Katrina Marshall TCC Chair



William Taylor
TAC Vice-Chair

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September 29, 2020 • 10:00 a.m.

Virtual via GoToMeeting.

AGENDA for TAC

Call to Order – Candy Bohmert, Chair TAC

- 1. Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Statement
- 2. Remote Legislation Information Jill Quattlebaum, Grady & Quattlebaum
- 3. Public Comment Period
- 4. ACTION: Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the June 30, 2020 meeting are attached and presented for approval. *Action: Approve minutes from previous meeting.*

- 5. **DERPO Staff Report** B.J. Eversole
 - a. SPOT Schedule Update
 - b. Other DERPO Updates JUMPO Boundary Expansion
 - c. 2020 Meeting Date; Virtual via GoToMeeting
 - i. Tuesday November 24, 2020
 - d. 2021 Meeting Dates; ECC Main Conference Room, New Bern
 - i. Tuesday January 26, 2021 (may be virtual)
 - ii. Tuesday March 30, 2021
 - iii. Tuesday May 25, 2021
 - iv. Tuesday July 27, 2021
 - v. Tuesday September 28, 2021
 - vi. Tuesday November 30, 2021
- 6. NCDOT Reports
 - *a.* Division 2 *Len White, Diane Hampton*
 - b. Division 3 Alan Pytcher
 - c. Transportation Planning Division Chris Connolly
- 7. ACTION: Approval of Letter in Support of N.C. Ferry Division

The N.C. Ferry Division is applying for Federal funding for dredging and other improvements around Ocracoke Island. One of DERPO's ferry routes is to Ocracoke, so this would directly benefit the regional transportation system.

Action: Approve letter in support of N.C. Ferry Division.

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- 8. Other Business/Discussion
- 9. Adjournment

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June 30, 2020 • 10:00 a.m.

Webconference via GoToMeeting due to COVID-19 concerns.

TAC Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Commissioner Candy Bohmert, Pamlico County - Chair Councilman Bill Taylor, City of Morehead City – Vice Chair Commissioner Brandi Robertson – Town of Arapahoe

Diane Hampton – NCDOT Division 2 Len White – NCDOT Division 2 Christopher Connolly – NCDOT TPD Nazia Sarder – NCDOT TPD Christopher Palsgrove – NCDOT TPD Jeff Cabaniss – NCDOT Division 2 Preston Hunter – NCDOT Division 2 B.J. Eversole – ECC, TAC Secretary Katie Bordeaux - ECC Mickey Anderson – ECC; ECRPO Leighann Morgan - ECC Jill Quattlebaum

Call to Order – Candy Bohmert, Chair TAC called the meeting to order at 10:17am. A quorum of three was reached (Bohmert, Taylor, Robertson).

- 1. Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Statement No conflict of interests.
- **2. Public Comment Period** *No public comments*.
- **3. ACTION: Approval of Minutes -** *Minutes of the April 7, 2020 meeting were presented for approval. Bill Taylor presented a motion to approve the minutes. Minutes from previous meeting approved unanimously.*
- **4. DERPO Staff Report** B.J. Eversole gave on the updated SPOT schedule, as all deadlines had been moved ahead three months, concentrating on the two windows when local points would be added to Regional Impact or Division Needs projects.

He briefly spoke about the (now law) House Bill 77, which balances the NCDOT budget and changes its governance and fiscal oversight requirements.

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The Jacksonville MPO boundary expansion, which is proposed to include all of Onslow County (taking them out of the DERPO area), is partially on hold but is still expected to be finished this year.

