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N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 22, 2009

4:00-6:00 PM

Wake County Commons
4012 Carya Dr
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

- 2009-2015 MTIP ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION #6
ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROJECTS
- PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - 2035 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
 - AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY DETERMINATION REPORT
 - 2009-2010 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM
 - SELF CERTIFICATION OF MPO PLANNING PROCESSES
- KITT CREEK ROAD RECONSTRUCTION
- SB 1001 AND SB 758 - TRANSFER OF MAINTENANCE
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SECONDARY ROADS TO
COUNTIES/MUNICIPALITIES
- NC METRO COALITION WHITEPAPER ON 21ST CENTURY
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING
- HR 1443 - COMPLETE STREETS ACT OF 2009

THE CAPITAL AREA MPO VISION:

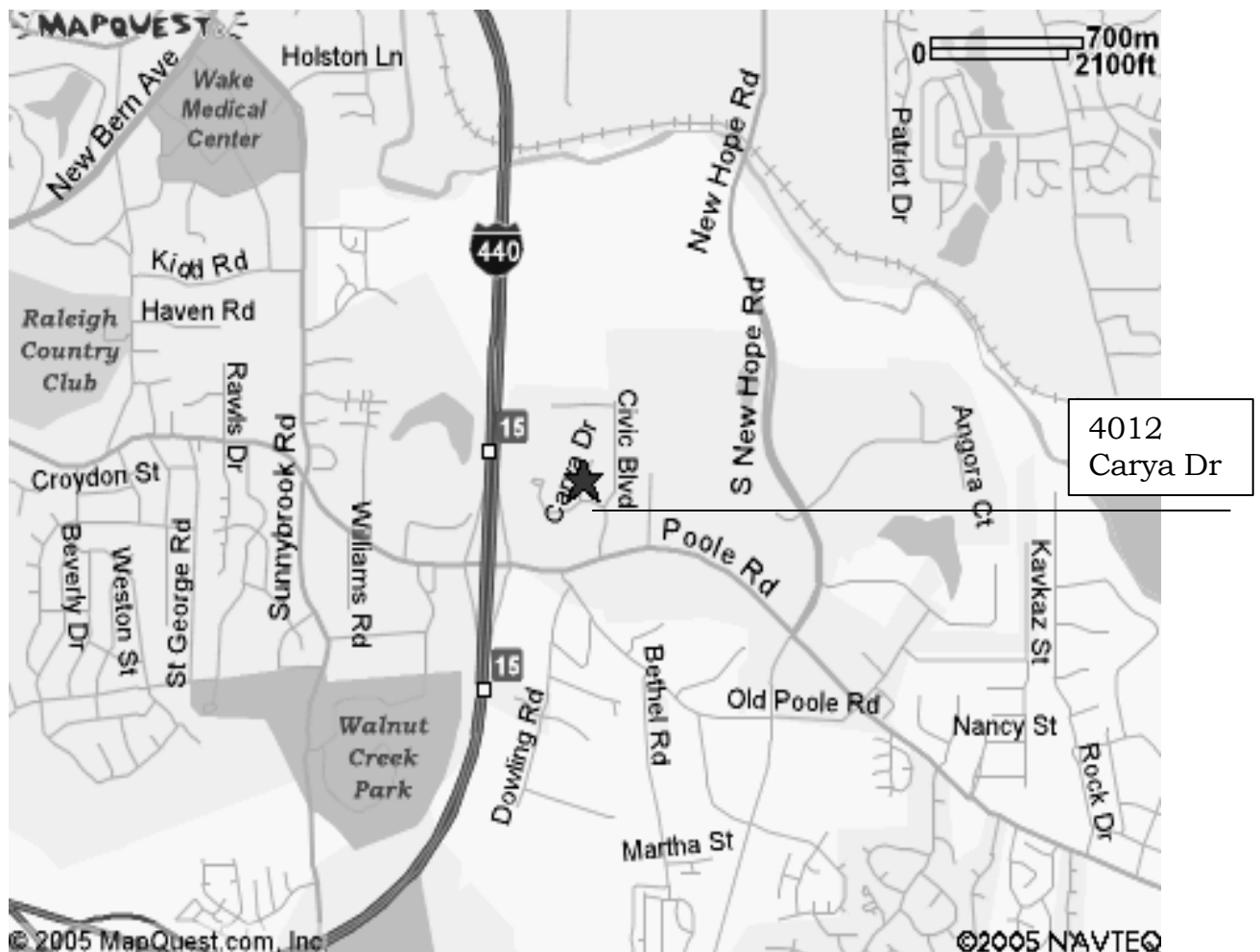
*A multi-modal transportation network that is compatible
with our growth, sensitive to the environment, improves quality
of life and is accessible to all (2030 LRTP).*

