Cape Fear RPO

Brunswick County & Columbus County & Pender County

RURAL TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AUGUST 11, 2023

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

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Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest

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.

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Item 5: Agenda Review

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Agenda Review
- 4. Approval of Minutes
- 5. Public Comment
- FY 2023-24 PWP Increase
- 7. Monarch FY25 5310 Grant Resolution

- 8. WMPO PROTECT Grant Resolution
- Prioritization 7.0 Discussion
- 10. Reports/Updates
- 11. Open Discussion
- 12. Adjourn

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Item 6: RTAC Meeting Minutes

Review of the June 16, 2023 minutes

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Item 7: Public Comment Period

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Item 8: FY 23-24 Planning Work Program

In June, NCDOT's Transportation Planning Division announced a **15% funding increase** for all RPOs effective FY23-24.

Local Match will now be determined by County Tiers. Since Cape Fear RPO contains a Tier 1 County, Local Match will be 5% and NCDOT will cover the remaining 15%.

Previous Allocation: Total = \$ 132,969 Local Match = \$ 26,594

New Allocation: Total = \$153,000 Local Match = \$7,650

New funds to be assigned as follows:

Data Collection & Assessment	+ \$ 2,881	General Transportation Planning	+ \$ 6,000
CTP Development	+ \$ 1,000	Administrative Activities	+ \$ 6,000
Prioritization	+ \$ 1,650	Lodging, Meals, Incidentals	+ \$ 200
Program & Project Development	+ \$ 1,000	Travel	+ \$1,300

Item 9: Monarch FY25 5310 Grant Resolution

Section 5310 Grant

- Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities
- Columbus County
- No Cost to the RPO

Item 10: WMPO PROTECT Grant Resolution

Resolution supporting Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

PROTECT Program = Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation

WMPO seeking to develop a **Resilience Improvement Plan**:

- Addressing transportation network needs related to comprehensive natural hazard preparedness
- Identify and assess areas of vulnerability within the transportation network
- Stakeholders to include Brunswick County, Pender County, and Cape Fear COG/RPO

No Cost to the RPO

Item 11: Prioritization 7.0 Discussion

Funding Category	10 Year Budget	Amount of Committed Projects	Remaining Available Balance for P7.0	Number of Carryover Projects	\$ Amount of Carryover Project Costs	Remaining Available Budget for New Projects*
Statewide	\$11.6B	\$7.7B	\$3.9B	50	\$4.7B	\$0
Region B	\$1.108B	\$1.074B	\$34M	2	\$116M	\$0
Region C	\$2.4B	\$1.1B	\$1.3B	24	\$1.1B	\$200M
Division 3	\$714M	\$753M	-\$39M	2	\$34M	\$0
Division 6	\$660M	\$461M	\$199M	5	\$183M	\$16M

^{*}This assumes that ALL carryover projects score high enough in P7.0 to be funded in the 2026-2035 STIP

<u>NOTE</u>: This projection is subject to change by the time projects are scored and competing for funds.

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Item 11: P7.0 Aviation Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status
Brunswick	Division	SUT - Runway 5-23 strengthening	Holding Tank
Bruitswick	Division	SUT - Terminal area hangar development	Holding Tank
	Division	CPC - Improve runway safety area and widen runway	Holding Tank
	Division	CPC - Hangars and taxiways, phase 2	Holding Tank
Columbus	Division	CPC - Runway extension to 6,000' on south end of existing runway	Holding Tank
Columbus	Division	CPC - Perimeter fencing to increase safety and reduce wildlife inundation	Holding Tank
	Division	CPC - Extend existing water and sewer infrastructure	Holding Tank
	Division	CPC - Corporate hangar construction	New Project
	Division	ACZ - Runway lighting system rehabilitation	Holding Tank
	Division	ACZ - Construct 8-unit hangar and taxilane on the north side of the runway	Holding Tank
Dondon	Division	ACZ - Design and construct eastern partial parallel taxiway	Holding Tank
Pender Division		ACZ - Perimeter fence construction	New Project
	Division	ACZ - Fuel farm replacement	New Project
	Division	ACZ - Apron expansion	New Project

Item 11: P7.0 Bike/Ped Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status	
	Division	Construct multi-use path on NC 87 from City Hall to Community Center	Holding Tank	
	Division	Construct multi-use path on NC 87 from Community Center to Cougar Rd	Holding Tank	
Brunswick	Division	Construct multi-use path on Fifty Lakes Dr from NC 87 to Eden Dr	Holding Tank	
brunswick	Division	Construct sidewalks on E Leonard St between Howe St and Fodale Ave	New Project	
	Division	Construct sidewalks on W 9th St between Howe St and Southport Elementary	New Project	
	Division	Expand bike lanes on E Beach Dr from S Middleton Ave to SE 58th St	New Project	
	Division	Construct sidewalks on E 3rd St from NC 410 to N Pine St (Chadbourn Elem.)	Holding Tank	
	Division	Construct multi-use path at Lake Waccamaw State Park from the parking lot to the spillway	Holding Tank	
Columbus	DIVISION	bridge	Holding Falls	
	Division	Add bike lanes on Spivey Rd (N of US74 BUS), Warrior Trails, & Flowers-Pridgen Dr	New Project	
	Division	Division Construct sidewalks on SR 1300 from Tabor Elementary to Barry St		
	Division	Construct sidewalks on NC 53 along the Osgood Canal Trail with improved crossings on US 117	Holding Tank	
		BUS and US 117 BYP		
	Division	Construct sidewalks on E Freemont St from S Cowan St to Pender Memorial Hospital	Holding Tank	
Pender	Division	Construct sidewalks on NC 50 through Topsail Beach CBD	Holding Tank	
	Division	Construct multi-use path on NC from Davis Ave to Hispaniola Ln	Holding Tank	
	Division	Construct multi-use path on NC 50 from Crew Ave to Trout Ave	Holding Tank	
	Division	Construct on-road bike lands on Penderlea Hwy from W Bridgers St to Burgaw municipal limits	Holding Tank	

