

# UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

July 25, 2017

## RPO Transportation Coordinating Committee Minutes

### Attendance

#### TCC

Alicia Gregory, Wilson's Mills  
Cynthia Jenkins, Edgecombe  
Berry Gray, Johnston  
Jae Kim, Spring Hope  
Tim Robbins, Benson  
Alicia Gregory, Wilson's Mills  
Bill Bass, City of Wilson  
J. P. Duncan, Wilson  
Bill Dreitzler, Smithfield

#### NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT-Division 4  
Ronnie Keeter, NCDOT – Division 4  
Carlos Moya, TPB  
Chris Pendegraph – Division 4  
Bobby Liverman – Division 4

#### Other

Bob League, Rocky Mount MPO

#### UCPRPO

James Salmons

### Introduction

#### 1. *Welcome & Introductions – Bill Bass – TCC Chair*

Mr. Bill Bass welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves and then called the meeting to order. Due to members arriving late the scheduled presentation was presented prior to enough members arrived to reach a quorum.

### Presentations

#### 2. *STI P5 Prioritization – The Process – Jimmy Eatmon (Division 4)*

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon provided members with a brief presentation on the STI P5 Prioritization Process. The presentation is posted to the UCPRPO website:

<http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/SPOT5/STI Prioritization and Programming Process UCPRPO.pdf>

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#### 3. *Approval of Agenda*

Once all attending members arrived, Mr. Bill Bass asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the agenda and asked if anyone had any additions to be made to the agenda. **UPON A MOTION** by Carlos Moya (NCDOT), second by Jimmy Eatmon (NCDOT) the agenda was unanimously approved as written.

### New Business

#### 4. *Newly Released Draft FY2018-2027 STIP*

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/STIPDocuments1/Draft%202018-2027%20STIP.pdf>

Members were informed about the release of the updated Draft STIP FY1827 and that it was anticipated the NCDOT BOT will adopt the new document at it's August meeting. Mr. Salmons reported that the NC 4 and I-95 Interchange was included in the new Draft STIP.

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### 5. *Regional Projects Proposed Alternative Criteria Weighting*

Members were informed that the all the Divisions', MPOs', and RPOs' representatives of Region A met and agreed on alternative criteria for STI P5 Region Impact project weighting. The proposed alternative weighting for Region A's Region Impact projects was as follows:

Congestion = 15%  
Benefit Cost = 20%  
Safety = 10%  
Accessibility/Connectivity = 10%  
Freight = 15%

After a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Cynthia Jenkins (Edgecombe), second by Alicia Gregory (Wilson's Mills) the proposed Region A alternative weighting was unanimously approved and will be recommended to the TAC by the TCC.

### 6. *Proposed Draft STI P5 Project list*

Members were provided in their Agenda packets the current Draft STI P5 Project list. **UPON A MOTION** by Cynthia Jenkins (Edgecombe), second by Alicia Gregory (Wilson's Mills) the Draft STI P5 Project list was unanimously approved to publish on the UCPRPO web site and that the public comment period is open for comments. The deadline to submit the final project list is September 30, 2017 and it is anticipated that the TCC and TAC would adopt the final project list at their September 2017 meetings.

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### 7. *Minutes – May 2, 2017*

Due to lack of quorum at the beginning of the meeting Chair Bill Bass asked members to review the Minutes for the May 2, 2017 meeting at this time. After reviewing and **UPON A MOTION** by Alicia Gregory (Wilson's Mills), second by Cynthia Jenkins (Edgecombe) the minutes were unanimously approved.

## Reports

### 8. *US 70 Commission – FS-1604A Feasibility Study (late April design review meeting)*

Mr. Salmons reported that the US 70 Update to Interstate Standards feasibility study was still under way and would the TAC with an update at their September meeting. He also reported that there was a Design Review Meeting scheduled for August 29, 2017.

### 9. *Hwy 17/64 Association – FS-1504A Feasibility Study*

Mr. Ronnie Keeter reported that the US 64 Interchange in Tarboro was recently classified as Functionally Obsolete but was repaired to eliminate the negative classification. Mr. Salmons stated that the bridge at the interchange was also identified in the recent feasibility study to be replaced and therefore would be a good candidate for a STI P5 project. The draft study is available on the UCPRPO website: [http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/Feasibility-Study\\_1504A\\_Report\(Draft\)\\_Apr2017.pdf](http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/Feasibility-Study_1504A_Report(Draft)_Apr2017.pdf)

### 10. *Legislative/STIP Update*

Mr. Salmons reported that the recently passed State budget gave Tier 1 and Tier 2 Counties assistance with local match funding required for corridor studies. In addition he reported that in the near future there would be a team assembled to help RPOs with identifying potential projects and/or solutions for identified transportation needs within rural communities.

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### *11. NCDOT Division 4*

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon reported that both Wendy Johnson and Jerry Paige both were retiring from Division 4 within the next few weeks.

### *12. NCDOT Planning Branch*

Mr. Carlos Moya reported the Transportation Planning Branch was continuing with normal transportation planning.

### **Public Comments**

**13.** There were no public comments

### **Other Business**

**14.** TCC Member Comments

There were no TCC comments.

### **Upcoming meeting:**

Mr. Salmons stated the next meeting was a critical meeting to ensure the UCPRPO would be able to adopt the final STI P5 Project list. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 5, 2017.

**UPON A MOTION** from Alicia Gregory (Wilson's Mills) was made to adjourn and a second motion was made by Cynthia Jenkins (Edgecombe) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bill Bass, TCC Chair

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James M. Salmons, UCPRPO