get a better understanding of what the app does and potentially offer it for the public's use in the Rocky Mount MPO area.

5. UCPRPO Review Results

Mr. Van Liere shared with the group the survey results provided by the Transportation Planning Branch. A few comments were made regarding continuing work with Transit agencies. Overall the comments were positive.

6. ENC Coalition Update

Mr. Van Liere stated that the Coalition was still working hard and that they were planning on meeting again January 4th in Goldsboro. They are hoping that this meeting will include legislators from the Eastern NC region as well.

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New Business

7. Ethics Training

Mr. Van Liere shared with the group that he had been informed that the TCC and TAC would now fall under the State Ethics act which would require all TCC and TAC members to take a 2 hour ethics training course as well as submit a financial statement after January 1st. Mr. Van Liere stated that there was some work happening across the state to see if the requirements could be lessened and if the RPOs/MPOs could fall under the local government guidelines as opposed to the State guidelines. More information and guidance would be provided at the January meeting.

Other Business

8. TCC Comments

No comments were made.

9. Public Comments

No Public was in attendance

Reports

10. October NCARPO Meeting

Mr. Van Liere shared that at this meeting he was elected to serve as the NCARPO President, the Ethics Requirements was discussed as well as SPOT prioritization process which the RPOs would be required to submit by January 4th, explaining the process each RPO goes by when submitted projects to DOT for prioritization.

11. Division 4

Mr. Gus Tulloss stated that with the new Governor a transition team is being put in place. There is also a lot of work being done to finish up the economic impact study of I-95 by March. This will allow for more education information to be presented to the public, informing them of what is needed along the corridor.

12. Transportation Planning Branch

Saeed Mohamed stated that the UCPRPOs deliverables were presented for review and the review process for the UCPRPO should be completed. Final review scores should be finished sometime shortly after that.

Upcoming Meetings

The next meeting will be held on January 9th.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Jones, TAC Chair

UCPRPO Transportation Planner