Item 11: P7.0 Ferry Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status
Prunoviole	Regional	Replace water tower and ground storage tank	Holding Tank
Brunswick	Regional	Replace synchro-lift	Holding Tank
Columbus			
Pender			

Item 11: P7.0 Highway Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status
	Regional	Widen NC 906 (Midway Rd) from NC 211 to SR 1501 (Gilbert Rd)	Holding Tank
	Regional	Widen NC 906 (Midway Rd / Galloway Rd) and realign offset intersection of Midway and Galloway with US 17 BUS (Old Ocean Hwy)	Holding Tank
	Division	Construct Antenna Farm Rd from NC 87 to NC 906 (Midway Rd)	Holding Tank
Brunswick	Regional	Realign NC 906 (Midway/Galloway) at US 17 BUS and construct a roundabout	Holding Tank
	Regional	Intersection improvements on US 17 BUS (Old Ocean Hwy) outside Brunswick County Government Complex, potentially including roundabouts	Holding Tank
	Regional	Construct 1-lane roundabout at NC 906 (Midway Rd) and SR 1501 (Gilbert Rd)	Holding Tank
	Statewide	Access management on US 17 from NC 87 to WMPO Boundary	New Project
	Statewide	Upgrade at-grade intersection to grade separation - US 74/76 and SR 1800 (Blacksmith Rd)	Holding Tank
	Division	Alternative to Chadbourn Bypass still in development	Holding Tank
Columbus	Division	Cerro Gordo Bypass - new location from NC 242 (Haynes Lennon Hwy) to SR 1352 (Cedar Grove Church Rd) including grade-separated crossing of the RJ Corman Rail	Holding Tank
	Regional	Construct roundabout at the intersection of NC 410 (Brown St) and US 74 BUS (E Strawberry Blvd)	Holding Tank
	Statewide	Upgrade at-grade intersection to grade separation - US 74/76 and NC 214 (Sam Potts Hwy)	Holding Tank
	Division	Construct a new 2-lane roadway extending SR 1439 (Legion Dr) from Washington St to Smyrna Rd	Holding Tank
	Regional	Modernize NC 53 from US 117 BYP to Smith St, including streetscape improvements	Holding Tank
	Regional	Realign NC 210 at SR 1120 (Malpass Corner Rd) and SR 1121 (Bell Williams Rd), roundabout possible	Holding Tank
	Regional	Construct a roundabout on NC 11 at SR 1309 (Willard Railroad St) and SR 1310 (Veach St) in Willard	Holding Tank
Pender	Regional	Upgrade NC 50 (S Anderson Blvd) to a 2-lane curb and gutter with sidewalks and on-street parking from Topsail Beach Town Center near Maritime Way to Crews Ave	Holding Tank
	Statewide	Modernize US 117 from SR 1416 (Porters Lane Rd) to S Walker St	Holding Tank
	Division	Convert grade separation of I-40 and SR 1412 (New Road) to an interchange	Holding Tank

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Item 11: P7.0 Rail Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status
	Statewide	Freight rail connection from Malma to International Logistics Park near County Line	Holding Tank
Brunswick	Statewide	Freight rail connection from Malmo to RJ Corman Carolina Line in Whiteville	Holding Tank
	Division	Grade separation of SR 1426 (Mt. Misery Rd) over CSX SE Line	Holding Tank
	Division	Grade separation of SR 1740 (Old Lake Rd) over CSX SE Line	Holding Tank
	Regional	Grade separation of NC 11 over CSX SE Line near Sandyfield	Holding Tank
Columbus	Division	Grade separation of SR 1846 (Sand Hole Rd) over CSX SE Line near Riegelwood	Holding Tank
Columbus	Division	Upgrade existing rail crossing of SR 1846 (Sand Hole Rd) and the CSX SE Line in Riegelwood with new asphalt surface and seal	Holding Tank
	Division	Upgrade double rail crossing at SR 1818 (Neils Eddy Rd) and CSX SE Line near Acme	Holding Tank
	Statewide	Restoration of Wallace to Castle Hayne rail corridor	Holding Tank
Pender	Statewide	Restoration of Wallace to Castle Hayne corridor: Wallace to Burgaw (phase 1)	Holding Tank
	Statewide	Restoration of Wallace to Castle Hayne corridor: Burgaw to Castle Hayne (phase 2)	Holding Tank

Item 11: P7.0 Transit Draft List

County	Category	Project Description	Project Status
Brunswick	Division	Purchase 2 expansion demand response vehicles	Holding Tank
Columbus			
Pender			

CFRPO Staff Report

Updating CFRPO Title VI Nondiscrimination Plan

To be presented at a later RTAC meeting.

