

**Edgecombe County CTP Meeting**  
Minutes Summary–February 21, 2008

Rena Bogle	Edgecombe Co. Citizen	Brian D. Hassell	Edgecombe Co. Planning
Julie Bollinger	NCDOT-TPB	Barbara Hendricks	Edgecombe Co. Plan. Bd.
Joel K. Bourne	Tarboro Citizen	Rusty Holderness	Tarboro Citizen
Sherry Brunson	The Daily Southerner	Bob League	City of Rocky Mount
T.C. Cherry	Edgecombe Co. Comm.	Anna Meares	NCDOT-TPB
Joe W. Dickens, Jr.	Cooperative Extension	Dennis Patton	Upper Coastal Plain COG
Josh Edmondson	Edgecombe Co. Planning	Ola Pittman	Edgecombe Co. Planning
Wilbert Harrison	Town of Speed	Scott Walston	NCDOT-TPB

**1. Items Discussed:**

(a) Updates-Involvement of Local Policy Boards:

The last of the initial presentations to the towns and county were finished this month.

(b) Updated Projections Spreadsheet:

Spreadsheets were distributed with updated projections due to the recently received traffic counts for roads that were missing data. Julie Bollinger explained that the front sheet, first and second pages, of the spreadsheet contained the new traffic data and the committee has seen the rest of the spreadsheet before. If there are any comments or concerns about final 2035 projected traffic or final growth rate numbers, we asked the group to let us know by March 15.

(c) Draft Growth Rates Map:

A draft growth rates map was distributed to the group for review. A rough draft map was shown at the last meeting. We asked the committee to look and see if the growth rates looked reasonable to them.

The growth rate on NC 97 at Rocky Mount's MAB was asked about in its jump from "red" (3-3.5%) to "green" (1-1.999%). We explained that the committee had previously thought the historical projection of 4.7% seemed too high, so it was lowered to 3.0%. There was a question about improving NC 33. It is in the TIP to be widened. It was also mentioned that Colonial Rd., SR 1601, is used as an alternate route to get to Greenville.

(d) Level of Service:

A sheet explaining level of service (LOS) was handed out to the group. Scott went through the sheet of what level of service is. We asked the committee what level of service they would like to have in Edgecombe County, what they would like to use in this study.

They talked about LOS C seeming reasonable. Dennis Patton mentioned that we could do LOS D in Tarboro and LOS C everywhere else. However, we agreed to do LOS C for the whole county.

(e) Capacity Deficiencies Map:

An example capacity deficiencies map for Warren County was distributed to the group so they could see where we are headed. It was explained that the map shows the ratio of projected 2035 volumes over existing road capacity. Many things go into determining capacity such as speed, lane widths, type of facility, and other factors.

(f) Traffic Signals:

We asked the group to help us verify where traffic signals are in the county. On the map spread out on the table, many signals in the county were already identified, but we wanted to make sure we were not missing any. We asked the group to look and see if the identified signals seemed right and if they could identify more signals. The signals we were looking for are the traffic signals with full phases and not the flashing only traffic signals.

It was mentioned that a traffic signal may be needed at NC 97 and US 258.

(g) Monthly Meeting Dates and Times:

Our next regular committee meeting will be Thursday, April 24, 2008.

**2. Action Items:**

- ✓ *Growth Rates Map*—We will move forward with the growth rates as is and use it to determine capacity deficiencies.
- ✓ *Capacity Deficiencies Map*—A draft map will be viewed at the next meeting.

**3. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 24, 2008**

(a) Regular Monthly Meeting in April 2008:

- Discuss a draft capacity deficiencies map and spreadsheet of volume to capacity ratios. Discuss how to handle bicycle and rail maps.