

The Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization serves as the intergovernmental organization for local elected officials, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and residents of Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties to work cooperatively to address transportation issues.

Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Meeting Agenda June 11, 2021 • 9:00 AM *IN PERSON* Cape Fear Council of Governments • Wilmington, NC Join meeting Meeting ID: 875 9329 4600 Passcode: 342471

I. START-UP

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance
- **4.** Ethics awareness & conflict of interest statement The following is to be read aloud at the beginning of each meeting:

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Committee member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any Committee member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Committee today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

If any members have a conflict of interest, an ABSTENTION FROM VOTING form [*attached*] is required to be submitted *prior to the meeting*.

- 5. Additions or corrections to the agenda
- 6. Approval of Minutes: April 16, 2021 [attached] (page 5 in the PDF)

7. Public comment

II. PRESENTATIONS

No Additional Presentations for this meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- 8. <u>P6.0 Local Input Point Methodology</u> The P6.0 Methodology needs to be approved by NCDOT. This is our draft methodology to be submitted for approval.. *The RTCC recommends submittal of the <u>attached</u> P6.0 Local Input Point Methodology to NCDOT for review.* (page 9 in the PDF)
- 9. <u>Lake Waccamaw Bike and Pedestrian Planning Grant Resolution</u> The Town of Lake Waccamaw is applying for a grant from NCDOT Bike/Ped. to do a bicycle and pedestrian project acceleration plan for their area. They are requesting a resolution of support from the Cape Fear RPO to include in their application. *The RTCC recommends approval of the* <u>attached</u> Resolution of Support for the Lake Waccamaw Bike/Ped Planning Grant Application. (page 17 in the PDF)
- <u>NC Ports North Gate Project Resolution</u> The NC Ports Authority has requested a resolution of support for their grant application for Port of Wilmington improvements. *The RTCC recommend approval of the <u>attached</u> Resolution of Support for The Port of Wilmington North Gate Project.* (page 19 in the PDF)
- 11. <u>FY 2020-2021 PWP Amendment</u> The Planning Work Program (PWP) for the current fiscal year should be amended based on actual expenditures through May. *The RTCC recommend approval of the <u>attached</u> FY 2020-2021 PWP Amendment for submittal to NCDOT for their approval.* (page 21 in the PDF)

IV. REPORTS/UPDATES

- Cape Fear RPO
 - Meeting Schedule
 - Brunswick County CTP
 - NC 211 East Coast Greenway Feasibility Study
 - STIP amendments and revisions
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington)
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender) [*attached*] (page 25 in the PDF)
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus) [*attached*] (page 27 in the PDF)
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD) [*attached*] (page 29 in the PDF)
- NC Board of Transportation

V. OTHER

- 1. Open discussion: General questions, comments, and other discussions
- 2. Adjourn

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ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

The undersigned RTAC Member abstains from voting on the following Agenda items and requests that the official record of the Meeting shows that he or she did not vote on the motion:

Item		
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	Signature:	
	Date:	

The RTAC Member should review the agenda prior to the meeting, list the agenda items or other matters for which he or she desires to abstain from voting, sign name, and give request to Patrick Flanagan, Secretary to the RTAC, prior to the meeting.



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Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) **DRAFT** Meeting Minutes April 16, 2021 • 9:00 AM Cape Fear Council of Governments • Wilmington, NC

Voting Members Present

Frank Williams, Brunswick County Mike Forte, Brunswick County Dave DeLong, St. James Glenn Marshall, Sandy Creek Terry Mann, Whiteville Jackie Williams-Rowland, Brunswick Fred McCoy, Pender County Grady Hunt, NCDOT Board of Transportation

Others Present

Clarice Faison, Fair Bluff Chad Kimes, NCDOT Division 3 Caitlin Marks, NCDOT Division 3 Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT Division 6 Bill Hammond, NCDOT Division 6 Ken Clark, NCDOT Division 6 Nazia Sarder, NCDOT TPD Kelly Jones, NCDOT TPD Billy Christ, Congressman Rouzer Mark Hoeweler, GSATS Allen Serkin, Cape Fear COG Patrick Flanagan, Cape Fear RPO

I. START-UP

- 1. Call to Order RTAC Chair, Frank Williams, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call Patrick Flanagan took a roll call of all attendees.
- **3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance** Frank Williams led the group in an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **4.** Ethics awareness & conflict of interest statement Frank Williams read the ethics awareness statement.
- **5.** Additions or corrections to the agenda There were no changes to the agenda. *Mr. Fred McCoy made a motion to approve the agenda. Terry Mann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

Frank Williams, Yes Mike Forte, Yes Dave DeLong, Yes Glenn Marshall, Yes Terry Mann, Yes Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes Fred McCoy, Yes Grady Hunt, Yes

The motion passed.

6. Approval of Minutes – The February 12, 2021 minutes were considered. *Mr. Mike Forte made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Terry Mann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

Frank Williams, Yes Mike Forte, Yes Dave DeLong, Yes Glenn Marshall, Yes Terry Mann, Yes Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes Fred McCoy, Yes Grady Hunt, Yes

The motion passed.

7. Public comment – There was no comment from the Public.

II. PRESENTATIONS

8. <u>P6.0 Local Input Point Methodology</u> – Patrick Flanagan gave a review of the Cape Fear RPO P5.0 Local Input Point Methodology. He also went over the Methodology used by the Down East RPO for P5.0. The group discussed the differences and various advantages and disadvantages of the two Methodologies. No decisions were made as this was for informational purposes only.

III. NEW BUSINESS

9. <u>FY 2021-2022 PWP</u> – Patrick discussed The Planning Work Program (PWP) for the upcoming fiscal year. *Mr. Terry Mann made a motion to adopt the FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program. Mr. Glenn Marshall seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

Frank Williams, Yes Mike Forte, Yes Dave DeLong, Yes Glenn Marshall, Yes Terry Mann, Yes Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes Fred McCoy, Yes Grady Hunt, Yes

The motion passed.

