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TO: CRTPO Delegates & Alternates
FROM: Robert W. Cook, AICP
CRTPO Secretary
DATE: August 12, 2015

**SUBJECT: August 2015 Meeting
Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization
Wednesday, August 19, 6:00 PM**

The August 2015 meeting of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2015.

The meeting will begin at 6:00 PM, and will be held in Room 267 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 E. Fourth St., Charlotte.

Education Session

An education session will be held at 5:00 PM. The topic will be: Managed Lanes as Part of CRTPO's Transportation System. The session's purpose is to:

- *Understand the reasons for and evolution of managed lanes in the US;*
- *Provide a history of MUMPO/CRTPO study and acceptance of managed lanes;*
- *Describe the four projects currently in CRTPO's 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program; and*
- *Discuss issues of concern in the use of managed lanes.*

A light meal will be provided.

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Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization

August 19, 2015

Room 267-Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center

5:00 PM Education Session

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6:00 PM Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order** Sarah McAulay
- 2. Adoption of the Agenda** Sarah McAulay
- 3. Citizen Comment Period** Sarah McAulay
MPO bylaws limit the comment period to 20 minutes.
- 4. Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Reminder** Sarah McAulay
- 5. Approval of Minutes** Sarah McAulay
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the July 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

ATTACHMENTS: Draft July 2015 minutes.
- 6. 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program** Neil Burke
ACTION REQUESTED: The MPO is requested to take the following actions:
 - Find that the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and the amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan are in compliance with the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990 and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) act;*
 - Adopt the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program;*
 - Adopt amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.*

TCC RECOMMENDATION: At its August 2015 meeting, the TCC recommended that the MPO take the above three actions. The Town of Cornelius TCC representative voted in opposition to the three items. Two Mecklenburg County staff members (representing the County's Air Quality division and seated as the Public Health focus area representative) requested that they be excused from voting on items b and c. The TCC voted unanimously to allow them to be excused.

BACKGROUND: See attached memorandum.

ATTACHMENTS:

- *The memorandum and resolutions for each of the three items for which action is being requested are attached to the agenda packet.*

- Draft TIP project listings, proposed 2040 MTP amendments, and the TIP Financial Plan can be viewed by clicking [here](#).
- The public comment summary can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

7. John Kirk Road Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Neil Burke

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the Thoroughfare Plan to:

- Change the classification from major thoroughfare to minor thoroughfare;*
- Reconfigure the intersection of John Kirk Road and Cameron Blvd to introduce a 90 degree turn on John Kirk Road and establish Cameron Blvd as a through movement.*

TCC RECOMMENDATION: At its August 2015 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the Thoroughfare Plan as requested.

BACKGROUND: See attached memorandum.

ATTACHMENTS: Memorandum and maps.

8. Transportation Alternatives Program Methodology Curtis Bridges

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt the final TAP Methodology and Criteria Scoring Guide.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: At its August 2015 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO adopt the TAP Scoring Guide and Methodology.

BACKGROUND:

- *MAP-21 established the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) as a funding source for alternative transportation projects, including projects previously eligible under the Transportation Enhancements and Safe Routes to Schools programs.*
- *At the July 2015 meeting, the MPO received a report on efforts to obtain public input on the draft methodology.*

ATTACHMENT: [Click here](#) to view the TAP Scoring Guide & Methodology.

9. Prioritization 4.0 Neil Burke

ACTION REQUESTED: Endorse the list of project scope changes and three project deletions.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: At its August 2015 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO endorse the project scope changes and approve the project deletions.

BACKGROUND:

- *Prioritization 4.0 is the process that will result in the 2018-2027 TIP.*
- *Two TCC work sessions were held to develop the list of highway projects that will be evaluated in Prioritization 4.0.*
- *The work sessions resulted in project scope changes to six highway projects and three highway projects being identified for removal from the database.*
- *Prioritization 4.0 process guidelines permitted 20 new project submittals to the database; however, each deletion of an existing project counts toward an additional project submittal. Thus, the CRTPO has 23 new highway project submittals for Prioritization 4.0.*

ATTACHMENT: List of Prioritization 4.0 project scope changes and deletions.