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CFRPO Staff Report

Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Updates

Pre-Project Approval / Funding Announcement:

- Division 6 / CFRPO
 5th Street Sidewalk Project in Columbus County (\$ 250,000)
- CFRPO Burgaw Multi-Use Pathway, East Phase 1 (\$ 916,250)
- Division 6 / CFRPO
 Roundabout at Madison St (US 701 BUS) / Lee St / Franklin St (\$ 3.5M)

Accepting applications on a rolling basis moving forward.

Applications encouraged especially in **Communities under 5,000 population!**

Common projects include sidewalks, multi-use paths, roundabouts, etc.

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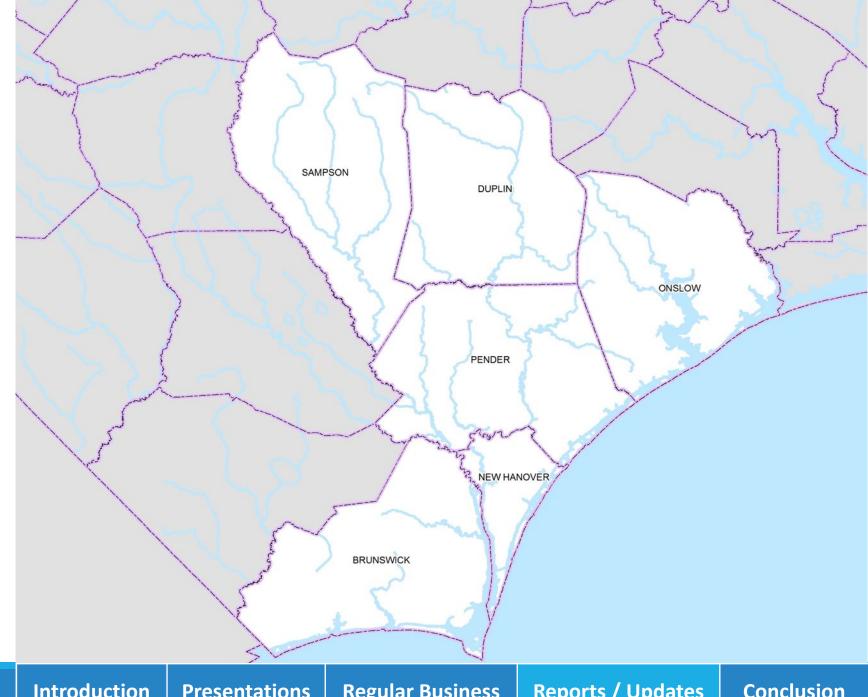
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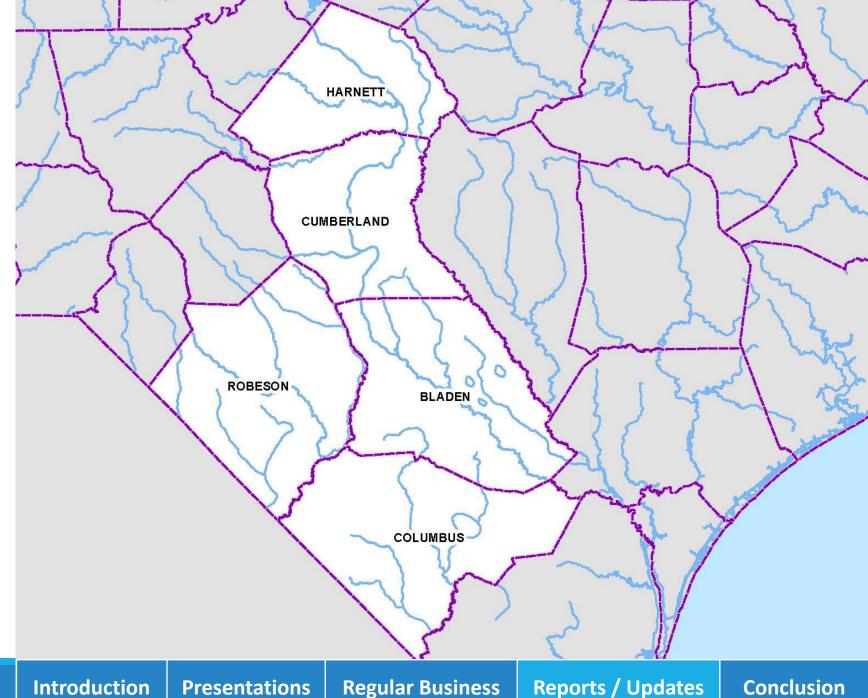
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Open Discussion

General questions, comments, and other discussions

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