

**CRTPO TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE**  
**Summary Meeting Minutes**  
**March 3, 2022**

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**Voting Members:** *Chair* – Liz Babson (CDOT), *Vice-Chair* – Andrew Ventresca (Troutman), Dan Leaver (Charlotte General Services), Alysia Osborne – alt for Alyson Craig (Charlotte Planning, Design & Development), Aaron Tucker (Cornelius), Andrew Golden – proxy for Doug Wright (Davidson), Brian Richards – alt for Dave Hill (Huntersville), Todd Huntsinger (Indian Trail), Hunter Nester (Marvin), Dana Stoogenke (Matthews), Megan Green (Meck. Co. – LUESA Air Quality), David McDonald (Metropolitan Transit Commission), Lisa Stiwinter (Monroe), Erika Martin (Mooresville), Brett Canipe (NCDOT – Div. 10), Anil Panicker – alt for Mark Stafford (NCDOT – Div. 12), Alex Rotenberry (NCDOT-Integrated Mobility Division), Dominique Boyd (NCDOT-TPD), Travis Morgan (Pineville), David Cole (Statesville), Bjorn Hansen (Union County), Lisa Thompson – alt for Theo Ghitea (Waxhaw), Karen Dewey (Weddington), Alex Riomondy (Focus Area Representative – Bicycle), Kate Cavazza (Focus Area Representative – Public Health), Tracy Houk (Focus Area Representative – Pedestrian)

**Staff:** Curtis Bridges (CRTPO), Neil Burke (CRTPO), Robert Cook (CRTPO), Kendall Clanton (CRTPO), Temekia Dae (CRTPO), Judy Dellert-O’Keef (CRTPO), Brian Elgort (CRTPO), J. Travis Johnson (CRTPO), Jerrel Leonard (CRTPO), Agustin Rodriguez (CRTPO), Theo Thomson (CRTPO), Andy Bailey (NCDOT - TPD), Loretta Barren (FHWA), Stuart Basham (NCDOT – Div. 10), Megan Brightharp (Monroe), Anna Gallup (CDOT), Andy Grzyski (CDOT), Susan Habina-Woolard (Matthews), Mohamed Kaddoumi (CDOT), Jeff Littlefield (NCDOT – Div. 10), Scottie Miller (NCDOT-Div. 10), CJ O’Neill (Matthews), Erin Pratt (CDOT), Travis Preslar (NCDOT – Div. 10), Matthew Rea (CRC), Teresa Robinson (NCDOT - STIP), Wendy Taylor (NCDOT – Div. 10), David Wasserman (NCDOT)

**Guests:** Scott Cole (RS&H), Brady Finklea (Kimley Horn), Paul Henkel (Mayor Pro Tem Troutman), Radha Krishna Swayampakala (RS&H), Nick Landa (RS&H), Todd McAulliffe (AECOM), Erin Musiol (RS&H), Michelle Podeszwa (LandDesign), Bill Thunberg (LNTC), Matt Werder (HDR)

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Liz Babson opened the virtual meeting at 10:00 a.m. Travis Johnson reviewed the virtual meeting guidelines and conducted a roll call to document attendance. Mr. Johnson determined that a quorum was achieved.

**2. Adoption of the Agenda**

Ms. Babson asked if changes to the agenda were necessary. Hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve today’s agenda.

Motion:

Andrew Ventresca made a motion to approve today’s agenda. David McDonald seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

**3. Consideration of Consent Agenda**

Ms. Babson stated that the consent agenda for the March meeting contained the following items:

- Approval of the February 3, 2022 TCC Minutes
- 2020-2029 TIP Amendments (including CATS TIP Amendments)
- FY 2022 CRTPO Self-Certification

- FY 2022 UPWP Amendment

Motion:

Mr. McDonald made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Ventresca seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

**TCC BUSINESS ITEMS**

**4.1 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Revised 2020-2029 TIP**

Presenter: Neil Burke

Summary:

Mr. Burke provided information to the TCC via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes [here](#). The presentation covered the following points:

Mr. Burke began the presentation by expressing gratitude to TCC members that assisted in the 2050 MTP development process. His presentation covered an update on the public comment period for the 2050 MTP, 2020-2029 TIP & 2045 MTP amendments, and air quality conformity determination analysis. The requested action for the TCC was to recommend to the CRTPO Board that it adopt the 2050 MTP, 2045 MTP Amendments, Revised 2020-2029 TIP and Air Quality Conformity Determination report.

