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N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 18, 2009

4:00-6:00 PM

Professional Building
127 W. Hargett St. Suite 800
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

- 2009-2015 Metropolitan transportation Improvement Program - Amendment #2 - Interstate Maintenance Project
- 2009-2015 Metropolitan transportation Improvement Program - Amendment #3 - Hopson Road
- NCDOT Bicycle Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative
- Memorandum of Understanding - Section 5307 Distribution - Raleigh, Triangle Transit, Cary
- Triangle Transit - Wake County Transit Initiative - Update
- Proposed Urban Loop Pilot Prioritization Process
- I-485 - Charlotte "Outerbelt" project acceleration

THE CAPITAL AREA MPO VISION:

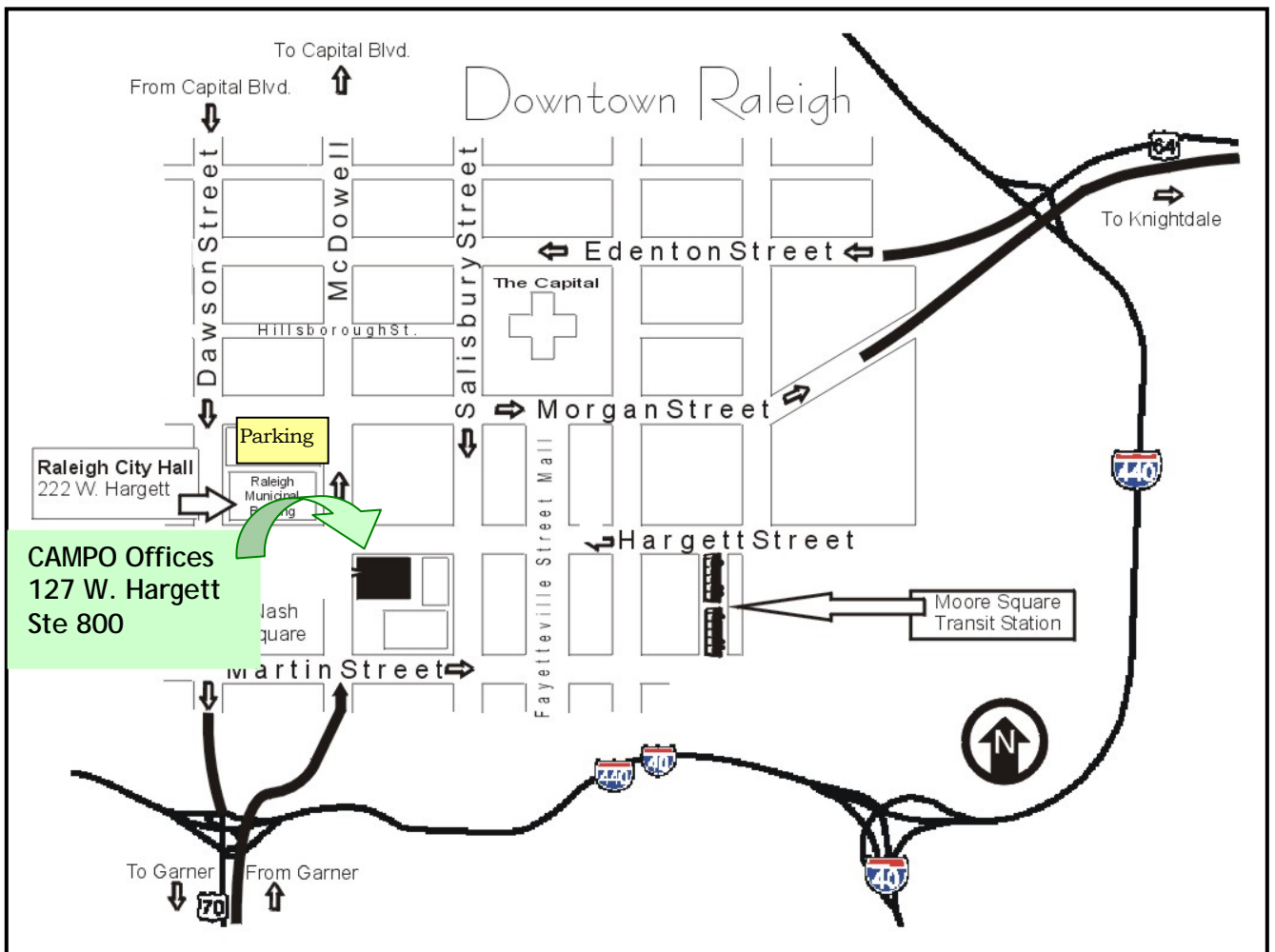
A multi-modal transportation network that is compatible with our growth, sensitive to the environment, improves quality of life and is accessible to all (2030 LRTP).

