



Technical Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 25, 2015

9:00 AM

Committee Room 2nd Floor Durham City Hall

101 City Hall Plaza
Durham, NC 27701

1. Roll Call
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
3. Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

4. **Approval of February 25, 2015 TC Meeting Minutes**

[15-188](#)

A copy of the February 25, 2015 minutes is enclosed.

TC Action: Approve minutes of the February 25, 2015 TC meeting.

Attachments: [2015-03-25 Minutes 2-25-2015.pdf](#)

ACTION ITEMS

5. **2014 Environmental Justice Report (9:05-9:15)**

[15-131](#)

Lindsay Smart, LPA Staff

Every four years, the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration are required to review in full the planning processes of any metropolitan area that contains a population over 200,000. This is otherwise known as a Transportation Management Area, or TMA. This certification review is for the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO or also DCHC, for short) and evaluates whether DCHC MPO is in compliance with federal regulations. The 2011 compliance review included a corrective action to "update the Public Involvement Policy and include a robust EJ section." The MPO updated the Public Involvement Policy with an EJ section and in anticipation of the 2015 compliance review, has prepared a full Environmental Justice Report for the MPO area.

On January 30, 2015, FHWA reviewed and approved the draft Environmental Justice Report, stating that the Report met the requirements set forth in the DCHC MPO's 2011 TMA Certification Review. On February 11, 2015 the MPO Board reviewed the draft Environmental Justice Report and released the Report for public review and comments. To-date, no further comments have been received.

TC Action: Review public comments received to-date and recommend that the DCHC MPO Board hold a public hearing and adopt the 2014 Environmental Justice Report.

Attachments: [2015-03-25 Environmental Justice Report.pdf](#)

6. FFY15 Section 5307/5340 Partial Split Letter (9:15-9:20)[15-184](#)**Margaret Scully, LPA Staff**

Section 5307/5340 funds are allocated to urbanized areas for transit capital and operating assistance and for transportation related planning. The MPO's partial apportionment for each program was released by FTA and the MPO fixed route transit operators (DATA, CHT, TTA, OPT) developed a recommended distribution of this funding. A 'Split Letter' to FTA regarding the allocation of these funds among transit operators will need to be approved. Once the allocations have been approved by the MPO Board, the transit operators will be authorized to seek application or amend current applications for funding via FTA's TEAM system. Attached is the letter of recommendation to FTA for the 5307/5340 partial funding split. Also attached is a memorandum with additional information on the 5307/5340 program.

TC Action: Recommend that the MPO Board approve the distribution and endorse the attached letter to FTA for the FFY15 Partial Apportionment distribution of Section 5307/5340 funds.

Attachments:[2015-03-25 FFY15 5307 Partial Split Letter.pdf](#)[2015-03-25 FTA Section 5307-5340 FFY14 \(partial\) apportionment Board mem](#)**REPORTS FROM STAFF:****7. Reports from Staff**[15-125](#)**Felix Nwoko, LPA Staff**

TC Action: Receive report from staff

Attachments:[2015-03-25 LPA staff report.pdf](#)[2015-03-25 FY 2016 Planning Emphasis Areas - 031815](#)[2015-03-25 2015 Certification Review.pdf](#)**8. Report from the Chair**[15-126](#)**Mark Ahrendsen, TC Chair**

TC Action: Receive report from TC Chair

9. NCDOT Report [15-127](#)

Joey Hopkins (Brandon Jones), Division 5 - NCDOT

Mike Mills (Pat Wilson), Division 7 - NCDOT

Rob Stone (Darius Sturdivant), Division 8 - NCDOT

Julie Bollinger, Transportation Planning Branch - NCDOT

Kelly Becker, Traffic Operations - NCDOT

TC Action: Receive report from NCDOT

Attachments: [2015-03-25 NCDOT Progress Report.pdf](#)
 [2015-03-25 Div 7 - NCDOT Report.pdf](#)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**10. NC Strategic Transportation Corridor Adopted** [15-186](#)

Attachments: [2015-03-25 INFO ITEM STC Policy Final 030915.pdf](#)

11. Legislate logins are available to Technical Committee members. Email [15-187](#)

Brian Rhodes to request a login at Brian.Rhodes@durhamnc.gov.

Software for iPads and tablets are available for free through the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

Adjourn

Next meeting: April 22, 2015, 9 a.m., Committee Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings: Mobility Report Card Meeting, March 31, 2015 2-4 PM, Transportation Conference Room, City Hall, Durham.