



**Kerr-Tar Regional Transportation Planning  
TAC Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, October 15, 2015 (10:00PM - 12:00PM)

Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments  
1724 Graham Avenue / Henderson, NC

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**TAC Members**

Mayor Tom Lane (TAC Chair)  
Tony King  
Mayor O'Geary  
Tare Davis  
Jim Crawford  
Tony Cozart  
Henry Daniel

**TCC Members**

Will Brooks  
David Keilson- NCDOT Div 5  
Brandie Crawford- KTRPO Secretary

**Guests**

Eric Naisbitt- Senator Barefoot's Office

**Welcome and the Review of Agenda – TAC Chair, Mayor Tom Lane**

Mayor Tom Lane opens meeting and welcomed members. The minutes were reviewed from the previous two meetings. Previous TAC/TCC meeting minutes are from the May 28, 2015 meeting and the Special Meeting on July 8, 2015. The TAC meeting was originally scheduled for Thursday October 8, 2015, but was rescheduled to Thursday October 15, 2015 due to lack of quorum at the first meeting.

**Public Comments – None**

**ACTION ITEM: Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

The TAC members reviewed the previous meeting minutes from the May 28, 2015 and the July 8, 2015 meetings. A motion was made by Mayor O' Geary to approve the previous meetings minutes. The motion was seconded by Tony King. The motion passed. The minutes of both previous meetings were approved.

**SPOT Update- Brandie Crawford, KTRPO**

A SPOT update was provided to members noting that the Kerr-Tar RPO submitted the list of modifications to existing projects and anticipated intersection/interchange projects from P3.0 for Prioritization 4.0 to NCDOT on September 1, 2015. The next step was noted to be

submitting new candidate projects for the KTRPO. It was pointed out that there are 12 available slots for new projects to submit for each mode of transportation in KTRPO including: 12 Highway Project Submittals, 12 Aviation Project Submittals, 12 Transit Project Submittals, 12 Rail Project Submittals, and 12 Bike Project Submittals.

**South East High Speed Rail Update- Brandie Crawford, KTRPO**

*An update was provided to TAC members:* The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)'s Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), the State of North Carolina and the Commonwealth of Virginia announced that they have signed off on the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed Richmond to Raleigh (R2R) passenger rail line along the Southeast Corridor. The completion of the FEIS is one of the final steps necessary before construction of the project can move forward once funding is secured. To read the FEIS, visit <http://www.fra.dot.gov/eLib/Details/L17056>

**NC-56 Study Update- Brandie Crawford, KTRPO**

The NC 56 Corridor Study was recently completed and the draft report is now available: <http://www.nc56corridorstudy.com> A possible presentation of the study will be made at the next KTRPO meeting by a core technical team member as well as an option to endorse the study by the RPO.

**Planning Work Program Update- Brandie Crawford, KTRPO**

An update was provided that the KTRPO plans to submit a draft Planning Work Program (PWP) for the next fiscal year to NCDOT by the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. RPO members were invited to make any suggestions for additions to the draft PWP. A draft will be sent out to members before the December deadline (*the Draft PWP deadline has since been changed to February 29*).

**ACTION ITEM: Approve KTRPO Project Submittals for SPOT/Prioritization 4.0**

The KTRPO draft list of Highway projects to submit for P4.0 was presented to TAC members. The approved motions made by the TCC were presented to TAC members. After discussion, a motion was made by Tony King to approve the TCC's recommendation for the highway projects list. The motion was seconded by Jim Crawford. The motion passed.

The draft list of aviation projects to submit for P4.0 was presented to TAC members. The approved motions made by the TCC were presented to TAC members. After discussion, a motion was made by Jim Crawford to approve the TCC's recommendation for the aviation projects list. The motion was seconded by Tony Cozart. The motion passed.

The draft list of Transit projects to submit for P4.0 was presented to TAC members. The approved motions made by the TCC were presented to TAC members. After discussion, a

motion was made by Mayor O'Geary to approve the TCC's recommendation for transit projects. The motion was seconded by Tony King. The motion passed.

A request by the Town of Butner was presented to TAC members. Butner requested that the TAC consider updating two Butner projects' descriptions on the P4.0 Highway Submittal list. The two projects are new projects that would construct a new roadway on a new location in the town of Butner. The current description is what was submitted in previous rounds of prioritization. Since the time the original project was submitted, the Town of Butner has completed a study that has more specific recommendations for the project and would like to update the two projects descriptions to read as described below:

"My only request would be to change the description from this:

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To this:

This project is a segment of former project H111042. Construct a new road adjacent to I-85 in accordance with the Butner Gateway Small Area Plan.

If that is not possible at this time, I would like to keep it to be changed at the next opportunity to update the project, or possibly if the TAC could adopt this description. The alignment is just not exactly parallel to I-85 in order to avoid some wetlands and due to the funded overpass that will be the dividing line, splitting this project into 2."

After discussion, Tony King made a motion to approve the update for the description of the two Butner projects. The motion was seconded by Tony Cozart. The motion passed.

**ACTION ITEM: Approve Resolution of Support for KTRPO CMAQ Project Submittals**

The TAC members were presented with the CMAQ prioritization process that KTRPO staff used to prioritize the three applications received for CMAQ Funding for FFY 2017. The Prioritization process was developed by a CMAQ committee to be used in the event that the RPO received more application requests than available funding. From the prioritization process, there was a top scoring project, the Roxboro, Person County Pedestrian & Bicycle Reconnect project, which staff recommended to submit for CMAQ funding to NCDOT. Based on the cost of the project and funding available, there was not enough remaining funding to fund a second project. The TAC was presented with the TCC motion endorsing the resolution in support of the Roxboro

Person County Pedestrian & Bicycle Reconnect project. After discussion, a motion was made by Mayor O'Geary to approve the TCC's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Tony King. The motion passed.

**NCDOT Reports-** *NCDOT Division 5 & NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch*  
There were no NCDOT reports provided.

#### **Other Business**

Mayor Lane and Mayor O'Geary both mentioned that this meeting would be their last meeting as TAC members. Brandie Crawford, KTRPO Secretary also stated that this would be her last meeting as well.

#### **Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn by Mayor O' Geary. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.