Upcoming 2020 meeting dates:

- i. Tuesday July 28th, ECC Skyline Conference Room, New Bern (will most likely be cancelled due to a lack of business).
- ii. Tuesday September 29th, ECC Skyline Conference Room, New Bern
- iii. Tuesday November 24th, ECC Skyline Conference Room, New Bern

5. NCDOT Reports

- a. Division 2 Len White and Diane Hampton gave a brief update on construction and delays within the Division 2 portions of the DERPO area. Preston Hunter and Jeff Cabaniss further discussed the fiscal situation at NCDOT with TAC members. They felt cautiously optimistic that with the new law, the division's fiscal situation should improve.
- b. Division 3 Alan Pytcher was not able to attend but provided a construction update for DERPO Division 3 projects (all in Onslow County). It was attached to the agenda packet for the meeting.
- c. Transportation Planning Division
 - i. Craven County CTP Chris Connolly stated that the Craven County CTP remains on hold until a public meeting can be held, followed by approval by towns, New Bern MPO and DERPO.
 - ii. Carteret County CTP Presentation Nazia Sarder and Christopher Palsgrove gave a quick presentation on traffic demand models (TDM) and their importance, as well as what to expect from the Carteret County CTP and why it is important to update the document.
- **6. ACTION: SPOT Submission Adjustments -** *B.J. Eversole presented two highway projects that were deemed either unnecessary or unpopular and needed to be removed from the DERPO submittal list along with two replacement projects.*

The proposed NC 24/Main St. Extension intersection improvements in Swansboro were determined by the town to be redundant with R-5885, which would convert NC 24 into a superstreet in the town. Eversole proposed replacing the project with a modernization of SR 1331 (White Oak River Rd) in Jones County. The project was submitted for SPOT 5.0 and there was NCDOT planning for the project with the assumption that it would be resubmitted. Bill Taylor presented a motion to exchange the two projects, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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The proposed roundabout at NC 306/Kershaw Rd. in Arapahoe has proven to be unpopular with the local population, to which members Candy Bohmert and Brandi Robertson, both from Pamlico County, agreed. Eversole proposed to replace the project with a modernization of nearby Scott Town Rd. (SR 1100), but Bohmert and Robertson instead proposed a modernization of Neuse Rd. (SR 1005) between Seafarer Rd. and Scott Store Rd. Robertson made a motion to replace the roundabout with the Neuse Rd. modernization, and it was approved unanimously. There was a desire to reconsider the roundabout at a future date.

There was one minor change to the previously approved ferry project: the replacement ferry would replace the "Gov. Daniel Russell" instead of the "Kinnakeet." The Ferry Division also recommended that an additional project be added: the replacement of the seawall at the Cherry Branch ferry terminal. Bohmert made a motion to approve both changes, and they were approved unanimously.

- 7. **Other Business/Discussion** There was no additional business or discussion.
- **8. Adjournment** *Chair Bohmert adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:57am.*





New Search

Contract Number: C204139 Route: US-70
Division: 2 County: Jones

TIP Number: I-6002

Length: 32.04 miles Federal Aid Number:

NCDOT Contact: Brad T. McMannen, PE NCDOT Contact No: (252)649-6520

Location Description: US-70/US-17 FROM DOVER TO THE NEUSE RIVER BRIDGE IN NEW BERN.

Contractor Name: BARNHILL CONTRACTING CO

North Carolina Department of Transportation

Construction Progress Report

Contract Amount: \$25,492,230.43

Work Began: 01/07/2019 Letting Date: 03/20/2018
Original Completion Date: 02/13/2020 Revised Completion Date: 03/15/2021

Latest Payment Thru: 09/07/2020

Latest Payment Date: 09/11/2020 Construction Progress: 89.94%





New Search

Contract Number: C203925 Route: NC-58 Division: 2 County: Carteret

TIP Number: B-5938, B-5939

North Carolina Department of Transportation

Construction Progress Report

Length: 1.61 miles **Federal Aid Number:**

NCDOT Contact: Brad T. McMannen, PE NCDOT Contact No: (252)649-6520

Location Description: BRIDGE #68 OVER BOGUE SOUND ON SR-1182 (ATLANTIC BEACH CAUSEWAY) AND BRIDGE #6 OVER BOGUE SOUND ON NC-58.

