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# N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

TRANSPORTATION  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
June 16, 2010

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4:00-6:00 PM  
Professional Building  
127 W. Hargett St. Suite 800  
Raleigh, NC

## AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

### PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- Congestion Management Program
- US 64 Corridor Study Draft Final Report

### OTHER ITEMS:

- Regional Transit Alternatives Presentation
- Mobility Fund Update
- Locally Administered Projects Program - Update

### THE CAPITAL AREA MPO VISION:

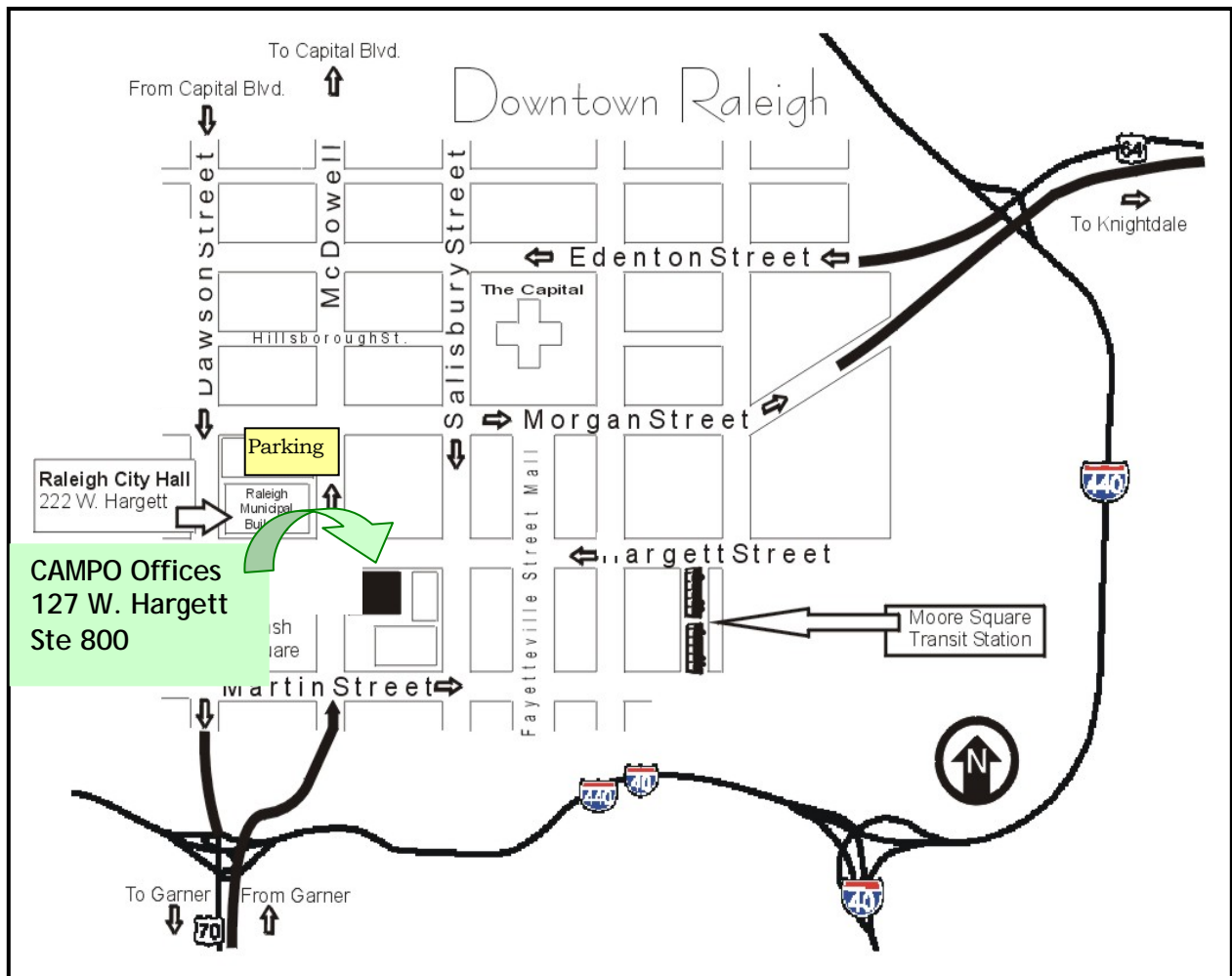
*A multi-modal transportation network that is compatible with our growth, sensitive to the environment, improves quality of life and is accessible to all (2030 LRTP).*

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# N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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.

This agenda and the accompanying attachments can be accessed via the CAMPO website at [www.campo-nc.us](http://www.campo-nc.us).



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

June 16, 2010  
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AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. 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.

3. Approval of Minutes of the May 19, 2010 TAC Meeting  
(Attachment 3A)

Minutes of the May 19, 2010 meeting, are enclosed as [Attachment 3A](#).