10. CONNECT/2045 MTP Linkage

Jonathan Wells

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND:

- *The CONNECT process resulted in tools and resources with potential application to the 2045 MTP.*
- *An ad hoc work group was assembled with the objective of developing an inventory of strategies and recommendations aimed at identifying CONNECT products that could reasonably be used during the preparation of the 2045 MTP.*
- *The effort also considered ways in which future CONNECT processes could be tailored to serve the 2045 MTP.*
- *The presentation will review the work group's findings and discuss next steps.*

ATTACHMENT: [Click here](#) to view the CONNECT/MTP Linkage Work Group report.

11. Bonus Allocation Subcommittee Process Changes

Robert Cook

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND:

- *The Bonus Allocation Subcommittee was formed to prepare a list of projects to be recommended for funding with bonus allocation funds resulting from the I-77 HOT lanes project.*
- *The Subcommittee later took on the task of preparing recommendations on STP-DA project funding.*
- *The completion of the bonus allocation and STP-DA allocation processes presents an opportunity to reconstitute the Subcommittee to serve new, but related, functions.*
- *The attached document outlines proposed changes to the Subcommittee.*

ATTACHMENT: Proposed Bonus Allocation Subcommittee process changes.

12. Upcoming Agenda Items

Robert Cook

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: Review of items that will appear on future agendas.

13. Adjourn

CHARLOTTE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, Room 267
July 15, 2015 Meeting
Summary Minutes

Members Attending:

Vi Lyles (Charlotte), Woody Washam (Cornelius), Sarah McAulay (Huntersville), Gary Savoie (Indian Trail), James Mallory (Iredell County), Norma Carpenter (Marshville), Lanny Openshaw (Marvin), Dumont Clarke (Mecklenburg County), Leamon Brice (Metropolitan Transit Commission), Frederick Becker (Mineral Springs), Dottie Nash (Monroe), Eddie Dinger (Mooresville), Jack Edwards (Pineville), Wyatt Dunn (Stallings), Michael Johnson (Statesville), Richard Helms (Union County), Daune Gardner (Waxhaw), Barbara Harrison (Weddington), Brad Horvath (Wesley Chapel), Bill Brasswell (Wingate) Tracy Finch Dodson (NCBOT-Division 10), Ned Curran (NCBOT-Division 12)

1. Call to Order

MPO Chairwoman Sarah McAulay called the July 2015 CRTPO meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

a. Ratify June Meeting Request to Open the Draft TIP Public Comment Period

Summary:

The purpose of this agenda item was to ratify a request on the June 2015 agenda to begin the start of a public comment period on the draft 2016-2025 TIP, amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and draft air quality conformity report.

Motion:

Mayor Gardner made a motion to ratify the request to open the public comment period. Dottie Nash seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

b. Adopt the July Meeting Agenda

Motion:

Ms. Nash made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Mayor Gardner seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

3. Public Comment Period

a. Draft 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program Comment Period

The following individuals addressed the board on the subject of the draft 2016-2025 TIP; all stated opposition to the I-77 managed lanes project and urged the board to remove it from the draft TIP and replace it with project using general purpose lanes from exit 19 to exit 36: Mike Russell; Greg Wallace; Michelle Torres; Jay Privette; Denis Bilodeau; Mark Gibbons; Jim Cooke; Jim Bauman; Judy Cole; Charles Suter; Diane Gilroy; Mac McAlpine; Danny Phillips; Patti Marshall; Michelle Feilanto; Ray Duncombe; Grant Cutri; Nils Lucander.

b. Citizen Comment Period

This comment period was for those wishing to address the board on matters other than the draft 2016-2025 TIP. No one addressed the board during this comment period.

4. Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Reminder

Mr. Cook read the ethics awareness and conflict of interest reminder to the MPO. No conflicts were identified.

5. Approval of Minutes

Summary:

Chairwoman McAulay requested action on the May 2015 and June 2015 meeting minutes.

