



**Kerr-Tar Regional Transportation Planning  
TCC Meeting Minutes  
Kerr-Tar Offices Henderson  
Wednesday, August 13, 2014 – 3:00PM - 5:00PM  
1724 Graham Avenue Henderson, NC**

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**TCC Members**

Jordan McMillen-Deputy Co. Mgr., Chair TCC  
Kathy Adcock-PATS Exec. Dir., Person Co  
Tony King-Assistant Town Administrator, Louisburg, NC  
(Alt. Mark Warren)  
Leigh Woodall – Person County (Alt. Heidi York)  
Justin Jorgensen-Granville Co.(Alt. Bill Edwards EDC)  
Jessica Gladwin-Planner, Town of Butner  
Jason Rogers-Franklin Co.  
Linda J. Worth, Warren County Manager  
Ken Bowman-Warren County EDC  
Joey Hopkins - NCDOT Division 5  
Will Brooks-Planning Director, KTCOG RPO  
(Alt. Diane Cox)  
Brandie Elliott-KTCOG RPO Planner  
Scott Walston-TPB NCDOT

**Guests**

Mayor Tom Lane-Town of Butner, NC  
Scott Hammerbacher- Franklin Co. Planning Director  
Ann Stroobant-KTCOG RPO Planner

**1. Welcome Guests – *TCC Chair, Jordan McMillen***

Jordan McMillan stated that the main goal today is project prioritization, so that we can recommend to the TAC projects discussed at the TCC subcommittee meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

**2. TCC ACTION ITEM: Approve Minutes from July 9, 2014 meeting:**

The TCC members made the recommendation to approve the July 9<sup>th</sup> minutes as presented. The TCC approved the July 9<sup>th</sup> minutes unanimously. The TAC members will have the opportunity to vote to accept the July 9<sup>th</sup> minutes as presented to the TCC members at their upcoming meeting on August 21.

**3. Public Comments –**

Brandie Elliott presented the comments made during the public comment period on the SPOT 3.0 project prioritization received thus far. There were four comments received.

- Alex Rickard, Transportation Planner from CAMPO and Scottie Cornett, Programs Director from the City of Creedmoor, presented SPOT 3.0 Project H090902 at the TCC/TAC meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. This project is an intersection realignment in Granville County where NC50, NC56 and US15 merge in downtown Creedmoor. The project scores 38 and is extremely competitive for funding. CAMPO is proposing to give the project 80 points and requests that Kerr-Tar RPO share 20 of their points to

make this project viable. The proposed project is just outside of the Kerr-Tar RPO within the CAMPO jurisdiction.

- Mike Ciriello, Planning Director of Person County, supports the idea of sharing points if it clearly helps other counties. Project H090902 would benefit Granville County, but it is difficult to find any benefit for Person, Franklin, Vance or Warren County. Person County would not support points being transferred from Person County for this purpose.
- Joey Hopkins, NCDOT Division 5, proposes that 100 local points from Division level be applied to Project H010195-C on US401 in CAMPO's region. NC DOT is also planning to provide Division level points to H141323 (new connection from 26<sup>th</sup> Street to E. Lyon Station Road) and H141398(SR 1162-Dabney drive).
- Comments were received from Senator Chad Barefoot in support of donating points to US401 Section C or D and drawing attention to the fact that our methodology allows for point donation to areas outside our region.

#### **4. TCC Update Kerr-Tar RPO Project Prioritization (P3.0)**

##### **a. Meeting Summary from TCC Subcommittee Meeting (8/6/14)**

Brandie Elliott, Kerr-Tar Regional Planner, gave the meeting summary from the TCC Subcommittee Meeting on 8/6/2014, held to discuss the SPOT 3.0 Project Prioritization. The TCC Subcommittee proposed adding three projects-two projects to our Division Projects Table and one project to the Regional and Statewide Project Table. As a consequence, three existing projects were affected-two Division Projects and one Regional and Statewide Project. All of the projects were listed on an 11" x 17" page indicating Top Ranked Division Projects on one side and Top Ranked Region and Division Projects on the other side.

##### **b. Presentation of TCC Subcommittee Recommendations Regarding Local Points Assignment to the TCC**

Brandie Elliott presented a single sheet summary of the proposals discussed at the TCC Subcommittee on 8/6/2014. There were four recommendations, labeled Items A-D on the sheet, for the TCC's consideration.

