

AGENDA MPO Technical Committee

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.
Water Street Center, 407 E. Water Street
Charlottesville, VA 22902

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Item	Time	Description
0	10:00 - 10:05	Attendance
1	10:05 - 10:10	Matters from the Public Members of the public are welcome to provide comment on any public-interest, transportation-related topic, including items listed on this agenda – limit three minutes per speaker
2	10:10 - 10:15	General Administration* – Ryan Mickles, CA-MPO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptance of agenda* • Approval of August 15, 2023 MPO Tech Cmte. Minutes*
3	10:15 - 11:00	Moving Toward 2050 – Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of Public Engagement Activities and Methodology (<i>attachment</i>)
4	11:00 - 11:05	Adjustments to FY21-24 Transportation Improvement Program – Ryan Mickles, CA-MPO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff memoranda to MPO Policy Board - proposed adjustments (<i>attachment</i>)
5	11:05 - 11:25	SMART SCALE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VDOT Pipeline Projects – Michael Barnes, VDOT • Program Updates – Sandy Shackelford, CA-MPO
6	11:25 - 11:55	Roundtable Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlottesville Albemarle MPO/TJPDC • City of Charlottesville • Albemarle County • Department of Rail and Public Transportation • Virginia Department of Transportation • Rideshare • CAT • JAUNT • University of Virginia
7	11:55 - 12:00	Matters from the Public Members of the public are welcome to provide comment on any public-interest, transportation-related topic, including items listed on this agenda – limit three minutes per speaker
<u>STAFF UPDATES:</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Meeting with SAW-MPO on September 27, 2023 • Monthly meetings will occur in FY24 until approval of the long range transportation plan is completed 		

(*) A recommendation to the MPO Policy Board and/or vote is expected for this item

MPO Technical Committee Meeting
 Draft Minutes, August 15, 2023

A video recording of the meeting can be found here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PNZtS-JITwo>

VOTING MEMBERS & ALTERNATES		STAFF	
James Freas, Charlottesville		Sandy Shackelford, TJPDC	x
Ben Chambers, Charlottesville	x	Lucinda Shannon, TJPDC	x
Rory Stolzenberg, Cville PC	x	Gretchen Thomas, TJPDC	x
Jessica Hersh-Ballering, Alb Co	x	Ryan Mickles, TJPDC	x
Alberic Karina-Plun, Albemarle (alternate)		Curtis Scarpignato, TJPDC	x
Luis Carrazana, Albemarle PC			
Charles Proctor, VDOT		NON-VOTING MEMBERS	
Michael Barnes, VDOT (alternate)	x	Tony Cho FTA	
Christine Jacobs, TJPDC	x	Donna Chen, CTAC Liaison	x
Zadie Lacy, Jaunt			
Bill Palmer, UVA Ofc of Architect	x	GUESTS/PUBLIC	
Taylor Jenkins, DRPT (alternate)		Peter Krebs, PEC	x
Tiffany Dubinsky, DRPT *	x		
Sara Pennington, Rideshare	x		
Richard Duran, FHWA			

* attended online via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Rory Stolzenberg called the meeting to order at 10:05. There was no quorum in person, so action items will be pushed until there is quorum. Ryan Mickles called roll.

Mr. Stolzenberg noted that there was another fatal crash in the MPO area and reminded folks on the committee that what they do has implications for safety in the area.

2. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE 1:10)

- a. **Comments by the Public:** Peter Krebs, Piedmont Environmental Council, said the PEC has been concerned about the direction of Smart Scale. Broadly speaking, he said there are two areas of concern. First, the decrease in funding for bike/ped projects. He said this feels like exactly the wrong direction to be moving for the Commonwealth. Second, the deemphasis of land use as a scoring factor. He said he believes that reducing congestion is absolutely a land use decision. PEC



thinks it should be taken into consideration. He said he will be interested in hearing the MPO's thoughts on whether this needs to be the way it is or if Smart Scale stops being the way to get sustainable transportation. He continued by saying that simply building more roads does not feel correct, and that is what it seems the goal is.

b. Comments provided via email, online, web site, etc.: None

3. MOVING TOWARD 2050 (MINUTE 5:05):

Sandy Shackelford gave an update on the public engagement so far. Staff have been at nine different locations to get public feedback and the public has online opportunities to give feedback as well. The total outreach count to date is 507 individuals.