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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**

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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.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 21, 2009 TAC MEETING.

The minutes of the October 21 2009 TAC meeting, are enclosed as [Attachment 4A](#).

TAC ACTION: Approval of the minutes of the October 21, 2009 TAC meeting.

5. **2009-2015 Metropolitan transportation Improvement Program - Amendment #2 - Interstate Maintenance Project**

NCDOT has contacted the Capital Area MPO about a diamond grinding, resealing and pavement marking project on I-85 (I-5141) for completion using Interstate Maintenance funds. This project is not currently in the MPO's 2009-2015 MTIP however a small portion of the project falls within the MPO boundary. This item will be presented to the NC Board of Transportation in December and thus needs to be added to the 2009-2015 MTIP at this time. [Attachment 5A](#) includes the project map, the MTIP amendment spreadsheet and the accompanying resolution. The MPO's public involvement policy requires that the amendment and revised Air Quality Conformity Report be released for a 30-day public review and comment period and that a public hearing be conducted to receive comments on the amendment.

THE TCC reviewed this item and recommends the TAC release Amendment #2, for a minimum 30-day public review and comment period, and schedule of a public hearing to be conducted at the next regularly scheduled TAC meeting with adoption of the Amendment to follow at the close of the hearing.

TAC ACTION: authorize release of Amendment #2 to the 2009-2015 MTIP on October 18, 2009 for a minimum 30-day public review and comment period. Schedule a

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public hearing to be conducted at the next regularly scheduled TAC meeting to receive comment on the Amendment.

**6. 2009-2015 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM -
AMENDMENT #3 - HOPSON ROAD AND CHURCH STREET RAILROAD CROSSING**

Project U-4716 is currently shown in the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro MPO's LRTP and 2009-2015 MTIP. [Attachment 6A](#) shows that this project extends slightly into the Capital Area MPO's boundary.

The project is segmented as follows:

Project A - – Realign railroad and construct double track railroad bridge over Hopson Road;
 – Close Hopson at-grade crossing.

Project B – Extend Church Street north to Hopson Road and
 – Close Church S at-grade crossing

Project C – Construct second track on NCRR from south of I-40 underpass to north of McCrimmon Parkway.

Project D – Widen Hopson Road to multilane from east of Davis Drive to NC 54
(This segment is unfunded)

Projects A-C have been submitted for ARRA High Speed Rail (HSR) funding with grant awards expected in January 2010. Right-of-Way is not required for Projects B and C as these projects are being constructed on existing NCRR Right-of-Way.

Projects A and B will also receive funding through federal crossing elimination funds and railroad participation.

Because the TIP project now includes installing a second set of tracks south to near McCrimmon Parkway, the project now extends into the Capital Area MPO's planning jurisdiction. Since installing additional tracks for freight and intercity passenger rail is covered generally in the LRTP, and not as listed projects (and is not modeled), FHWA staff has indicated that the project will not require an LRTP amendment by the Capital Area MPO.

[Attachment 6B](#) shows how the Amendment funding will appear in the TIP. The TIP amendment *will* require a conformity determination because installing additional track is not an exempt project category. [Attachment 6C](#) is a draft conformity report prepared by the Triangle J Council of Governments covering the DCHC MPO, Capital Area MPO and NCDOT elements.

The MPO's public involvement policy requires that the amendment and revised Air Quality Conformity Report be released for a 30-day public review and comment period and that a public hearing be conducted to receive comments on the Amendment and Conformity Report.

THE TCC reviewed this item and recommends the TAC release Amendment #3, and the associated Conformity Report, for a minimum 30-day public review and comment period, and schedule of a public hearing to be conducted at the next regularly scheduled TAC meeting with adoption of the Amendment and associated Conformity Report to follow at the close of the hearing.

