

**Wilmington Urban Area  
Technical Coordinating Committee  
Meeting Notes for May 10, 2006**

**Members Present:**

Mike Kozlosky, City of Wilmington, Chairman  
Don Bennett, City of Wilmington  
Albert Eby, Wave Transit  
Monica Kerr, NCDOT  
Chris O'Keefe, New Hanover County  
Penny Tysinger, Cape Fear COG  
Lawless Bean, City of Wilmington  
Don Eggert, Cape Fear COG  
Steven Spruill, Town of Leland  
Melinda Powell-Williams, Town of Wrightsville Beach

**Others Present:**

Joshuah Mello, City of Wilmington  
Aruna Reddi, City of Wilmington  
Katie Ryan, Town of Wrightsville Beach  
Frank Palmer, Pender County  
Andrew Collins, Pender County  
Dan Cameron, Noremac

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Kozlosky called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

**2. Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2006**

Mr. Eby made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. O'Keefe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. Old Business**

**a. Overnight Parking Facility in Belville**

Mr. Kozlosky introduced Mr. Dan Cameron, the developer for the proposed overnight parking facility in Belville.

Mr. Cameron gave a brief presentation regarding his efforts in obtaining Federal Transportation funds from the SAFETEA-LU legislation for a truck stop and overnight parking facility in Belville. He explained that he is requesting a grant through the MPO and asking that the TCC and TAC consider supporting his request by endorsing the grant application for \$750,000.

Mr. Eggert told members this committee's decision should not be based on potential environmental impacts. This committee deals with transportation issues. Ms. Tysinger said this land has been zoned industrial and he is allowed by law to build this facility.

Mr. Kozlosky said although this may not be the best site for this facility, given the fatigue issue cited by Mr. Cameron, he would make a motion to recommend approval of this resolution to the TAC. Mr. O'Keefe seconded the motion and the motion passed with 6 members voting in favor and 3 members voting against.

#### 4. New Business

a. Wrightsville Beach Bike Plan

Mr. Kozlosky told members if the Bike plan is adopted by the TAC, it will be easier for the Town of Wrightsville Beach to apply for grant opportunities. It also makes it easier for the TAC to endorse grant applications that are submitted to the Department of Transportation for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Mr. O'Keefe gave a brief overview. The plan has been adopted by the Town of Wrightsville Beach and the Bicycle Advisory Committee. Ms. Bean made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution to the TAC and Ms. Tysinger seconded the motion. The vote carried unanimously.

b. Request for Lighting on the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge

Mr. Kozlosky told members on May 4<sup>th</sup>, the Department of Transportation approved \$5 million for upgrades to the electronics and mechanical infrastructure for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge. As part of this upgrade, Wilmington Councilmember Saffo requested that the state consider the installation of lighting on the bridge. A resolution will be presented at the Wilmington City Council Meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Tysinger made the motion to recommend support of the resolution and forward it to the TAC. Mr. Kozlosky seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

c. Amendment to MPO Bylaws

Mr. Kozlosky told member the MPO Bylaws for the TAC have not been updated in a number of years. He has made suggested edits to bring the bylaws more current. Ms. Kerr suggested that we add in the attendance requirements as requested by the State Attorneys Generals office. With that additional language added, Mr. Kozlosky said he would make the motion the recommend approval and forward the revised bylaws to the TAC. Ms. Kerr seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

d. City of Wilmington Transportation Level of Service Maps

Mr. Kozlosky told members the City of Wilmington currently collects traffic counts at over 650 locations within the MPO Planning Area boundary as well as capacity data for segments of roadway throughout the boundary. Staff has identified levels of service based on the volume to capacity ratio on the major arterials. The City has developed a map that allows staff to analyze potential rezonings and determine if there is capacity on the roadway to handle the rezoning. This has been developed as a visual aide to allow council and staff to provide recommendations based on transportation.

