

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

November 6, 2012

RPO Transportation Coordinating Committee Minutes

Attendance

TCC

Berry Gray, Johnston Co.
Bryant Bunn, City of Wilson
Fleta Byrd, Wilson's Mills
Grona Jones, City of Wilson
Rad Roundtree, Tarboro
Mark Johnson, Wilson County
Marvin Sharpe, Wilson County
Ola Pittman, Edgecombe Co.
Nancy M. Nixon, Nash County

Rocky Mount MPO

Bob League

NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, Division 4
Terry Ellis, Division 4, Dist 1
Grey Keeter, Division 4, Dist 1
Saeed Mohamed, TPB

UCPRPO

Daniel N. Van Liere

TCC meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions

TCC Chair Fleta Byrd welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Action Items

2. Approval of the Minutes

UPON A MOTION by Bryant Bunn (City of Wilson), second by Ola Pittman (Edgecombe Co), the minutes from the UCPRPO TCC 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 to go 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 Mark Johnson (Wilson Co), second by Brant Bunn (City of Wilson), 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. Jimmy Eatmon shared that the resurfacing schedule is out and that projects in the division are moving along with few problems.

12. Transportation Planning Branch

Saeed Mohamed stated he will be presenting the UCPRPOs deliverables for review shortly after which 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 8th instead of January 1st due to the New Years Day holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

Berry Gray, TCC Vice-Chair

UCPRPO Transportation Planner