TRIANGLE WEST
Transportation Planning Organization

Triangle West TPO Board

Meeting Agenda

October 27th, 2026

9:00AM

Long Leaf Conference Room
4307 Emperor Blvd
Durham, NC

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

4. Informational Report: HOTTER Lanes (5 Minutes) **26-190**

Patrick DeCorla-Souza, Former Program Manager at FHWA
Michael Replogle, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy

The presentation proposes HOTTER lanes, which combine high-occupancy vehicles, transit, variable tolling on existing lanes, commuter rewards, and part-time shoulder use to reduce congestion without conventional freeway widening. The strategy integrates variable tolls, active traffic management, mobility hubs, first/last-mile connections, cash incentives for transit and carpooling, and traveler information to manage demand and encourage shifts away from single-occupant driving. For the Triangle, the presentation suggests a demonstration project on the 15-mile I-40 corridor between US 15/501 and I-540, building upon proposed shoulder use, ramp metering, and traffic-management improvements.

Board Action: Receive the informational report on HOTTER lanes.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-190) HOTTER Lanes Presentation

Reports from Staff:

5. Report from TPO Staff **26-101**

Doug Plachcinski, TPO Executive Director

Reminder: The Board nominates and elects officers for the following calendar year in November. Per the bylaws officers can serve two consecutive terms in their role. Chair Javiera Caballero and Vice Chair Danny Nowell are eligible for re-election.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-101) Report from TPO Staff.PDF
2026-27-10 (26-101) Triangle West TPO October Fatal Crash Report

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6. Report from the Board Chair **26-104**

Javiera Caballero, Board Chair

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7. Report from the Technical Committee Chair **26-102**

Eric Vitale, TC Chair

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8. North Carolina Department of Transportation Reports **26-103**

Lisa Mathis, NC Board of Transportation
Becca Gallas (Matt Nolfo, David Keilson), Division 5 - NCDOT
Wright Archer (Chad Reimakoski), Division 7 - NCDOT
Reuben Blakely (Jessica Luther), Division 8 - NCDOT
Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Office - NCDOT
Johnna Burkett, Integrated Mobility Division – NCDOT

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-103) Division 5 Report
2026-27-10 (26-103) Division 7 Report
2026-27-10 (26-103) Division 8 Report
2026-27-10 (26-103) IMD Report

Action Items:

9. Public Hearing: FY2028 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (10 Minutes) **26-187**

Doug Plachcinski, TPO Executive Director

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) identifies the transportation planning tasks, studies, and budget that the Triangle West TPO will undertake during the fiscal year. The Board will hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the draft FY2028 UPWP.

Board Action: Open the public hearing on the draft FY2028 UPWP.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-187) Draft FY2028 UPWP

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10. Public Hearing: CTP Amendment – Triangle Bikeway (10 Minutes) **26-188**

Monet Moore, TPO Principal Planner

Triangle West TPO requires a 45-day Public Comment Period for Comprehensive Transportation Plan Amendments. The Public Comment period for the Triangle Bikeway Amendment closes on November 9, 2026. The Board will hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed Triangle Bikeway CTP Amendment. The remainder of the Outreach and Engagement Schedule follows:

- November 3, 2026 | Triangle West TPO Technical Committee to make recommendation to Triangle West TPO Board
- November 9, 2026 | Public Comment Period ends
- November 17, 2026 | Triangle West TPO Board to adopt (or not adopt) the CTP Amendment

Public comments can also be provided via an online survey: Triangle Bikeway CTP Amendment - PublicInput

Board Action: Open the public hearing on the proposed CTP Amendment for the Triangle Bikeway.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-188) CTP Amendment: Triangle Bikeway
2026-27-10 (26-188) CTP Amendment: Triangle Bikeway Change Log

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11. Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Grant - FFY26 Program of Projects (10 minutes) **26-186**

Colleen McGue, TPO Planning Manager
Thomas Porter, TPO Transportation Planner
The Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program (Section 5310) provides funds to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options. The City of Durham is the Designated Recipient of the funds for the Durham UZA and works with the Triangle West TPO to distribute the funds to eligible sub-recipients through a competitive selection process every other year. A Call for Projects was conducted for a total of $1,027,764.00 in federal funds, which represents funds apportioned to the Durham UZA for FFY2025 and FFY2026. The TPO staff reviewed applications, and the recommended Program of Projects (PoP) is attached. Once the Board approves the PoP, TPO staff will work with the City of Durham to begin the grant allocation process.

