

Meeting Agenda

RPO Technical Advisory Committee

October 18th, 2018 – 11:30 French Broad Room (Large) Conference Room

Land of Sky Regional Council

1. WELCOME AND HOUSEKEEPING

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| A. Welcome and Introductions | Charlie Landreth |
| B. Ethics Statement & Agenda Approval/Modifications | Charlie Landreth |

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS TCC MEETING MINUTES

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| Minutes from the RPO TAC June 28th, 2018 Meeting | Charlie Landreth |
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3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. LAND OF SKY RPO TAC BUSINESS Items

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| A. LOSRPO Prioritization 5.0 Assignment of Division Needs LIP | Vicki Eastland |
| B. LOSRPO Resolutions of Support for Rural Transit Providers | |
| FTA 5310 Elderly and Persons Living w/ Disabilities | |
| Applications to NCDOT PTD | Vicki Eastland |
| C. LOSRPO Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2019 | Vicki Eastland |

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. REGULAR UPDATES

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| A. NCDOT Division 13 and 14 updates | Mark Gibbs/Brian Burch |
| B. Transportation Planning Branch Updates | Daniel Sellers |
| C. Staff Updates and Housekeeping | Vicki Eastland |

7. ADJOURN LOSRPO MEETING

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Item 1B: Ethics Statement

ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER

(To be read by the Chair or his or her designee at the beginning of each meeting)

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Land of Sky Rural Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee
Minutes – June 28, 2018

Attendees:

Vicki Eastland
Brendan Merithew
Matt Wechtel
Michael Sorrells

Zia Rifkin
Steve Williams
Wanda Austin
Charlie Landreth

Anna Sexton
Joshua Freeman
Mike Clark

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Landreth called the meeting to order, welcomed attendees and requested introductions be made. He read the Ethics Statement, asked if there were any conflicts, and Mike Sorrells responded that he had a conflict with a matter before the RPO and would refrain from joining in discussion or voting on that business item.

APPROVAL OF TAC MINUTES

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Mike Sorrells moved to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2018 LOSRPO TAC meeting. Matt Wechtel seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

BUSINESS

LOSRPO Prioritization 5.0 Public Outreach/Survey Results: Vicki Eastland shared public outreach/survey results. She also reviewed the process of prioritization for Regional Impact Tier projects competing for funding in this round of SPOT5.0. Vicki Eastland communicated that she would share the public survey results presentation with the TAC.

Information only. No action required.

LOSRPO SPOT 5.0 Local Input Points Regional Impact tier: Vicki Eastland shared that meetings with local governments have been held, the survey distributed and results tallied and now it is time to approve the application of points for projects in the Regional Impact Tier. She communicated about the Jonathan Creek Road project which is in both the RPO and MPO regions and the US 25/70 Superstreet project which is also in both transportation planning regions.

Matt Wechtel moved to approve the LOSRPO SPOT 5.0 local input points for projects in the Regional Impact Tier. Charlie Landreth seconded the motion, which carried without further discussion.

Resolution to Remove or Reduce Bike/Ped Local Match – Vicki Eastland shared that this item was reviewed at the March meeting. She communicated that many of the smaller rural jurisdictions do not have the local 20% match for projects so those do not get submitted. This is only for stand-alone bike/ped projects. If this change is approved at the state level, it would allow federal funds to support 80% of proposed projects and the 20% local match would come from state funds. To encourage smaller, rural areas to be able to access these funds, it has been set up to correspond to county tier designations. A Tier 1 county would need to put up a 5% match and a Tier 2 county would need a 10% match.

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Mike Sorrells moved to approve the resolution to remove or reduce Bike/Ped Local Match and to send that to Julie White, the NCDOT Deputy Secretary for Multi-Modal Transportation. Matt Wechtel seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

City of Brevard BUILD Letter of Support: – Vicki Eastland shared about Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD), which are the new TIGER funds, for jurisdictions to apply directly to the feds to get important projects funded. These funds have a rural set aside. In the past, the minimum set aside for rural projects has been exceeded. The minimum cost of transportation projects in rural areas is \$1 million. In 2002, the City of Brevard decided that they wanted to do a downtown revitalization project. That plan was updated in 2012.