10. <u>NC Sea Grant Proposal Support for UNC Charlotte</u> – The group discussed the source of the funding and the NC Sea Grant organization. Without adequate background information the group was hesitant to support the application. *Mr. Mike Forte made a motion to not provide the letter of support. Mr. Glenn Marshall seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken*,

Frank Williams, Yes Mike Forte, Yes Dave DeLong, Yes Glenn Marshall, Yes Terry Mann, Yes Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes Grady Hunt, No

IV. REPORTS/UPDATES

- Cape Fear RPO
 - Meeting Schedule: The remaining meeting dates were highlighted.
 - Brunswick County CTP: Staff gave the group an update on the number of survey responses so far.
 - NC 211 East Coast Greenway Feasibility Study: An update was given about the upcoming final steering committee meeting.
 - Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Earmarks: Staff went over the NCDOT requirements for submitting projects for Earmarks.
 - STIP amendments and revisions: Changes to the STIP were highlighted for the group.
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington): There was no update from Stephanie Ayers.
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender): Caitlin Marks gave an update on the projects moving forward in Division 3.
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus): Darius Sturdivant went over the active projects and upcoming projects. He also informed the group of the new Division 6 Engineer, Drew Cox.
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD): Nazia Sarder expanded on the Brunswick County and Columbus County CTP update. She also highlighted the new website to view traffic count data.
- NC Board of Transportation: Grady Hunt gave the group an update on the positive financial stability at NCDOT currently. He also mentioned the statewide litter campaign to clean up roadways everywhere. April is Distracted Driving Awareness month. Amtrak has resumed full train service.

V. OTHER

- **11. Open discussion:** Frank made a request that the group provide staff with ideas on what background information they would want in order to make better informed decisions going forward. Staff highlighted a vacancy with the Brunswick County Municipal Alternate seat.
- **12. Adjourn** *There being no further discussion Frank Williams adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.*

Minutes prepared by Patrick Flanagan on June 3rd, 2021

Cape Fear RPO

P6.0 Local Input Prioritization Methodology NCDOT approval XX/XX/XXXX CFRPO RTAC approval XX/XX/XXXX

INTRODUCTION

The Cape Fear RPO (CFRPO) is required by state law to develop a local input methodology for prioritizing all transportation projects (aviation, bicycle and pedestrian, ferry, highway, public transportation, and rail) within the RPO boundary that compete for state and federal funding, and to submit the methodology to the NC Dept. of Transportation for approval. This Local Input Prioritization Methodology applies within the Cape Fear RPO planning boundary, which includes the counties of Brunswick (partial), Columbus, and Pender (partial).

The RPO has developed this prioritization methodology in an effort to satisfy the quantitative, data-driven requirements of the STI (Strategic Transportation Investments) law while protecting the discretion of local officials by incorporating subjective, qualitative local input where possible. STI establishes a funding formula which allocates available revenues based on data-driven scoring and local input. It is used to develop NCDOT's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which identifies the transportation projects that will receive funding during a specified 10-year period.

Transportation projects competing for funding through STI are divided into three tiers based on project characteristics as follows:

<u>Statewide Mobility</u>: Projects in this tier compete statewide. Eligible projects include:

- Interstate highways and designated future interstates, including I-40 and Future I-74;
- National Highway System highways and STRAHNET highways, including US 17, US 74 and US 76; and
- Freight capacity and safety improvements to Class I freight rail corridors, including the CSX rail line in Brunswick and Columbus counties and the abandoned Wallace-Castle Hayne line in Pender County.

<u>Regional Impact</u>: In the Cape Fear RPO region, projects in Brunswick and Pender counties compete in Region B with eligible projects throughout the 14 counties in NCDOT Divisions 2 and 3, including the cities of Wilmington, Jacksonville, Greenville, New Bern, Kinston, and Morehead City. Projects in Columbus County compete in Region C with eligible projects throughout the 12 counties in NCDOT Divisions 5 and 6, including the cities of Raleigh, Durham, Fayetteville, Cary, and Lumberton. Eligible projects include:

• Statewide Mobility projects not funded at the Statewide Mobility tier;

- US and NC highways not eligible at the Statewide Mobility tier, including US 117, US 421, US 701, US 17 Business, US 117 Business, US 701 Business, NC 11, NC 50, NC 53, NC 87, NC 130, NC 210, NC 211, NC 214, NC 410, NC 904, and NC 906; and
- The State-maintained ferry system, excluding passenger vessel replacement, including improvements and expansions to the Southport-Ft. Fisher ferry.

<u>Division Needs</u>: In the Cape Fear Region, projects in Brunswick and Pender counties compete with eligible projects throughout NCDOT Division 3, including the cities of Wilmington and Jacksonville. Projects in Columbus County compete with eligible projects throughout NCDOT Division 6, including the cities of Fayetteville and Lumberton. Eligible projects include:

- Statewide Mobility projects not funded at the Statewide Mobility or Regional Impact tiers and Regional Impact projects not funded at the Regional Impact tier;
- State-maintained secondary routes and federally-funded municipal road projects, including E Boiling Spring Rd, Gilbert Rd, Old Lake Rd, Hallsboro Rd, Shaw Hwy, Penderlea Hwy, and Malpass Corner Rd;
- General aviation airports, including Cape Fear Jetport (SUT) near Southport, Columbus County Airport (CPC) near Whiteville, and Henderson Field (ACZ) in northern Pender County;
- Community public transportation systems, including Brunswick Transit, Columbus Transportation, and PAS-TRAN;
- Standalone bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects, including sidewalks, bike lanes, and multi-use paths; and
- Replacement of ferry vessels, including those on the Southport-Ft. Fisher route.

This methodology describes the process by which the Cape Fear RPO evaluates transportation projects and assigns local input points to qualifying transportation projects according to local priorities. The Cape Fear RPO has 1300 local input points available for assignment to eligible projects at both the Regional Impact and Division Needs tiers. Projects may receive no more than 100 total points from local transportation planning organizations (MPOs and RPOs); therefore, the Cape Fear RPO will assign points to a minimum of 13 transportation projects at both tiers.