TC Action: Recommended the Triangle West TPO Board approve the proposed Program of Projects.

Board Action: Approve the proposed Program of Projects.

Attachments: **2026-27-10 (26-186) 5310 Project List**

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12. FY2027 UPWP Amendment #3 (5 Minutes) **26-191**

David Miller, TPO Principal Planner
Tom Porter, TPO Transportation Planner
This item requests to amend the FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to add funds for the Durham parking study and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) administrative tasks.

TC Action: Recommended the Board approve FY2027 UPWP Amendment #3.

Board Action: Approve FY2027 UPWP Amendment #3.

Attachments: **2026-27-10 (26-191) FY27 UPWP Amendment #3 Memo**
2026-27-10 (26-191) FY27 UPWP Amendment #3 Resolution
2026-27-10(26-191) FY27 UPWP Budget Table

Consent Agenda:

13. Approving September 22nd, 2026 Board Minutes **26-183**

Samad Rangoonwala, TPO Transportation Planner
A copy of the September 22nd, 2026 Board Minutes is attached.

Board Action: Approve the Minutes of the September 22nd, 2026 Board Meeting.

Attachments: **2026-27-10 (26-183) September 22nd Board Meeting Minutes.pdf**

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14. TIP Accelerated Amendment #7 **26-184**

Filmon Fishastion, TPO Transportation Planner

This amendment to the FY2026–FY2035 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) makes four changes. It adds funding to the NC 54 project in Carrboro and Chapel Hill and to the Falconbridge Transit Access project. It also updates the schedules for two Town of Carrboro projects: the Jones Creek Greenway and Bicycle Plan Implementation. Finally, it removes the Electric Vehicle (EV) installation project in Chatham County.

TC Action: Recommended the Board adopt TIP Accelerated Amendment #7.

Board Action: Adopt TIP Accelerated Amendment #7.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-184) FY26-35 Accelerated Amendment #7 Full Documentation
2026-27-10 (26-184) FY26-35 Accelerated Amendment #7 Resolution

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15. Interlocal Risk Financing Fund of North Carolina (IRFFNC) Membership **26-189**

Doug Plachcinski, TPO Executive Director

The Triangle West TPO seeks Board approval to join the Interlocal Risk Financing Fund of North Carolina (IRFFNC), administered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM), for property and liability risk sharing. The resolution authorizes membership and execution of the associated Interlocal Agreement.

Board Action: Adopt the resolution authorizing IRFFNC membership and execution of the Interlocal Agreement.

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-189) Resolution Authorizing Membership in IRFFNC
2026-27-10 (26-189) IRFFNC 2026 Interlocal Agreement

Informational Items

16. News and Updates **26-104**

Attachments: 2026-27-10 (26-104) Why are US Traffic Deaths Increasing Again?
2026-27-10 (26-104) Leverage Points: Places to Intervene in a System
2026-27-10 (26-104) Federal Numbers Understate Danger to Walkers and Bikers

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17. Closed Session

Doug Plachcinski, TPO Executive Director

Closed session pursuant to N.C. General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(5) to establish its negotiating position and instruct its staff or negotiating agents concerning the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.

Board Action: Convene in closed session.

Upcoming Transportation Meetings

2026 Triangle Regional Transportation Safety Summit

- Date and Time: Tuesday, December 8, 2026, from 8:30 am to 1 pm
- Location: The McKimmon Conference and Training Center at NC State, 1101 Gorman St, Raleigh, NC 27606
- Format: In-person only
- **Register here**

2026 Triangle Bike and Pedestrian Summit

- Date and Time: November 6, 2026, from 8:30 am to 1 pm
- Location: The Drakeford Library Complex, 203 S. Greensboro St, Carrboro, NC, 27510
- Format: In-person only
- **Register here**

Adjourn

Next meeting: November 17th, 2026