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The Capital Area MPO coordinates transportation planning in Wake County and portions of Franklin, Granville, Johnston, and Harnett counties. The public is encouraged to speak at both the Transportation Advisory Committee and the Technical Coordinating Committee meetings. There is an opportunity for the public to comment on agenda items at the beginning of each meeting. When speaking, please tell us your name and place of residence; please limit comments to three minutes per speaker.

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**N.C. CAPITAL AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

April 22, 2009
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Wake County Commons
4012 Carya Dr
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA

1. PRELIMINARIES
2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for comments by those in attendance on items not on the agenda. Please limit comments to three minutes for each speaker.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. If a Councilor requests discussion on an item, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 18, 2009 TAC MEETING.

The minutes of the March 18, 2009 TAC meeting, are enclosed as [Attachment 4A](#).

TAC ACTION: Approval of the minutes of the March 18, 2009 TAC meeting.

5. 2009-2015 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION #6 - ECONOMIC STIMULUS FUNDING

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act was passed into law on February 17, 2009. Under the provisions of Part I of this Act, North Carolina received \$838 million for transportation improvements. On February 24, 2009, Governor Perdue released a list of highway and bridge projects for completion using the economic stimulus money designated for North Carolina under Part I of the Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Based on guidelines for use of Part I funding, projects, were to be under contract by June 2009, therefore NCDOT selected projects, based on their ability to have necessary environmental documentation in place, be awarded by June 2009, and complete by the deadline set in the act. The highway projects announced included bridge painting, bonded overlay replacement, installation of intelligent transportation system (ITS) devices, etc and in the Capital Area MPO planning area

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were mainly located on I-40, I-440, I-540, US-64 and US-264. One project was announced in Franklin County for resurfacing US-1 from the Wake County line to the Vance County line.

Information on Part II of the Act's allocation for North Carolina was received in late February. On March 11, 2009, the TCC subcommittee met and developed a list of projects and programs that appear to be able to meet all of the various criteria specified to be eligible for this funding. The subcommittee gave consideration to additional factors including attempting to ensure an equitable distribution of these funds both by mode and geographic location. In addition to considering all proposed stimulus projects submitted by the MPO's members, staff also contacted the Division 4, 5, and 6 Engineers to solicit their input on worthy projects that were currently unfunded.

On March 18, 2008, the TAC was presented a list of projects selected by the TCC subcommittee for possible funding using Part II of the Economic Stimulus funding and was asked to provide comments and guidance for finalization of that list. Because these economic stimulus funds are a unique opportunity for work closely with NCDOT in funding some of the MPO's unmet needs, for which the exact details of our mutual coordination and approval are still being worked out, this list was considered preliminary and subject to some further adjustments as the coordination process continues. The TAC discussed the list in detail and adopted the list for submittal to NCDOT.

The TAC also discussed the need or lack thereof for a public review and comment period and public hearing. Given the timeframe for submitting projects, the public review and comment period as well as conducting of a public hearing was waived.

The TCC, at its April 2, 2009 meeting, reviewed the list as adopted by the TAC and forwards a recommendation endorsement of a 2009-2015 MTIP Administrative Modification to include these items in the MTIP.

The TCC also discussed members' desire to develop a "contingency" list of projects for funding should any project on the current list fail to meet the necessary requirements for funding under the current timelines for projects. The TCC will devote their next (May 7, 2009) meeting to development of a contingency list to be presented to the TAC at its May 20, 2009 meeting. The same criteria (federal aid route listing, environmental document procurement, contract documents in place and completion ability within timeline) will be used to select these projects.