He stated that the 2050 MTP recently completed its fourth phase of public engagement. This public comment period was from January 18 to February 17. This was the final opportunity to review and comment on the plan contents prior to adoption. As of February 18, the website and social media has reached over 42,000 people and 2050 MTP videos were viewed over 15,000 times. Additionally, in person and virtual presentations were utilized to reach around 223 residents. During the public comment period eleven comments

Next, he reviewed the 2020-2029 TIP & 2045 MTP Amendments. These updates included 25 amendments to the revised 2020-2029 TIP & 2045 MTP Amendments. There were six TIP amendments due to project cost increases and 69 TIP amendments were made to reflect updated project schedules that did not require a concurrent amendment to the 2045 MTP.

Air quality conformity determination was completed for the revised 2020-2029 TIP and 2050 MTP fiscally constrained project list. It was conducted concurrently with the Cabarrus-Rowan and Gaston Cleveland Lincoln MPOs. CRTPO's 2050 MTP and 2020-2029 TIP were found to conform to the purpose of the North Carolina State Implementation Plan (SIP) and anticipated emissions are in conformity with the 2008 8-hour ozone standard.

Motion:

Dana Stoogenke made a motion to recommend that the CRTPO Board find that the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the 2020-2029 Transportation Improvement Program are in compliance with the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990 and 23 USC 134, adopt the Revised 2020-2029 TIP and amendments to the 2045 MTP, and adopt the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Erika Martin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **4.2 FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program**

Presenter: Robert Cook

Summary:

Mr. Cook provided information to the TCC via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes [here](#). The presentation covered the following points:

Mr. Cook began his presentation stating the requested action is to recommend to the CRTPO Board that they approve the FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). A detailed memorandum was included in the TCC Agenda Packet.

The total allocation for the FY 2023 included \$5,583,820. This covers the anticipated activities for the CRTPO for FY 2023. Mr. Cook stated that there might be additional funding made available by the federal IJA legislation.

Next, he highlighted a breakdown of the proposed allocations by task including task code, proposed allocation, and a description of each activity. He shared total allocations for FTA Sec. 5303 by service provider. In total, \$2,503,818 are allocated for Sec 5303 funding.

Additionally, four local planning projects and three carryover projects are being funded for this fiscal year. New projects were endorsed by the Board on February 16 and the three carryover projects were funded in prior fiscal years. Additionally, \$20,000 has been identified for CRTPO staff to support planning projects by serving on technical advisory committees and providing support.

Motion:

Ms. Martin made a motion to recommend that the CRTPO Board approve the FY 2023 UPWP. Alysia Osborne seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **TCC INFORMATION REPORTS**

##### **5.1 Independence Boulevard NCDOT Corridor Implementation Plan Update**

Presenter: Brett Canipe & David Wasserman (NCDOT)

Summary:

Mr. Canipe and Mr. Wasserman provided information to the TCC via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes [here](#). The presentation covered the following points:

Mr. Canipe and Mr. Wasserman provided an update on the US 74 Corridor Implementation Plan. Their presentation covered the background and history of the project, 2024 – 2033 STIP development, US 74 Corridor Implementation Plan, and next steps for the corridor.

Mr. Canipe started by providing a history of the US 74 corridor and the corridor incorporated managed lanes projects as part of a system wide plan. He stated the project needed to be broken into phases to address funding challenges and corridor caps. Historic cost estimate for this project have increased from \$404 million to around \$1 billion dollars.