Contractor Name: FREYSSINET, INC Contract Amount: \$15,271,713.33

Work Began: 02/05/2018 Letting Date: 04/18/2017

Original Completion Date: 11/30/2020 **Revised Completion Date:**

Latest Payment Thru: 08/31/2020

Latest Payment Date: 09/08/2020 Construction Progress: 87.14%

Contract Number: C204177 Route: US-70 Division: 2 County: Carteret

TIP Number: R-1015

Length: 10.353 miles Federal Aid Number: NHF-0070(049) NCDOT Contact: Brad T. McMannen, PE NCDOT Contact No: (252)649-6520

Location Description: US-70 (HAVELOCK BYPASS) FROM NORTH OF PINE GROVE TO NORTH OF CARTERET COUNTY LINE.

Contractor Name: BALFOUR BEATTY INFRASTRUCTURE INC

Contract Amount: \$167,243,715.65

Letting Date: 07/16/2019 Work Began: 09/30/2019

Original Completion Date: 05/13/2024 **Revised Completion Date:**

Latest Payment Thru: 08/22/2020

Latest Payment Date: 08/31/2020 **Construction Progress: 15.2%**





New Search

Contract Number: C204139 Route: US-70 Division: 2 County: Craven

TIP Number: I-6002

North Carolina Department of Transportation

Construction Progress Report

Length: 32.04 miles **Federal Aid Number:**

NCDOT Contact: Brad T. McMannen, PE NCDOT Contact No: (252)649-6520

Location Description: US-70/US-17 FROM DOVER TO THE NEUSE RIVER BRIDGE IN NEW BERN.

Contractor Name: BARNHILL CONTRACTING CO

Contract Amount: \$25,492,230.43

Work Began: 01/07/2019 Letting Date: 03/20/2018 Original Completion Date: 02/13/2020 Revised Completion Date: 03/15/2021

Latest Payment Thru: 09/07/2020

Latest Payment Date: 09/11/2020 Construction Progress: 89.94%

Contract Number: C204177 Route: US-70 County: Craven Division: 2

TIP Number: R-1015

Length: 10.353 miles Federal Aid Number: NHF-0070(049) NCDOT Contact No: (252)649-6520 NCDOT Contact: Brad T. McMannen, PE

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Work Began: 09/30/2019 Letting Date: 07/16/2019

Original Completion Date: 05/13/2024 **Revised Completion Date:**

Latest Payment Thru: 08/22/2020

Latest Payment Date: 08/31/2020 **Construction Progress: 15.2%**

Contract Number: C204225 Route: US-70 Division: 2 County: Craven

TIP Number: R-5777A, R-5777B, U-

5713

Length: 5.1 miles Federal Aid Number: STATE FUNDED NCDOT Contact: Wendi O. Johnson, PE NCDOT Contact No: (252)439-2800

Location Description: US-70 FROM THE NEUSE RIVER BRIDGE TO EAST OF THURMAN RD IN JAMES CITY.

Contractor Name: BALFOUR BEATTY INFRASTRUCTURE INC

Contract Amount: \$203,300,000.00

Work Began: 10/22/2019 Letting Date: 09/10/2019

Original Completion Date: 09/07/2023 **Revised Completion Date:**

Latest Payment Thru: 08/22/2020

Latest Payment Date: 09/15/2020 Construction Progress: 12%







New Search

Contract Number: C204264 Route: NC-172
Division: 3 County: Onslow

TIP Number: W-5602

Length: 2.704 miles Federal Aid Number: HSIP-0172(13)
NCDOT Contact: Daniel G. Waugh NCDOT Contact No: (910)347-5258
Location Description: NC-172 SNEADS FERRY ROAD FROM NC-210 TO BRIDGE #17

Contractor Name: WELLS BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC

Contract Amount: \$12,199,566.80 Type of work: Grading, Drainage and Paving

Work Began: 02/05/2019 Letting Date: 12/18/2018
Original Completion Date: 11/11/2021 Revised Completion Date: 12/18/2021

Latest Payment Thru: 07/31/2020

Latest Payment Date: 08/24/2020 Construction Progress: 56.36%

Contract Number: C204271 **Route:** SR-1121, SR-1214, SR-1215

SR-1218, SR-1220, SR-1225 SR-1302, SR-1308, SR-1331 SR-1333, SR-1396, SR-1411 SR-1438, SR-1503, SR-1561 SR-1633, SR-1852, SR-1861 SR-1862, SR-1927, SR-1928 SR-1929, SR-1961, SR-2003

US-17

County: Onslow

Division: 3 County: Onslow

TIP Number:

Length: 36.51 miles Federal Aid Number: STATE FUNDED NCDOT Contact: Lydia C. McKeel NCDOT Contact No: (910)341-2000 Location Description: 1 SECTION OF US-17 AND 25 SECTIONS OF SECONDARY ROADS.

Contractor Name: ONSLOW GRADING & PAVING INC

Contract Amount: \$8,657,315.46

Type of work: MILLING, RESURFACING, AND SHOULDER RECONSTRUCTION.

Work Began: 01/28/2019 Letting Date: 11/20/2018
Original Completion Date: 05/15/2020 Revised Completion Date: 09/30/2020

Latest Payment Thru: 08/15/2020

Latest Payment Date: 08/24/2020 Construction Progress: 91.32%

Contract Number: DC00230 Route: SR-1308
Division: 3 County: Onslow

TIP Number: U-5319

Length: 0.32 miles Federal Aid Number: HPPSTP-1308(13)

NCDOT Contact: Daniel G. Waugh NCDOT Contact No: (910)347-5258

Location Description: INTERSECTION OF SR 1308 (GUM BRANCH RD) AND NC 53 (WESTERN BLVD)

Contractor Name: BARNHILL CONTRACTING CO

Contract Amount: \$4,852,935.35 Type of work: GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, AND SIGNALS

Work Began: 05/09/2019 Letting Date: 08/02/2018
Original Completion Date: 05/23/2020 Revised Completion Date: 01/22/2021

Latest Payment Thru: 06/30/2020

Latest Payment Date: 07/09/2020 Construction Progress: 61.64%

Contract Number: DC00279 Route: SR-1396 (Ridge Road)

Division: 3
TIP Number:

Length: 34.64 milesFederal Aid Number: STATE FUNDEDNCDOT Contact: Lydia C. McKeelNCDOT Contact No: (910)341-2000

Location Description: VARIOUS

Contractor Name: S T WOOTEN CORPORATION

Contract Amount: \$0.00 Type of work: RESURFACING & PATCHING EXISTING PAVEMENT, ETC.

Work Began: 09/08/2020 Letting Date: 12/19/2019

Original Completion Date: 09/30/2021 Revised Completion Date:

Latest Payment Thru:

Latest Payment Date: Construction Progress: Work was started earlier this month.

Division: 3 County: Onslow

TIP Number:

Length: 1.24 miles Federal Aid Number: STATE FUNDED NCDOT Contact: Daniel G. Waugh NCDOT Contact No: (910)347-5258

Location Description: 0.02 MI SOUTH OF SR 1308 (GUM BRANCH RD) TO ONSLOW BRIDGE NO 223

Contractor Name: BARNHILL CONTRACTING CO

Contract Amount: \$677,719.30 Type of work: MILLING, RESURFACING & SIGNAL MODIFICATION

Work Began: 04/29/2020 Letting Date: 02/20/2020 Original Completion Date: 06/26/2020 Revised Completion Date: 07/24/2020

Latest Payment Thru: 07/31/2020

Latest Payment Date: 08/07/2020 Construction Progress: 83.9%



NCDOT TPD NEWS

NCDOT TPD Down East RPO & New Bern Area MPO Newsletter

September 2020

FHWA News:

On June 16, 2020, FHWA awarded a \$2.1 million Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) grant to the NCDOT for its Multimodal Connected Vehicle Pilot Project. The NCDOT project will create a connected environment that can evaluate the impact of connected vehicle technology on driver and pedestrian safety. The project will include an application delivering safety notifications to all multimodal users— pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders and motorist. The project will use a communication system to improve transit efficiency using in-vehicle and roadside connected infrastructure and a new transit signal priority system. https://cms8.fhwa.dot.gov/newsroom/us-department-transportation-awards-433-million-advanced-transportation-and-congestion

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- NCDOT Mission Statement

NCDOT Logistics + Freight Bulletin:

NCDOT has developed an NCDOT Logistics + Freight Bulletin. It focuses on sharing current issues, trends, data, and analyses on freight and logistics across every mode. It aims to expand awareness and understanding of the larger supply chain ecosystem in which multimodal freight transportation is an active and important player. The NCDOT Office of Logistics + Freight are supply chain management professionals at NCDOT dedicated to supporting and providing resources to NCDOT stakeholders at every stage of project delivery from planning through construction, ensuring infrastructure investment is connected to industry and commerce. They are available to provide relevant data, research, insight, and analysis for NCDOT project managers, planners, or stakeholders on freight activity and behavior across every mode of transportation. Another valuable resource for freight information is the NC Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan: bit.ly/NCDOTfreightplan

Craven County CTP:

Craven County CTP is pending until a second Public Involvement session can be held.

Carteret County Model:

Carteret County Model is currently under development. Progress has begun on creating the model TAZ's (Traffic Analysis Zone) which will be used by the model to more accurately have travel patterns.

Work is progressing with confirming base year socio-economic data with Down-East RPO. This includes employment and population data.

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COVID-19 Updates:

To get the most recent updates on NCDOT's response to COVID-19 please refer to the following webpage:

https://www.ncdot.gov/news/Pages/ncdot-covid-19-response.aspx

To find out the latest information for North Carolina please refer to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services website:

https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/covid19/nc-updates-covid-19

North Carolina VMT and NCDOT Budget Update:

As North Carolinians have been under a stay-at-home order for several weeks their cars too have stayed home. There has been an approximate 40% reduction in VMT between this time in 2019 and the present. This reduction in travel is hitting NCDOT's budget at expected decrease in revenues of 300 million dollars this fiscal year. This reduction is due in large part to the decrease in gas tax revenues which currently account for approximately 54% of NCDOT revenues.

Upcoming	Date
Federal FY 21 begins	October 1, 2020
1 st Quarter 5303 Claim Due	October 30, 2020
TPD Provids MPO planning fund allocation for FY22	November 2, 2020
1 ST Quarter invoice and work summary	November 13, 2020

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September 29, 2020

Mr. Lewis G. Grimm, P.E. Planning Team Leader Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division 21400 Ridgetop Circle Sterling, VA 20166

Dear Mr. Grimm,

The North Carolina Ferry Division has submitted an application for the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) which was established to improve transportation facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are located within Federal lands. The application will request funds to provide funding for projects in support of the channels leading to Ocracoke Island, North Carolina, such as dredging, surveying, and permitting.

The project funding being applied for is critical in keeping those channels leading to Ocracoke Island open to the appropriate depths allowing safe passage for all ferry vessels and passengers onboard as well as operating on a normal vessel departure schedule. One of Ocracoke Island's ferry routes connects it to Cedar Island in Carteret County, which is a part of our organization: The Down East Rural Planning Organization (DERPO). Even though much of the channel work would not take place within our RPO boundaries, it is still an improvement to a crucial part of our regional transportation system.

DERPO strongly supports this application and recognizes that the Ferry System provides important transportation services in North Carolina, connecting people to jobs, education and other services while also supporting the movement of goods and supplies. The Ferry System is also instrumental in helping the region prepare for and respond to hurricanes and other disasters.

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We appreciate your consideration of this application.
Sincerely,

Candy Bohmert DERPO TAC Chair