DESCRIPTION OF CRITERIA

The following scoring criteria will be used to generate a total project score for each CFRPO transportation project, regardless of mode. Each project will receive a total project score at the Regional Impact tier and/or Division Needs tier according to its eligibility.

- 1. **PRIORITIZATION 6.0 QUANTITATIVE SCORE (QUANTITATIVE)**: The Cape Fear Area RPO believes that the Prioritization 6.0 Quantitative Score ("P6.0 Score") is the best criterion to maximize the funding potential of the transportation projects in the RPO area. Projects that do not score well by the P6.0 Score will have difficulty competing for funding. The criterion is defined as the project's P6.0 Score for the corresponding tier.
- 2. **DIVISION PRIORITY** (**QUALITATIVE**): Projects will not be competitive at the Regional Impact or Division Needs tier unless they have the support of the Division Engineer and rank well by the Division Engineer's scoring criteria. The Cape Fear RPO will request that Division Engineers or their designees assign each project a HIGH, MEDIUM, LOW, or NONE priority classification for each tier at which the project competes. Division Engineers should assign priority classifications such that projects are distributed with an approximately equal number of projects in each classification. Projects will be given 100, 50, 25, or 0 points according to their classification. Where projects are located in both Divisions 3 and 6, Division Priority points will be allocated based on the share of the project in each division.
- 3. COUNTY PRIORITY (QUALITATIVE): Projects should have local support. County RTCC representatives are expected to collaborate with other county staff, county elected officials, staff and elected officials of municipalities within their boundaries, and other stakeholders representing county transportation modes or systems, as deemed appropriate by each county's RTCC representative, to develop county priorities. Each county RTCC representative will assign every project within the county a HIGH, MEDIUM, LOW, or NONE priority classification for each tier at which the project competes. County RTCC representatives should assign priority classifications such that projects are distributed with an approximately equal number of projects in each classification. Projects will be given 100, 75, 50, and 0 points according to their classification. If a project is prioritized by more than one CFRPO county, it will be assigned the average of the points received.
- 4. **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT (QUALITATIVE):** Projects that have had significant planning or development activities completed are eligible for additional points to distinguish them from projects that are simply conceptual. Points will be given cumulatively to projects for each of the following criteria as indicated for a maximum of 100 points: a feasibility study has been completed or a corridor plan or other project-specific plan has been adopted [10 pts.]; preliminary design or engineering has begun [10 pts.]; project was programmed in a prior STIP or otherwise was in the development/merger process [10 pts]; right-of-way attainment has begun, was previously completed, or is otherwise not expected to be required [10 pts.]; project sibling is funded in the current STIP or has been completed [20 pts.]; project is programmed in the current STIP [40 pts.].

TOTAL PROJECT SCORE AND RANKING APPROACH

Project rankings will be developed at each tier using the total project scores of eligible projects. Project scores will be calculated as follows: = (0.50 x P6.0 Score for tier) + (0.20 x Division Priority points for tier)
+ (0.20 x County Priority points for tier) + (0.10 x Project Development points)

Division Needs tier score

= (0.30 x P6.0 Score for tier) + (0.30 x Division Priority points for tier)
+ (0.30 x County Priority points for tier) + (0.10 x Project Development points)

POINT ASSIGNMENT PROCESS

<u>Preliminary Point Assignments</u>: Preliminary points will be assigned at both the Regional Impact and Division Needs tiers based on the project ranking. Preliminary points may be assigned to any project eligible to receive points at the respective tier if it has not been fully funded at a higher tier. Preliminary point assignments will take into consideration the share of the project within the RPO and point sharing opportunities.

Any project that crosses the RPO boundary will be eligible for local input points in excess of the percentage of the project within the RPO boundary, up to 100 points, if the adjacent MPO/RPO provides less than their full share of points. Any project entirely beyond the RPO boundary will be eligible for up to 100 local input points to be shared with the adjacent MPO/RPO if the project has benefits to a primary route between the RPO area and major destinations outside of the RPO area. The Cape Fear RPO will endeavor to accept points shared by adjacent MPO/RPOs for projects crossing the RPO boundary that would otherwise not receive Cape Fear RPO points according to the point assignment process unless doing so is determined to jeopardize the funding potential of a higher priority Cape Fear RPO project. If points sharing is approved, both the Cape Fear RPO and the adjacent MPO/RPO must agree to the amount of points donated and provide this arrangement in writing to NCDOT's Office of Prioritization.

Preliminary points will be assigned until all 1300 available points are assigned at each tier as follows:

- 1. Top two scoring highway projects in each RPO county will be eligible for 100 points each (600 points max).
- 2. Top three scoring non-highway projects will be eligible for 100 points each, regardless of non-highway mode or location (300 points max).
- 3. Remaining points cascade to next highest scoring projects, regardless of mode or locations, up to 100 points each.

Preliminary point assignments will be posted to the Cape Fear RPO website. If time permits, the RTCC will recommend and the RTAC will approve preliminary point assignments. Otherwise, the RPO staff will approve preliminary point assignments.

Local Input Point Flexing Policy: The Cape Fear RPO has the option to apply the Local Input Point Flexing Policy. This means that up to 500 Local Input Points can be transferred from one category (Regional Impact or Division Needs) to the other. If the organization chooses to flex Local Input Points, Cape Fear RPO will provide written documentation to the SPOT Office prior to assigning Regional Impact Local Input Points.

<u>Final Point Assignments</u>: Preliminary point assignments may be modified by the RTAC to provide local oversight to the data-driven process, to compensate for situations where the methodology does not accurately reflect the RTAC's priorities, and to ensure appropriate projects at the relevant tier. Justifications for modifying preliminary point assignments include project cost, point sharing arrangements, estimated points required for funding, geographic equity, modal distribution, new information, methodology failures, potential reconsideration of the limits of a programmed project, and public comment. The justifications for any final point assignments that deviate from published preliminary point assignments will, at minimum, be noted in the final point assignment worksheet and documented in the meeting minutes. In the event that projects receiving final point assignments become unexpectedly uncompetitive due to any last minute deviations in actual or expected point assignments by NCDOT Division Engineers or other transportation planning organizations (MPOs or RPOs), the RTAC delegates to its chair the power to modify final point assignments to maximize project competitiveness. Any such modification and accompanying justification will be noted in an amended final point assignment worksheet, which will be posted to the RPO website.