She continued by explaining the CAMPO performance-based planning process. She covered the process for the identification of needs and for the prioritization of projects and offered more details on both.

She explained in further detail the performance measures and, based on the processes of each, she shared maps of the CAMPO area and how they might be scored by these performance measures.

There was a discussion about how the projects will be agreed upon by the CAMPO.

Michael Barnes said there is "Pathways to Planning" available on the VDOT website. You must request access to be able to see the full website.

There was a robust discussion about the performance measures and how they will work together to help determine the projects.

It was determined to shorten the "Roundtable" portion of the agenda to continue this discussion.

4. AMENDMENT TO THE FY24-27 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MINUTE 1:35:35):

Sandy Shackelford explained that the TIP amendment was requested by the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority and only includes costs estimated for CMAQ service. Because it was requesting a change in the TIP, a motion was needed.

Motion/Action: Ben Chambers made a motion to accept the TIP amendment. Jessica Hersh-Ballering seconded the motion and it passed with Michael Barnes abstaining.

5. SMART SCALE (MINUTE 1:37:02)

Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIP) Proposed Changes to SMART SCALE

Sandy Shackelford presented the Round 5 scores under the proposed changes. She also gave the MPO/TJPDC projects that are eligible under the adjusted High Priority Program (HPP) definition.

6. ROUNDTABLE (MINUTE 1:54:17):

Tiffany Dubinsky reported that DRPT had their post-award dinner last Friday. A recording of the presentations are on their website. She also noted that DRPT will be rolling out their new requirements for MPOs.

7. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (MINUTE 1:54:44)

July 18, 2023 Minutes

Motion/Action: Jessica-Hersh Balling said in the last meeting's minutes, Alberic Karina-Plun said "RFQ", but meant "RFP" process. Ben Chambers made a motion to approve the July 18 meeting minutes with the suggested change. Jessica Hersh-Balling seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

8. ADDITIONAL MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Stolzenberg adjourned the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

NOTE: Joint meeting with SAW-MPO is scheduled for September 27, 2023 in Waynesboro at 10 a.m.

MEMO

TO: CAMPO MPO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
FROM: Will Cockrell, AICP (EPR)
Alan Simpson, (EPR)
DATE: September 11, 2023

RE: MPO Technical Committee Memo on Toward 2050 Engagement

PURPOSE: The following memo updates the MPO Technical Committee on the Moving Toward 2050 public and stakeholder engagement process. Working with their consultant team, MPO staff will pass the first significant engagement milestone in September. EPR is currently processing public and stakeholder feedback and will share a detailed report for the October MPO Technical Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND: Throughout the calendar year, MPO staff collected stakeholder and public comments to help shape the Moving Toward 2050 planning process and upcoming decisions. These efforts began in February 2023 when staff and their consultants facilitated three stakeholder meetings representing major employers, public safety departments, and other community partners. These initial meetings shaped the Moving Toward 2050 goals and objectives. Staff used these goals and objectives to shape their public engagement tools, sharing the goals and objectives with community groups and developing a survey to collect feedback on transportation system priorities.

More recent engagement efforts included:

- **VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING:** MPO staff conducted a virtual informational meeting explaining the Moving Toward 2050 process. The meeting was recorded and placed on the project website as a reference resource.
- **OPEN HOUSE EVENT:** EPR assisted staff with developing meeting materials for an Open House event at the Water Street Center.
- **COMMUNITY SURVEY:** An online survey collected 334 responses and over 1,100 comments through an interactive map.
- **PUBLIC INTERCEPTS:** To reach underrepresented groups, staff attended various community events to gather comments. Staff also attended two Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority's (CRHA) regular meetings with residents. Additionally, staff set up booths at the Charlottesville Transit Center and the Charlottesville National Night Out event, and attended Albemarle County's National Night Out event.
- **COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETINGS:** TJPDC staff is attending Albemarle County's CAC meetings to collect additional feedback. The last of those presentations will occur in late September.
- **PAST FEEDBACK:** Staff and their consultants are creating an inventory of previous transportation-related engagement efforts, as those results are still valid. That log incorporates feedback received through local comprehensive plan and transit efforts.

