



Triangle West TPO Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, August 26th, 2025

9:00 AM

Central Pines Regional Council

4307 Emperor Blvd
Durham, NC 27703

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

Consent Agenda

4. **Approving the June 17th 2025 Board Minutes**
Samad Rangoonwala, Transportation Planner **25-156**
Board Action : Approve the Minutes of the June 17th 2025 Board Meeting

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-156\) 06-17-2025 Board Meeting Minutes](#)

5. **Letter of Support for Central Durham BRT** **25-157**
Colleen McGue, Planning Manager

The Central Durham Bus Rapid Transit project represents a transformative investment in regional mobility that will strengthen connections throughout the Triangle area. This innovative project will create fast, reliable, accessible transit service linking key community destinations, including downtown Durham, major employment centers, healthcare facilities, educational institutions, and residential areas.

Board Action: Approve the Letter of Support for Central Durham BRT

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-157\) Letter of Support for Central Durham BRT](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-157\) Central Durham BRT Flyer](#)

6. Letter of Support for GoTriangle Mobility Hub and Spoke
Colleen Mcgue, Planning Manager

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The Triangle Mobility Hub will anchor GoTriangle's regional transit operations. It will provide affordable and sustainable mobility options to communities with low or no vehicle ownership, with low incomes, and who have limited access to reliable transportation to everyday destinations. This facility will also enable transit service expansion across the region. This new facility will save passengers time by reducing traffic on Interstate 40 through Research Triangle Park, the busiest highway in North Carolina. The Hub will create a safe, convenient place to transfer seamlessly between modes and will provide first- and last-mile connections to local and regional destinations, supporting access to opportunity, and connecting people to the places they need to go.

Board Action: Approve the Letter of Support for the GoTriangle Mobility Hub

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-164\) Letter of Support for GoTriangle Mobility Hub](#)

7. Letter of Support for GoTriangle Bus Operations and Maintenance
Facility
Colleen Mcgue, Planning Manager

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After nearly three (3) decades of service, the backbone of GoTriangle's transit operations requires a comprehensive overhaul to support continued growth and modernization. In response to regional expansion, GoTriangle anticipates a 50% increase in revenue from service vehicles. Planned improvements include expanded parking, construction of a new 25,000-square-foot multi-story addition, reconfiguration of interior spaces to enhance maintenance efficiency, a new service lane and bus wash, and a redesigned site layout to improve vehicle flow and capacity. Further upgrades will modernize building systems, incorporate advanced technologies, and add operator and staff amenities that reflect the industry's best practices for workforce conditions. Collectively, these enhancements will transform the facility into a modern, efficient, and resilient operations hub that will enable GoTriangle to serve the region reliably for decades to come.

Board Action: Approve the Letter of Support for the GoTriangle Bus Operation and Maintenance Facility

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-165\) Letter of Support for GoTriangle Bus Operation and Maintenance Facility](#)

8. City of Durham Flex Request**25-166****Filmon Fishastion, Transportation Planner**

The City of Durham is pursuing the flexing of FHWA funds to FTA (5307) funds. The City requests that the TPO Board approve this request at their August 26, 2025 meeting. Upon approval by the TPO Board, this request will be forwarded to NCDOT/TPD/IMD for NCDOT Board of Transportation approval. The projects are described in the attached memorandum.

Board Action: Approve the City of Durham's request to flex FHWA funds to FTA funds.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-166\) City of Durham Flex Request Memo](#)
[2025-08-25 \(25-166\) Resolution to Transfer FHWA Funds to FTA Funds](#)

Action Items**9. 2055 MTP –Preferred Scenario****25-160****Yanping Zhang, Modeling Manager****Dolly Hall-Quinlan, Transportation Modeler****Eve He, Transportation Modeler**

In April 2025, a presentation was given that provided an overview of the MTP alternatives and evaluation. In June 2025, a draft preferred option was developed based on the established goals and objectives, as well as the results of the alternatives analysis. This draft was presented at TC and board meetings and later discussed in meetings with member agencies. Staff received feedback from all these meetings about the further modifications.

The presentation file, which includes the Preferred Option report as an attachment, contains tables and online maps of the project lists in the Preferred Option, along with socio-economic data, TRM model results, measures of effectiveness, and other related items that will be presented at the meeting.

Board Action: Authorize staff to release the Preferred Option and results for a 45-day public comment period.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-160\) MTP Preferred Option Presentation](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-160\) MTP Preferred Option Report](#)

**10. PUBLIC HEARING: 2026-2035 TIP Adoption and AQ Conformity
Filmon Fishastion, Transportation Planner****25-161**

The North Carolina Board of Transportation adopted the FY2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at their July meeting. To implement the program, the TPO Board is required to adopt the Triangle West Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). The STIP and the TIP must match for the first four years of the program.

The TIP went out for public comment from June 23-July 23. The draft TIP is attached for your review.

Included with this item is the Air Quality Conformity Determination Report (AQ CDR) for the Draft TIP/STIP. This report demonstrates that certain pollutant emissions from the future transportation sector will not exceed a specified threshold. It is required to be ran with any adopted MTIP or with any amendment to the MTP.

Also included on this item is the schedule for TIP Amendments to the FY2026-2035 STIP.