SCHEDULE

The following schedule is subject to change for a variety of reasons, many of which are beyond the control of the RPO. Any change to the schedule will be updated on the RPO website and in this document, which will be also available on the RPO website; however modification to the timeline will not require public notice or comment, nor adoption by the RTAC, nor approval by NCDOT.

- 1. Draft prioritization methodology will be developed by RPO staff. [Spring 2021]
- 2. Draft prioritization methodology will be submitted to the RTCC for recommendation and to the RTAC for preliminary approval. [June 2021]
- 3. Draft prioritization methodology will be revised as necessary to conform with NCDOT guidelines, posted to RPO website, and submitted to NCDOT for conditional approval. [July 2021]

- 4. Conditionally approved methodology will be recommended for final approval by the RTCC and approved by the RTAC. Approved methodology will be posted to the RPO website once approved by NCDOT and the RTAC. [August 2021]
- 5. RPO staff will determine **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT** points for all projects eligible to compete at the Regional Impact tier. [September November 2021]
- 6. The RTCC representative from each RPO county will assign a **COUNTY PRIORITY** to each project within the county competing at the Regional Impact tier according to the Description of Criteria. [September/October 2021]
- NCDOT Division Engineers will assign a **DIVISION PRIORITY** to each project competing at the Regional Impact tier according to the Description of Criteria. [September/October 2021]
- 8. RPO staff will discuss point sharing with staff of other MPO/RPOs. [September/October 2021]
- 9. Regional Impact project scores, rankings, and preliminary point assignments will be generated according to the Point Assignment Process. [October 2021]
- 10. RTCC will recommend and RTAC will make final Regional Impact point assignments at their November meetings. RTCC and RTAC meetings are public meetings where public comment on point assignments will specifically be sought. [November 2021]
- 11. Final Regional Impact tier point assignments will be entered into SPOT On!ine and posted to the CFRPO website. [November 2021]
- 12. RPO staff will determine **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT** points for all Division Needs tier projects. [February April 2022]
- 13. The RTCC representative from each RPO county will assign a **COUNTY PRIORITY** to each project within the county competing at the Division Needs tier according to the Description of Criteria [February/March 2022].
- 14. NCDOT Division Engineers will assign a **DIVISION PRIORITY** to each project competing at the Division Needs tier according to the Description of Criteria. [February/March 2022]
- 15. RPO staff will discuss point sharing with staff of other MPO/RPOs. [February/March 2022]
- 16. Division Needs project scores, rankings, and preliminary point assignments will be generated according to the Point Assignment Process. [March 2022]
- 17. RTCC will recommend and RTAC will make final Division Needs point assignments at their April meetings. RTCC and RTAC meetings are public meetings where public comment on point assignments will specifically be sought. [April 2022]
- 18. Final Division Needs point assignments will be entered into SPOT On!ine and posted to the CFRPO website. [April 2022]

PUBLIC OUTREACH

This process is intended to be open and transparent. As such, all meetings of the RTCC and RTAC are open to the public and public comment is a recurring item on all meeting agendas. In addition, RTCC and RTAC meeting dates and, as available, agendas and minutes are available on the RPO website at http://www.capefearrpo.org. Relevant documents, including this methodology and preliminary and final point assignments, will also be posted for public review at the RPO's website. Public comment is specifically sought on preliminary point assignments during the 30 days prior to final point assignment by the RTAC and during the public comment period for the RTAC meeting where final points are assigned, currently scheduled for November 12, 2021 for the Regional Impact tier and April 15, 2022 for the Division Needs tier. Meeting date changes and accompanying changes in public comment periods will be posted to the RPO website. Additionally, instructions for submitting public comments outside of official meetings will be provided on the RPO website. At minimum, comments may be submitted in person, by telephone, or via email. Comments will be collected by RPO staff and distributed to the RTCC and RTAC as part of their normal meeting materials.

MATERIAL SHARING

The following information, at minimum, will be made available on the Cape Fear RPO website:

- A link to the NCDOT STI Prioritization Resources website;
- The adopted Cape Fear RPO P6.0 Local Input Prioritization Methodology;
- Highlights of schedule milestones, including public comment periods and public meeting schedules; and
- Preliminary and final local input point assignment sheets, including justifications of methodology deviations.

APPROVED BY THE CAPE FEAR RPO TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON XX/XX/XXXX

Frank Williams, Chair

Allen Serkin, Secretary



The Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization serves as the intergovernmental organization for local elected officials, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and residents of Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties to work cooperatively to address transportation issues.

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE TOWN OF LAKE WACCAMAW APPLICATION FOR A NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT

WHEREAS, the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee is the duly recognized transportation decision making body for the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO), as authorized under NCGS §136-211; and

WHEREAS, according to NCGS §136-212, it is the duty of a Rural Transportation Planning Organization to develop long-range local and regional multimodal transportation plans; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has established a Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant which provides funding to projects that will result in comprehensive local bicycle and pedestrian transportation plans; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Waccamaw is applying for funding from the NCDOT for a project acceleration plan; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the CFRPO feels it to be in its best interest to endorse said project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization hereby endorses the Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant application by the Town of Lake Waccamaw and if the grant is awarded, will offer to provide technical assistance for the duration of the planning process.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting this 11th day of June 2021.

