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## Rural Transportation Coordinating Committee (RTCC) Meeting Agenda April 6, 2022 • 10:00 AM

#### Join meeting

Join by phone +1 301 715 8592 Meeting ID: 846 1212 8327 Meeting passcode: 095480

#### I. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Additions or corrections to the agenda
- **4. Approval of minutes:** February 2, 2022 (*attached*)
- 5. Public Comment

#### II. PRESENTATIONS

No Additional Presentations for this meeting.

#### III. REGULAR BUSINESS

- **6.** Monarch FY 2023 FTA Section 5310 Grant Funds Resolution Monarch has requested a resolution in support for their application for FTA 5310 grant funds. *Staff requests a motion to recommend approval of the attached resolution.*
- **7.** PAS-TRAN FY 2022 FTA Section 5310 Grant Funds Resolution PAS-TRAN has requested a resolution in support for their application for FTA 5310 grant funds. *Staff requests a motion to recommend approval of the attached resolution.*

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**8. FY 2022-2023 PWP** – The Planning Work Program (PWP) for the upcoming fiscal year is due to NCDOT by May 15. *Staff requests a motion to recommend approval of the attached FY 2022-2023 PWP for submittal to the RTAC for their approval.* 

#### 9. Reports/Updates

- Cape Fear RPO
  - o NC 210 ECG Feasibility Study
  - Multimodal Planning Grants
  - o NCAMPO Conference
  - o STIP amendments and revisions
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington)
- NC Ferry (Fort Fisher to Southport)
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender)
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus)
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD)
- NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD)
- Wilmington Area MPO (WMPO)
- Grand Strand MPO (GSATS)

#### IV. OTHER

10. Open discussion: General questions, comments, and other discussions

11. Adjourn

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#### **Rural Transportation Coordinating Committee (RTCC)**

\*\*Draft\*\* Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2022 • 10:00 AM Held virtually via Zoom

#### **Voting Members Present**

Helen Bunch, Brunswick County Tomas Lloyd, Southport Nicole Morgan, Boiling Spring Lakes Dylan Bowen, Columbus County Jerome Chestnut, Chadbourn Vanessa Lacer, Pender County Andrea Correll, Burgaw Caitlin Marks, NCDOT Division 3

Caitlin Marks, NCDOT Division

#### **Others Present**

Mark Bloomer, Oak Island Gage King, Wallace Lora Sharkey, Southport Bill Hammond, NCDOT Division 6 Tony Sumter, NCDOT IMD Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT Division 6

Nazia Sarder, NCDOT TPD Rachel McIntyre, WMPO Dan Newquist, GSATS Yvonne Hatcher, BTS

Joy Jacobs, Columbus County Transit

Stephanie Ayers, NC Ports

Patrick Flanagan, Cape Fear RPO

Fred Fontana, AARP

Chance Lambeth, Congressman

Rouzer's Office

Alrik Lunsford, NC Clean Energy Tech-

nology Center

#### I. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- **1.** Call to Order The meeting was held via video conference on Zoom. Having reached a quorum, Patrick Flanagan called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM
- **2. Roll Call** A roll call was taken of attendees.
- **3.** Additions or corrections to the agenda There were no changes to the agenda.
- **4. Approval of minutes** The minutes were presented.

Jerome Chestnut made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Stephanie Ayers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Tomas Lloyd, Yes Nicole Morgan, Yes Dylan Bowen, Yes Jerome Chestnut. Yes Vanessa Lacer, Yes Andrea Correll, Yes Amy Kimes, Yes Caitlin Marks, Yes

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Darius Sturdivant, Yes Nazia Sarder, Yes Rachel McIntyre, Yes Dan Newquist, Yes Yvonne Hatcher, Yes Joy Jacobs, Yes Stephanie Ayers, Yes Patrick Flanagan, Yes

The motion passed.

**5. Public Comment** – There were no comments from the public.

#### II. PRESENTATIONS

- **6. Brunswick County CTP** Patrick Flanagan gave an update on the Brunswick County CTP. He talked about the upcoming public involvement phase and asked the RTCC to review the materials and return any comments by April 1<sup>st</sup>. The documents can be found at <a href="https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/CTP-Details.aspx?study\_id=Brunswick%20County">https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/CTP-Details.aspx?study\_id=Brunswick%20County</a>.
- 7. Eastern North Carolina Clean Fuels Coalition Alrik Lunsford from the North Carolina Clean Energy Technology Center gave a presentation on the Clean Fuels Coalitions in North Carolina. He reported on an effort by the Clean Energy Technology Center to form additional coalitions in other parts of the state. He talked about the purpose of the coalition and the benefits it has for its members.

