

MPO/RPO Webinar on Freight System Designation March 20, 2017

Attendees

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Notes/Comments

Webinar Purpose - Designation of NC primary freight system

General economic analysis - define quality of workforce, difference between HERE and INRIX data. No comments on the scores

Goods movement analysis - sources for truck counts (classification counts and HPMS data), what is the base year (2015). No comments on the scores

Supply chain analysis - Comment: US-70 to Morehead city didn't score very well in this analysis

Market access and connectivity - No comments on the scores.

Tool Demo

Will W. (CS) presented an overview of the analysis

State Primary Freight System - no comments

Weighting

Current - Equalized weighting

FAC and NCDOT - Economic 10, Goods Movement 25, SC 25, MA&C 40

NC Primary Freight System Designation

State system

National PHFS - CUFC and CRFC miles only include facilities that have projects ready/eligible for freight program dollars.

Weighting Poll - results

See results in Appendix A

Next Steps

1. Complete MPO/RPO webinars
2. Make final adjustments based of input
3. Present final draft system to NCDOT

Summary of Comments

- Where can the data be available to MPO/RPO - tableau tool link can be found on the NCDOT freight plan website
- Regional designation and CUFC designation - how to coordinate with MPOs?
- Differences between STC and Primary Freight System? Yes there are two separate systems.
- Potential criteria to add - is the facility already designed to handle freight traffic?
- Supply chain analysis - Comment: US-70 to Morehead city didn't score very well in this analysis.
- NCDOT: There were some concerns raised for the western part of the state. Specifically the fact that little to no industry showed up on the map when all industries (rather than key) were loaded. NC is the second most leader in production of Christmas trees and the feeling was that this is not being captured.
- NCDOT: With respect to the criteria, the feeling was that tonnage moved should be the lowest rank but that perhaps it should not be absolute tonnage but rather a percentage base on the total of the local economy.

Action Items

- Make slides available to MPO/RPO
- Look into targeted industries Western NC region - not much is shown.
- Add MPO/RPO boundary layer to compare to primary freight network