Motion:

Ms. Nash made a motion to approve the May 2015 and June 2015 meeting minutes. Woody Washam seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the May 2015 and June 2015 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

6. LYNX Blue Line Extension (TE-4901) TIP Amendment

Presenter:

David McDonald, CATS

Summary:

Mr. McDonald explained that CATS is applying for a federal Transportation Infrastructure and Finance Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan for the LYNX Blue Line Extension project, and in order to do so, the TIP must be amended to indicate the new funding source and the corresponding years. The loan will be made to the City of Charlotte.

Motion:

Mayor Gardner made a motion to approve the TIP amendment as requested. Leamon Brice seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

7. FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment

Presenter:

Robert Cook

Summary:

Mr. Cook stated that the action requested was to amend the FY 16 UPWP to program \$200,000 received from the FHWA to support the regional freight study. The FHWA needs a regional MPO to hold the funds and has asked the CRTPO to do so which requires a UPWP amendment. It was noted that the local match will not be affected and that the funds will be used exclusively to support the freight study. The TCC unanimously recommended that the board approve the requested amendment.

Motion:

Mayor Gardner made a motion to approve the FY 16 UPWP amendment as requested. Ms. Nash seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

8. Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Presenter:

Neil Burke

Summary:

Mr. Burke provided information to the MPO via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes. The presentation's purpose was to update the MPO on the draft TIP's status. The public comment period began on July 1 following the release of the draft air quality conformity determination report on June 30. The comment period will end on July 31. Comments received as of July 14 were reviewed. Most of the comments stated opposition to the I-77 managed lanes project. Dumont Clarke asked if comments were received on any of the other managed lanes projects in the draft TIP. Mr. Burke replied that no comments were received on those projects. It was noted that the draft TIP contained a discrepancy related to project TE-4905, City Lynx Gold Line. The project was inadvertently listed as \$75,000, whereas \$75 million is the correct amount. CATS is working with NCDOT to correct the error. The MPO will be asked to adopt the TIP at the August 2015 meeting.

9. Transportation Alternatives Program Update

Presenter:

Curtis Bridges

Summary:

Mr. Bridges provided information to the MPO via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes. The presentation's purpose was to update the MPO on the development of a

methodology to select projects under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The results of public outreach efforts were reviewed. Staff held a webinar on June 22 to provide more information to interested parties. Comments were received from the Sierra Club. The TAP methodology will be presented for MPO approval at the August 2015 meeting.

10. Upcoming Agenda Items

Presenter:

Robert Cook

Summary:

Mr. Cook briefly reviewed items to come before the board at future meetings. Action to adopt the 2016-2025 TIP is the most significant item at the August meeting. The TAP methodology will be presented for action, as will matters related to Prioritization 4.0. The September meeting will include Prioritization 4.0-related action items.

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.

TO: CRTPO Delegates and Alternates
FROM: Neil Burke, AICP, PTP
Senior Principal Planner
DATE: August 10, 2015
SUBJECT: 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Find that the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and the amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan are in compliance with the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990, and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21);
2. Adopt the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program;
3. Adopt amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

TCC RECOMMENDATION

The TCC took the following action on the 2016-2025 TIP at the meeting on August 6.

1. Recommend to the MPO that it find the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and the amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan are in compliance with the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990, and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century act (MAP-21);
 - o *Motion Approved with Cornelius TCC Delegate voting in opposition.*
2. Recommend to the MPO that it adopt amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
 - o *Motion Approved with Cornelius TCC Delegate voting in opposition. The Mecklenburg County Air Quality TCC Delegate and Public Health Focus Area Representative TCC Delegate (Mecklenburg County Health Department employee) requested that they be excused from the voting on this motion. The request was approved by a vote of the TCC.*
3. Recommend to the MPO that it adopt the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program;
 - o *Motion Approved with Cornelius TCC Delegate voting in opposition. The Mecklenburg County Air Quality TCC Delegate and Public Health Focus Area Representative TCC Delegate (Mecklenburg County Health employee) requested that they be excused from the voting on this motion. The request was approved by a vote of the TCC.*

The TCC's recommendation will be presented to the MPO at its August 19 meeting for final action on the 2016-2025 TIP, 2040 MTP amendments and air quality conformity determination.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Comment Period

The TIP public comment period began on July 1 and ended on July 31.