#### III. REGULAR BUSINESS

**8.** <u>NC Ports Grant Resolution</u> – Patrick Flanagan presented a requested from the NC Ports for a resolution of support for their various grant applications to the USDOT for a new Port of Wilmington intermodal facility. The resolution presented covers any USDOT grants they might apply for in the coming grant windows. Stephanie Ayers went over the three grant funding streams they plan on going after.

Jerome Chestnut made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution to the RTAC. Helen Bunch seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Helen Bunch, Yes Tomas Lloyd, Yes Nicole Morgan, Yes Dylan Bowen, Yes Jerome Chestnut, Yes Vanessa Lacer, Yes Andrea Correll, Yes Amy Kimes, Yes Caitlin Marks, Yes Darius Sturdivant, Yes Nazia Sarder, Yes Dan Newquist, Yes Yvonne Hatcher, Yes Joy Jacobs, Yes Stephanie Ayers, Yes Patrick Flanagan, Yes

The motion passed.

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9. Eastern North Carolina Clean Fuels Coalition Letter of Support — Patrick Flanagan reviewed the letter of support for the Cape Fear RPO to join the Eastern and Central North Carolina Clean Fuels Coalition as a stakeholder. He also talked about the "sign on" stakeholder level of the coalition. Alrik answered questions about charging stations, what areas of the state are involved, and educational opportunities for Local Governments. Stephanie Ayers made a motion to recommend approval of the Letter of Support and to become a "Sign On" stakeholder to the RTAC. Jerome Chestnut seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Helen Bunch, Yes
Tomas Lloyd, Yes
Nicole Morgan, Yes
Dylan Bowen, Yes
Jerome Chestnut, Yes
Vanessa Lacer, Yes
Andrea Correll, Yes
Amy Kimes, Yes

Caitlin Marks, Yes
Darius Sturdivant, Yes
Nazia Sarder, Yes
Dan Newquist, Yes
Yvonne Hatcher, Yes
Joy Jacobs, Yes
Stephanie Ayers, Yes
Patrick Flanagan, Yes

*The motion passed.* 

#### 10. Reports/Updates

- Cape Fear RPO
  - o NC 210 ECG Feasibility Study: Staff gave an update on the contract proceedings.
  - o Ferry Update: There was no ferry update.
  - o STIP amendments and revisions: Staff reviewed changes to interstate maintenance in the STIP.
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington): Stephanie Ayers gave an update on rail improvements at the Morehead City Port, refrigeration container storage at the Wilmington Port and the south gate project in Wilmington.
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender): Caitlin Marks gave an update on the NC 211 project.
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus): Darius Sturdivant gave an update on the US 701 Bypass project, the US 74 interchange at Old Boardman and the STIP projects that are subject to change.
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD): Nazia Sarder gave an update on the Columbus County CTP and the Brunswick County model.
- NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD): Tony Sumter, the new Coastal Plains
  Region Planner, gave an update on a number of items going on at IMD:
  Bike Helmet Applications <a href="https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/safety/bicycle-helmets/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/safety/bicycle-helmets/Pages/default.aspx</a>
  - $MOBI\ Awards \underline{https://connect.ncdot.gov/events/Pages/mobi-awards.aspx} \\ Complete\ Streets\ Resources -$
  - https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/BikePed/Pages/Complete-Streets.aspx
- Wilmington Area MPO (WMPO): An update was given on the Navassa Collector Street Plan and the Kure Beach Bike and Ped plan. Registration for the NCAMPO conference that is being held in Wilmington in April was discussed.

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• Grand Strand MPO (GSATS): Dan Newquist gave an update on GSATS' involvement in the Brunswick County CTP and the MTP land use collection that is going on in GSATS right now. The next RTAC will be February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### IV. OTHER

- **11. Open discussion** There were no comments from the group.
- **12. Adjourn** *The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.*

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## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MONARCH'S APPLICATION FOR FY 2023 FTA SECTION 5310 GRANT FUNDS

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 Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Transportation for Elderly and Disabled (5310) program aims to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation options; and

**WHEREAS**, the 5310 program provides funding to states for the purpose of assisting private non-profit groups in meeting the transportation needs of older adults and people with disabilities when the transportation service provided is unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate to meeting these needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Monarch is a 501(c)(3) organization that provides services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental illness and substance use disorders; and

**WHEREAS,** Monarch provides Behavioral Health Services (outpatient therapy and psychiatric services for children and adults, 24/7 mobile crisis service, and peer support) and Supported Employment Service to qualifying individuals in Columbus County and operates Columbus Industries, a day activity program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS,** Monarch provides transportation to qualifying participants and utilizes 5310 program funds to contract for transportation services with Columbus County Transportation; and