TAC Action: Approve minutes of May 19, 2010 TAC meeting.

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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. The following items are presented for TAC consideration on the Consent Agenda:

4. Triangle Regional Model Data Collection Pilot Program.  
(Attachment 4A)

Kyle Ward, MPO Staff

In February, the TAC approved a pilot program to collect speed data using cell phones. CAMPO Staff received this data on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, and is in the process of reviewing it. This is one of the most robust highway datasets that CAMPO has ever collected, and it will feed both model development and the Congestion Management Process.

During communication with the consultant AirSage, expanding the current scope to report origin and destination metrics for our region using data collected since June 2009 was discussed. This data would bring the model estimation and validation and lead to more accurate forecasts of future conditions.

Staff will work closely with the data team to make sure procedures used will provide the statistical significance needed. [Attachment 4A](#) is the scope of work for the project provided by AirSage. The cost of this pilot program is \$50,000, and initial estimates indicate that the data could be available three months after work begins

The TCC forwarded a recommendation to approve the contract modification contingent on staff review of the speed data. Further, the TCC encouraged staff to seek a discount on future data collection efforts. Talks are underway to secure this discount.

**TAC Action:** Approve contract modification to include new data collection project contingent on staff review of the speed data.

5. **FTA - Annual Section 5307 Sub-Allocations**  
(Attachment 5A)

David Eatman, Capital Area Transit

In accordance with FTA Regulations, the Capital Area MPO is required to submit a letter to FTA regarding the distribution of the Section 5307 FY2010 Appropriation of Funds for the Raleigh Urbanized Area between the City of Raleigh / Wolfline, Triangle Transit Authority (TTA), and the Town of Cary. TTA and the Town of Cary are sub-recipients of the appropriation. A grant application requesting funds cannot be submitted to FTA until the letter has been executed as required.

The total FTA FFY2010 Appropriation for the Raleigh Urbanized Area for Section 5307 / 5340 is \$6,898,495. Based on the formulas established by the City of Raleigh, TTA, and the Town of Cary and as per the executed "Memorandum Of Understanding for Annual Allocation of Federal Section 5307 Funds" dated June 1, 2010, it is requested the TAC approve the distribution of the allocation and for the TAC Chairman to sign the attached letter to FTA.

[Attachment 5A](#) reflects the agreed upon distribution of the FTA Apportionment for Section 5307 and Section 5340 funds for FY 2009.

**TAC Action:** Approve FTA Section 5307 fund apportionment as shown in Attachment 5A.

6. **NCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy**  
(Attachments 6A and 6B)

Diane Wilson, MPO Staff

Staff received notice that North Carolina Department of Transportation's Human Environment Unit, Traffic Noise and Air Quality Group is currently revising the Traffic Noise Abatement Policy. Comments are being sought until June 25.

The NCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy provides for the evaluation of noise barriers or other mitigation measures for communities and facilities adversely impacted by traffic noise on proposed state and federal highway projects.

[Attachment 6A](#) is a copy of the press release announcing the request for comments as well as a copy of the current Policy.

The TCC authorized a subcommittee to review the policy and provide comments to the TAC for discussion and submission to NCDOT as appropriate. [Attachment 6B](#) (to be distributed at the meeting) contains the subcommittee recommended comments.

**TAC Action:** Receive comments on NCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy and forward to NCDOT.

7. **Joint TAC meeting with Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro MPO**

A Capital Area MPO/Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro MPO joint TAC meeting is being planned for September 29, 2010. Joint meetings of the two TACs are held periodically, typically twice each year, to discuss items of interest to both MPOs. This agenda is expected to include updates on the Triangle Regional Transit program, the North Carolina Railroad Company's Commuter Rail Ridership & Market Study, and others. This meeting is tentatively being scheduled for 8:30-10:30 AM at the RDU Airport Authority Building.

**TAC Action:** Authorize scheduling of Joint TAC meeting with the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro MPO for September 29, 8:30 am at the RDU Airport Authority Building.

8. **July 2010 TAC Meeting - Cancellation**

Typically, at the discretion of the TAC Chair, TAC meetings in the month of July have been cancelled, unless specifically needed to address impending items. None require TAC attention in July.

**TAC Action:** Cancel July 21, 2010 Capital Area MPO TAC meeting.

**THIS CONCLUDES THE CONSENT AGENDA**

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**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9. **Congestion Management Process**

Diane Wilson, MPO Staff  
Kenneth Withrow, MPO Staff

The Congestion Management Process (CMP) is a method of safe and effective management and operation of new and existing transportation facilities using demand and operational management strategies. A copy of the Draft CMP was distributed to TAC members during May.

Public Review and Comment Period	April 26 - May 26
Public Hearing	May 19*

\*The Public Hearing was continued through the June 16 TAC meeting

[Attachment 9A](#) contains comments received.