Mr. Wasserman shared how the 2024-2033 STIP is over programmed by over \$3 billion dollars. To address this issue the 2024-2033 STIP will only include projects funded in the 2020-2029 STIP. All existing projects selected for funding will use one of two approaches. Option one is to include projects scheduled for construction in FY 2026 or before first. Second is to select the highest scoring project from P3, P4, and P5 until each STI category budget is filled. Once the draft 2024-2033 STIP is developed, there will be opportunities to swap projects. These projects will need to be agreed to by NCDOT and MPOs and must be over 110% of total cost of projects being swapped out.

Mr. Wasserman said that the corridor development implementation plan was developed to conform to STI and federal state laws to meet corridor caps and eligibility for each category. This plan will establish the project schedule and incorporate it into STIP development process. The three-step process is to amend current STIP, develop draft 2024-2033 STIP, and conduct a STIP coordination meeting between NCDOT and CRTPO.

In the summer of 2022 NCDOT will conduct STIP Coordination meetings with MPOs throughout the state. If CRTPO requests swapping U-2509C (General purpose and express lanes – Wallace Ln to Sardis Rd) with U-6103 (express lanes), then U-6103 will replace U-2509C and U-2509C becomes unfunded and can be submitted by CRTPO or Division 10 for reevaluated in P7.0.

Mr. Canipe concluded the presentation by sharing that the draft 2024-2033 STIP is anticipated in spring of 2022 and the STIP coordination meeting with the CRTPO is anticipated in the summer of 2022.

Mr. Grzyski, Ms. Stoogenke, and Ms. Babson encouraged NCDOT to look for additional funding sources to address the funding issues.

Mr. Grzyski shared his concern that the new phases created for the corridor were created from an already committed project. He asked if this would be taken into consideration during the ranking process. Mr. Canipe stated that STI does not currently take this into account Mr. Grzyski's concern.

## **OTHER REPORTS**

### **6.1. NCDOT Report**

No verbal reports were provided from NCDOT Division 10, Division 12, or North Carolina Turnpike Authority. Written project updates were included in the TCC Agenda Packet prior to the meeting.

Dominique Boyd prepared a newsletter that was distributed after the TCC Meeting. He also shared that NC Emergency Management has released their call for projects for Transportation Infrastructure Resiliency Funds Grants with an application deadline of March 31, 2022.

Alex Rotenberry announced four funding opportunities to the TCC. These included the Transportation Demand Management Call for Projects open until March 18, AARP Community Challenge Grant Cycle open until March 22, the RAISE Grant open until April 14 and the Trail Fund Grant open until April 15.

### **6.2. Project Oversight Committee Update**

The next Project Oversight Committee's Meeting is March 10.

### **6.3. Bicycle and Pedestrian Work Group Report**

Curtis Bridges stated the Bicycle Pedestrian Work Group will meet virtually Thursday afternoon. The agenda includes an update on the Beyond 77 Task Force, NCDOT Complete Streets Training, and a discussion on the CRTPO's role in regional bicycle and pedestrian initiatives.

**6.4. Charlotte Regional Alliance for Transportation**

No CRAFT updates were provided.

**6.5 Upcoming Issues**

Agustin Rodriguez shared that the Traffic Data Program is open for requests for FY2022 and that the spring CRTPO adopt-a-street clean up event is seeking TCC and Board members to assist staff in a cleanup event along South Boulevard in Charlotte on April 1.

Mr. Johnson shared that the CRTPO Board Meeting had been rescheduled to March 23. He also encouraged the TCC to vote for the Beyond 77 Study in the NCDOT MOBI awards by March 4 and to visit the recently redesigned CRTPO website ([crtpo.org](http://crtpo.org)).

**ADJOURN:** Ms. Babson determined that the agenda had been adequately completed and adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.