BY:

Frank Williams, CFRPO RTAC Chair

ATTEST:

Patrick Flanagan, CFRPO RTAC Secretary



The Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization serves as the intergovernmental organization for local elected officials, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and residents of Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties to work cooperatively to address transportation issues.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE PORTS AUTHORITY'S GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S FY2021 PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM TO FUND A NEW NORTH GATE AT THE PORT OF WILMINGTON

WHEREAS, the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee is the duly recognized transportation decision making body for the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO), as authorized under NCGS §136-211; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Ports Authority owns and operates an ocean port terminal in Wilmington, North Carolina in New Hanover County and the operation of such a terminal is a tremendous catalyst for economic growth and development throughout North Carolina and the region; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Ports Authority's contributed more than \$15.4 billion in annual economic contribution to the state's economy constituted by goods moving through the port facilities and supported 87,700 full-time jobs at North Carolina businesses; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Ports Authority strategic plan forecasts a doubling of general terminal and container volumes at the Port of Wilmington over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, in order to service existing customers and accommodate growing volumes at the Port of Wilmington, a new gate complex is needed; and

WHEREAS, this investment will allow provide for a new port gate complex away from residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, this investment will provide reduce truck and rail conflicts within the terminal; and

WHEREAS, this investment will increase capacity through this growing economic hub has a dual benefit to in-terminal efficiency and outside of terminal congestion reduction; and

WHEREAS, this investment will decrease traffic congestion and improve safety, efficiency, system performance, and infrastructure ROI as well as deliver environmental benefits to the community; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Ports Authority is preparing a grant application for the United States Department of Transportation's FY2021 Port Infrastructure Development grant program to fund a new north gate at the Port of Wilmington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization hereby supports the container gate improvements at the Port of Wilmington.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting this 11th day of June 2021.

BY:

Frank Williams, CFRPO RTAC Chair

ATTEST:

Patrick Flanagan, CFRPO RTAC Secretary



Cape Fear RPO

Brunswick County • Columbus County Pender County

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 4, 2021
TO: RTAC
FROM: Patrick Flanagan
RE: Planning Work Program 4th Quarter Amendment, FY 20-21

The Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO) is seeking approval for the amended FY 20-21 Planning Work Program. This amendment was deemed necessary by RPO staff, who reviewed the current fiscal year planning work program and budget and identified shifts of money that are necessary to reflect actual work demands through the fiscal year. There is no change to the RPO's overall budget, and no money is requested of RPO members.

The recommended changes are as follows:

<u>II-1 – Comprehensive Transportation Plan Development</u> Funding is **increased** by \$3,400 because staff time working on the Brunswick County CTP has been significant.

<u>II-2 – Prioritization</u> Funding is **reduced** by \$400 because SPOT 6.0 was delayed.

<u>II-3 – Program and Project Development</u> Funding is **reduced** by \$1,700 because a number of projects have been delayed in the STIP.

<u>III-1 – Administration of Transportation Planning and Policies</u> Funding is **increased** by \$4,400 because of work on the LPA Agreement and other administrative documents.

<u>IV-1 – Programmatic Direct Charges</u> Funding is **increased** by \$1,500 because of virtual meeting software.

<u>IV-5 – Registration/Training</u> Funding is **reduced** by \$900 because of COVID-19.

<u>IV-6 – Travel</u>

Funding is **reduced** by \$3,700 because COVID-19.

V-1 - Indirect

Funding is **reduced** by \$2,600 because of less Admin hours working on the RPO program.

FY 2020-2021 PLANNING WORK PROGRAM ANNUAL PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES TABLE Cape Fear RPO

		RPO	PROGRAM F		Q4 Amendment
					Date: 11/June/2021
TASK		LOCAL	STATE		Original Budget New 4th
CODE	WORK CATEGORY		•	TOTAL	With Previous Net Quarter
		20%	80%		Q Change Budgeted
					Amendment(s) Amount
I. DATA	COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT				I. DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT
I-1	DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT	\$ 1,700	\$ 6,800	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500 \$ - \$ 8,50
I-1.1		• •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	φ 0,000	φ 0,000	<mark>↓ 0,000 ↓ - ↓ 0,000</mark>
	Highway	-			
I-1.2	Other Modes	-			
I-1.3	Socioeconomic	-			
I-1.4					
	SPORTATION PLANNING				II. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
II-1	COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP)	\$ 2,280	\$ 9,120	<mark>\$ 11,400</mark>	<mark>\$ 8,000 \$ 3,400 \$ 11,40</mark>
II-1.1	Develop CTP Vision				
II-1.2	Conduct CTP Needs Assessment				Funding is increased because staff time working on the
II-1.3	Analyze Alternatives and Environmental Screening				Brunswick County CTP has been significant.
II-1.4	Develop Final Plan				Branomok obanky off had been eighnioant.
II-1.5	Adopt Plan				
II-2	PRIORITIZATION	\$ 2,520	\$ 10,080	\$ 12,600	\$ 13,000 \$ (400) \$ 12,60
II-2.1	Project Prioritization	-,			Funding is reduced because SPOT 6.0 was delayed
II-3	PROGRAM AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT	\$ 800	\$ 3,200	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000 \$ (1,700) \$ 2,30
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II-3.1	STIP Participation	-			Funding is reduced because a number of projects have been delayed in the STIP.
II-3.2	Merger / Project Development GENERAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING		¢ 00.000	¢ 05.000	
		<mark>\$ 5,000</mark>	\$ 20,000	<mark>\$ 25,000</mark>	<mark>\$ 25,000 \$ - \$ 25,00</mark>
II-4.1	Regional and Statewide Planning	-			
II-4.2	Special Studies, Projects and Other Trainings				
	NISTRATION OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND		-		III. ADMINISTRATION OF TRANS PLANNING & POLICES
III-1	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES	\$ 6,180	\$ 24,720	\$ 30,900	<mark>\$ 26,500 \$ 4,400 \$ 30,90</mark>
III-1.1	Administrative Documents				Funding is increased because of work on the LDA
III-1.2	TCC / TAC Work Facilitation; Ethics Compliance				Funding is increased because of work on the LPA Agreement and other administrative documents.
III-1.3	Program Administration				
IV. DIRE	ECT COSTS				IV. DIRECT COSTS
IV-1	PROGRAMMATIC DIRECT CHARGES	\$ 2,300	\$ 9,200	\$ 11,500	\$ 10,000 \$ 1,500 \$ 11,50
					Funding is increased because of virtual meeting
IV-1.1	Program-wide Direct Costs				software.
IV-2	ADVERTISING	\$ 200	<mark>\$ 800</mark>	<mark>\$ 1,000</mark>	<mark>\$ 1,000 \$ - \$ 1,00</mark>
IV-2.1	News Media Ads				
IV-3	LODGING, MEALS, INCIDENTALS	\$ 300	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,500	<mark>\$ 1,500 \$ - \$ 1,50</mark>
IV-3.1	Hotel Costs				
IV-3.2	Meal Costs				
IV-3.3	Incidentals				
IV-4	POSTAGE	\$ 20	\$ 80	\$ 100	\$ 100 \$ - \$ 10
IV-4.1	Mailings	¥ 20			
IV-5	REGISTRATION / TRAINING	¢ 20	\$ 80	\$ 100	\$ 1,000 \$ (900) \$ 10
		<mark>\$20</mark>	ψου	φ 100	
IV-5.1	Conference Registration				Funding is reduced because of COVID-19.
IV-5.2	Meeting / Workshop / Training Fees				
IV-6	TRAVEL	<mark>\$ 100</mark>	\$ 400	<mark>\$ 500</mark>	\$ 4,200 \$ (3,700) \$ 50
IV-6.1	Mileage Reimbursement				
IV-6.2	Car Rental Costs				Funding is reduced because of COVID-19.
IV-6.3	Other Travel Expenses				
V. INDIF	RECT COSTS				V. INDIRECT COSTS
V-1	INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 5,514	\$ 22,055	\$ 27,569	\$ 30,169 \$ (2,600) \$ 27,56
					Funding is reduced because of less Admin hours
V-1.1	Incurred Indirect Costs				working on the RPO program.
RPO PR	OGRAM TOTAL	\$ 26,934	\$ 107,735	\$ 132,969	\$ 132,969 \$ - \$ 132,96