The TCC reviewed this item and forwarded a recommendation of adoption of the CMP as presented with the inclusion of all comments received.

**TAC ACTION:** Conclude the public hearing and adopt Capital Area MPO CMP Process as forwarded by the TCC.

10. **US-64 Corridor Study Draft Final Report**  
(Attachments 10A and 10B)

Diane Wilson, MPO Staff  
Kenneth Withrow, MPO Staff

A study of the US 64 corridor from the US 64/US 64 Business split on the east side of Pittsboro to the US 1/US 64 interchange in Cary is being conducted as a joint effort between the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO), the Towns of Apex, Cary and Pittsboro, and Wake and Chatham Counties.

The Corridor Design Team has been meeting to finalize short and long-term highway design plans. A copy of the Executive Summary of the Draft Final Report was distributed to TAC members during May. The full report was made available via the NCDOT website. Mr. Peter Trecansky of URS presented the

TAC with an overview of the Executive Summary for the project at the May meeting.

Public Review and Comment Period	May 1 - June 16*
Public Hearing	May 19*

\*The Public Hearing was continued through the June 16 TAC meeting

NCDOT has extended its deadline for comments through June 30, 2010. Staff is requesting that the TAC extend the MPO's comment period to coincide with this date.

[Attachment 10A](#) is a copy of written comments received during the public comment period. [Attachment 10B](#) contains comments received during the public hearing on May 19.

**TAC Action:** Extend the public comment period through June 30; conclude the public hearing and authorize staff to forward comments received prior to June 30, to all study partners.

**THIS CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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11. **Transitional Analysis Document & Regional Transit Alternatives Analysis Process**  
(Attachment 11A)

David King, Greg Northcutt, Johnathan Parker - Triangle Transit  
Bill Houppermans - URS, Bill Martin - M/A/B

Beginning this summer and continuing into the fall and early part of 2011, Triangle Transit will be performing an Alternatives Analysis (AA) of the major fixed guideway transit corridors defined in the joint CAMPO and DCHC MPO 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan. The first step of this process is to clearly document how the corridors have been defined up to this point, as the current 2035 regional transit system plan.

Martin Alexiou Bryson, a sub-consultant for Triangle Transit, will provide an overview of the Transitional Analysis Document, which defines the study corridors, and discuss the criteria that will be used to screen the various corridor segments to a manageable set of up to three project-level corridors. The corridors that pass through the initial screening, will be studied in phase two of the detailed AA, including various technologies,

alignments, and potential station locations within each corridor. The process will include three rounds of public workshops, in June/July, September/October, and January/February 2011.

After the analysis and public meetings are complete, the result will be a recommended Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) to be adopted by each MPO in the spring of 2011. This process and LPA decision will inform the regional transit referendum contemplated for the fall of 2011, and allow the resulting project(s) to move into more detailed environmental and engineering studies pending a positive vote.

[Attachment 11A](#) contains a copy of the PowerPoint slides to be presented.

**TAC Action:** Receive as information.

12. **Mobility Fund**  
(Attachments 12A and 12B)

**Julie White, Director, NC Metropolitan Mayors Coalition**

On April 20, Gov. Bev Perdue released her proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. It includes a plan to establish the North Carolina Mobility Fund that will be used to address critical congestion bottlenecks and to improve our logistics capabilities.

Julie white, of the NC Metropolitan Mayors' Coalition will be in attendance to provide an update.

[Attachment 12A](#) is a page of facts on the Mobility Fund. [Attachment 12B](#) is a sample resolution of support and cover letter for discussion and action as appropriate.

**TAC Action:** Receive update and other information on the Mobility Fund for discussion and action as appropriate.

13. **STP-DA / Locally Administered Projects Update**  
(Attachments 13A, 13B, 13C and 13D)

**Chris Lukasina, MPO Staff**

**FY 11 STP-DA Investment Program:**

The TAC directed MPO staff to move forward the development of a list of projects that could be used to obligate FY 2011 STP-DA funds. An initial project list has been created with unprogrammed FY 10 STP-DA project requests. Staff has issued a follow up call for projects that closed May 7, 2010.

The FY 11 STP-DA Working Group and TCC have reviewed and prioritized FY 2011 projects and a recommended FY11 STP-DA investment program is being presented today as [Attachment 13A](#). A list of all eligible projects submitted for FY 2011 STP-DA consideration is included as [Attachment 13B](#).