Chairman Landreth provided details of the project that the City would like to submit for funding. He noted that the project is roughly equal to the downtown business area. Vicki Eastland shares that BUILD can fund up to 100% of the project, but she noted that the chance of project approval rises when a jurisdiction has “skin” in the game. Today, the TAC is being asked to approve providing a letter of support for the City's grant application for BUILD.

Discussion occurred about the City's Downtown Master Plan, which focuses on the infrastructure in the downtown area. The project, if approved, would provide safety upgrades and other improvements.

Matt Wechtel moved to approve the City of Brevard BUILD Letter of Support. Mike Sorrells seconded and the motion carried as all were in favor.

REGULAR UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brendan Merithew provided Division 13 updates

Steve Williams provided Division 14 updates.

Daniel Sellers provided TPB updates.

Vicki Eastland provided staff updates.

ADJOURNMENT

Charlie Landreth adjourned the meeting as there was no further business.

Staff recommended action:

Review and Approve Previous meeting minutes.

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3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. Land of Sky RPO TAC BUSINESS Items

Item 4A. : LOSRPO SPOT5.0 Local Input Points Division Needs Tier. Vicki Eastland

LOSRPO staff has held staff level meetings in all counties with representatives from all LOSRPO member governments, NCDOT staff and FBRMPO staff. RPO staff completed scoring of all DIVISION NEEDS PROJECTS and applied LOCAL INPUT POINTS based on Local Priority Rank and the LOSRPO Adopted Scoring Methodology. RPO staff shared DRAFT Local Input Points assignment list with LOSRPO TAC/TCC members via email and advertised the LOSRPO DRAFT Regional Impact Assignment of Local Input Points for public comment and public hearing in the October 3rd issue of the Mountain Express. The list was also placed on the LOSRPO web site.

http://www.landofsky.org/pdf/LGS/RPO/DRAFT_LOSRPO_P5_Division_Needs_Local_Input_PointsOct2018.pdf

Staff recommended action:

Review and discuss as needed. Vote to adopt the LOSRPO Division Needs Local Input Points assignment.

Item 4B: LOSRPO SPOT5.0 Local Input Points Regional Impact Tier

NCDOT Public Transit Division (PTD) is requiring public transit providers to reach out to their MPO/RPO planning partners for letters or resolutions of support for their applications for Federal Transit Agency (FTA) Section 5310 funds. The (FTA) **Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for seniors and Individuals with Disabilities** provides funds for programs and projects aiming to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding mobility options.

Staff Recommendations:

Review the Resolutions of Support, vote to Adopt Resolutions for the three county Transit Providers and Land of Sky Senior Volunteers Applications for FTA Section 5310 Funds.

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Item 4C. LOSRPO TCC/TAC Meeting Schedule FY 19/20

Vicki Eastland

LOSRPO staff has prepared the meeting schedule for the 2019 calendar year, FY 2019-2020. Meetings are set with consideration of LOSRPO deadlines, the Prioritization 6.0 DRAFT schedule as well as other scheduling needs in mind.

Land of Sky RPO TCC/TAC 2019 Meeting Schedule

Land of Sky RPO TCC – 2nd Thursday at 10:00 a.m. (unless otherwise noted)

February 14th, 2019
 May 9th, 2019
 June 13th, 2019
 August 8th, 2019
 September 12th, 2019

Land of Sky RPO TAC – 4th Thursday at 11:30 a.m. (*unless otherwise noted)

February 28nd, 2019
 May 23rd, 2019
 June 27th, 2019
 August 22nd, 2019
 September 26th, 2019

Staff Recommendations:

Informational only. No action required.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. REGULAR UPDATES

- A. NCDOT Division 13 and 14 updates
- B. Transportation Planning Branch Updates
- C. Staff Updates

NCDOT Staff
 Daniel Sellers
 Vicki Eastland

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS, SPECIAL UPDATES

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