



**Kerr-Tar Regional Transportation Planning
TCC-TAC Meeting Minutes
Kerr-Tar Offices Henderson
Wednesday, July 9, 2014 – 3:00PM - 5:00PM
1724 Graham Avenue Henderson, NC**

TAC Members

James O'Geary-Mayor, Henderson, Chair TAC
Tom Lane-Mayor, Town of Butner, Vice Chair TAC
Dan Brummitt-County Commissioner, Vance Co.
Mike Felts, Alternate for Tony Cozart
Tony King, Alternate for Karl Pernel

TCC Members

Jordan McMillen-Deputy Co. Mgr., Chair TCC
Kevin Lewis-Franklin County (Alt. for Angela Harris)
Diane Cox -KTCOG Executive Director
Joey Hopkins - NCDOT Division 5
Cheryl Collins - NCDOT Division 5
Justin Jorgensen-Granville Co.(Alt. Bill Edwards EDC)
Barry Baker-Granville County (Alt. Mike Felts)
Ken Krulik-Warren County (Alt. Linda Worth)
Cheryl Hart-Oxford (Alt. Randy Hemann)
Leigh Woodall – Person County (Alt. Heidi York)
Ronnie Goswick-Franklin County EDC
Stuart Litvin-EDC Director, Vance-Henderson EDC
Kathy Adcock-PATS Exec. Dir., Person Co
Corey Williams-Henderson (Alt. Ray Griffin)
Ken Bowman-Warren County EDC
Brandie Elliott-KTCOG RPO

Guests

Blake Perry, Senator Barefoot's Office
Scottie Cornett, City of Creedmore
Alex Rickard, CAMPO
Ann Stroobant-KTCOG RPO Planner
Clark Thomas- Henderson City Engineer

1. Welcome and Review of Agenda – *TAC Chair, Mayor James D. O'Geary*

2. ACTION ITEM: Approve Minutes from March 27th, 2014 meeting:

The TCC members made the recommendation to approve the March 27th minutes as presented. The TAC members made the recommendation to accept the March 27th minutes as presented to the TCC members. The March 27th minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Public Comments – Alex Rickard, Transportation Planner from CAMPO and Scottie Cornett, Programs Director from the City of Creedmoor, presented SPOT 3.0 Project H090902, an intersection realignment

project in Granville County where NC50, NC56 and US15 merge in downtown Creedmoor. The project was originally submitted in 2008 and the traffic volumes have been increasing. 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. The floor was then opened by the Chair for any additional questions. No questions were asked.

4. TCC Update

a. Meeting Summary from TCC Subcommittee Meeting (6/19/14)

Brandie Elliott, Kerr-Tar Regional Planner, gave the meeting summary from the TCC Subcommittee Meeting on June, 19th, 2014 held to discuss the Draft SPOT 3.0 scores. The subcommittee was presented with the 13 top scoring projects in the five counties of the Kerr-Tar area. These projects were ranked according to points awarded at the state, regional and division level.

b. Draft Score Updates for P3.0 Projects

Brandie said that there were a few updates to these scores, as adjustments based on crash data changed the list a bit. Brandie instructed that the updated list is included in the TAC TCC meeting packet distributed with the meeting agenda, so each member can evaluate the current scoring.

ITEMS FOR FURTHER STUDY (no vote taken)

Jordan McMillian, TCC Chair, recommended that if the TCC wishes that the TCC subcommittee meet to discuss the Creedmoor option. It is an opportunity to get a project done in our region, though outside our immediate boundary. CAMPO would like us to donate 20 points of Kerr-Tar's 1300 points.

5. TCC/TAC Update - Kerr-Tar Regional Transportation Project Prioritization (P3.0)

Brandie Elliott updated the TAC-TCC on the KTRPO Draft Prioritization Scores for P3.0 Projects, the main focus of the meeting today. TAC-TCC members each have spreadsheets of the KTRPO Draft Project Prioritization List and Scoring in their information packet provided for today's meeting. This same information will be provided to the public and will be available for public comment for 30 days. The SPOT process gives us a say in which projects we think are important in our region as a whole. Brandie started the ranking process in May using the methodology approved by Kerr-Tar RPO in March as a guideline. Our region is assigned 1300 points to be allocated to projects at both the region and division level. These projects are for all transportation modes highways, rail, aviation, and alternative transportation such as KARTS. Brandie looked at different data depending upon the transportation category. For example, for highways, she looked at crash data, at the destinations served as well as whether the highway under analysis contributed to some sort of economic development strategy.

