

**TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 20, 2008  
MINUTES**

The Technical Coordinating Committee met on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. at Wake County Commons Conference Center, 4012 Cary Drive, Raleigh, NC with the following present:

**Member**

Chairman Russell, presiding  
Ray Boylston  
Carl Dawson  
Rupal Desai  
David Eatman  
Michael Frangos  
Scott Hammerbacher  
John Hodges-Copple  
Reed Huegerich  
Eric Lamb  
Patrick McDonough  
Joe Moore  
Teresa Piner  
Mike Sorensen  
Martin Stankus  
Kendra Stephenson  
Scottie Wilkins

**Representing**

Wake Forest  
Cary  
Raleigh  
NCDOT  
CAT  
Knightdale  
Franklin County  
TJCOG  
Apex  
Raleigh  
TTA  
Cary  
Wendell  
Fuquay-Varina  
Raleigh  
Holly Springs  
Granville County

**Staff**

Ed Johnson  
Gerald Daniel  
Renee Johnson  
Robert McCain  
Kyle Ward  
Diane Wilson  
Kenneth Withrow

**Representing**

CAMPO Director  
CAMPO Staff  
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Chairman Russell called the meeting to order with discussion and actions taken as follows:

**AGENDA – APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Mr. Johnson indicated there would be an add-on to the agenda. The item relates to the 440/I-40 sign designations. It was agreed to add this to the agenda as Item 10. Without objection, the agenda was approved as amended.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE RECEIVED**

Chairman Russell indicated this was an opportunity for comments by those in attendance. No one asked to be heard.

**MINUTES – JUNE 5, 2008 – APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

Members had received a copy of the June 5, 2008 minutes in their agenda packets. Mr. Frangos moved approval of the minutes as presented. His motion, seconded by Ms. Wilkins, unanimously passed. Chairman Russell ruled the motion adopted.

**2009-2015 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP) – APPROVED**

Mr. Johnson reviewed the history of this item as included in the agenda. The draft was released for public review and comment on June 18, 2008. A public hearing is to be conducted at today's TAC meeting followed by adopted of the MTIP. Mr. Johnson noted everyone had received a copy and no comments had been received by staff to date. Mr. Moore indicated when all the effort is put forth to develop a list of projects, there needs to be a better understanding of how the projects are ranked, etc. He stated when the TIP is received from DOT, none of the priority projects are included and requested that staff explain how the projects shake out for future MTIPs. Mr. Johnson explained for the last couple of times when the TIP was adopted, the project priority list was appended and there is a wide difference between what is asked for and what is received.

Mr. McDonough moved that the TCC forward a recommendation of adoption of the 2009-2015 MTIP to the TAC. His motion, seconded by Mr. Sorensen, unanimously passed. Chairman Russell ruled the motion adopted.

**DRAFT 2011-2017 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST – ENDORSED**

Mr. Johnson reviewed this item noting every two years CAMPO staff requests that member jurisdictions provide a list of projects for inclusion in the update of NCDOT's STIP and the MTIP. Each MPO member agency is invited to submit prioritized lists of roadway projects. He explained a consolidated list of priority roadway projects was developed for submittal to NCDOT based on information and input received from TCC subcommittee members. The list provides assistance to NCDOT in their preparation of the draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan. The STIP/MTIP request priority lists were developed based on various technical criteria and efforts to achieve reasonable geographic equity among member jurisdictions. The final recommended list will be presented to the TAC for adoption. Members received in their packets the priority schedule which will benefit from the highway analysis being performed as part of the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update process. Highway projects that were included in the FY 009-2015 MTIP are being carried forward to the FY 2011-2017 MTIP and are included in the highway network that will be modeled for the 2035 LRTP.

Results of the model runs will be used to perform new user benefit analyses which could ultimately be used in scoring and prioritizing the highway projects for the FY 2011-2017 Project Priority List. Based on the limited time period to simultaneously conduct the 2035 LRTP update and development of the FY 2011-2017 MTIP Project Priority Project list, the CAMPO staff suggests creating the FY 2011-2017 Project Priority List from projects previously requested by member jurisdictions during the FY 2009-2015 MTIP development cycle. Mr. Johnson noted there may be modification based on local input and study consultations conducted during the year. Mr. Johnson explained in this case DOT is doing better than before noting normally information is received at the end of October and they want it back before the end of December. This time CAMPO is given a complete 6 months to complete its work. He explained DOT's transformation management team met with staff and worked out that a complete 6 months is allotted for this study and input. DOT also promises 6 months after that to have the draft TIP ready for release that involves a complete year for this to be on the street before it is adopted. He reviewed ongoing projects and planning efforts taking place noting in the next 4-5 months they want TIP priorities put together and run through the process including public involvement. This item was placed on this agenda to show members the schedule and get feedback. Mr. Withrow stated Granville County would like to add to the list and noting streamlining is the best practice at this time.

Chairman Russell stated for the sake of maintaining a schedule and hitting milestones along the way, he would suggest that members turn in any changes they would propose by the end of September. Mr. Johnson felt we can take more time than this schedule if necessary; however, in the next 30-45 days there should be a sense of what members want to change about their individual priorities. He explained this poses particular challenges about how much they want to change priorities and if we can get that information by the end of September or thereabout and then spend the later part of October and early November turning this into a list. Mr. Johnson stated possibly we can take an extra month past the LRTP schedule. He noted a list in good working order is needed before the Thanksgiving holiday to allow a 30 day review period.

Mr. Johnson urged that members clarify where they are on their comfort level on this list and would like notification from everyone as soon as possible in order to accommodate everyone's wishes.