[Attachment 5A](#) is an administrative modification to the 2009-2015 MTIP required to include the projects adopted by the TAC utilizing Part II of the Economic Stimulus Funding monies allocated to the MPO.

TAC Action: Adopt Administrative Modification #6 to the 2009-2015 MTIP to allow funding of projects using Part II Economic Stimulus Funds.

THIS IS THE END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. 2035 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The draft reports for the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan and for its companion Air-Quality Conformity Determination (AQCD) are complete and have been included in the TAC member packets. (The AQCD is included as Appendix 6 in the LRTP Report) The MPO's Public Involvement Policy calls for a minimum 30 days for public review and comment and conducting of a public hearing to receive comments on these documents. The TAC pre-authorized release of these draft reports at their March 18, 2009 meeting and scheduled public hearings on the documents to be conducted at today's meeting. The reports were received and released on March 24, 2009 which allowed a 30 day comment period that closes following today's hearings. The schedule for final approval of the 2035 LRTP with its corresponding AQCD by the TAC is no later than the TAC meeting on May 20, 2009.

- TAC Action:
1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan, and
 2. Conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan

[2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan Document](#)

7. 2009-2010 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

During the fall of 2008, staff and TCC subcommittee members began work on the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). At its March 18, 2009 meeting the TAC received a copy of the draft UPWP and information on major planning activities proposed in the UPWP including the NC 50 Corridor Study, the MPO/CAT Mid-Range Transit Plan, and Development of Comprehensive Transportation Plans for member counties.

Funding for many items is dependent on dues from member governments. Member governments receive billings during the spring of each planning year for their portion of the MPO local funding match required on federal dollars received for projects. These billings are based on a per capita share and, any funds not expended in a particular year are credited on future billings.

As a part of the UPWP development process, the MPO performs a self-certification review whereby it reviews planning processes and self-certifies that the MPO is fulfilling all federal requirements for the 3-C transportation planning processes. The checklist and responses were include in the March 18, 2009 TAC packet.

- TAC Action:
1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program, and
 2. Conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the Self

Certification review for the Capital Area MPO 3-C transportation planning process.

8. KITT CREEK ROAD RECONNECTION - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

Kitt Creek Road in the Town of Morrisville was severed in 2003 to accommodate ramps for the new NC 540 highway. At that time the North Carolina Department of Transportation made a commitment to reconnect the roadway in the future. However, as part of the Triangle Parkway Project U-4763B, the North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA) has assumed the responsibility for the reconnection construction. NCTA has indicated that the roadway and bridge will be designed with two 12-foot vehicular travel lanes and roadway shoulders eight feet wide (four feet paved) such that the paved shoulders could accommodate bicycle lanes. The design will provide for accommodation of a sidewalk to align with RTP's sidewalk on only the north side of the bridge. NCTA staff has indicated that "accommodation" only means that physical space will be provided for a sidewalk to be installed at a later date by the Town or another entity.

The current Kitt Creek Road improvements do not include curb and gutter and modifying the typical cross-section from a shoulder to a curb and gutter section would eliminate the four-foot paved shoulders on each side which might otherwise accommodate bicycles.

[Attachment 8A](#) is Map of the Kitt Creek project area. [Attachment 8B](#) is a copy of the NC Turnpike Authority MOU with the Capital Area MPO.

The Town of Morrisville is asking the MPO's support in requesting NCTA reconsider the design to include installation of these bicycle and pedestrian amenities. [Attachment 8C](#) is a resolution, for TAC consideration, supporting the Town of Morrisville's request.

The TCC discussed this item at its April 2, 2009 meeting and recommends support in principle, for the construction of the Kitt Creek Road reconnection with bicycle lanes and sidewalks on both sides of the road and bridge as part of the Triangle Parkway toll-authorized project.

TAC Action: Receive information and draft resolution for discussion and action as appropriate.