Brandie took the Kerr-Tar methodology score and added it to the quantitative data from the NCDOT. The projects were then ranked highest to lowest. At the Division level, 100 points each would be given to the top two projects in each county, then 100 points to the next three projects, regardless of county. Of the top 13 projects in the Division category, two projects on the list can be deleted and replaced with two other projects. Based on the draft, the top projects should be allocated 100 points.

Brandie stated that the KTRPO Methodology is online on the www.ktrpo.com website. The TCC could recommend changes for TAC approval at the Regional and Division level and could delete two projects in each list or donate the points outside the region.

KTRPO's highest scoring project was E. Lyon Station (H141323) with 24.39 points at Division level. This project did not score as high because it is a new road and did not have crash data. It was suggested that a parallel route, such as NC56 be considered for data.

The second project that scored well in KTRPO was Dabney Drive (SR1162) in Vance County. It's division score was 18.9.

Joey Hopkins, NCDOT Division 5 Engineer, stated that 90-96% of Division 5 dollars would go towards highways. Other modes of transportation would get 4-10% of Division 5 dollars. Projects that score higher at Regional level are more assured, with projects with a quantitative score of 32 points or higher having a good chance. Other projects need local points to score better. Division 5 (KTRPO's Division) and Division 6, which includes Fayetteville compete for \$750 million over a ten year period. NCDOT Division 5 covers a seven county area, with these counties competing for \$100 million allocation of funds.

A concern was expressed by Leigh Woodall, Person County Thoroughfare Committee, that some of KTRPO's projects score well statewide, but do not receive consideration because of the MPO's that are in Division 5.

Tony King, Louisburg Asst. Town Administrator, would like a brief explanation of the point assignments on the web page, so that it will help people know how we arrived at the scores.

The vote to approve the Kerr-Tar Regional Transportation Project Prioritization (P3.0) will take place at the August TCC-TAC meeting after the public comment period of 30 days is completed.

ITEMS FOR FURTHER STUDY (no vote taken)

The possibility was discussed of the TCC subcommittee looking at the KTRPO projects for reallocation of points for recommendation to the TAC. The TCC suggested it would be beneficial for the TCC subcommittee to meet again prior to the next TAC/TCC meeting to discuss the scores as well as the request to consider giving 20 points to the project in Creedmoor which is outside of the KTRPO region. The project mentioned was in Creedmoor with the SPOT ID: H090902.

The TCC/TAC needs to meet and approve the projects no sooner than August 11th and prior to the August 29th deadline for submission to NCDOT.

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

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

- STI (Strategic Transportation Initiatives) –Qualitative points are on the website www.ncdot.gov, look up Strategic Transportation Initiatives, Division 5. The public

comment period is open until July 15. If you want to comment after the deadline, e-mail NCDOT or Joey Hopkins directly.

- 501 project north of Roxboro- Currently under construction and is 1/3 of way done, total cost \$22million, completion date is two years away
- Bridge projects underway in all Kerr-Tar counties
- Resurfacing projects underway in all Kerr-Tar counties
- Person County-Grant awarded by US Economic Development Association to do turn lanes at 57 at Concord Sepho Rd and McGee's Mill at Concord Sepho Rd. This project is almost ½ done and will result in two new improved intersections. This project is not funded by NCDOT, but by US EDA which has its own rules separate from NCDOT.
- Roseville Bypass (not in our area)- will be done by the end of 2014

7. Other Business-

a. Stem Pedestrian Plan Update

Ann Stroobant, Regional Planner, presented the completed Town of Stem Pedestrian Plan. The plan was adopted by Stem at the Town Board Meeting on June 16, 2014. The plan was presented to the Granville Greenway Technical Committee (GTC) on June 26 and the motion was made to refer the plan for approval by the Granville Greenway Advisory Committee (GAC) on July 15, 2014. Copies of the plan were passed around for viewing by the TAC-TCC.

b. NCLD-Bike Plan Update

Brandie Elliott, Regional Planner, said that an extension had been obtained on this project from the NCDOT. The planner previously working on the project left the RPO and no other staff was available to continue the work until Brandie was hired. Brandie will be working on the Lakes District Regional Bike Plan until June of 2015. The bike plan reaches across all five counties in our region and could contribute to economic development and tourism.

c. Transportation Planning Branch, NCDOT-No updates from Cheryl Collins

8. Adjourn-

Brandie thanked everyone for coming.

A motion was made to adjourn- the motion was approved.

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

****August 2014 meeting – Approval of final list of the Top 13 Projects for both Regional and Division levels
TCC Subcommittee meeting TBA**

Period of Public Comment- KTRPO will be accepting public comment on the draft Prioritization list and the P3.0 process from 7/9/14- 8/8/14

Project rankings due to NCDOT by August 29th!

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