Mr. Frangos questioned if all of the priorities had been graded equally. Mr. Johnson responded up to the point of using technology based data and had tried to spread this out and have a little of everything included. He explained the TAC has the final say. Mr. Johnson explained we are operating in a setting unlike any he could remember due to the brutal inflationary cost pressure and will be cutting back projects substantially in the LRTP also. He encouraged members to consider smaller projects that will really help and hope by next year the Legislature will have acted to allow us to go out and spend money. He explained that members should think about how to do smaller, cheaper and more efficient projects to get things done over the next 10-20 years.

Mr. Moore moved that member's staffs be allowed to go back and check with their Council on priority projects and report any changes back to CAMPO staff by September 30, 2008. His motion, seconded by Mr. Frangos, unanimously passed. Chairman Russell ruled the motion adopted.

Mr. Johnson announced if members need more time, staff would try to accommodate it as much as possible.

#### **UPDATE – JOB ACCESS/REVERSE COMMUTE – NEW FREEDOM GRANTS - RECEIVED AS INFORMATION**

Mr. Eatman reviewed this item noting it has been discussed for 6-8 months. He indicated in January 2008, CAMPO and the City of Raleigh took the lead in developing a coordinated regional public transit-human services transportation plan. The plan was required prior to submission of Job Access/Reverse Commute and New Freedom Grant applications. The plan was developed by working in collaboration with the public transportation agencies and community transportation programs in the MPO's jurisdiction to respond to SAFETEA-LU requirements. The purpose of the plan is to help improve transportation services for persons with disabilities, older adults and individuals with lower incomes in CAMPO area through a better coordinated transportation system. In June 2008, the TAC endorsed submission of projects as outlined in information included in the agenda packets for possible funding awards. Members received information on the status of the Job Access/Reverse Commute and New Freedom grant applications submitted by CAMPO. Mr. Eatman reported we have \$400,000 and spent \$385,000 and staff time. JARC projects funded include Wake Forest Express Route (Triangle Transit) - \$125,000; Wake Forest Circulator (Triangle Transit) - \$79,000 totaling \$204,000. Funds remaining for JARC are \$231,184; FFY09 projected FTA allocation totals \$192,000 and FY09 projected funding availability is \$423,184. Mr. Eatman then reviewed New Freedom awards including Travel Training (Universal Disability Advocates) - \$60,000; Automatic Vehicle Location (Wake Coordinated Transportation Service)- \$168,000 and Regional Call Center Study (Triangle Transit) - \$32,000 totaling \$260,000. Funds remaining are \$82,935; project FFY09 FTA Allocation is \$118,000 with a projected FY09 funding availability of \$200,935. Mr. Eatman noted a Federal budget will not be received until there is an election. He noted this item was placed on the agenda for information purposes. Mr. Eatman indicated he hoped to solicit and receive more projects in 2009.

This item was received as information.

#### **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS - TO BE PLACED ON NEXT AGENDA**

Mr. Johnson reviewed this item and explained in January, the Public Involvement Process for CAMPO was reviewed by both the TCC and TAC and adopted. CAMPO is working closely with DCHC-MPO in development of the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan. During this process it was agreed to coordinate item, i.e., public meetings and

presentations as well as public notices and hearings. Currently the CAMPO public review and comment period for the LRTP is 45 days and DCHC is 42 days. He explained staff recommends modification of CAMPO's public involvement process for the LRTP to match that of DCHC. Members received in their agenda packets current and proposed changes. Mr. McDonough indicated the second part of the process talks about reaching out to minority or low income populations yet TAC meetings are held where you can only get to them in a car. He indicated discussion should take place relating to having meeting locations where anyone can reach them and an individual does not have to have an automobile to speak to the decision makers. Chairman Russell felt this is a good point and this could be recommended to the TAC apart from changing the 45 days to 42 days. Mr. Hodges-Copple also noted there are references to the 45 day to 42 days in other sections that should also be changed with Mr. Johnson indicating those changes were an oversight.

Mr. Johnson indicated the meeting locations is a good point and suggested tabling this item until the next meeting and members could send any thoughts on meeting location changes to staff.

Without objection, this item was tabled and will be placed on the next agenda.

### **2035 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN - RECEIVED AS INFORMATION**

Mr. Johnson noted the intent was to do one presentation of this item before both the TAC and TCC and requested that TCC members remain until the TAC meets following this meeting.

Mr. Withrow reviewed the history of this item as included in the agenda. He reviewed the Goals and Objectives and reviewed a map showing all the projects that will be modeled in the 2035 LRTP available at the meeting in detail, schedule of events and deadlines that apply to the 2035 LRTP and technical data that will be reviewed and analyzed as the MPO develops the "Preferred Alternative" for adopted by December. He indicated he would provide further information at the presentation made to the TAC following this TCC meeting.

This item was received as information.

### **I 40/440 DESIGNATION – RECEIVED AS INFORMATION**

Mr. Johnson reported he had received a call from Kevin Lacy, NCDOT, who would like the MPO to consider supporting their request to do away with the I-440 designation on the segment of the Beltline that is also I-40. They are proposing that I-440 would not be on the southern part of the Beltline. Discussion followed regarding the purpose of not having the dual designation. Mr. Lamb explained this will do away with the Inner and Outer Beltline signage and 440 would become the East/West facility and would start on

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the southern corner by Crossroads and terminate by Rock Quarry Road. Mr. Johnson noted in the interstate routing rules, anything with a spur is supposed to have an odd number.

This item was received as information.

**MPO STAFF REPORT – RECEIVED**

Mr. Johnson introduced Gerald Daniel as a new CAMPO staff member.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Hunt