With one CAC meeting left to attend, MPO staff can document contact with nearly 600 individuals and attendance at fifteen community engagement events as part of this initiative.

ISSUES: All public and stakeholder comments have been added to a spreadsheet log, which EPR is reviewing to create an engagement report for this process stage. This document will incorporate and analyze comments from the various efforts. The general document outline includes the following sections:

- Summary of engagement efforts with dates and approaches
- Report on community survey responses
- Analysis of comments received at community events and meetings
- Summary of transportation-related comments from past efforts
- Report on how comments will shape Moving Toward 2050
- Next steps

This document will consolidate responses into an analysis that guides the next steps and outcomes for Toward 2050. The feedback will serve four purposes:

1. Weighting Performance Measures involved with scoring projects;
2. Identifying and weighting travel needs;
3. Evaluating projects; and,
4. Identifying preferred solutions to travel needs.

ACTIONS: EPR will complete this engagement documentation at the end of September for staff review. The MPO Technical Committee will receive this documentation and analysis at their October 17 meeting for further discussion. EPR will attend the September 19 meeting to answer questions and provide preliminary findings. If you have any comments, concerns, or questions, please contact me at w.cockrell@epr-pc.com or (434) 981-8745.

Memorandum

To: MPO Policy Board
From: Ryan Mickles, Regional Planner III
Date: August 28, 2023
Reference: Adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Purpose: To move funds from Fiscal Year 2023 to Fiscal Year 2024 to match the planned obligation expected for Fiscal Year 2023 and Fiscal Year 2024.

Old Table

GROUPING		Maintenance: Preventive Maintenance and System Preservation				
PROGRAM NOTE		Funding identified to be obligated districtwide as projects are identified.				
ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$55,125,810
	FUNDING SOURCE	MATCH	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
CN	Federal - NHFP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$181,390	\$0
	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$8,522,852	\$250,000	\$0	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$35,272,784	\$416,500	\$10,482,284	\$0
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$43,795,636	\$666,500	\$10,663,674	\$0
MPO Notes		TIP AMD – ad \$181,390 (NHFP) & \$10,482,294 (STP/STBG) FFY23				

New/Adjusted Table

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	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$8,522,852	\$250,000	\$0	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$35,272,784	\$416,500	\$1,568,610	\$8,913,674
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$43,795,636	\$666,500	\$1,750,000	\$8,913,674
MPO Notes		FFY23-11 STIP MOD – move \$8,913,674 (STP/STBG) from FFY23 to FFY24				

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GROUPING		Maintenance: Preventive Maintenance for Bridges				
PROGRAM NOTE		Funding identified to be obligated districtwide as projects are identified.				
ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$20,995,684
	FUNDING SOURCE	MATCH	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
CN	Federal - NHFP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,877,503	\$0
	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$2,750,000	\$528,620	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$3,487,446	\$9,174,227	\$2,177,888	\$0
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$4,487,446	\$11,924,227	\$4,584,011	\$0
MPO Notes		TIP AMD – add \$1,877,503 (NHP) \$528,620 (NHPP) & \$2,177,888 (STP/STBGB) FFY23				

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	FUNDING SOURCE	MATCH	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
CN	Federal - NHFP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,877,503
	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$2,750,000	\$528,620	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$3,487,446	\$9,174,227	\$1,396,080	\$781,808
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$4,487,446	\$11,924,227	\$1,924,700	\$2,659,311
MPO Notes		FFY23-11 STIP MOD - move \$1,877,503 (NHFP) & \$781,808 (STBG) from FFY23 to FFY24				

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GROUPING		Maintenance: Traffic and Safety Operations				
PROGRAM NOTE		Funding identified to be obligated districtwide as projects are identified.				
ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$6,066,334
	FUNDING SOURCE	MATCH	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
CN	Federal – STP/STBG	\$0	\$0	\$1,975,150	\$2,608,441	\$1,482,743
MPO Notes		Adjustment 17: TIP AMD – add an additional \$2,046,632 (STP/STBG) FFY223				

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ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$6,066,334
	FUNDING SOURCE	MATCH	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
CN	Federal – STP/STBG	\$0	\$0	\$1,975,150	\$0	\$4,091,194
MPO Notes		FFY23-11 STIP MOD - move \$2,608,441 (STP/STBG) from FFY23 to FFY24				