

## MINUTES

**BURLINGTON-GRAHAM URBAN AREA  
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022  
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS  
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### MEMBERS PRESENT

Nishith Trivedi, Orange County (Chair)  
Mike Nunn, Burlington  
Justin Snyder, Graham  
Ian Shannon, Alamance County  
Nolan Carter, Alamance County  
Sean Tencer, Haw River  
Cy Stober, Mebane  
Audrey Vogel, Mebane  
Nolan Kirkman, Burlington  
Peter Murphy, ACTA  
Scott Rhine, PART  
Bonnie Guo, GoTriangle

### NCDOT STAFF

Alex Rotenberry, NCDOT IMD  
Stephen Robinson, NCDOT Division 7  
Andy Bailey, NCDOT-TPD

### FHWA STAFF

Suzette Morales

### VHB

Eric Tang  
Lauren Blackburn  
Connor Klassen

### BGMPO STAFF

Wannetta Mallette  
Blake Cashmore

### Call to Order

Chair Nishith Trivedi welcomed all members and guests and called the January 18, 2022 TCC meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Mr. Alex Rotenberry with the NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (NCDOT-IMD) introduced himself to the TCC. Ms. Wannetta Mallette conducted the membership roll call and established a quorum. Chair Trivedi asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. Cy Stober made a motion to move the NCDOT-TPD and Division reports to after the calendar approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mike Nunn and passed unanimously by voice vote. No comments by the public were made. Chair Trivedi then asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Mr. Stephen Robinson made a motion to approve the December 15, 2021 TCC minutes and it was seconded by Mr. Nunn. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### Election of TCC Officers for 2022

Chair Trivedi opened the floor for TCC officer nominations. Ms. Mallette stated she received a nomination by email for Mr. Nish Trivedi to serve as either TCC chair or vice-chair. Mr. Scott Rhine nominated Mr. Mike Nunn for TCC Chair. Mr. Nunn declined the nomination and made a motion for Nishith Trivedi to continue as TCC Chair. Mr. Justin Snyder seconded Mr. Nunn's motion. Mr. Stober commented the TCC Chair typically serves a one-year term and is succeeded by the TCC Vice Chair. He supported Mr. Nunn's nomination for chair. Mr. Stober withdrew his opposition upon learning of Mr. Nunn's reasoning for declining the nomination. The motion for Mr. Trivedi to serve as TCC Chair for 2022 calendar year passed unanimously by voice vote. Chair Trivedi thanked the TCC and opened the floor for Vice Chair nominations. Mr. Nunn stated the position is a great opportunity to become more involved in MPO operations and transportation planning in the region. Mr. Stober made the motion for Mr. Nunn to continue as vice chair of the TCC and it was seconded by Mr. Rhine. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### TCC 2022 Meeting Calendar

Mr. Rhine made a motion to approve the TCC 2022 meeting calendar, seconded by Mr. Stober. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### NCDOT TPD Update

Mr. Andy Bailey stated the BGMPO Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) appeared to have met NCDOT standards and requirements. Mr. Bailey apologized for the delay and stated he is still developing the BGMPO Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) due to staffing shortages and hopes to have it available for review and public comment by the February 15 TCC meeting. Mr. Stober asked if the final product would include maps or just the project table. Mr. Bailey confirmed it would be a complete product that would include maps and project lists.

### NCDOT Division Engineer Report

Mr. Robinson reported the crosswalk and pedestrian signal upgrades at South Church St and Edgewood intersection and Boone Station Drive are almost complete. Only pavement re-markings and audible pedestrian buttons remain for the projects to be finished. Mr. Robinson stated they are still waiting for guidance from the STIP workgroup regarding the next STIP programming and hope to have more information within the next few months. Mr. Stober asked if the NC 119 Bypass would be completed by Spring 2022. Mr. Robinson stated he did not have a final deadline but would get back to Mr. Stober with a schedule update. Mr. Stober also asked about the express design

project on NC 119 from Trollingwood Rd to NC-54, and Mr. Robinson stated he had no update.

