

<b>Attendees</b>		
Matt Day	Lee Cowhig	Kelly Larkins
James Salmons	Ann Stroobant	David Graham
Patrick Riddle	Justin Oakes	Matt Quesenberry
Elena Talanker	Brandie Crawford	David Keilson
Patrick Norman	Karyl Fuller	Rockne Bryant
Allen Serkin	Dana Stoogenke	Reuben Crummy
Joe Bailey	Janet Robertson	Jesse Day
Travis Marshall	Rose Bauguess	Joel Strickland
Carlos Moya-Astudillo	Vicki Eastland	Patrick Flanagan
Catherine Bryant	Bryant Buck	Paul Black
Bailey Harden	Angela Welsh	Daryl Vreeland
	Rob Will	

### **Minutes from January 2015**

A motion was made by David Graham to accept the minutes. Vicki Eastland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **FHWA Update**

George Hoops was unable to attend and will be invited to speak again at a future NCARPO quarterly meeting.

### **Transportation Planning Branch Update**

Patrick Norman stated that the timeliness of CTP deliveries is a focus area for TPB right now, and asked for input on ways that RPO planners and Division Planning Engineers could assist with CTP delivery. Dana Stoogenke suggested that TPB could develop a Survey Monkey survey to get feedback; Patrick Norman responded that he would look into it.

RPO planners were also reminded to contact Danny Bridgers in TPB in order to get NCDOT access badges while in town this week.

### **RPO Update**

Elena Talanker noted that TPB is forming a work group to look at CTP mapping procedures. The work group will have MPO, RPO, and DPE representatives. The group will be looking at the current mapping and considering how things such as updated modeling procedures and the complete streets policy would merit changes to the CTP mapping procedures.

Elena also noted that she had uploaded an ArcGIS map package with the statewide CTP highway layer information. This could be found on the CTP website

(<https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/Comprehensive-Transportation-Plans.aspx>).

Dana Stoogenke asked about the status of annual RPO evaluation meetings. Travis Marshall responded that the evaluations had not been done this year due to the staff transition from Elina Zlotchenko to Elena Talanker, and due to a change in the schedule for TPB's evaluation cycle. There was discussion of how to move forward with these evaluations, as they are helpful, particularly in preparing the next year's Planning Work Program. There was also discussion of what format the evaluations should be in, and whether there should be member surveys. Janet Robertson stated that the Executive Committee would follow up on this issue.

### **NCAMPO Update**

Paul Black stated that the NCAMPO had taken positions on several legislative/STI issues at its meeting the prior day: (1) NCAMPO was opposed to Section 1 of House Bill 672, which would dictate certain project scoring items to the Prioritization Work Group; (2) NCAMPO proposed that Division Engineers should not be allowed to submit new projects, because it can mess with MPO conformity decisions; (3) NCAMPO proposes that Division Engineers should still have local input points in STI, but at a lower weight than the MPOs and RPOs; and (4) NCAMPO agrees to cut all projects from the STI database with the exception of those funded in the second five years of the 2016-2025 STIP and sibling projects.

### **Future Meetings**

July 30-31 – in Kinston

Fall – two options; preferred option is a joint meeting with the community transit agencies, similar to what was done in Boone a few years ago. Second option is Asheville, although there may be some difficulties with hotel rooms due to leaf season. Dana Stoogenke will follow up with Public Transit Division to try to work out the joint meeting.

### **Committee Appointments**

MPO Liaison – Jesse Day will remain

SPOT 4.0 Work Group – Matt Day, Patrick Flanagan, Karyl Fuller, Dana Stoogenke, and Jesse Day (alternate) will remain

GIS Committee – Karyl Fuller will remain and Allen Serkin will be added

Federal Land Access Program – Rose Bauguess will remain

Legislative Committee – Matt Day, Dana Stoogenke, and Jesse Day will remain

Freight Advisory Committee – Allen Serkin will remain as primary; Dana Stoogenke will be removed as alternate and Jesse Day will be added as alternate

CTP Map Update Committee – Karyl Fuller, James Salmons, Justin Oakes, Allen Serkin, and Rob Will volunteered (TPB will determine final committee membership)

Bike & Pedestrian Committee – Jesse Day will remain; Joel Strickland, Justin Oakes, and Ann Stroobant will be added

NCDOT Integration Implementation Team – Matt Day will remain

NCDOT Integration: Climate Committee & NCDOT Integration: Alternatives and Scenario Analysis Committee – these can likely be eliminated, but Matt Day will follow up with Dan Thomas to check

Administrative Documents Committee – Patrick Flanagan will remain; Matt Day and Dana Stoogenke will be removed and Rob Will and Brandie Crawford will be added (TPB responsible for determining membership on TPB side of committee)

RPO Orientation Packet Committee – eliminated

### **Legislative Committee Update**

Dana Stoogenke provided a handout with information on a number of proposed bills that are working their way through the General Assembly – SB 20 (gas tax changes), SB 617 (BOT supermajority to approve road diet projects), SB 396 (limit MPO & RPO studies), HB 232 (study of bicycle laws), HB 672 (STI changes), HB 76 (study of MPOs & RPOs), HB 940 (Governor's budget, with bond proposal), and HB 183 (Official Corridor map act repeal). James Salmons brought up an additional bill that was not on the list, HB 927 – this would involve additional changes to the gas tax and elimination of revenue transfers from the Highway Fund to the General Fund in order to increase funding for maintenance projects.

### **SPOT 4.0 Work Group Update**

There was discussion of HB 672, which would require the use of certain criteria in certain measures (Section 1), eliminate STI local input points for NCDOT Division Engineers (Section 2), and move ferry replacements out of STI and into the bridge maintenance funding program. There was also discussion of a survey that had been sent out by Amna Cameron with the legislative staff seeking input from RPOs on the issue of Division Engineer local points – all RPOs were encouraged to reply to the survey.

There was much discussion of the Division Engineer local points. There was general agreement that the Division Engineers should have local input points in the STI process, but that there could be improvements to their methodology to allow more flexibility and engineering judgment. Dana Stoogenke made a motion to recommend that the Division Engineers keep their STI local input points at the same level as in Prioritization 3.0 (with MPO/RPO local points and Division Engineer local points carrying equal weight). James Salmons seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. This information was forwarded to Amna Cameron in response to the survey.

Karyl Fuller made a motion echoing the NCAMPO's resolution to oppose Section 1 of HB 672, which would dictate certain items to the Prioritization Work Group. Patrick Flanagan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The SPOT 4.0 Work Group members discussed several proposals on the table related to the topic of cutting the number of projects that would carry-forward for inclusion in Prioritization 4.0, including cutting everything that is not funded in the STIP or a sibling of a funded project, cutting a certain percentage of projects based on scores from P3.0, and variations of these. Rob Will made a motion to support the removal of all projects that are not funded in the STIP or siblings of funded projects, with

the stipulation that a relatively high number of new project submittals should be allowed as well. Karyl Fuller seconded this motion. The motion passed, with one dissenting vote (James Salmons).

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.