Cape Fear RPO

Brunswick County & Columbus County & Pender County

RURAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

MARCH 27, 2024

Roll Call

Agenda Review

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Agenda Review
- 4. Approval of Minutes
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. NC Ports Resolution
- 7. P7.0 Local Input Point Methodology

- 8. FY25 Planning Work Program
- 9. IMD Multimodal Planning Grants
- 10. 2024 Meeting Schedule
- 11. Reports/Updates
- 12. Open Discussion
- 13. Adjourn

RTCC Meeting Minutes

Review of the minutes from February 7, 2024



Public Comment Period

Resolution of Support: NC Ports

NC Ports has requested a Resolution of Support from the Cape Fear RPO for their application to the EPA's Clean Ports Program to fund zero emissions equipment at the Port of Wilmington.

Staff requests a motion to recommend approval of this resolution to the RTAC, who will meet on Friday, Apr. 12^{th} at 9:00 AM

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P7.0 Local Input Point Methodology

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- (3) LIP Criteria
- (4) Ranking Approach
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Cape Fear RPO

P7.0 Local Input Prioritization Methodology NCDOT approval _____ CFRPO RTAC approval _____

INTRODUCTION

The Cape Fear RPO (CFRPO) is required by state law to develop a local input methodology for prioritizing all transportation projects (aviation, bicycle and pedestrian, ferry, highway, public transportation, and rail) within the RPO boundary that compete for state and federal funding, and to submit the methodology to the NC Dept. of Transportation for approval. This Local Input Prioritization Methodology applies within the Cape Fear RPO planning boundary, which includes the counties of Brunswick (partial), Columbus, and Pender (partial).

The RPO has developed this prioritization methodology in an effort to satisfy the quantitative, data-driven requirements of the STI (Strategic Transportation Investments) law while protecting the discretion of local officials by incorporating subjective, qualitative local input where possible. STI establishes a funding formula which allocates available revenues based on data-driven scoring and local input. It is used to develop NCDOT's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which identifies the transportation projects that will receive funding during a specified 10-year period.

P7.0 Recap

Prioritization = assigning data and scores to projects

STIP = State Transportation Improvement Program

= 10-year document of project funding and schedules

Programming = assigning funding and schedules to projects

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P7.0 Recap

Long-Range Planning

Project Submittals

Local Input Point
Assignment

Project
Programming
into STIP

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P7.0 Recap

June 2023 Prioritization 101 for RTCC and RTAC

July 2023 County Meetings to discuss project needs

August 2023 Draft Project Lists reviewed by RTCC and RTAC

September 2023 Final Project Lists approved by RTAC

October 2023 Projects submitted to NCDOT by RPO Staff

May 2024 Project scores released by NCDOT

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Local Input Point Introduction

40% of Funds 30% of Funds 30% of Funds Statewide Mobility Focus = Addressing **Regional Impact** significant congestion and bottlenecks Focus = Improving **Division Needs** connectivity within Regions Score = 100% Quantitative Data Focus = Addressing local Score = 70% Quantitative Data needs + 30% Local Input Score = 50% Quantitative Data + Funding based on population 50% Local Input within each Region (7) Funding based on equal share for each Division (14)

P7.0 Recap

Need for Local Input

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Local Input Point Introduction

The Cape Fear RPO has <u>1,300</u> local input points available at both the Regional Impact and Division Needs tiers.

Projects may receive no more than **100** total points.

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Local Input Point Criteria

P7.0 Quantitative Score

(Out of 100 pts)

Division Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (50 pts)
LOW (25 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

County Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (75 pts)
LOW (50 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

Project Development

Feasibility Study (10 pts)
Prelim. Design (10 pts)
Prior STIP (10 pts)
ROW (10 pts)
Sibling Project (20 pts)
Current STIP (40 pts)

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Ranking Approach: Regional

P7.0 Quantitative Score

(Out of 100 pts)

50%

Division Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (50 pts)
LOW (25 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

20%

County Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (75 pts)
LOW (50 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

20%

Project Development

Feasibility Study (10 pts)
Prelim. Design (10 pts)
Prior STIP (10 pts)
ROW (10 pts)
Sibling Project (20 pts)
Current STIP (40 pts)

10%

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Ranking Approach: Division

P7.0 Quantitative Score

(Out of 100 pts)

30%

Division Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (50 pts)
LOW (25 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

30%

County Priority

HIGH (100 pts)
MED (75 pts)
LOW (50 pts)
NONE (0 pts)

30%

Project Development

Feasibility Study (10 pts)
Prelim. Design (10 pts)
Prior STIP (10 pts)
ROW (10 pts)
Sibling Project (20 pts)
Current STIP (40 pts)

10%

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Point Assignment Process

Preliminary Points Assigned at Regional and Division tiers based on rankings

Method (1) Top 2 scoring highway projects per County [6 total]

(2) Top 3 scoring non-highway projects [3 total]

(3) Remaining points cascade to next highest scores [4 min.

Flex Policy Up to 500 points can be transferred from one category to the other

Final Point Assignment Approved by RTAC

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Schedule

Spring 2024 RTCC to review LIP Methodology; RTAC to approve.

