

# UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

May 25, 2016

## RPO Transportation Coordinating Committee Minutes

### Attendance

#### TCC

Berry Gray, Johnston County  
Cynthia Jenkins, Edgecombe  
Zach Ollis, Wilson's Mills  
Nancy Nixon, Nash County  
Catherine Grimm, Tarboro  
Paul Embler, Smithfield  
Daniel Gerald, Princeville  
Jae Kim, Spring Hope  
Bill Bass, City of Wilson  
Julie Maybee, Selma

#### NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT-Division 4  
Tobline Thigpen, TPB-NCDOT  
Ronnie Keeter, NCDOT Division 4  
Tim Little, NCDOT Division 4

#### UCPRPO

James Salmons

#### Other

Bob League, Rocky Mount MPO  
Kristin Barnes

### Introduction

- Welcome & Introductions – Bill Bass – TCC Chair*  
TCC Chair Mr. Bill Bass welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves to the members and then called the meeting to order.
- Approval of Agenda*  
Mr. Bill Bass asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the agenda and asked if anyone had any modifications. With none being stated the agenda was approved.
- Minutes – January 5, 2016*  
After reviewing the Minutes for the April 5, 2016 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Nancy Nixon (Nash), second by Zach Ollis (Wilson's Mills) they were unanimously approved.

### New Business

- Discussion of STI P4.0 Regional Project Score Sheet*  
TCC members briefly discussed each of the top priority projects highlighted on the Regional Project Score Sheet and provided background on priority projects. It was agreed to remove project H111281 US 301 in Wilson due to it being a duplicate project and placed at the bottom of the Regional Project Score Sheet. Additionally, projects H120200-G, H141265, H129205, H129204, H150861, and H090182 were to be removed from consideration by the TAC due to the projects extreme costs over the available funding and placed at the bottom of the Regional Project Score Sheet to be adopted by the TAC. Bill Bass requested that projects H111282 and H150434 also be highlighted as priority projects.

### Action Items

- Adoption\Approval of STI P4.0 Regional Project Score Sheet*  
**UPON A MOTION** to adopt the proposed Regional Project Score Sheet for TAC approval with the recommended changes by Cynthia Jenkins (Edgecombe), second by Paul Embler (Smithfield), it was unanimously approved.

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### Other Business

6. *TCC Member Comments*  
There were no TCC comments.

### Report Items

7. *NCDOT Division 4*  
Mr. Jimmy Eatmon reported that they were holding a public comment meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at the NCDOT Division 4 office. There would also be a Metro-quest survey online to provide input. Mr. Tim Little stated that the new US 70 Goldsboro bypass would be open for Holiday traffic for the upcoming weekend.
8. *Rick's Road Widening Public Meeting*  
Mr. James Salmons reported that there was a public meeting scheduled for the proposed widening of Rick's Rd on June 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm – 7:00pm.
9. *NCDOT Planning Branch*  
Ms. Tobline Thigpen reported that the Nash County CTP was in progress and that we were waiting on adoptions from local municipalities.
10. *NCDOT Restructure Report*  
Mr. Salmons stated that NCDOT was in the process of a large restructuring and that it was anticipated 250 +- positions would be eliminated. The report was provided to TCC members in their Agenda Packet email. Mr. Tim Little (Division 4) stated the goal of the restructuring was to deliver projects quicker.
11. *Springfield Rd Public meeting*  
Mr. Ronnie Keeter reported that there was a public meeting for Springfield Rd on June 7, 2016 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm in the Rocky Mount Chambers.

### Public Comments

There was no public comment.

### Upcoming meeting:

The next meeting will be based on the release of STI Regional Programmed Projects but is tentatively scheduled for August 16, 2016.

**UPON A MOTION** from Ms. Nancy Nixon (Nash) was made to adjourn and a second motion was made by Mr. Jimmy Eatmon (Division 4) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bill Bass, TCC Chair

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James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner