



Technical Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

9:00 AM

Committee Room 2nd Floor Durham City Hall

101 City Hall Plaza
Durham, NC 27701

1. Roll Call
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
3. Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

4. **Approval of December 17, 2014 TC Meeting Minutes** [15-133](#)

A copy of the December 17, 2014 minutes is enclosed.

TC Action: Approve minutes of the December 17, 2014 TC meeting.

Attachments: [Att 04 - draft 12-17-14 TC minutes](#)

ACTION ITEMS

5. **Draft FY2015-2016 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (9:05-9:10)** [15-130](#)
Meg Scully, LPA Staff

Annually, the DCHC MPO is required by federal regulations to prepare a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) that details and guides the urban area transportation planning activities. Funding for the UPWP is provided on an annual basis by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The UPWP must identify MPO planning tasks to be undertaken with the use of federal transportation funds, including highway and transit programs. Attachment 5 is the draft FY 2015-2016 UPWP. The MPO Board released this draft for public comment at their 1/14/2015 meeting. A public hearing must be held by the MPO Board prior to UPWP approval.

TC Action: Recommend that the MPO Board hold a public hearing on the draft FY 2015-2016 Unified Planning Work Program at the February 11, 2015 meeting.

Attachments: [Att 05 - FY16 UPWP Draft TC 12815](#)

6. **Amendment #23 to FY2012-2018 TIP (9:10-9:15)**
Lindsay Smart, LPA Staff

[15-119](#)

At the November 19, 2014 meeting, the MPO TC reviewed and recommended draft TIP amendment #23 to the MPO Board. On December 10, 2014, the MPO Board released the draft TIP amendment for the 21-day public review and comment period. No public comments were received on the amendment.

Modifications to projects #C-5184, #TA-5144, #TA-5145, #TA-4923, and #TA-5019A have been added to TIP amendment #23. These modifications do not require public review and comment and have been added to amendment #23, instead of creating an additional TIP amendment.

TC Recommendation: Recommend the MPO Board hold a Public Hearing on TIP amendment #23, and approve TIP amendment #23.

Attachments: [Att 06 - Amendment23 ProjectInformationSheets_forTC_meeting](#)

7. **Comments and Questions Memorandum for the Draft FY2016-2025 TIP** [15-121](#)
(9:15-9:25)
Lindsay Smart, LPA Staff

On December 4, 2014, the N.C. Department of Transportation released the draft 10-year State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which schedules the projects proposed for full or partial funding across the entire state for the years 2016-2025. The first five years of project programming is called the STIP and the latter five years of project programming is called the developmental program. The STIP is updated every two years.

The projects included the STIP that are located in the DCHC MPO area become the basis for the development of the MPO's draft FY2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). In the MPO's TIP there are projects that were prioritized through the Strategic Transportation Investment (STI) process, there are projects that were exempt from STI, and there are projects that were prioritized and selected by jurisdictions and the MPO.

On January 5, 2015, a TC subcommittee met to review and discuss the draft TIP. Questions and comments from the subcommittee were collected and compiled into a Memorandum to the NCDOT from the MPO Board. The Memorandum will serve as the basis for discussion during the Priority Review Meeting (One on One meeting) that is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2015 with NCDOT, MPO Board members, MPO TC members, local staff, and other stakeholders.

TC Action: Review draft memo and provide comments. Recommend the MPO Board approve the Memorandum (with any comments from the TC) for submission to NCDOT.

Attachments: [Att 07 - MPO Board memo to NCDOT comments on draft TIP](#)

8. **Community Visualization 2.0 Process Presentation (9:25-9:45)** [15-132](#)
John Hodges-Copple, Triangle J Council Of Governments (TJCOG)

The Imagine 2040 process used in Community Visualization software to create a land use model used in the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and several local planning processes. The DCHC MPO, Capital Area MPO and TJCOG have started the process to update and improve this first Community Visualization version for use in the 2045 MTP and other area plans. This presentation will discuss the plan and schedule for the update, as well as the expected involvement of local planners.

TC Action: Receive the presentation.

9. **Draft 2014 Environmental Justice Report Presentation (9:45-10:05)** [15-131](#)
Lindsay Smart, LPA staff

Every four years, the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration are required to review in full the planning processes of any metropolitan area that contains a population over 200,000. This is otherwise known as a Transportation Management Area, or TMA. This certification review is for the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO or also DCHC, for short) and evaluates whether DCHC MPO is in compliance with federal regulations. The 2011 compliance review included a corrective action to "update the Public Involvement Policy and include a robust EJ section." The MPO updated the Public Involvement Policy with an EJ section and in anticipation of the 2015 compliance review, has prepared a full Environmental Justice Report for the MPO area.

TC Action: Review the draft EJ report and provide comments. Recommend that the DCHC MPO Board release the draft 2014 Environmental Justice Report for public review and comment.

Attachments: [Att 09 - draft_DCHC_MPO_EJ_Report_draft](#)

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

10. **Reports from Staff** [15-125](#)
Felix Nwoko, LPA Staff

TC Action: Receive report from staff

Attachments: [Att 10 - LPA staff report 1-14-2015](#)

11. **Report from the Chair** [15-126](#)
Mark Ahrendsen, TC Chair

TC Action: Receive report from TC Chair

12. **NCDOT Report** [15-127](#)

Joey Hopkins, Division 5 - NCDOT
Mike Mills (Pat Wilson), Division 7 - NCDOT
Rob Stone (Darius Sturdivant), Division 8 - NCDOT
Julie Bolinger, Transportation Planning Branch - NCDOT
Kelly Becker, Traffic Operations - NCDOT

TC Action: Receive report from NCDOT

Attachments: [Att 12 - NCDOT Progress Report 1-14-2015](#)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

13. **One on One Meeting with NCDOT - NCDOT Division 5 Office, Stadium Drive, February 11, 2015** 15-134

Adjourn

Next meeting: February 25, 2015 9 a.m., Committee Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings: One on One Meeting with NCDOT - NCDOT Division 5 Office, Stadium Drive February 11, 2015