#### 5. Project Updates

a. Expansion of MPO Planning Area Boundary

Mr. Kozlosky told members the revised MOU was endorsed by the TAC at the April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting and is presently being circulated to the local municipalities. It should then be adopted in August.

b. Wilmington Transportation Model Development

Mr. Kozlosky asked Ms. Kerr to update members on the model development. She told members the model is running on schedule. After completion of the centroid connectors and capacity analysis, they will begin the second phase of the model.

c. US 17 Corridor Study

Mr. Kozlosky told members the steering committee met and discussed the installation of road diet measures on Market Street between Covil Avenue and 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Streets. They are

also looking at reverting 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Streets back to two-way traffic with parking on each side. The next steering committee meeting is scheduled for July.

d. **NCDOT Project Update (Riddle)**

(attached)

e. **Pender County Collector Street Plan (added to the agenda)**

Mr. Kozlosky told members they held a kickoff meeting for the Pender County Collector Street Plan on May 4<sup>th</sup>. The meeting went well and they are in the process of gathering data. The next meeting is May 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm at the Hampstead Library.

7. **Announcements**

- a. Dan Cameron Memorial Bridge Dedication- May 15<sup>th</sup>
- b. NCSITE- Wrightsville Beach- June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

8. **Adjournment**

With no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.



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May 9, 2006

Subject: Projects Update

1. **MLK Pkwy:** U-0092 A  
**MLK Pkwy:** U-0092 B

**Open to traffic**  
**Open to traffic**

2. **US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2405 A Scheduled Comp. **Date 6-15-2006**  
Prime-Barnhill (US 17, near Scotts Hill to I-40)  
Same contractor will construct "Super-Street" work.  
Construction time has not been set, but the work could last up to a  
Year, w/ R/W and utilities relocation.

**US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2633 CC **Open to traffic**  
Prime-APAC/Atlantic (I-40 Interchange)

**US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2633 CB **Open to traffic**  
Prime-C.M. Lindsay (from US 117 to NC 132)

**US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2633 CA **Comp. June/July 2006**  
Prime-GLF (Big Bridge portion)

**US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2633 B Brunswick County  
(From US 421 to US 74/76)  
In the Planning/Design stage

**US 17 Wilmington Bypass:** R-2633 A Brunswick County  
(From US 74/76 to US 17)  
In the Planning stage, alignment has been selected.

**Signing:** Division and Raleigh Signing are revisiting the signing for the Parkway and  
the Bypass. Authorization for funding is being requested and will be in the June BOT agenda.

3. **Military Cutoff (U-2734)**, constructing a multi-lane facility from US 17 (Market Street) to US 74 (Eastwood Drive). First  
phase of construction is the intersection of Military Cutoff & Market Street (US 17) & Gordon Road. The traffic has been  
shifted near Mayfaire Town Center to construct the other half of the culvert. The Contractor is on schedule.

**Estimated Contract Completion Date May 2007**

4. B-3496: "Bradley Creek", replace Bridge #10 over Bradley Creek. **Open to Traffic**  
**Estimated Contract Completion Date May 15, 2006**

5. **U-4702 A:** construct a concrete median island from SR 2649 (Martin Luther King Parkway) to SR 1272 (New Center  
Drive). Contract has been awarded to Kinston Contractors. **Estimated Contract Completion Date June 2006**

6. **SR 1272 (New Center Drive): widening** the roadway to 5-lanes. **Estimated completion date June 2006**

**7. Bridge Painting Contract:** removing the existing lead base paint and painting structures #7, #43 and #96, in Brunswick County. Bridge #7 is the fly-over near the Memorial Bridge and has an intermediate completion date of May 26, 2006 (only nighttime lane closures will be utilized). Bridge #43 is the over pass on US 74/76, just after the US 17/74/76 split and does not have an interchange. Work has already begun. Bridge #96 is the fly-over for US 17 southbound at the US 17/74/76 split.