May 2024 Methodology to be approved by NCDOT

P7.0 Quantitative Scores released by NCDOT

May-Aug 2024 Regional Impact Local Input Points

Sep-Nov 2024 Division Needs Local Input Points

January 2025 Draft 2026-2035 STIP

This process is to be open and transparent. Records of each step will be available to public on the RPO website and all RPO meetings are open to the public.

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P7.0 Local Input Point Methodology

The Cape Fear RPO is required by state law to develop a local input methodology for prioritizing all transportation projects within the RPO boundary that compete for state and federal funding.

RPO staff requests a motion to recommend approval of the P7.0 Local Input Point Methodology to the RTAC, who will meet on Friday, Apr. 12th at 9:00 AM

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FY24-25 Planning Work Program

			RPO PROGRAM FUNDS								
ı			LOCAL		State		FEDERAL		TOTAL		
TASK	WORK CATEGORY										
CODE			5%		15%		80%		100%		
I. DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT											
I-1	DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT	\$	675	\$	2,025	\$	10,800	\$	13,500		
I-1.1	Highway										
I-1.2	Other Modes										
I-1.3	Socioeconomic										
I-1.4	Title VI										
II. TRANS	SPORTATION PLANNING										
	COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP)	_	400	•	4 000	_	0.400	•	0.000		
II-1	DEVELOPMENT	\$	400	\$	1,200	\$	6,400	\$	8,000		
II-1.1	Develop CTP Vision										
II-1.2	Conduct CTP Needs Assessment										
II-1.3	Analyze Alternatives and Environmental Screening										
II-1.4	Develop Final Plan										
II-1.5	Adopt Plan										
II-2	PRIORITIZATION	\$	700	\$	2,100	\$	11,200	\$	14,000		
II-2.1	Project Prioritization										
II-3	PROGRAM AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT	\$	200	\$	600	\$	3,200	\$	4,000		
II-3.1	STIP Participation										
II-3.2	Merger / Project Development										
11-4	GENERAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING	\$	1,600	\$	4,800	\$	25,600	\$	32,000		
II-4.1	Regional and Statewide Planning										
II-4.2	Special Studies, Projects and Other Trainings										
II-4.2.1	Special Study #1 - insert name of consultant-led study here	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-		
11-4.2.2	Special Study #2 - insert name of consultant-led study here	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		

III. ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND POLICIES									
III-1	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES	\$	1,750	\$	5,250	\$	28,000	\$	35,000
III-1.1	Administrative Documents								
III-1.2	TCC / TAC Work Facilitation; Ethics Compliance								
III-1.3	Program Administration								
	IV. DIRECT COSTS								
IV-1	PROGRAMMATIC DIRECT CHARGES	\$	500	\$	1,500	4	8,000	\$	10,000
IV-1.1	Program-wide Direct Costs								
IV-2	ADVERTISING	\$	5	\$	15	44	80	\$	100
IV-2.1	News Media Ads								
IV-3	LODGING, MEALS, INCIDENTALS	\$	75	\$	225	\$	1,200	\$	1,500
IV-3.1	Hotel Costs								
IV-3.2	Meal Costs								
IV-3.3	Incidentals								
IV-4	POSTAGE	\$	5	\$	15	44	80	\$	100
IV-4.1	Mailings								
IV-5	REGISTRATION / TRAINING	\$	25	\$	75	ь	400	\$	500
IV-5.1	Conference Registration								
IV-5.2	Meeting / Workshop / Training Fees								
IV-6	TRAVEL	\$	250	\$	750	\$	4,000	\$	5,000
IV-6.1	Mileage Reimbursement								
IV-6.2	Car Rental Costs	_							
IV-6.3	Other Travel Expenses								
V. INDIRECT COSTS									
V-1	INDIRECT COSTS	\$	1,465	\$	4,395	\$	23,440	\$	29,300
V-1.1	Incurred Indirect Costs								
RPO OP	RPO OPERATIONAL EXPENSE TOTAL				22,950	\$	122,400	\$	153,000

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FY24-25 Planning Work Program

FY 2025 Cape Fear RPO Allocation							
5% local	15% State funds	80% Federal	Total maximum	Total not-to-exceed			
match	(Local Match	SPR funds	reimbursable amount	work plan			
	Assistance per		from NCDOT (State	Federal + State+			
	NCGS 136-214)		and Federal)	local match			
\$7,650	\$22,950	\$122,400	\$145,350	\$153,000			

RPO staff requests a motion to recommend approval of the FY24-25 PWP to the RTAC, who will meet on Friday, Apr. 12^{th} at 9:00 AM

Resolution of Support: IMD Multimodal Planning Grants

The Town of Oak Island and the City of Southport have requested Resolutions of Support from the Cape Fear RPO for their applications to NCDOT IMD's Multimodal Planning Grants Program.

Staff requests a motion to recommend approval of these resolutions to the RTAC, who will meet on Friday, Apr. 12^{th} at 9:00 AM

2024 RTCC Meeting Schedule

RTCC	RTAC	Deadlines/Important Dates
Wed 2/7/24	Fri 2/16/24	Draft FY 24-25 PWP 2/28. New Appointments/Elections. Title VI Policy Update
Wed 3/27/24	Fri 4/12/24	RTAC Ethics Paperwork due 4/15. Final FY 24-25 PWP 5/31. Local Input Point Methodology due 5/1
Wed 6/5/24	Fri 6/14/24	P7.0 Regional Impact Local Input Point Assignment (1 of 2). Final FY 23-24 PWP amendment 6/30.
Wed 8/7/24	Fri 8/16/24	P7.0 Regional Impact Local Input Point Assignment (2 of 2).
Wed 10/2/24	Fri 10/11/24	P7.0 Division Needs Local Input Point Assignment (1 of 2).
Wed 12/4/24	Fri 11/15/24	P7.0 Division Needs Local Input Point Assignment (2 of 2). Expiring Positions/New Appointments. Draft FY 25-26 PWP 2/28.

CFRPO Staff Report

Revisions to the 2024-2033 STIP

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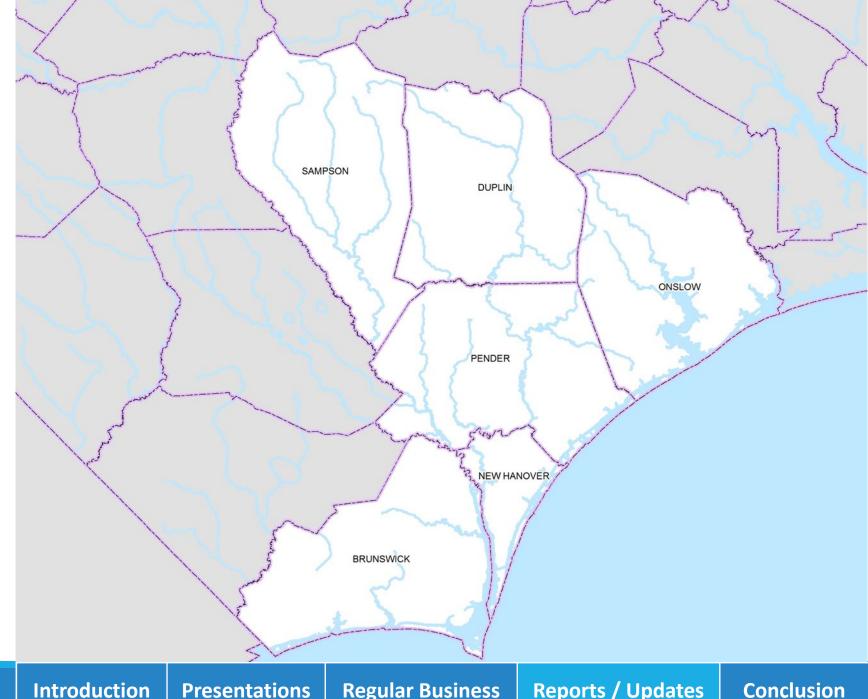


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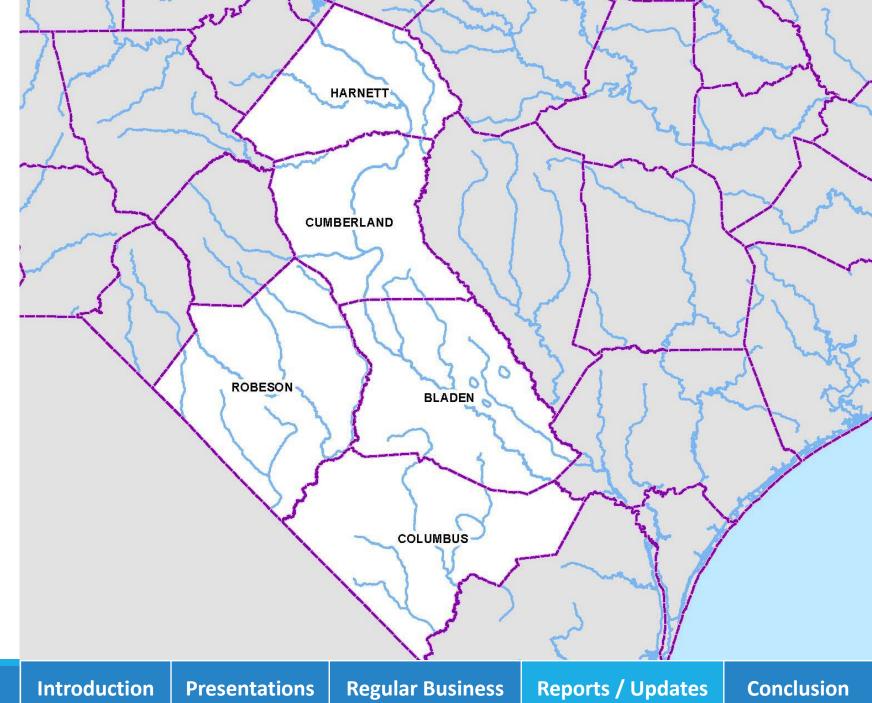
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Open Discussion

General questions, comments, and other discussions

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Next meeting will be June 5, 2024

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