TAC ACTION: authorize release of Amendment #3 to the 2009-2015 MTIP and the associated Conformity Determination Report on October 18, 2009 for a minimum 30-day public review and comment period. Schedule a public hearing to be conducted at the next regularly scheduled TAC meeting to receive comment on the Amendment and Conformity Determination Report

7. NCDOT BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT INITIATIVE

The NCDOT Divisions Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation, along with the Transportation Planning Branch provide funding grants totaling \$400,000 to municipalities throughout the state. The funds for this program are from earmark funds specifically set aside for bicycle and pedestrian planning. Applications were to be submitted directly to NCDOT by December 3, 2008. An endorsement by the TAC is required before NCDOT will consider these projects. [Attachment 7A](#) is a table describing the applications submitted by member agencies and the required endorsement resolution.

The TCC reviewed this item and recommends TAC endorsement of Grant Applications.

TAC ACTION: Endorse Bicycle Pedestrian Grant applications as submitted by Capital Area MPO member jurisdictions

8. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF RALEIGH, TRIANGLE TRANSIT AND THE TOWN OF CARY FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SECTION 5307 FUNDING

The City of Raleigh receives, as the designated recipient for Federal Transit Funding, Section 5307 funds available to the Urbanized Area. A portion of these funds, received annually, are "passed through" to Triangle Transit and Cary Transit Operations. This distribution is made via a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which is renewed every five years. It is now time to renew that MOU. [Attachment 8A](#) is a copy of the MOU as proposed.

The TCC reviewed this item and recommends TAC endorsement of MOU, between the City of Raleigh, Triangle Transit and Cary Transit Operations, for Distribution of Section 5307 Funding.

TAC ACTION: Endorse MOU, between the City of Raleigh, Triangle Transit and Cary Transit Operations, for Distribution of Section 5307 Funding.

9. TRIANGLE TRANSIT UPDATE

Triangle Transit has been invited to provide an update on the Transit Initiative for Wake County.

TAC ACTION: Receive update on Transit Initiative for Wake County.

10. PROPOSED URBAN LOOP PILOT PRIORITIZATION PROCESS

The NC Department of Transportation is developing an Urban Loop Pilot Prioritization Process. This process is being developed in response to issues relating to funding, construction costs, environmental issues, economic development and other items. Mr. Don Voelker, Director of NCDOT's Strategic Planning Office will present information on the Draft Process. [Attachment 10A](#) is a copy of his presentation which will be distributed at the meeting.

TAC ACTION: Receive information on NCDOT Proposed Urban Loop Pilot Prioritization Process for discussion as appropriate.

11. I-485 - CHARLOTTE "OUTERBELT" PROJECT ACCELERATION

On November 10, 2009, Governor Perdue announced the acceleration of the Charlotte "Outerbelt" (I-485) loop project. This acceleration includes funding of approximately \$250 million of the project using Garvee Bonds (a fast forwarding of payments anticipated in future years) and securing of approximately \$25 million by the contractor with the promise of payback by NCDOT. This will allow completion of the Outerbelt project without the need for tolling and will accelerate the completion by approximately 5 years.

During discussion relative to what ultimately became known as the NC-540 toll project, the Capital Area MPO was informed that no new sources/scenarios for funding were available for construction projects.

At this point, it is unclear how this acceleration will affect other loop projects. Governor Perdue and other officials have stated that the financing plan would mean that no other project statewide would be delayed or scrapped to pay for Charlotte's loop. However, NCDOT's chief financial officer said making Charlotte's Outerbelt a priority, may push back other urban loops.

TAC ACTION: Receive information on I-485 Project Acceleration for discussion and/or action as appropriate.

12. REPORT FROM THE TCC CHAIR
Chip Russell, TCC Chair

13. MPO STAFF REPORTS
Ed Johnson, MPO Director

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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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

December 3, 2009 -	Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting - Cancelled Subcommittee meetings to be held at MPO offices
December 16, 2009 -	Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting - <i>Tentative</i> Professional Building 127 W. Hargett St, Suite 800, Raleigh
January 7, 2009 -	Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting - <i>Workshop</i> Professional Building 127 W. Hargett St, Suite 800, Raleigh