



AGENDA

TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

1. Ethics Statement

Gwen Hinson, Chairperson

2. Amend/Adopt Agenda

Gwen Hinson, Chairperson.....(ACTION NEEDED)

3. Approval of Minutes from March 2015

Gwen Hinson, Chairperson.....(ACTION NEEDED)

4. Conformity Determination Report (5 minutes)

Dana Stoogenke, RRRPO Staff.....(ACTION NEEDED)

Background: This air quality document will be released for public comment in mid-June by the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization. This needs to be discussed by the TCC and if appropriate recommended to the TAC.

6. Five-Year Calendar (5 minutes)

Dana Stoogenke, RRRPO Staff(ACTION NEEDED)

Background: This is a required document for NCDOT. This document needs to be reviewed by the TCC and if appropriate recommended to the TAC.

7. Strategic Transportation Investment (STI) Schedule (20 minutes)

Dana Stoogenke, RRRPO Staff(INFORMAION)

Background: The new STI schedule was released. Staff will review the impacts of the new schedule for member governments.

8. Legislative Review

Dana Stoogenke, RRRPO Staff(INFORMAION)

Background: There are many proposed transportation related bills in the North Carolina General Assembly.

8. Transit Providers (10 minutes)

- a. SCUSA.....Gwen Hinson
- b. ACTS.....Scott Rowell
- c. UCT.....Annette Sullivan

9. NCDOT Updates *(10 minutes)*

- a. County Updates.....Division Staff
- b. Transportation Planning Branch.....Reuben Crummy

10. Old Business *(10 minutes)*

- a. R-2530B & B-494 Revisit Concurrence Points; Stanly County

11. New Business

12. Public Comment

13. Adjourn

Next meeting:
Tuesday, July 14, 2015 (10:00-12:00)
Location: Division 10– Albemarle, NC



Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Gwen Hinson (Chair - SCUSA), Jay Almond (Vice-Chair, Badin), Susan Almond (New London), Reuben Crummy (NCDOT), Scott Efird (Locust), Michael Ferris (Albemarle), Gary Fincher (Anson County Airport), Scottie Heglar (Richfield), Bridgette Helms (Stanfield), Joe Lesch (Union County), Scott Rowell (ACTS), and Larry Smith (Red Cross)

Members Absent: Larry Branch (Oakboro), David Griffin (Stanly County Airport), Lynn Griffin (Peachland), Pam Humphrey (Misenheimer), Lyndell Ingram (Ansonville), Louis Mitchell (NCDOT), Dwight Smith (Norwood), and Minnie Staton (Polkton)

Others Present: Marc Morgan (NCDOT), Lee Ainsworth (NCDOT), Michael Sandy (Stanly County), Dana Stoogenke (RPO), and Catherine Peele (RPO)

A. Welcome

The meeting convened at 10:00 am. Quorum was established.

B. Ethics Statement

The Ethics Statement was read to members by Chairperson Gwen Hinson.

C. Approval of Agenda (Approved)

A motion was made by Scott Efird to approve the agenda and was seconded by Joe Lesch. It was approved unanimously.

D. Approval of Minutes from January 2015 (Approved)

A motion was made by Joe Lesch to approve the minutes from January 2015 and was seconded by Scott Efird. It was approved unanimously.

E. STI Update and Draft Recommendations (Approved)

Dana Stoogenke, RPO

A letter drafted by the NCARPO to address concerns regarding the STI was presented to the board for review. The motion to recommend the letter for submission by the TAC was made by Scott Effird and seconded by Scott Rowell. It was approved unanimously.

F. Amendment 2014-2015 Planning Work Program (PWP)

Dana Stoogenke, RPO

A PWP amendment shifting \$15,000 from the budget's Data Collection category to the General Transportation category was presented. A motion to approve the request was made by Scott Efird and seconded by Jay Almond. The amendment was approved unanimously

G. 2015-2016 PWP Draft

Dana Stoogenke, RPO

An overview of the 2015-2016 PWP was presented. The overall budget does not reflect an increase and member governments are invited to submit further project suggestions. A motion to submit the PWP to the TAC for approval was made by Scott Rowell and seconded by Joe Lesch. The motion was approved unanimously.

H. Local Ownership of NCDOT Roads

Lee Ainsworth, NCDOT

The Powell Bill process allows communities to incorporate roads into their municipal street network with support from the NCDOT. The presentation covered the funding and transition process for local governments acquiring state roads.

