Attendees
Hoyt Cooper Windsor Commissioner
Dayle Vaughan Lewiston Commissioner
John Pierce Town of Askewville
Traci White Bertie County
Ann Whitley Peanut Belt RPO
Jerry Jennings NCDOT – Div 1
Saeed Mohamed NCDOT – TPB

Meeting Minutes

Introductions
Saeed Mohamed opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He introduced himself, and gave a brief overview of the CTP process and that he is building upon the previous study that started in 2007. Mr. Mohamed mentioned that he informed all towns about this meeting through fax and emails and encouraged every one to attend. However, some town faxes did not respond. All the attendees introduced themselves and their organizations.

Future Meeting Dates
Mr. Mohamed suggested that the committee set a monthly meeting date, where they will try to meet if they have new material for discussion. He mentioned that the meetings will likely be every other month to have something to discuss and make the meeting beneficial for all attendees. The committee agreed to meet on the third Wednesday of each month in Windsor from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Plan Specifics
Mr. Mohamed informed the committee members that the CTP’s Base Year will be 2008 and the future Year will be 2035. Ms. Traci White accepted the role of the Bertie County’s contact person for this study.

Areas of Concern
Mr. Mohamed worked with committee members to identify the existing and new projects that impact traffic in the county. All members identified projects and areas that need to be looked at during the studies, the roads that are currently experiencing high traffic rates and areas where traffic is likely to increase in the future. Areas identified were:
• The feasibility of rerouting truck traffic along NC 45, the northern section of US 13 towards the State of Virginia, and at the “Purdue” Chicken Factory, which holds approximately about 2600 employees.
• The Welcoming Center along NC 17 in the east side of the county.
• The area south of the Welcoming Center, where big developments are planned; such as the Bal-Gra Development, Golf Course, and about 500 residential units in process of phasing plus 2-3 more phases.
• The effect of the future development planned in the northern section of the intersection of NC 305 and SR 1200 (Connaritsa Road)
• Check crash data at the intersection of NC 308 and NC 11/42 in the western part of the county, and on NC 17 and US 13 in the southern part of the county south of SR 1106.
• The possibility of adding SR 1001 (Wakelon Road) to the roads analyzed due to the increased traffic between Windsor and Colerain.
• NC 308 and US 13 and NC 17 in Windsor and the school traffic in the area, especially with the large planned developments in the area.
• School traffic around Windsor Elementary School on Cooper Hill Road (NC 308) and the private school in Askewville.
• Traffic around the prison, which holds approx. 1500 inmates and employs several hundred people.
• Possible improvements of bike and pedestrian facilities in Windsor and Askewville.

Survey
Planning Committee members were informed about the Bertie County survey that was conducted in 2007, and the participants agreed on using the same results and not conducting another survey as things have not changed much, and therefore, results would be acceptable.

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Next Meeting
Mr. Mohamed said that during the next meeting he will update the committee about the truck traffic on NC 305 and NC 308, and will also have the 2035 AADT projections to discuss the roads with expected deficiencies. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 20th, 2010. However, if there is not enough material to cover, the meeting will be rescheduled.

Closing Notes
There was no further discussion and the meeting was adjourned.