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Approved by the TAC on: June 11, 2021

Signature, TAC Chairman

Signature, RPO Secretary

					Projects in Development				
Project Manager	Contract Ty ₁ Cor	nmitted	TIP	РО	Description	County	Utilities Move Forward	ROW Move Forward	SAP Let Date
Central	Raleigh	N/A	15bpr.45	ECRPO/CFRPO	Duplin 433 and Pender 219 on NC 903 over I-40	Duplin/Pender			2/16/2021
Central	Raleigh	N/A	B-5624	CFRPO	Brunswick 57 on NC 211 over Juniper Creek (let with B-5627)	Brunswick	Y	Y	7/20/2021
Aike Bass	DDRL	Yes	R-5021	CFRPO	NC 211 From Midway Rd to NC 87 : widen to a 4-lane divided facility	Brunswick	Y	Y	11/16/2021
Derek Pielech	DPOC	N/A	17BP.3.R.80	CFRPO	Brunswick 104	Brunswick	Y	Y	12/16/2021
						New Hanover/			
race Howell	DDRL	Yes	R-3300B	WMPO/CFRPO	Hampstead Bypass	Pender	Y	Y	1/18/2022
Eric Murray	DPOC	N/A	W-5703Q	CFRPO	NC 130 at Longwood Rd and Waccamaw School Rd (Previously	Brunswick	Y	Y	4/6/2022
Central	Raleigh	N/A	B-5644	CFRPO	Pender 15 on NC 11 over Crooked Creek	Pender	Y	Y	4/19/2022
Derek Pielech	DPOC	N/A	B-4439	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 100 on Makatoka Rd over Muddy Branch	Brunswick			4/21/2022
	Droc		D-4433	CINFO		Brunswick			4/21/2022
Central	Raleigh	N/A	B-5629	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 40 Over Mill Creek (STIP)	Brunswick		Y	1/17/2023
Derek Pielech	DPOC	N/A	BR-0139	CFRPO	Replace Culvert on NC 133 and Funston Rd with a bridge	Brunswick		Y	1/17/2023
ydia	DDRL	N/A	1-6040	CFRPO	I-40 East of US 117 to NC 210 Pavement Rehab	Pender			3/9/2023
Eric Murray	DPOC	Yes	R-5850	CFRPO	Widen NC 53 to 3 lanes from US 117 Bypass to Stag Park Rd	Pender			5/2/2025
Derek Pielech	DPOC	N/A	17BP.3.R.62	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 23 on NC 906/Midway Rd over Brunswick River Swamp	Brunswick			7/1/2025
Central		N/A	B-5627	CFRPO	Brunswick 11 on NC 87 over Orton Pond Creek (let with B-5624)	Brunswick			7/15/2025
					Poplace Pridge 28 Over Long Creek on NC 210				
Central	Raleigh	N/A	B-5156	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 28 Over Long Creek on NC 210	Pender			1/19/2027
Mike Bass	DPOC	Yes	R-5701	CFRPO	Burgaw Intersection Improvement	Pender			6/3/2027
Frace Howell	DDRL	Yes	U-5732	WMPO/CFRPO	US 17 Hampstead Median Project	Pender			9/19/2028
Brian Harding	DDRL	Yes	U-5932	CFRPO/GSATS	US 17 at NC 211 Interchange	Brunswick			PY
Vike Bass	DDRL	No	R-5947	CFRPO	Widen NC 211 to 4 lanes from SR 1112 (Sunset Harbor Rd) to NC 906 (Midway Rd)	Brunswick			PY
Mike Bass	DPOC	Yes	R-5877	CFRPO	US 17 at NC 210 (Surf City) Green-T	Pender			PY
Vike Bass	DPOC	No	R-5899	CFRPO	Roundabout at NC 210 and Watts Landing Road (Surf City)	Pender			РҮ
			D 5000						
Mike Bass	DDRL	No	R-5900	CFRPO	NC 210/NC 50 and Belt Rd RAB (Surf City)	Pender			PY

PE Work Continuing	
Work Continuing for Updating	
Estimate Only	

Date Completed:		
PO:		
Contact:		

