



Technical Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

10:00 AM

Central Pines Regional Council - Long Leaf Conference

4307 Emperor Blvd
Durham, NC 27703

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

CONSENT AGENDA

4. **Approval of October 25, 2023 TC Meeting Minutes** [23-257](#)
Jean Debnam, MPO Staff

A copy of the October 25, 2023 TC Meeting Minutes is attached.

TC Action: Approve the October 25, 2023 TC Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-257\) October 25, 2023 TC Meeting Minutes](#)

5. **FY2024 UPWP Amendment #4** [23-256](#)
Madeline Galliano, MPO Staff
David Miller, MPO Staff

The attached memo details the proposed Amendment #4 for the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

TC Action: Recommend the MPO Board approve FY2024 UPWP Amendment #4.

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-256\) FY2024 UPWP Amendment #4 Memo](#)
[2023-11-15 \(23-256\) FY24 UPWP Orange County Budget Table AMENDMENT](#)
[2023-11-15 \(23-256\) A. REVISED Nelson Nygaard Orange County Short Range](#)
[2023-11-15 \(23-256\) FY2024 UPWP Amendment 4 Resolution](#)

ACTION ITEMS

7. SPOT Local Input Points Methodology Release for Public Comment[23-258](#)**Filmon Fishastion, MPO Staff**

The next step in the SPOT 7.0 process is to adopt a Methodology for Identifying and Ranking New Transportation Improvement Program Project Requests. The DCHC MPO will use this Methodology to assign Local Input Points to projects submitted during the current SPOT cycle. This Methodology must be approved by the MPO Board and an NCDOT Review Committee by April 1, 2024.

The existing Methodology was drafted during the SPOT 6.0 cycle. The updated draft Methodology is based on the 2018 Methodology with the following changes:

- DCHC now has 2000 instead of 1900 Local Input Points. The additional 100 points have been added to the allocation that can be assigned to any mode and project type for both Regional and Division projects.
- The default weights and criteria were used.

Significant changes from the previous Methodology are highlighted in the draft document in red. According to the DCHC MPO Public Involvement Policy and NCDOT guidance, the Methodology should be released for a public comment period and a public hearing must be held.

TC Action: Provide input on the draft Methodology and recommend that the MPO Board release the draft Methodology for public comment.

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-258\) P7 Local Input Points Methodology Draft](#)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

8. 2024 DCHC MPO Meeting Calendar (5 minutes)[23-239](#)**Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director**

Attached is the proposed meeting calendar for the DCHC MPO Technical Committee and Board. This includes an adjustment to the typical meeting schedule for Technical Committee meetings and Board meetings. With this new schedule, Technical Committee meetings occur on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9am and Board meetings occur on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 9am, with the following exceptions:

- July & December: No Technical Committee or Board meetings
- November: The Board will meet on the third Tuesday to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday

Previously, Technical Committee meetings have been held on the 4th Wednesday of the month, and Board meetings have been held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. The 2024 proposed meeting schedule will improve efficiency in coordination with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), while also avoiding standing meeting conflicts that occur for some of the MPO member jurisdictions. For example, Board meetings at the end of the month allow Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments to be submitted for the 1st of the following month, which is the NCDOT deadline. The proposed schedule will also enable better regional coordination with partner Capital Area MPO (CAMPO) with whom DCHC MPO shares their Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

The Technical Committee reviewed the initial 2024 meeting calendar and requested consideration of alternate dates due to conflicts on 2nd Tuesdays. A survey was sent out to staff members on alternate technical committee dates and the meeting date was then changed to Wednesday morning to reflect staff availability. The Board reviewed the schedule and stated that the 4th Tuesday was a more convenient time to meet than the 4th Wednesday.

TC Action: Receive the 2024 meeting calendar and recommend to MPO Board.

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-239\) 2024 DCHC MPO Meeting Schedule](#)

REPORTS FROM STAFF:**9. Report from Staff**[23-105](#)**Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director**

TC Action: Receive the report from staff.

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-105\) TC Staff Report](#)

10. **Report from the Technical Committee Chair** [23-106](#)
Nishith Trivedi, TC Chair

TC Action: Receive the report from the TC Chair

11. **NCDOT REPORTS** [23-107](#)
Lisa Mathis, NC Board of Transportation
Brandon Jones (David Keilson), Division 5 - NCDOT
Wright Archer (Pat Wilson, Stephen Robinson), Division 7 - NCDOT
Patrick Norman (Bryan Kluchar), Division 8 - NCDOT
Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Division - NCDOT
John Grant, Traffic Operations - NCDOT
Nick Morrison, NCDOT IMD

TC Action: Receive the report from NCDOT

Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-107\) NCDOT Reports](#)

12. **Recent News Articles and Updates** [23-125](#)
Attachments: [2023-11-15 \(23-125\) Caltrans is getting serious about replacing I-980 and wants](#)
[2023-11-15 \(23-125\) Most Americans still have to commute every day. Here's h](#)

Adjourn

Next meeting: January 10, 2024, 9 a.m., Long Leaf Conference Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings: None