E-Mail Notification

CRTPO's extensive e-mail address database was used to provide notification of the start of the comment period. The database includes public and private sector agencies that may have an interest in transportation-related matters, as well as the general public.

Public Comment

The July 15 MPO meeting served as an opportunity for public comment on the DRAFT TIP and related documents. Nineteen residents spoke in opposition to the I-77 Express Lane Project (I-5405, I-4750). This project was amended into the existing 2012-2018 TIP at the May 22, 2013 MPO meeting, and the I-77 Express Lane project is currently shown as a transition project in the DRAFT 2016-2025 TIP.

Website

All relevant documents were posted on CRTPO's website and can be viewed [here](#).

Media Release

A media release was prepared and sent to all media outlets in the Charlotte region providing notification of the comment period and public meetings.

COMMENTS RECEIVED

During the public comment period, 738 public comments were received, with 721 of these comments expressing opposition to the I-77 Express Lanes project.

Resolution Finding the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and Amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan in Compliance with the Provisions of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ for adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) is the duly recognized decision making body of the 3-C transportation planning process for the Charlotte Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO Amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan meets the planning requirements of 23 CFR Part 450.322; and

WHEREAS, the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program is a direct subset of the Amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation plan; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) designated the CRTPO as a marginal nonattainment area for the 2008 ozone standard effective on July 20, 2012, and Maintenance for CO on September 18, 1995 (currently under a CO limited maintenance plan effective July 22, 2013); and

WHEREAS, the transportation conformity analysis of the CRTPO 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program is based on the most recent estimates of population, employment, travel, and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program is financially constrained; and

WHEREAS, there are no transportation control measures in the North Carolina State Implementation Plan (SIP) that pertain to the CRTPO; and

WHEREAS, the most recent vehicle emissions model was used to prepare the quantitative emissions analysis; and

WHEREAS, those projects and programs included in the CRTPO 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program contribute to annual emissions reductions as shown by the quantitative emissions analysis; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization finds that the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and amended 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan conform to the purpose of the North Carolina State Implementation Plan (or interim emissions tests, in areas where no State Implementation Plan is approved or found adequate by USEPA) in accordance with Clean Air Act as Amended (CAAA), and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century act (MAP-21).

I, Sarah McAulay, CRTPO Chairwoman, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization duly held on the 19th day of August 2015.

Sarah McAulay, Chairwoman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
CHARLOTTE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FY 2016-2025
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by MPO Member _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress (MAP-21) legislation requires all Metropolitan Planning Organizations to develop and maintain a Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program is a direct subset of the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and is financially constrained (23 CFR Part 450.324); and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program is in compliance with MAP-21; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program has been found to be in conformance with the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program was reviewed by the general public in accordance with the CRTPO Public Involvement Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization approves the FY 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program.

I, Sarah McAulay, CRTPO Chairwoman, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization duly held on the 19th day of August 2015.

Sarah McAulay, Chairwoman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CHARLOTTE REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADOPTING
AMENDMENTS TO THE 2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ for adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), and the North Carolina Department of Transportation are actively involved in transportation planning for the urban area; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO has an existing 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan adopted in April 2014; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO is the duly recognized transportation decision making body for the 3-C transportation planning process in the Charlotte Urban Area as required by 23 CFR Part 134; and

WHEREAS, the CRTPO has prepared amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the amendments are a result of project schedule changes proposed in the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the proper movement of traffic within and through the CRTPO is a highly desirable element of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the orderly growth and development of the Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan has at least a 20 year horizon year and is fiscally restrained as required by 23 CFR Part 450.322; and

WHEREAS, the public has had the opportunity to review and comment on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan amendments in accordance with the adopted Public Involvement Plan; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization approves the amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

I, Sarah McAulay, CRTPO Chairwoman, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization duly held on the 19th day of August 2015.

