

Project Oversight Committee 02/11/2021 Meeting Summary

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

POC Members: Andrew Ventresca, Loretta Barren, Stuart Basham, Gwen Cook, Bjorn Hansen, Ashley Landis, Jeff Littlefield, Bill Thunberg, Cami Weckerly, David McDonald

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

Agenda Item	Purpose	Summary/ Decisions	Person Responsible	Follow-Up / Result
Welcome		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Welcomed POC members and verified attendees from their GTM logins 	Andrew Ventresca	
FY 22 CMAQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Decide about swapping STBG-DA with CMAQ funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FY 22 CMAQ available to CRTPO \$7,643,550 ● No separate call scheduled at this time ● CMAQ applications due to NCDOT by March 15, 2021 ● Discuss concerns about using CMAQ funds on existing projects ● Review shortlist of projects edible for CMAQ funds ● Discussed and decided to swap funds on one project: TA-6724 Hambright Park and Ride. <p>Please see attached presentation</p>	Andrew Ventresca & David McDonald	Swap STBG-DA funds with CMAQ funds. WSP to prepare CMAQ application.
Discretionary Funds available for FY 21-26	Review available funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Future Year Discretionary Funding Availability <p>Please see attached presentation</p>	David Wasserman, NCDOT	Next POC discuss funding targets for Spring and Fall call

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Spring Shortfall Call	Review Timeline	Reviewed Spring Shortfall call and decided to move forward, opening the call March 1 through April 30. Please see attached presentation	Jennifer Stafford	Jennifer to advertise call and bring applications to POC in May 2021
Adjourn		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next POC Meeting: February 25 at 2:00 p.m. • Topics to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Continue CMAQ conversation as necessary ○ Suspended discretionary projects ○ CRTPO training 		

AGENDA

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| 1. Welcome | Andrew Ventresca |
| 2. FY 22 CMAQ - Recap <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. | Andrew Ventresca |
| 3. Transit funding using CMAQ funds and concerns with swaps | David McDonald |
| 4. Shortlist of potential projects for swapping STBG-DA to CMAQ | Andrew Ventresca |
| 5. Discretionary funding available for spring and fall call | David Wasserman |
| 6. Spring Shortfall Schedule | Jennifer Stafford |
| 7. Upcoming Issues | Jennifer Stafford |

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**

Last POC Meeting:

Discussed the due date challenge and proposed

- **Identify current projects that are CMAQ-eligible**
- **Swap STBG-DA with new FY 22 CMAQ funds**
- **Frees up additional STBG-DA funding that could be used in Fall Call**
- **STBG-DA funds are more flexible**

Transit funding using CMAQ funds and concerns with swaps

David McDonald

FY2022 CMAQ Funding

CMAQ Purpose/Eligibility

- CMAQ targets projects/programs that improve air quality
- CMAQ typically not eligible for Roadway Expansion
- Non-highway and small intersection type projects are more competitive in this category
- CMAQ is one of the few sources where transit can compete for replacement buses.

Timing of Call

- CRTPO was notified on Nov 16, 2020 of intent for call for projects
- One month extension would have been granted if requested.
- Unknown if POC would have chosen a different course if presented in Nov. 2020.
- Need to consider our ability to be more nimble and flexible in the future to take advantage of funding availability.

Current Situation

- Staff/POC recommends:
 - switching STBG-DA funds for CMAQ on eligible projects
 - add freed STBG-DA funds to next call for project
- Acknowledge that time remaining not enough to take a different path.
- Recommend restrictions on use of Freed up STBG-DA funds and projects selected to move from STBG-DA to CMAQ.

Proposed Restrictions on Freed up STBG-DA

1. Recommend CMAQ be placed on as few STBG-DA projects as possible
2. Recommend CRTPO consultant perform AQ Calcs to alleviate burden to current project sponsor/s.
3. Freed STBG-DA funds should:
 1. Not be available for the Short Fall Call
 2. Target CMAQ eligible projects for these funds.

Future

- Future Calls for Projects should include Estimate of CMAQ Funds
- POC examine Timing of likely Funding Notifications to align with all potential sources of funds for award recommendations/decisions
- POC should review single call for new projects to ensure capability to nimbly respond to new funds. (CMAQ, Potential Stimulus, Other opportunities)

Item 4. FY 2022 CMAQ – Shortlist of Potential Projects

TIP ID	Available funds \$7,643,550 Project	BGDA Funding by Construction Year				Total	Comments
		FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025		
TA-6724	I-77 and Hambright Road Park and Ride Lot.	\$5,751	\$3,677			\$9,428	Park and Ride Project (needs Amend).
EB-5782	McAlpine Creek Greenway	\$1,486				\$1,486	Project has CMAQ funds
EB-5785	Upper McDowell Creek Greenway,			\$2,136	\$2,135	\$4,271	Greenway Project
W-5710X	Sunset Boulevard, Miranda Road and Lawing Road				\$3,842	\$3,842	Previously funded with CMAQ.
EB-5950	NC 16 to Sunset Hill Road. Kensington Drive			\$1,374	\$1,375	\$2,749	Corridor Project, not sure eligible.
EB-6036	Hornets Nest Park Intersection & Sidewalk			\$750	\$750	\$1,500	Good candidate. Previously approved for CMAQ.
W-5710Z	S. Rocky River Rd, and Parkwood School Road	\$1,486				\$1,486	Roundabout Project.
EB-5783	Sam Newell Road, Construct Greenway.			\$610	\$611	\$1,221	Multi-Use Trail Project.
EB-5787	Bellingham Park Greenway Extension			\$1,175		\$1,175	Multi-Use Trail Project.
W-5212	Roundabout at Cornelius Road and Perth Road	\$853				\$853	Roundabout Project.
EB-5832	Mallard Creek Church Road, Mallard Creek Road To Claude Freeman Drive. Construct Multi-Use Trail	\$800				\$800	Multi-Use Trail Project.
EB-5933	Kincaid Multi-Use Path.			\$702		\$702	Multi-Use Trail Project.

Item 4. FY 2022 CMAQ – One Application for Hambright

FUNDING SOURCE: BGDA

COMMITTED / NON	ROUTE/CITY COUNTY	ID NUMBER	LOCATION / DESCRIPTION	LENGTH	TOTAL PROJ COST (THOU)	PRIOR YEARS COST (THOU)	FUNDS	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	TYPE OF WORK / ESTIM		
											STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVE		
											FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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							L			C 991			
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LOCAL FUNDS PROVIDED BY CATS AND FTA 5307; STATE MATCH IS HIGHWAY TRUST FUNDS

Item 5. Discretionary Funds Available

\$	7,949,000	COVID Relief Funds: available FY 21 must be obligated by September 30, 2024
\$	1,148,000	Infrastructure Funds: available FY 21 must be obliged by September 30, 2024
\$	7,643,550	STBG-DA (Gained by CMAQ Swap): available FY 22 and FY 23
\$	29,321,000	Normal STBG-DA Apportionment: available FY 25
\$	15,800,000	Normal STBG-DA Apportionment: available FY 26

2021 Shortfall Call Timeline



- Continue CMAQ conversation as necessary
- Suspended discretionary projects
- CRTPO training
- Spring Shortfall and Fall Call Funding Target amounts
- Using funds available now to advance existing projects or 2020 Fall Call Projects

Next POC Meeting: February 25 at 2:00 p.m.