

Project Oversight Committee 01/28/2021 Meeting Summary

Note: Due to coronavirus restrictions, the meeting was conducted as a virtual meeting through GoToMeeting

POC Members: Andrew Ventresca, Loretta Barren, Stuart Basham, Gwen Cook, Dana Stoogenke, Bjorn Hansen, Ashley Landis, Jeff Littlefield, Bill Thunberg, Bjorn Hansen

CRTPO Staff and Guests: Neil Burke, Robert Cook, Catherine Mahoney, Jennifer Stafford, Judy Dellert-O'Keef, David Wasserman, Hannah Cook, Jennifer Stafford

Agenda Item	Purpose	Summary/ Decisions	Person Responsible	Follow-Up / Result
1. Welcome & Introductions		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed POC members and verified attendees from their GTM logins 	Andrew Ventresca	
2. FY 22 CMAQ Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash Flow • Spend Plan • Suspended projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FY 22 CMAQ available to CRTPO \$7,643,550 • No separate call scheduled at this time • Potential funding swap – use CMAQ funds on current STBG-DA projects • CMAQ applications due to NCDOT by March 15, 2021 <p>Please see attached presentation</p>	Andrew Ventresca	Staff and WSP to develop a shortlist of potential existing projects for CMAQ funding
3. Upcoming Issues		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future Year Discretionary Funding Availability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion of the amount of STBG-DA funds available for FY 21 • Review Spring Shortfall Call schedule • Next POC Meeting: February 11 at 2:00 p.m. 	Jennifer Stafford	
4. Adjourn				

Welcome

and

FY 2022 CMAQ Update

CMAQ Information:

- **On January 21, CRTPO received information about CMAQ**
 - **Funds available \$7,643,550**
 - **Applications due to NCDOT by March 15**
 - **Funds need to be authorized by June 30, 2024**

Staff's recommendation:

- **Identify current projects that are CMAQ-eligible**
- **Swap STBG-DA with new FY 22 CMAQ funds**

Rationale:

- **Frees up additional STBG-DA funding that could be used in Fall Call**
- **STBG-DA funds are more flexible**

General Criteria for Selecting Potential CMAQ Projects

- **Create a general list of STBG-DA projects that potentially qualify for CMAQ funding:**
 - **Identify projects that currently have both CMAQ funds and STBG-DA funds. These projects may not need to be re-evaluated by NCDOT to swap CMAQ for STBG_DA funds.**
 - **Identify projects previously approved by NCDOT for CMAQ funds that now have STBG-DA. Note: Will need to consult with NCDOT on why funding was swapped (example: project determined ineligible).**

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- **Identify projects previously ranked by CRTPO for CMAQ funds that did not “make the cut” for submitting to NCDOT. Note: Will need to determine if original sponsor is still interested in pursuing the project and determine why the project did not rank high enough to move forward (example: no commitment for local match or low air quality benefit).**
- **Identify projects that are “shovel ready”. Ideally projects that have completed or nearly completed PE and ROW.**
- **Identify projects that can be authorized for construction prior to June 30, 2024**
- **Identify projects that require minimal effort in evaluating air quality benefits (example: roundabouts, greenways, sidewalk projects).**

Question to POC:

Administrative modification: swapping FY 2022 CMAQ to existing STBG-DA projects

Do you think this should go to the Board?

We are planning on giving an update at the TCC meeting next week and then at the Board meeting later in February.

Next Steps:

- **Staff to work with WSP on preparing applications (emissions calcs, etc.)**
- **Staff to work with NCDOT Transportation Planning Department**

- **Next POC Meeting: February 11 at 2:00 p.m.**
 - **Continue CMAQ conversation as necessary**
 - **Future Year Discretionary Funding Availability**
 - **Review Spring Shortfall Call schedule**