I. Transit Providers

a. SCUSA: Gwen Hinson

- Safety audit complete
- Budget packet will be completed March 19
- Two-way radios will be replaced for the office and vehicles. A bid has been obtained for the new communications system.
- Gwen will be serving on the Cabarrus County Community Transportation Plan Service Committee to develop a coordinated 5-year plan.

b. ACTS: Scott Rowell

- ACTS will be updating its Title VI policy to reflect amendments
- A site has been selected for the Facility Feasibility Study
- Working on a federal compliance review

c. UCT: Annette Sullivan

- Budget for 2015-2016 is complete.
- Currently working on federal compliance review

J. NCDOT Updates

a. County Updates

- Anson and Union Counties (Lee Ainsworth)
 - 2014-2015 resurfacing not yet completed due to seasonal limitations
 - 2015-2016 Anson County resurfacing awarded to Farmhill Construction
 - 2015-2016 Resurfacing has been let
 - Wadesboro bridge project will be let in March
- Stanly County: NCDOT Staff
 - 2014-2015 resurfacing not yet complete; should be done by June 30

- o 2015-2016 resurfacing also going to JT Russell Contracting
- o NCDOT requesting 2016-2017 resurfacing schedule
- o Monroe Bypass: proceeding with design right-of-way, construction to begin in May if no injunction is issued
- o Beginning examination and planning for 24-27 Bypass modifications to mitigate pedestrian safety risk. SPOT safety funds will be requested
- o Public Meeting for STI Process on April 9 from 4:00-7:00pm at Stanly Commons in Albemarle

b. Transportation Planning Branch
Reuben Crummy, NCDOT

- The City of Locust/Town of Red Cross (Stanly County Amendment) Comprehensive Transportation Plan is now able to proceed since the adoption of the Strategic Transportation Corridor Plan. Scheduling is in process for a meeting.

K. Old Business

a. Air Quality Update

- Union County is currently non-attainment
- The proposed new standard is more stringent and would keep Charlotte in non-attainment status

b. P4 Committee Workgroup Update

- Workgroup is currently analyzing cost-benefit calculations for rural areas

L. New Business: None

M. Public Comment: None

N. Adjourned at 11:05am.

A motion was made by Jay Almond to adjourn and Scott Efird and Joe Lesch seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Adopted: This the 12th day of May 2015.

Attest:

Gwen Hinson, TCC Chairperson

Dana Stoogenke, Secretary



**Five Year Planning Calendar
FY 2015 – FY 2020
Rocky River Rural Planning Organization**

As part of developing an annual planning work program, the Rocky River Rural Planning Organization (RRRPO) is required to document the ongoing and planned future activities of the RPO for the next five fiscal years. This document should serve as the vision for guiding the RPO's future activities and should be used for guidance in the development of future planning work programs.

For the period FY 2015 through FY 2020, the RPO proposes to undertake the following activities:

- Data Collection and Assessment – Annually update GIS data layers showing roads and parcels/land use and building permits; complete inventories of existing sidewalks, greenways, and bicycle facilities in the region; and develop online maps using Online GIS to display available GIS information (such as AADT, crash locations, CTP recommendations, and project information) to the public.
- Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Development – Assist to finish of Stanly County Amendment CTP for the City of Locust, Town of Red Cross and unincorporated Stanly County. RPO staff will assist with the CTP stakeholders meetings, public involvement, and adoption process. Update Anson County and City of Wadesboro Comprehensive Transportation Plan.
- Prioritization and Program Development – Prepare necessary information for SPOT processes for prioritizes in 2015 and 2016 and develop local priorities for each process; review, disseminate, and comment on STIPs in 2017. Continue work on the P4 Committee.
- Special Projects – Work with communities on identifying corridor study needs and continue working on special projects as appropriate (e.g., Street diet, Freight)
- Air Quality – Coordinate with NCDOT, FHWA and the Metrolina Regional Model staff on model and conformity as needed due to LRTP or STIP updates. Work with regional partners to implement CommunityViz Software as a forecasting and annual updating tool.
- General Transportation Planning – Document compiled regional transportation plan based on county and municipal CTPs; and develop regional bicycle and pedestrian plan based on compiled local plans and a regional effort to fill in the gaps and make needed connections. Assist Community Transportation Systems with service planning, data analysis, GIS routing and passenger surveys. Implement all aspects of Title VI compliance.