Board Action: Approve the resolutions to adopt the 2026-2035 TIP and AQ Conformity Document.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-161\) Conformity Determination Report Draft](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-161\) FY26-35 TIP Draft](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-161\) Schedule Draft.pdf](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-161\) TIP Update Presentation](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-161\) Resolution for Adopting the 2026-2035 TIP](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-161\) Resolution for Adopting the Air Quality Conformity Document](#)

11. 2025 Update to the ADA Transition Plan
Monet Moore, Principal Planner

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The ADA Transition plan is a document that guides Triangle West TPO's ADA and accessibility policies, sets goals for accessible engagement, planning and recommendations for future actions to improve mobility access in the triangle

Board Action: Authorize staff to release the ADA Transition Plan for a 30 day Public Comment Period

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-158\) ADA Transition Plan.docx](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-158\) ADA Transition Plan.pdf](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-158\) ADA Transition Plan Presentation](#)

12. 2025 Update to the Language Access Plan
Monet Moore, Principal Planner

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This Language Access Plan provides information on the languages that meet Federal requirements for additional assistance in our region and policies to support their inclusion. This plan has defined language access more broadly and chosen to include people with disabilities in these policies.

Board Action: Authorize staff to release the Language Access Plan for a 30 day public comment period.

Attachments: [2025-08-12 \(25-159\) Language Access Plan \(.doc\)](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-159\) Language Access Plan \(.pdf\)](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-159\) Language Access Plan Presentation](#)

Informational Items**13. SPOT Process Update****25-162****Filmon Fishastion, Transportation Planner**

The Strategic Prioritization of Transportation (SPOT) process is a data-driven approach for ranking projects across North Carolina. Projects are scored based on mode of transportation, degree of impact (statewide, regional, division), and other critical factors. This process takes several years and determines the prioritization of projects in a future funding cycle. This upcoming SPOT cycle is the 8th iteration of the scoring process and projects will be funded for the FY2028-2037 STIP.

Earlier this year, members were asked to submit requests for projects that have not already competed in a SPOT cycle in the past. This list of new submissions have been added to the list of Holding Tank projects (submissions from P7.0 that were not selected for funding) and the list of projects that were considered for submission in P7.0 that ultimately did not make the list of submissions. This combined list of all projects being considered for P8.0 went out for public comment from June 23-July 23. Use the link below to view an interactive report of the public comments.

<https://PublicInput.com/Report/ytatu4h3dub>

A subcommittee of the TC met earlier in August to narrow the list of projects. The final recommended list to be adopted in September will take into consideration the comments received, the project scores from P7.0, and local priorities.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-162\) SPOT 8.0 Project Submissions with Recommendations](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-162\) SPOT 8 Project List Public Comments Summary](#)

14. Call for Projects Schedule Announcement**25-163****Filmon Fishastion, Transportation Planner**

Triangle West TPO will be holding a Call for Projects for the fiscal years 2027-2028. For this Call members will submit project applications for federal funding from the Regional Flexible Funding (RFF) Program. Once all projects are submitted, TPO staff will determine which projects will receive which type of federal funding based on the project type and funding available. The project application and selection process will be guided by the current Federal Funding Policy.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-163\) FY26 Call for Projects](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-163\) FY26 Call for Projects Presentation](#)

15. Triangle West TPO Board Retreat Summary 25-167
Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, Triangle West TPO Executive Director

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-167\) TPO Board Retreat Summary](#)

Reports from Staff:

16. Report from TPO Staff 25-101
Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, Triangle West TPO Executive Director

Board Action: Receive the report from the Triangle West TPO Staff

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-101\) TPO Staff Report](#)

17. Report from the Board Chair 25-102
Commissioner Karen Howard, Board Chair

Board Action: Receive the report from the Triangle West TPO Board Chair .

18. North Carolina Department of Transportation Reports 25-103
Becca Gallas (Tracy Parrott, David Keilson), Division 5 - NCDOT
Wright Archer (Chad Reimakoski, Nishant Shah), Division 7 - NCDOT
Reuben Blakely (Bryan Kluchar), Division 8, - NCDOT
Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Division - NCDOT
John Grant, Traffic Operations - NCDOT
Nick Morrison, Integrated Mobility Division – NCDOT

Board Action: Receive the report from NCDOT.

Attachments: [2025-08-26 \(25-103\) Division 5 Report](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-103\) Division 7 Report](#)
[2025-08-26 \(25-103\) Division 8 Report](#)

19. Recent News Articles and Updates 25-104

Attachments:

1. [Bike or walk: Orange County is the two wheels transportation leader in NC, 30th in US](#)
2. [Metropolitan Planning Organizations Make Decisions About Transportation Options Nationwide, but They Rarely Represent All Their Constituents.](#)
3. [One Structural Change Could Shift Everything About How Transportation Works in America](#)
4. [Raleigh partners with scooter companies to bring new e-bikes to city streets](#)
5. [The link between low-stress bicycle facilities and bicycle commuting](#)
6. [Rallying for the Rails: Can NC Bring Back Passenger Rail](#)

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 9 a.m., Long Leaf Conference Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings:

November 7th 2025- Triangle Bicycle & Pedestrian Workshop

November 20th 2025- Triangle West TPO's Second Annual Regional Safety Summit at the Chapel Hill Library