**WHEREAS,** Monarch is applying for a FY 2023 5310 grant to continue providing transportation to individuals in Columbus County with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental illness, and substance abuse disorders.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization hereby supports Monarch's FY 2023 5310 grant application.

| $\boldsymbol{ADOPTED}$ at a regular meeting this $14^{th}day$ of $Appendix$ | oril 2022.                  |
|---|-----------------------------|
| BY:   | ATTEST:                     |
| Frank Williams, Chair   | Patrick Flanagan, Secretary |



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### RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PENDER ADULT SERVICES' APPLICATION FOR FY 2023 FTA SECTION 5310 GRANT FUNDS

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 Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Transportation for Elderly and Disabled (5310) program aims to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation options; and

**WHEREAS**, the 5310 program provides funding to states for the purpose of assisting private non-profit groups in meeting the transportation needs of older adults and people with disabilities when the transportation service provided is unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate to meeting these needs; and

**WHEREAS,** Pender Adult Services, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization that serves Pender County, North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS,** PAS-TRAN is the public transportation division of Pender Adult Services and is a single-county community transportation system that provides transportation to the general public, as well as to eligible human service agency and elderly clients; and

**WHEREAS,** Pender Adult Services is applying for a FY 2023 5310 grant to continue providing transportation to elderly and disabled individuals in Pender County via PAS-TRAN.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization hereby supports Pender Adult Services' FY 2022 5310 grant application.

BY:

ATTEST:

Frank Williams, Chair

Patrick Flanagan, Secretary

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

# FY 2021 (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023) PLANNING WORK PROGRAM ANNUAL FUNDING SOURCES TABLE Cape Fear RPO

|              |  | RPO PROGRAM FUNDS |        |       |                |        |    |        |
|--------------|--|-------------------|--------|-------|----------------|--------|----|--------|
| TASK<br>CODE | WORK CATEGORY                                    |                   | OCAL   | State | FEDERAL<br>80% |        | т  | OTAL   |
|              |  | 20%               |        | 0%    |                |        |    |        |
| I. DATA C    | OLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT                         |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| I-1          | DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT                   | \$                | 1,300  | \$ -  | \$             | 5,200  | \$ | 6,500  |
| I-1.1        | Highway  |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| I-1.2        | Other Modes                                      |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| I-1.3        | Socioeconomic                                    |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| I-1.4        | Title VI   |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II. TRANS    | PORTATION PLANNING                               |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-1         | COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP)          | \$                | 2,600  | \$ -  | \$             | 10,400 | \$ | 13,000 |
| II-1.1       | Develop CTP Vision                               |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-1.2       | Conduct CTP Needs Assessment                     |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-1.3       | Analyze Alternatives and Environmental Screening |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-1.4       | Develop Final Plan                               |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-1.5       | Adopt Plan                                       |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-2         | PRIORITIZATION                                   | \$                | 2,000  | \$ -  | \$             | 8,000  | \$ | 10,000 |
| II-2.1       | Project Prioritization                           |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-3         | PROGRAM AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT                  | \$                | 800    | \$ -  | \$             | 3,200  | \$ | 4,000  |
| II-3.1       | STIP Participation                               |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-3.2       | Merger / Project Development                     |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-4         | GENERAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING                  | \$                | 5,000  | \$ -  | \$             | 20,000 | \$ | 25,000 |
| II-4.1       | Regional and Statewide Planning                  |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| II-4.2       | Special Studies, Projects and Other Trainings    |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| III. ADMIN   | ISTRATION OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND         | PO                | LICIES |       |                |        |    |        |
| III-1        | ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES                        | \$                | 5,300  | \$ -  | \$             | 21,200 | \$ | 26,500 |
| III-1.1      | Administrative Documents                         |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| III-1.2      | TCC / TAC Work Facilitation; Ethics Compliance   |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| III-1.3      | Program Administration                           |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV. DIREC    | CT COSTS   |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-1         | PROGRAMMATIC DIRECT CHARGES                      | \$                | 2,300  | \$ -  | \$             | 9,200  | \$ | 11,500 |
| IV-1.1       | Program-wide Direct Costs                        |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-2         | ADVERTISING                                      | \$                | 300    | \$ -  | \$             | 1,200  | \$ | 1,500  |
| IV-2.1       | News Media Ads                                   |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-3         | LODGING, MEALS, INCIDENTALS                      | \$                | 200    | \$ -  | \$             | 800    | \$ | 1,000  |
| IV-3.1       | Hotel Costs                                      |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-3.2       | Meal Costs                                       |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-3.3       | Incidentals                                      |                   |        |       |                |        |    |        |
| IV-4         | POSTAGE  | \$                | 20     | \$ -  | \$             | 80     | \$ | 100    |