5/31/2021

CFRPO Caitlin Marks 910-341-2001

	Resurfacing									
	Contract						Estimated			
Contract Number	Year	County	Resident	MPO/RPO	Мар	Routes	Completion	Percent Complete		
C204409	2021	Brunswick	Lydia McKeel	CFRPO/GSATS/WMPO	0	1 SECTION OF US-17, US-74/76, AND NC-130; AND 11 SECTIONS OF SECONDARY ROADS	Oct-22	0.00%		
DC00304	2021	Brunswick	Lydia McKeel	CFRPO/GSATS/WMPO	0	US 17, NC 904 & VARIOUS SECONDARY RDS.	TBD	0.00%		
C204337	2020	Duplin/Pender	Lydia McKeel	CFRPO	0	I-40 from Duplin County Line (MM-360) to West of US-117 (MM-389.5)	Jun-22	37.69%		

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Active Projects

Contract	TIP #	Project	R/W Date	Let Date	Work Began	Est. Completion Date	Revised Completion Date	Construction Progress	Contractor	Resident Engineer	Contract Amount	
C204133	W-5601EV	US 74 Improvements - Construct directional crossovers on US 74 from SR 1824 Water Tank Road to just east of the Brunswick County Line in Columbus County. Project includes intersection improvements and installing a traffic signal at US 74/US 76 at NC 87.	6/30/2017	8/21/2018	1/9/2019	11/28/2020	11/28/2021	50.58%	Highland Paving Co LLC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$9,024,132	
C204272	B-6000	Replace 2 Bridges in Bladen County, 1 Bridge in Columbus County and 1 Bridge in Robeson County. B-6006: Columbus County replace Bridge #313 on SR 1159 (Old Tram Road) over Boogy Branch	1/15/2019	1/15/2019	11/20/2019	8/1/2021	N/A	65.22%	The Tara Group of Lumberton INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$2,745,918	
DF00257	R-5786GA, R-5786GB	Install ADA curb ramps at various locations in Columbus County (Bolton, Brunswick, Chadbourn, Whiteville and Tabor City)	N/A	4/17/2019	2/10/2020	11/20/2020	7/30/2021	80.59%	JYMCO Construction Company INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$1,197,433	
C204571	R-7/9/	US 74 at SR 1506 (Old Boardman/Macedonia Church Road) Upgrade at-grade intersection to interchange	10/31/2018	4/20/2021	N/A	2/28/2025	N/A	0%	BMCO Construction, INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$16,191,279	С
DF00272	R-58194	Construct directional crossovers at SR 1735 (Chaunceytown Road) and SR 1740 (Old Lake Road)	N/A	4/21/2021	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%	Barnhill Contracting Co.	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$1,838,763	C be
DF00275		Resurfacing, milling & pavement markings	N/A	2/17/2021	N/A	6/30/2022	N/A	0%	Barnhill Contracting Co.	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$2,399,583	С

TIP Projects

TIP Projects	Project	R/W Date	Funding Status	Schedule	Project Cost	Comments
	I-74, US 74 from NC 41 near Lumberton to US 76 near Chadbourn. Upgrade US 74		Programmed STIP Project Status:			Construction - Unfunded
I-6011	to interstate standards	10/31/2026	Funding Not Committed	Let Date: 10/16/2029	\$53,600,000	Project is not on Move Forward List
R-2561B	Widen NC 87 to multi-lanes from SR 1730 (Elwell Ferry Road) in Bladen County to	1/1/2040	Programmed STIP Project	Let Date: 1/1/2040	\$75.574.000	RW/Utilties/Construction - Unfunded
17 20010	NC 11 in Columbus County	1/ 1/2040	Status: Unfunded	201 2010. 1/ 1/2010	\$10,011,000	Project not on Move Forward List
D 05610	Widen NC 87 to multi-lanes from NC 11 to US 74/ US 76	7/04/0000	Programmed STIP Project	Let Date: 1/1/2040	\$105.408.000	Construction - Unfunded
R-2561C	widen NC 67 to multi-lanes from NC 11 to 05 74/ 05 76	7/21/2028	Status: Funding Not committed	Let Date: 1/1/2040	\$105,400,000	Project not on Move Forward List
						Project is moving forward
R-2561CA	NC 87 at NC 11 convert at-grade intersection to interchange	10/28/2019	Programmed STIP Project Status: Committed	Let Date: 6/15/2022	\$27,300,000	Added to PE Move Forward List 5/5/2020 Added to ROW Move Forward List 1/12/2021
						Added to Utilities Move Forward List 1/19/2021
R-5020A	Widen US 701 Bypass to multilanes from South of SR 1166 (Pleasant Plains Road) to	2/28/2018	Programmed STIP Project	Let Date: 7/18/2028	\$44,950,000	Construction FY 2029
R-5020A	SR 1437 (Virgil Avenue) in Whiteville	2/20/2010	Status: Funding Not Committed	Let Date. 1/10/2020	\$ 44 ,950,000	Project not on Move Forward List
	Widen US 701 Bypass to multilanes from SR 1437 (Virgil Avenue) to US 74/US 76		Programmed STIP Project Status:			Project is moving forward
R-5020B	interchange in Whiteville	2/28/2018	Committed	Let Date: 4/20/2021	\$29,050,000	Added to ROW Move Forward List 1/12/2021 Added to Utilities Move Forward List 1/19/2021
						Project is moving forward
R-5819	US 74/US 76 at SR 1740 (R-5819 Old Lake Road) construct grade separation.	R/W Date: 3/31/2021	Programmed STIP Project Status: Committed	Revised Let Date: 6/21/2022	\$14,175,000	Added to PE Move Forward List 11/24/2020 Added to ROW Move Forward List 2/10/2021
			Committee			Added to Utilities Move Forward List 2/10/2021
						Project is moving forward
R-5820	US 74/ US 76 at SR 1735 (R-5820 Chaunceytown Road) convert at-grade intersection to interchange and convert Chaunceytown Road/NC 214 intersection to roundabout	R/W Date: 3/31/2021	Programmed STIP Project Status: Committed	Revised Let Date: 6/21/2022	\$27,178,000	Added to PE Move Forward List 11/24/2020 Added to ROW Move Forward List 2/10/2021
			Committed			Added to Utilities Move Forward List 2/12/2021