**TCC Action:** Receive as information, and if acceptable, approve the FY 11 STP-DA Investment Program as submitted.

**Transit / Bike / Ped STP-DA Non-Competitive Grant Grace Period:**

In March 2010, the TAC directed CAMPO to protect locally administered federal funding programs from future rescissions to the maximum extent possible. As part of this, the non-competitive STP-DA program created in 2005 that provided for the “banking” of funds for bicycle, pedestrian, or transit projects is being phased out. The FY 11 STP-DA Working Group and TCC have recommended allowing a one fiscal year “grace period” for those jurisdictions with banked funds to allow local bicycle, pedestrian or transit projects to utilize those funds from the previous non-competitive program. The recommendation was made with the following stipulations:

- Projects must be submitted to the MPO by August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 for review and approval by the TCC and TAC at their September meetings.
- Jurisdictions cannot exceed the previously documented non-competitive “banked” funding level (included as [Attachment 13C](#)).
- Projects must follow the FY 11 STP-DA project development and obligation deadline calendar (included as [Attachment 13D](#)).
- Approved program funds must be obligated by September, 2011.
- Unobligated non-competitive funds would expire at the end of the FY 2011 STP-DA funding cycle.
- All projects must meet STP-DA eligibility criteria, be managed locally and funded locally with periodic reimbursements.

**TCC Action:** Receive as information, and if acceptable, approve the FY 11 STP-DA non-competitive “grace period” as submitted.

14. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- **TIGER II Grants:** The US Department of Transportation (USDOT) has been authorized to award \$600 million in “TIGER II” Discretionary Grants. This appropriation is similar, but not identical to the appropriation for the “TIGER Discretionary Grant”, (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) program authorized and implemented under the American Recovery and Reinvestment

Act of 2009 ("ARRA"). [Attachment 14A](#) contains the latest information on Tiger II Grants.

- **ARRA:** All ARRA projects in the area are now under contract. The MPO has received word that GAO (General Accounting Office) and FHWA (Federal Highway Administration) auditors are planning visits to review projects and documentation during June and July. We will keep you informed however, unannounced visits may occur.

Members are reminded to submit their monthly employment and budget reports to NCDOT, and to copy Richard Epps, MPO Staff, on these reports.

- **Budget:** Our current year UPWP operating budget is \$1,780,100 and as of 05/28/2010 we have spent \$1,142,975. This does not include ARRA funding for the NC 50 Corridor Study. Please see [Attachment 14B](#) for more details. [Attachment 14C](#) provides a recap of the members' share fund balance.
- **Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP):** The first and second round of local Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) coordination sub-area meetings were completed in April and May. CAMPO staff received valuable input from local planning staff regarding the various modal elements of the CTP. CAMPO staff will be conducting high level capacity analysis on projects over the summer months. An additional round of meetings and public involvement are anticipated to begin in August. Upcoming meeting dates will be announced in July. TAC members are invited to provide input throughout the ongoing development process.
- **Congestion Mitigation for Air Quality (CMAQ):** Congestion Mitigation for Air Quality (CMAQ): Due to revised guidance from NCDOT regarding the target programming allocations and schedule for the 2011-2017 TIP, the CMAQ committee will reformulate their recommendation to the TCC at the August meeting. A recommendation for programming CMAQ funds is expected to come before the TAC in August 2010.
- **NC 50 Corridor Study:** The Existing Conditions report for NC 50 is now available online ([www.campo-nc.us/projects.html](http://www.campo-nc.us/projects.html)). The next Project Oversight Committee meeting is scheduled for June 24 at the Amran Shriners Temple on Creedmoor Road. This meeting will focus on the land use scenarios that will be modeled and an update from the consultant team on public involvement and transportation elements of the plan. This project is slightly ahead of schedule.

- **Kerry-Lieberman Bill:** On May 12, 2010, a draft energy bill, entitled the "American Power Act" (APA), was introduced as a discussion item in the US Senate. The bill contains several items with implications for MPOs. Specifically, the bill outlines provisions for MPOs to revise planning processes to incorporate greenhouse gas reduction strategies, and requirements for MPOs to show progress in "stabilizing and reducing" greenhouse gases. While previously-introduced bills mandated that states set target greenhouse gas levels, this bill calls for the MPO to set the target level for the metropolitan level. The bill also includes additional funding for ARRA TIGER grants, competitive grants for greenhouse gas reduction programs, and MPO greenhouse gas planning efforts. A summary of the bill prepared by the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations is included as [Attachment 14D](#). Updates will be provided as received.

12. Report 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  
Bobby Lewis - Division 4  
Wally Bowman/Joey Hopkins - Division 5  
Greg Burns - Division 6  
NC Turnpike Authority

### Adjourn

### PENDING ITEMS

Holly Springs LRTP Amendment Request - Friendship Road/US-1 Interchange Request

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

July 1, 2010	<del>CANCELLED - Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</del>
August 2, 2010 10 a.m.	Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting Professional Building 127 W. Hargett St, Suite 800, Raleigh
August 18, 2010 4 p.m.	Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting Professional Building 127 W. Hargett St, Suite 800, Raleigh