**Estimated completion date August 18, 2006**

**NCMA:**

**1<sup>st</sup> year NCMA Brunswick County:**

- **SR 1130 (Mt. Pisgah Rd) & NC 904** These are widening and resurfacing projects. **Work complete**
- **NC 211** We will be widening & resurfacing NC 211 from the entrance of St. James to NC 133 (Doscher Cutoff). The portion of the project from the Doscher Cutoff to NC 133 (Long Beach Road), will be completed by May 15, 2006. *(The contractor is now allowed to accomplish this work during daylight hours. The only time restriction is from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM)*. The work will consist of connecting the existing 3-lane sections by widening and resurfacing the roadway. **This work is about 95% complete.** The portion of the project from NC 133 (Long Beach Road) to the Entrance of the Town of St. James, **estimated completion date November 15, 2006.** The work will consist of resurfacing and some widening at the intersection with the entrance to St. James. The current approximate cost of the project is \$3,300,000.00.
- **NC 130** there will be left turn lanes install at four locations; **Seashore Road, Boones Neck Road, Oxpen Road & Sabbath Home Road.** Included with this contract are two roads in Shallotte, **Bridges Street (SR 1349) and Sellars Street (SR 1234).** We will be resurfacing widening and resurfacing Bridges Street. We will be resurfacing Sellars Street. Currently, under construction. **Work complete**

**2<sup>nd</sup> year NCMA Brunswick County:**

- **NC 87** from Boiling Springs Lakes southern city limits to NC 133, we will be resurfacing. The availability date is January 5, 2005 and the completion date is November 1, 2005. The Contractor will not be allowed to work from May 27<sup>th</sup> to September 5<sup>th</sup>. **Work complete**
- **SR 1303 (Hickman Road)** from South Carolina State Line to US 17, widen 2' each side and resurface. There will be turn lanes placed at four locations; Indigo Farms, Hickman's Crossroads, Shingletree Road and Crow Creek. Letting is November 2004. The availability date is January 5, 2005 and the completion date is November 1, 2005. **Work complete**

**2<sup>nd</sup> year NCMA Pender County:**

- **NC 210** from US 17 to NC 50 (going to the beach) will be widen and resurfaced. Pipe replacement work has been completed. **Work is 95% complete**
- **NC 133** from US 117 to NC 210 will be widen and resurfaced. State forces to place pipe in the lateral ditch at certain areas. Pipe replacement work has been completed. Project has been let and the availability date is February 7, 2005. Under construction
- **US 421** from NC 210 to Sampson County Line, resurface. Project has been let and the availability date is February 7, 2005. Under construction

**1<sup>st</sup> year NCMA New Hanover County:**

- **SR 1322 (Murraysville Rd) & SR 1402 (Edgewater Rd)** are in the December letting. These are widening and resurfacing projects. Project has been let and the availability date is February 7, 2005. **Work complete**

**County Resurfacing Projects:**

**Brunswick County:**

- **US 17** the Shallotte Bypass and ramps. The Contractor will not be allowed to work on the weekends. The Contractor is limited to night work from Monday to Thursday. The availability date is January 5, 2005 and the completion date is November 1, 2005. **Work complete**
- **NC 133** from SR 1190 to Oak Island Bridge and from Oak Island Bridge to 0.1 mile south of NC 211. The Contractor will not be allowed to work from May 27<sup>th</sup> to September 5<sup>th</sup>. The availability date is January 5, 2005 and the completion date is November 1, 2005. **Work complete**
- Turn lanes at four locations; SR 1210 (**Old Bridge Road**), SR 1101 (**Fish Factory Road**), SR 1217 (**Sea Pines Road**) and **Faith Boulevard**. The grading and asphalt widening work is complete and the resurfacing of NC 133 will cover this widening. **Work complete**

**Pender County:**

- **NC 210** from the Bladen County line to US 421. Contractor will begin work in 2006.
- **NC 50 (South Topsail Drive)** from Roland Drive (City Street) to South Shore Drive (City Street). **Work complete**

**US 17 Super Street Project (Leland):** Work has begun; signal poles, drainage and grading. The contractor is on schedule to have temporary signals by Memorial Day. There will be days when the traffic is reduced to a single lane. The speed limit has been reduced to 45 mph. Contractor has estimated that traffic will be in the final alignment soon after the Memorial Day weekend. **Estimated completion date is June 2006**