9. SB 1001 AND SB 758 - BILLS TO TRANSFER OF MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SECONDARY ROADS TO COUNTIES/MUNICIPALITIES

Two bills were recently introduced in the General Assembly. These bills deal with transfer of responsibilities for secondary roads to counties or municipalities. MPO staff has reviewed the two bills and provided an outline of provisions of each. [Attachment 9A](#) provides an outline of each of these bills. [Attachment 9B](#) contains information on roadway/centerline/lane miles and other information to assist member jurisdictions with analyzing these bills.

TAC Action: Receive information on SB 1001 and SB 758 for informational purposes.

10. NC METRO COALITION - WHITE PAPER ON 21ST CENTURY TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUNDING

The NC Metropolitan Coalition is a nonprofit organization created by the mayors of NC's largest cities and towns to represent urban areas. The coalition promotes policies, rules and legislation to ensure urban regions of the state remain good places to live, environmentally sound and economically viable.

Recently, Director Julie White released the Spring 2009 issue brief, a white paper dealing with funding needs for the 21st century as it relates to transportation. The paper focuses on the Equity formula, developed in 1989, when the N.C. Highway Trust Fund was created, with the goal of ensuring an equitable distribution of funds across the state and focused funding on completing the Intrastate System.

The paper states that "The time has come to complete a meaningful study of the way we allocate transportation dollars across the State" and recommends a study that would "... provide the opportunity to better educate legislators and the public on our current funding allocation methods and options for the future. It would provide the opportunity to debunk long-held myths about the equity formula including who would be a beneficiary of change or that this is a rural/urban debate." [Attachment 10A](#) is a copy of the paper for TCC discussion.

TAC Action: Receive NC Metro Coalition white paper for information and discussion as appropriate.

11. HR 1443 - COMPLETE STREETS ACT OF 2009

On March 11, 2009, HR 1443 was introduced in the US House of Representatives. The bill as introduced is intended to ensure that all users of the transportation system, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, children, older individuals, and individuals with disabilities, are able to travel safely and conveniently on and across federally funded streets and highways, and is referenced as the *Complete Streets Act of 2009*.

This bill provides that new construction or reconstruction of a transportation facility shall include consideration of appropriate bicycle transportation facilities, pedestrian walkways, and safe access to existing and planned public transportation, with the exception of any case in which bicycle or pedestrian use is not permitted. Each transportation plan and project shall provide due consideration for safety and contiguous routes for all users, including: safe access to transit stops and facilities; and the installation, and maintenance, where appropriate of audible traffic signals and signs at street crossings.

[Attachment 11A](#) is a copy of the bill as introduced.

TCC Action: Receive information on HR 1443.

- 12. **REPORTS FROM THE TCC CHAIR**
Chip Russell, TCC Chair

- 13. **MPO STAFF REPORTS**
Ed Johnson, MPO Director

- 14. **NCDOT REPORTS**
Scott Walston/Rupal Desai – Transportation Planning Branch
Richard Greene - Division 4
Wally Bowman/Joey Hopkins - Division 5
Terry Gibson - Division 6

Adjourn

INFORMATION ITEMS

15. **NC CAPITAL AREA MPO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN STAKEHOLDERS**

The Capital Area MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Stakeholders Group have been meeting over the past three months to discuss upcoming tasks for the 2009 calendar year. The Stakeholders will be discussing the feasibility of establishing a Community Bicycle Safety Program for the Capital Area MPO, similar to one implemented in Greensboro.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Stakeholders Group has formed three major subcommittees that will focus on tasks throughout the year. They are:

- (1) Technical/Professional Subcommittee,
- (2) Legislative/Advocacy Subcommittee, and
- (3) Events/Marketing Subcommittee.

Upcoming Events:

SmartCommute Challenge	April 15-May 30
Earth Day Celebration	April 18
Bike to Work Week	May 11 - May 15

** Bike Ride on Friday May 15 for general public as well as elected officials

[Attachment 15A](#) is a sponsorship letter for Bike to Work Week.

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TAC Action: Receive update on Capital Area MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Stakeholders Group as information.

PENDING ITEMS

Item #01 - Comprehensive Transportation Plan (2009-10)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

May 7, 2009 - Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting - 10:00 am - Noon
Room 809 - One Exchange Plaza, Raleigh, NC

May 20, 2009 - Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting
Wake County Commons - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
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