Transportation Prioritization: P4 Schedule

Time Frame	Action	Description
June-August 2015	RPO staff	Solicits new projects, If new projects exceeds SPOT's caps for new projects, STI Sub-committee meets and makes recommendation to TCC/TAC.
July 2015	TAC Review	TAC takes action to finalize new project submission list.
August 2015	RPO Staff	Review Public Input Plan (PIP) and make revisions.
September 2015	TAC Action	TCC/TAC reviews and takes action on the PIP and new project submissions.
October 2015	RPO Staff	Input new projects into SPOT database. Review Local Input points Methodology and make revisions.
November	Public Hearing	TAC/TCC reviews Local Input Point Methodology and has a public hearing and release it for its comment period
January 2016	TAC Action	TAC takes action on the Local Input Point Methodology.
February 2016	RPO Staff	Applies the new Local Input Point Methodology to all projects.
March 2016	NCDOT	TIP Unit programs Statewide Projects
March 2016	TAC Action	TAC takes action on both Regional and Division Projects
May 2016		TCC/TAC meeting, if SPOT needs discussion.
July 2016		TCC/TAC meeting, if SPOT needs discussion.
April 2016	RPO Staff	Inputs all Regional projects into SPOT Online.
September 2016	TAC Review	Review Regional Points with TAC and assigns final input points for Division projects in SPOT Online.
December 2016	NC BOT	NC BOT adopts 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program

RRRPO Meeting Dates



Legislation	Description	NCGA History
<p>Gas Tax SB 20</p>	<p>Part I would update from December 31, 2013, to January 1, 2015, the reference to the Internal Revenue Code. Part II sets the motor fuel tax rate at 36.0 cents per gallon from April 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. The rate reduces to 35.0 cents per gallon from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 and reduces to 34.0 cents per gallon from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. Beginning January 1, 2017, a new motor fuel tax formula will be used to calculate the tax rate. The formula includes two components: a base tax rate, which is the rate in effect prior to the adjustment; and a variable rate calculated as a percentage adjustment from: The percentage change in population, multiplied by 75%, and the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Energy multiplied by 25%.</p>	<p>Senate: Passed House: Passed</p>
<p>SB 617</p>	<p>BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION SUPERMAJORITY APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF LANES ON STATE ROAD LOCATED WITHIN A 18 MUNICIPALITY, page 3</p>	<p>Senate: Passed House: Referred to Com On Rules and Operations</p>
<p>SB 654</p>	<p>A transportation corridor official map may be adopted or amended by any of the following: (1) The governing board of any local government for any thoroughfare included as part of a comprehensive plan for streets and highways adopted pursuant to G.S. 136-66.2 or for any proposed public transportation corridor included in the adopted long-range transportation plan. (2) The Board of Transportation, or the governing board of any county, for any portion of the existing or proposed State highway system or for any public transportation corridor, to include rail, that is in the Transportation Improvement Program.</p>	<p>Senate: Passed House: Referred to Com On Rules and Operations</p>
<p>SB 396</p>	<p>AN ACT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF STUDIES CONDUCTED BY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS AND RURAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS</p>	<p>Senate: Referred to Com On Transportation House: No Action</p>
<p>HB 232</p>	<p>AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY THE 3 BICYCLE SAFETY LAWS IN THIS STATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AS 4 TO HOW THE LAWS MAY BE REVISED TO BETTER ENSURE THE SAFETY OF 5 BICYCLISTS AND MOTORISTS ON THE ROADWAYS.</p>	<p>House: Passed Senate: Referred to Com On Rules and Operations</p>

<p>HB 672</p>	<p>Division Engineers would be removed from applying local points on STI projects at the Division and Regional Tier. In addition it would remove ferry replacement from the STI process.</p>	<p>House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations Senate: No Action</p>
<p>HB 76</p>	<p>Study MPO/RPO Oversight.</p>	<p>House: Ref to the Com On Transportation. Senate: No Action</p>
<p>HB 940/ SB 713</p>	<p>Governor’s Proposed Budget, which includes the \$1.5 billion transportation bond.</p>	<p>House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations Senate: Ref to the Com on Appropriations</p>
<p>HB 183</p>	<p>Repeals the Transportation Corridor Official Map Act. This is the Act that allowed NCDOT to designate and preserve future corridors.</p>	<p>House: Passed Senate: Ref to the Com on Rules and Operations</p>
<p>HB 927</p>	<p>AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPUTATION OF THE MOTOR FUEL EXCISE TAX RATE; TO ELIMINATE THE DISCOUNT FOR TIMELY PAYMENT OF MOTOR FUELS TAXES BY LICENSED DISTRIBUTORS, IMPORTERS, AND SUPPLIERS; TO MODIFY THE HIGHWAY USE TAX RATE; TO PHASE OUT THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE HIGHWAY FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND; TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF FEES CHARGED BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES; TO ESTABLISH A SUPPLEMENTAL TAX ON THE GROSS PREMIUMS FROM MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE CONTRACTS; TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS FROM THE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND TO THE HIGHWAY FUND; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ESTABLISH THE "DOT REPORT" PROGRAM; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES; AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES.</p>	<p>House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations Senate: No Action</p>