### Draft FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Mallette provided an overview of the draft FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). She explained the UPWP is a federal requirement for MPOs that outlines work tasks, provides operational transparency, and outlines opportunity for public input. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provide funding for MPOs that are sub-allocated at the state level according to population and individual planning needs. Ms. Mallette reviewed the categories of work tasks and the specific tasks and projects completed in FY 2022. Ms. Mallette then outlined proposed FY 2023 work tasks, which included among them a regional transit feasibility study, completion of the Transportation Safety Plan, and development of CommunityViz regional growth scenarios. Ms. Mallette requested the TCC approve the draft UPWP recommend TAC approval and release to the public for a 30-day comment period. Chair Trivedi requested the US 70 Corridor Study funded by DCHC be included in the BGMPO UPWP. Mr. Rhine made the motion to approve the draft UPWP and recommend the draft UPWP be approved by the TAC and released for public comment. Mr. Nunn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### BGMPO TIP Amendments

Mr. Blake Cashmore presented the STIP BGMPO TIP amendments introduced during the months of November 2021 - January 2022. Four projects were amended during this period: TO-6170, a transit operations assistance project; EB-5885 and EB-5887, two bike and pedestrian projects in Burlington; and U-6014, a road widening project in Burlington along Graham-Hopedale Road. BGMPO staff recommended the TCC approve the TIP amendments and recommend TAC adoption by resolution. Mr. Nunn made a motion to approve the TIP amendments and recommend TAC approval for adoption. Mr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### Endorsement of 2022 MPO Safety Transportation Performance Targets

Ms. Mallette stated the 2022 safety performance targets were presented at the December 14, 2021 TCC meeting. She explained that one of VHB's Transportation Safety Plan scope tasks is to determine if BGMPO should continue endorsement of the state safety performance targets or develop their own. For the current year, BGMPO staff recommended endorsement of the state targets until that determination is made by VHB. Mr. Snyder made a motion to endorse NCDOT 2022 BGMPO transportation safety targets and recommend TAC endorsement. Mr. Nunn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

## Triangle Region Air Quality Conformity Determination Report

Ms. Mallette stated the Air Quality Conformity Determination Report (AQ-CDR) was released in December 2021 for public comment. To date, BGMPO had not received any public comment. The AQ-CDR includes transportation projects that are in regional MPO's long-range plans that will be implemented to maintain compliance with state and federal emission requirements. While BGMPO received no comments, DCHC, CAMPO and the Triangle Area MPO received comments recommending the inclusion of additional non-motorized solutions. BGMPO staff requested the TCC approve the AQ-CDR and recommend TAC adoption of the AQ-CDR pending public comments at their hearing. Mr. Nunn made a motion to recommend TAC adoption of the AQ-CDR and Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### Agency Reports and Updates

*FHWA:* Ms. Suzette Morales reported FHWA released a notice on planning emphasis areas to MPOs. There are eight different emphasis areas for planning that FHWA believes could improve the transportation planning process. FHWA Division offices are awaiting guidance from central headquarters before proceeding forward with implementation. Chair Trivedi asked if FHWA would release any environmental justice guidance. Ms. Morales stated she expected they would be released soon.

*NCDOT-IMD:* Mr. Alex Rotenberry explained NCDOT-IMD has four planning areas across the state with a corresponding planner. Mr. Rotenberry manages the western Piedmont area and will be BGMPO's primary point of contact. His jurisdiction excludes the Triangle area. Mr. Rotenberry confirmed another planner works over the Triangle area.

*BGMPO:* The first public meeting for the Transportation Safety Plan will be held Wednesday, February 23 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be in a virtual format. Preliminary crash and data findings will be presented at the next TCC and TAC meetings. Ms. Mallette stated BGMPO was awarded a TDM grant that will fund a TDM social media workshop. Members of the TCC will be invited once the workshop is scheduled.

### Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Trivedi adjourned the meeting at 1:53 p.m. The next TCC meeting was scheduled for **February 15, 2022**.