

# UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

September 18, 2019

## 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  
Jerry Medlin, Benson  
Logan Liles, City of Wilson

#### NCDOT

Ronnie Keeter, NCDOT Division 4  
Carlos Moya, TPD  
Bobby Liverman, Division 4

#### UCPRPO

James Salmons

#### Other

Roger Henderson, RKA  
Melissa Rockett, DPH  
Craig New, Public

### Introduction

1. *Welcome & Introductions – C.B. Brown – TAC Vice Chair*  
TAC Vice Chair Mr. C.B. Brown (Tarboro) called the meeting to order. Mr. Brown welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. Mr. Brown 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. Brown asked everyone to review the agenda and requested a motion for approval. **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Cheryl Oliver (Selma) the agenda was approved.
4. *Minutes – July 17, 2019*  
After reviewing the Minutes for the July 17, 2019 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Cheryl Oliver (Selma) they were unanimously approved.

### Presentation

5. *Complete Streets Presentation – by Roger Henderson, Ramey Kemp & Associates and Melissa E Rockett, NC Dept of Health and Human Services*  
Roger Henderson and Melissa Rockett provided a presentation on Complete Streets and supporting greenway development. By providing Complete Street features which include all modes of transportation including bike and pedestrian facilities help provide for a healthier and more active community. As part of the planning effort for Complete Streets the DPH is offering Pedestrian Counters for short-term use to support active transportation planning and project implementation. Members may apply for the counters at this web site:  
[https://communityandclinicalconnections.formstack.com/forms/pedestrian\\_counter\\_loaner\\_request](https://communityandclinicalconnections.formstack.com/forms/pedestrian_counter_loaner_request)
6. *New Complete Streets Policy and Guidelines*  
Members were provided with a copy of the recently adopted Complete Streets Policy and guidelines for review.

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### Action Items

7. *Support Letter for FY 2021 5310 Funding Grant for JCATS*

Johnston County Area Transit System requested a Letter of Support for 5310 funding from NCDOT to help support transportation services for disabled and elderly population. **UPON A MOTION** by Cheryl Oliver (Selma), second by Jerry Medlin (Benson) the Letter of Support for the JCATS 5310 funding was adopted unanimously.

### Discussion

8. *Review Adopted STIP FY2029*

Members were provided a copy of the FY2029 STIP which was adopted by the NCDOT Board at their September, 2019 meeting. Some of the projects modified from the previous version are:

- U-5941 – US 264 Alt in Wilson R/W acquisition delayed one year from FY23 to FY24 with construction from FY25 to FY26.
- R-5795 – US 70 Bus from US 301 to I-95 in Selma R/W acquisition delayed two years from FY23 to FY25 with construction into future fields and unfunded.
- R-5829 – US 70 (I-42) to SR 2314 Pondfield Rd moved up two years from FY23 to FY25 due to the project being funded by a Federal Grant.

9. *NCDOT Project Suspension List*

Due to funding issues within NCDOT, members were provided a list of projects that would be suspended until further notice.

10. *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 has now been moved to April, 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.

11. *New STI P6 Calendar*

Members were provided with the most current STI P6 calendar with revised due dates.

12. *NC First Commission*

Staff provided members with information on the NC First Commission established to help the State of North Carolina address the funding short fall for Transportation Projects. The next NC First Commission meeting is scheduled for November 22, 2019 and will be live streamed at:

<https://www.ncdot.gov/about-us/how-we-operate/finance-budget/nc-first/Pages/default.aspx>

### Reports

13. *US 70 Commission*

It was reported the US 70 Commission met in Morehead on July 19, 2019 and the group is an excellent advocate for all of Eastern North Carolina. Ms. Donna Philips, Senior Economic Developer for Duke Energy, provided a presentation on helping small communities select potential economic development sites. In addition, there was a presentation on round-a-bout intersections. There are currently 11 round-a-bouts within Division 4 with the plans to construct 24 more within the next 10 years. The next US 70 Commission meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2019 in Havelock, NC.

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*14. Hwy 17/64 Association*

It was reported the next Hwy 17/64 meeting is scheduled for September 25, 2019 in Jacksonville, NC.

*15. Legislative Update*

There was no legislative activity reported.

*16. NCDOT Division 4*

There was no Division 4 report.

*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](http://www.ncmoves.gov).

### **Public Comment**

*18. Public Comment*

There was no public comment

### **Other Business**

*19. TAC Member Comment*

Members were reminded to update their driver's licenses to the REAL ID. The deadline is October 2020 before new restrictions for air travel and entrance into Federal buildings goes into effect. Mr. C.B. Brown invited everyone to visit The Wall that Heals scheduled to be on display in Tarboro from October 17-20, 2020 at Braswell Park.

### **Upcoming meeting:**

It was noted that the next meeting was pushed back one week to November 13, 2019.

**UPON A MOTION** from Cheryl Oliver (Selma) was made to adjourn with a second motion was made by Oscar Mabry (Pinetops) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lu Harvey Lewis, TAC Chair

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James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner