

**RESOLUTION
TO ENDORSE THE USE
BY THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OF POTENTIAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS FUNDS ANTICIPATED
UPON ENACTMENT OF
THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT BILL OF 2009**

On motion, made by _____ and seconded by _____ for adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted by unanimous vote of the N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, in anticipation of an economic stimulus recovery plan by Congress in early 2009, the North Carolina Department of Transportation is preparing to be in a position to deliver projects as quickly as possible after enactment of the stimulus bill; and,

WHEREAS, a successful economic stimulus and recovery plan relies on projects that can be let in a very short time frame and have a cash payout that is equally compact, in which the primary focus of the plan is preserving and creating jobs; and,

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the state's metropolitan planning organizations, rural planning organizations, and local governments is soliciting input and feedback as the Department continues with their preparation; and,

WHEREAS, the overall goal is to deliver projects as quickly as possible that meet the requirements of the yet-to-be completed stimulus bill, and that the projects will be strategically selected to represent geographic diversity, and varied degrees of size and scope; and,

WHEREAS, the stimulus bill has not been finalized and specific legislative requirements are not yet known, local governments in the region have been proactive, and have submitted specific projects to the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization encourages the North Carolina Department of Transportation to endorse in concept the utilization of potential economic stimulus funds anticipated by enactment of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Bill of 2009, to improve maintenance on secondary roads; as well as provide shoulder improvements on such roads to provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization urges the North Carolina Department of Transportation to incorporate those projects that have already been submitted by the local governments in our region as candidate stimulus projects.

Adopted this the 21st day of January, 2009.

Joe Bryan, Chair
Transportation Advisory Committee

Ed Johnson, Capital Area MPO Director
Transportation Advisory Committee Clerk

County of Wake
State of North Carolina

I, Diane Wilson, a Notary Public for Wake County, North Carolina, do hereby certify that on this ____ day of _____, 2009, personally appeared before me _____ and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing Resolution to Endorse The Use By The North Carolina Department of Transportation of Potential Economic Stimulus Funds Anticipated Upon Enactment Of The American Recovery And Reinvestment Bill Of 2009.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

(Official Seal)

Diane Wilson, Notary Public

My commission expires January 26, 2011.