Sarah McAulay, Chairwoman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary



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TO: CRTPO Delegates & Alternates
FROM: Candice Leonard, PE
Planning Engineer
DATE: August 10, 2015
SUBJECT: **John Kirk Drive Thoroughfare Amendment**

REQUEST

The MPO is requested to amend the Thoroughfare Plan to:

- Modify the classification of John Kirk Drive from a major thoroughfare to a minor thoroughfare
- Reconfigure the intersection of John Kirk Drive and Cameron Boulevard

TCC RECOMMENDATION

At its July 2015 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the Thoroughfare Plan as requested.

BACKGROUND

In November of 2014, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte approached CRTPO to discuss plans to intensify the land use of their East Village. UNC Charlotte, Kimley-Horn, CDOT and NCDOT analyzed and coordinated over the past 8 months to understand current and future traffic conditions in the vicinity of East Village, specifically at the intersection of John Kirk Drive and Cameron Boulevard.

The following represents a summary of the milestone dates as the project has progressed:

- 11/17/2014 Meeting held with CRTPO, UNCC and CDOT to discuss the proposed amendment
- 12/2/2015 Internal meeting held with CDOT and CRTPO to discuss traffic analysis and technical details of the proposed re-alignment
- 04/15/2015 Presentation made to Transportation Staff by CDOT
- 05/07/2015 Informational presentation made to the TCC
- 05/20/2015 Informational presentation made to the MPO Board
- 05/20/2015 MPO Board approves the beginning of a public involvement process
- 07/09/2015 UNCC holds a public meeting to explain the project
- 08/06/2015 TCC recommends to the MPO that it consider approving the proposed modifications to the Thoroughfare Plan

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The public comment period began on July 9 and ended on August 5.

Public Meeting

A public meeting was held on July 9 at McKnight Hall on the UNCC campus. There were 450 postcard notifications mailed to surrounding residents, property owners, and businesses. Eight citizens attended the meeting.

Website

Meeting notices, updates and all relevant information documents were posted on the CRTPO website.

Media Release

A media release was prepared and sent to all media outlets in the Charlotte region providing notification of the comment period and public meetings.

Comments Received

The citizens expressed positive feedback regarding the proposed amendment. All of the citizen comments from the public meeting involved requests for additional pedestrian accommodations and notification of construction. A citizen emailed a comment to request improvements be made to Harris Houston Road instead of John Kirk Drive.



Source: CRTPO



LEGEND	
	Major Thoroughfare
	Minor Thoroughfare
	Proposed Minor Thoroughfare
	UNC Charlotte Road