| IV-4.1   | Mailings                           |              |         |    |         |               |
|----------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------|----|---------|---------------|
| IV-5     | REGISTRATION / TRAINING            | \$<br>100    | \$<br>- | \$ | 400     | \$<br>500     |
| IV-5.1   | Conference Registration            |              |         |    |         |               |
| IV-5.2   | Meeting / Workshop / Training Fees |              |         |    |         |               |
| IV-6     | TRAVEL                             | \$<br>640    | \$<br>- | \$ | 2,560   | \$<br>3,200   |
| IV-6.1   | Mileage Reimbursement              |              |         |    |         |               |
| IV-6.2   | Car Rental Costs                   |              |         |    |         |               |
| IV-6.3   | Other Travel Expenses              |              |         |    |         |               |
| V. INDIR | ECT COSTS                          |              |         |    |         |               |
| V-1      | INDIRECT COSTS                     | \$<br>6,034  | \$<br>- | 4  | 24,135  | \$<br>30,169  |
| V-1.1    | Incurred Indirect Costs            |              |         |    |         |               |
| RPO PRO  | OGRAM TOTAL                        | \$<br>26,594 | \$<br>- | 9  | 106,375 | \$<br>132,969 |

|                |  | SPR PROGRAM FUNDS |        |      |        |    |         |    |         |
|----------------|--|-------------------|--------|------|--------|----|---------|----|---------|
|                | WORK CATEGORY  | L                 | LOCAL  |      | STATE  |    | FEDERAL |    | TOTAL   |
| TASK<br>CODE   |  |                   |        |      |        |    |         |    |         |
|                |  |                   | 5%     |      | 15%    |    | 80%     |    | 100%    |
| VI. SPEC       | IAL STATE PLANNING & RESEARCH FUNDS                    |                   |        |      |        |    |         |    |         |
| VI-1           | SPECIAL SPR ALLOCATION                                 | \$                | 3,750  | \$   | 11,250 | \$ | 60,000  | \$ | 75,000  |
| VI-1.1         | If applicable, insert name of SPR Special Project here |                   |        |      |        |    |         |    |         |
| SPECIAL        | SPR TOTAL  | \$                | 3,750  | \$ · | 11,250 | \$ | 60,000  | \$ | 75,000  |
|                |  |                   |        |      |        |    |         |    |         |
| <b>PWP TOT</b> | AL   | \$                | 30,344 | \$ ' | 11,250 | \$ | 166,375 | \$ | 207,969 |

|   | FY 21-22 |         | FY 22-23 |        | Pro | posed Change |
|---|----------|---------|----------|--------|-----|--------------|
| I-1 Data Collection and Assessment                    | \$       | 6,500   | \$       | 6,500  |     | No Change    |
| II-1 Comprehensive Transportation Plan Development    | \$       | 10,000  | \$       | 13,000 | \$  | 3,000.0      |
| II-2 Prioritization                                   | \$       | 13,000  | \$       | 10,000 | \$  | (3,000.0)    |
| II-3 Project Development                              | \$       | 4,000   | \$       | 4,000  |     | No Change    |
| II-4 General Transportation Planning                  | \$       | 25,000  | \$       | 25,000 |     | No Change    |
| III-1 Administrative Documents and Public Involvement | \$       | 26,500  | \$       | 26,500 |     | No Change    |
| IV-1 Programmatic Direct Charges                      | \$       | 11,500  | \$       | 11,500 |     | No Change    |
| IV-2 Advertising                                      | \$       | 1,500   | \$       | 1,500  |     | No Change    |
| IV-3 Lodging, Meals, Incidentals                      | \$       | 1,000   | \$       | 1,000  |     | No Change    |
| IV-4 Postage  | \$       | 100     | \$       | 100    |     | No Change    |
| IV-5 Registration/Training                            | \$       | 500     | \$       | 500    |     | No Change    |
| IV-6 Travel   | \$       | 3,200   | \$       | 3,200  |     | No Change    |
| V-1 Indirect Costs                                    | \$       | 30,169  | \$       | 30,169 |     | No Change    |
| VI-1 Special SPR Allocation                           | \$       | 100,000 | \$       | 75,000 | \$  | (25,000)     |
|   |          |         |          |        |     |              |