Comments

Project Completion date has been revised to November 2021

Contract awarded 4/30/2021

Contract awarded 4/22/2021; Work to begin June 2021

Contract awarded 2/24/2021

TIP Projects and Safety Projects

TIP#	Project	R/W Date	Funding Status	Schedule	Project Cost	Comments
R-5952	US 701 Bypass at SR 1305 (Complex Street) - Upgrade intersection	10/31/2024	Programmed STIP Project Status: Committed	Let Date: 10/20/2026 Construction FY 2027	\$7,900,000	Added to PE Move Forward List 3/3/2021 Design Alternatives Complete (3/22/2021) - currently under review
SS-6006E	US 74 BUS at SR 1005 (Peacock Road) - All Way Stop	N/A	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 2/17/2021	\$19,800	AWS interim treatment - RAB to be constructed W-5706X Added to Spot Safety Move Forward List (September 2020)
SS-6006K	NC 11 at SR 1740 (Old Lake Road) - All Way Stop	N/A	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 1/20/2021	\$41,400	Added to Spot Safety Move Forward List (September 2020) AWS interim treatment - RAB to be constructed W-5806A
W-5706J	NC 410 (Joe Brown Highway) at SR 1002 (Old Lumberton Road) and at SR 1003 (Silver Spoon Road); and, SR 1002 at SR 1003 - Intersection improvements	3/30/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 3/2/2022	\$1,535,000	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 1/21/2021 Added to ROW Move Forward List 4/7/2021
W-5706S	US 74/US 76 construct reduced conflict intersections from SR 1836 (Byrdville Freeman Road) to East of SR 1845 (Money Hole Road)	3/20/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 3/2/2022	\$2,913,850	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 1/21/2021 Added to ROW Move Forward List 4/7/2021
W-5706X	Construct roundabout US 74 Business at SR 1005 (Peacock Road)	12/31/2021	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 12/7/2022	\$975,000	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 1/21/2021 Added to ROW Move Forward List 3/25/2021
W-5706AA	NC 410 (Joe Brown Highway south) at SR 1317 (Clarendon Chadbourn Rd) south of Chadbourn - Intersection improvements	2/18/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 2/16/2022	\$375,000	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 1/21/2021 Added to ROW Move Forward List 4/7/2021
W-5806A	NC 11 at SR 1740 (Old Lake Road) construct roundabout	5/6/2022	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 4/5/2023	\$1,427,000	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 1/21/2021 Added to ROW Move Forward List 3/25/2021
BR-0073	Replace Bridge #230005 on US 76 over Gapway Swamp	1/21/2022	STI Funding	Let Date: 1/17/2023	\$3,680,000	Project is moving forward Added to PE Move Forward List 11/24/2020 Added to ROW Move Forward List 4/19/2021

High Impact/Low Cost Projects

Project ID	Project Description	R/W Date	Funding Source	Let Date	Project Cost
47732	US 701 @ SR 1546 (Bill Hooks Road) construct Left Turn Lane	N/A	HI/LC	7/16/2021	\$300,000
48863	NC 87 @ SR 1740 (Old Lake Road) construct Left Turn Lane	N/A	HI/LC	9/16/2021	\$400,000



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ROY COOPER GOVERNOR J. ERIC BOYETTE Secretary

June 2021

Nazia Sarder Transportation Engineer NCDOT Transportation Planning Division 1 South Wilmington Street Raleigh, NC 27601

JUNE TPD UPDATES CAPE FEAR RPO

JUNE 2021

Brunswick County Model: The Brunswick County Model was completed in February of last year.

Brunswick County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP): The CTP is moving along and we are on schedule. Our last meeting was on 5/27 where we went over the following items:

- Base Year Volume and Capacity Map
- Future Year Volume and Capacity Map
- Brunswick CTP Future Year Over Capacity Roadways
- Freight Map
- Crash Locations Map
- Bridge Deficiencies Map
- Environmental Maps (4)
- Supporting Maps Definitions

Our next meeting is on June 24, 2021 where we will be reviewing the survey results. The survey opened on March 11th and closes on June 9th. As of May 27th, we have over 4,200 responses and we thank everyone on our CTP Steering Committee for the survey outreach.

Wilmington Model: The 2045 Travel Demand Model and 2045 Wilmington MPO MTP was adopted on 11/18/2020 by the Wilmington MPO Board.

Columbus County CTP: No updates on this CTP, still waiting for everything to open up post COVID-19 prior to starting public involvement sessions.

New Hanover County Bridge Replacement: A bridge damaged by a container truck will be replaced instead of repaired, the N.C. Department of Transportation has determined.

The Castle Hayne Road <u>bridge that spans Smith Creek has been closed</u> since last Friday morning after sustaining damage.

FHWA Releases Resources to Support Bikeway Selection: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released two resources about bikeway selection. <u>"Traffic Analysis and Intersection Considerations to Inform Bikeway Selection</u>" examines bikeway selection trade-offs as they relate to intersections, including spatial needs, safety, equity, and traffic operations. <u>"On-Street Motor Vehicle Parking and Bikeway Selection Process</u>" discusses on-street parking considerations around bikeways, including strategies for various curb use and parking considerations. Both reports supplement the <u>FHWA "Bikeway Selection Guide.</u>" <u>https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/</u>

CLEAR Post-Construction Assessment Update: CLEAR (Communicate Lessons, Exchange Advice, Record). This is the page for the Post Construction Assessments. On this page you can access each of the Projects that either has a review scheduled or completed assessment. <u>https://connect.ncdot.gov/site/Post-Const-Assess/Pages/default.aspx</u>

Updates on Coronavirus (COVID-19) in North Carolina: To see the latest information on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in North Carolina including cases, FAQs and more, visit the <u>NC DHHS website</u>.