Proposed Thoroughfare Modification

ID	SPOT Database Project	Description	Location	Cost to NCDOT in Millions of \$	Modification Type	Modification Description
1	I-277 (Brookshire Freeway)	Widen to add one HOT Lane in each direction and flyover for direct connection to HOT lanes on I-77 North of Brookshire.	Charlotte	\$79.6	Remove Project from SPOT Database	Project is incorporated into the Committed I-77 Managed Lanes Project. This project can be removed from the SPOT database.
2	Charlotte Avenue	Widen to Multi-Lanes. Csx Railroad to Concord Avenue.	Monroe	\$41.2	Remove Project from SPOT Database	The City of Monroe does not want this project scored in P4.0.
3	Charles Street	Widen to Multi-Lanes. Sunset Drive to Franklin Street.	Monroe	\$6.9	Remove Project from SPOT Database	The City of Monroe does not want this project scored in P4.0.
4	US 21/NC 115	Widen to a Multi-Lane Urban Facility. Cedar Lane to Barium Springs.	Troutman	\$15.5	Modify Project Limits	Modify Project Limits and Divide into two project segments: New project limits will be (1) Old Mountain Road (SR 1005) to Cedar Lane; and (2) Cedar Lane to I-77.
5	NC 16 (Brookshire Boulevard)	Upgrade a segment of Brookshire Blvd from an arterial to a freeway cross-section. Idaho Drive to I-85.	Charlotte	\$1.9	Modify Project Description	Add westbound through lane on NC 16 between a point west of Idaho Dr. And I-85; improve I-85 northbound ramp to eastbound NC 16.
6	Eastway Drive & Shamrock Drive	Reconfigure 5 leg skewed intersection to two 3 leg intersections.	Charlotte	\$5 Million (Charlotte Contribution) \$8 Million (cost to NCDOT) \$13 million (Total Estimated Cost)	Modify Project Cost Estimate and scope	Project was removed from the TIP due to a cost discrepancy. CDOT staff have developed a new cost estimate of \$13 million total for the project. The City of Charlotte will contribute \$5 million to the project, with \$8 million as the cost to NCDOT. The scope of this project is to reconfigure a 5-leg skewed intersection into two 3-leg intersections.
7	I-40 & I-77	Reconstruct interchange (Final Improvements).	Statesville	\$168.2	Break project into two sections	I-3819BA is the I-40/I-77 interchange improvements. I-3819BB is the improvement of the I-77 and Broad Street interchange.
8	US-74 Bypass	Upgrade to Freeway Standards with Bypass of Wadesboro. Monroe Bypass (R-2559) to Rockingham Bypass (R-512).	Marshville	\$741.4	Break project into multiple sections	Rocky River RPO will subdivide this project into the following sections: A. Marshville Bypass to Allied Road; B. Wadesboro Bypass (Allied Road to Camden Street); C. Camden Street to the Rockingham Bypass.
9	Garden Parkway	Construct Tolled Limited Access Highway on New Location. I-485 in Charlotte to I-85 in Gaston County.	Charlotte Gaston County	\$318.3	Break project into multiple sections	GCLMPO will submit a section from NC 279 to Catawba River. CRTPO to submit section from I-485 to Catawba River.

Proposed Bonus Allocation Subcommittee Changes

July 15, 2015

The following proposal was developed after two meetings with an ad hoc group of Bonus Allocation Subcommittee members: Bill Thunberg, Bill Coxe, David Keilson, Stuart Basham and Scott Cole.

Issue	Recommendation
Subcommittee Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serve as TCC subcommittee charged with making project selection recommendations for toll road BA funds and STP-DA funds • Serve as TCC subcommittee charged with monitoring the implementation of projects funded from the following sources: toll road BA; STP-DA; CMAQ; TAP
Tasks	<p>Bonus Allocation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for recommendations to TCC on how to allocate future toll road BA funds • Responsible for ensuring that BA projects are implemented in the mandated 5-year time frame • Serve as liaison to NCDOT on scoping of BA projects <p>STP-DA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for recommendations to TCC on how to allocate STP-DA funds • Responsible for ensuring that STP-DA projects are implemented in a timely manner <p>CMAQ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for ensuring CMAQ projects are implemented in a timely manner <p>TAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for ensuring TAP projects are implemented in a timely manner
Name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRTPO Projects Oversight Subcommittee
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No more than 6 jurisdiction representatives (to be selected by TCC chair and vice-chair) + 1 representative for each NCDOT division + 1 each representing motor vehicle transportation, transit and bicycle/pedestrian transportation • Each county must be represented • TCC chair and vice-chair may appoint others based upon an individual's expertise • The FHWA will be an ex officio member
Terms of Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcommittee membership will be two years

Proposed Bonus Allocation Subcommittee Changes
July 15, 2015

Issue	Recommendation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subcommittee members may not serve more than three terms
Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CRTPO governing board will officially establish as subcommittee of the TCC
Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The TCC vice-chair shall be the subcommittee chair
Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The subcommittee will strive to develop its recommendations to the TCC by consensus• If a consensus cannot be achieved, formal voting, will be invoked• The subcommittee chair will have the authority to invoke formal voting on an issue• Remote voting is permitted only for those members that have attended in person at least 75% of all meetings