#### **5. TCC ACTION ITEM: TCC recommends any local points assignment changes to the TAC**

Listed below are the four recommendations, labeled Items A-D, for the TCC's consideration:

- A. Drop Division level Granville County project A130314 from the local points assignment list and replace with H141323. TCC subcommittee feels that because the H141323 project has a better overall division score, it would be likely to compete better for funding than the A130314 project. Also worth noting that the reason the project did not initially make the draft local points assignment list was because the methodology didn't address scoring new projects without crash data. If a parallel route had been considered for crash data, the H141323 project would have made the draft local points assignment list based on its methodology score (May also be beneficial to include looking at parallel routes for next version of methodology).

After a discussion of the SPOT process and the frustration of competing with metro areas like Raleigh, Durham and Fayetteville, a motion was made to recommend Item A to the TAC. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

- B. Recommend taking 20 points from the regional RPO project H090765 in Granville County and donating them to the CAMPO Creedmoor project H090902 also in Granville County. The TCC subcommittee is not against giving points outside of the RPO region. Granville County agreed other counties shouldn't have to give up points from projects in their counties that made the draft local points assignment and was in favor of taking the points from a Granville County project at the regional level.

This project has a good chance of being funded, but is outside our region. A motion was made to recommend Item B to the TAC. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

- C. Bike and Pedestrian Project Update: Regarding the Warren County bike/pedestrian project that was submitted after the draft local points assignment had been released, the TCC subcommittee can't make a recommendation until more information is given. Still waiting to see if it is likely a match could be made for the project.

There may be an opportunity to resubmit this project again in the next round. A 20% match, amounting to \$23,000 would be required from Warren County to implement this project. As there was not the commitment yet for a match, this project was not put through the SPOT 3.0 Methodology. A vote was not required by the TCC.

- D. TCC subcommittee is in favor of donating the 100 points from Franklin County division project H140496 to CAMPO project H090195-C. While the majority was in favor, it is worth noting that Person County was not in favor with the reasoning that the point is moot, if the project is not going to be funded.

Much discussion took place before the vote. Some TCC members felt that the way that the system was designed by the NCDOT makes funding for our region difficult. Other members expressed the opinion that by donating our points towards this project, we are supporting Franklin County, though in an area outside our region. A motion was made to recommend Item D to the TAC. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

For the final vote of the meeting, Jordan McMillan asked if there was a motion to recommend the presented lists of Regional and Statewide Projects as well as Division Projects to the TAC for approval. The motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

**Other Items:** Jordan McMillan, TCC Chair, asked if there were any other projects for discussion. Aviation projects were brought up. Joey Hopkins, NCDOT Division 5 Engineer, said that his division was putting in 233 points for airport projects. One of the projects, A130319, will receive 100 points and is for a runway extension in Person County in the Kerr-Tar area. The other two airport projects are outside of our region, but still in Person County and Franklin County. Joey Hopkins says that he is not sure how the airport projects will do, since aviation did not score well compared to other modes.

## **6. NCDOT Reports- NCDOT Division 5 and NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch**

Joey Hopkins, NCDOT Division 5 Engineer, updated the groups on the following projects:

- HWY 85 Bridges- Deckwork is done, long term lane closures are done, there is still some striping work to be finished, traffic flows should be improving now that work is nearing completion.
- Rolesville Bypass (not in our area) - Contractor thinks that he will finish by end of 2014. NCDOT thinks that it might take longer.
- Is the first phase of R2241 on schedule? This project is in the first year of a three year contract and might have been delayed because of rain. Joey Hopkins will check to see if the contract has been delayed.

## **7. Other Business-TAC/TCC Membership Updates to be discussed at November meeting**

The next combined meeting of the TCC/TAC will take place on November 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss membership updates and to clear up any membership confusion with the TCC and TAC. The TAC will meet prior to August 29th to approve today's TCC recommendations so that the SPOT 3.0 Prioritization scores can then be submitted on time to the NCDOT.

## **8. Adjourn-**

Jordan McMillan, TCC Chair and Brandie Elliott, Regional Planner, thanked everyone for coming. A motion was made to adjourn and was seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **2014 KTRPO Meeting Scheduled (3 - 5PM) - Major Meeting items**

**November 20, 2014-Review Project Funding and Elect TAC/TCC Chairs and Vice-Chairs**

**Project rankings due to NCDOT by August 29<sup>th</sup>!**