



# **Mid-Carolina Rural Planning Organization**

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## **Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett & Sampson Counties**

### **Harnett County CTP Steering Committee Minutes January 19, 9:30 am**

#### **Members Present**

Tyler Bray, NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch  
Maurizia Chapman, FAMPO  
Samantha Ficzko, Harnett County  
Joseph Jeffries, Harnett County  
Ed Johnson, CAMPO  
Randall Johnson, Campbell University  
Mark Locklear, Harnett County  
Betty Pearson, Town of Angier  
Shelby Powell, CAMPO  
Joel Strickland, Mid-Carolina RPO  
Theresa Thompson, Town of Lillington  
Scott Walston, NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch  
Charles Young, Fort Bragg

#### **I. Introductions**

Mr. Tyler Bray introduced himself and allowed the remainder of the group to also introduce themselves.

#### **II. Previously Held Meetings Recap**

Mr. Bray gave a recap of the previous meeting and discussed what the group would be working on at this meeting.

#### **III. Endorsement and Adoption of Maps**

Mr. Bray noted which organizations would be adopting the maps and which would be endorsing. Mr. Ed Johnson asked if both MPO's should adopt the plan instead of just endorsing it given the uniqueness of this plan with multiple MPO's. Discussion ensued on the options. Mr. Joseph Jeffries asked how the Fuquay-Varina Bypass would work given there is disagreement on that projects' location. Mr. Ed Johnson commented that they would be conducting a study on that road and area. Mr. Jeffries also inquired about making Rawls Church road a boulevard. Discussion ensued on Rawls Church Road as well as US 401 in the northern part of the county around Angier.

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#### **IV. CTP Map Recommendations**

Mr. Bray covered the recommendations on the CTP map. Ms. Samantha Ficzkko stated that the County Commissioners were no longer going to give a recommendation on US 401 at their planning retreat. Mr. Bray stated that current US 401 through Lillington is recommended to be a 2-lane boulevard with parking which is the request of the city as well. Discussion ensued on the boulevard concept. The discussion then moved onto whether or not Angier's CTP map matched that of CAMPO's and what matches with what will be in this CTP. Mr. Bray mentioned this map should meet their desires. Mr. Jeffries asked about Microtower Road and the development associated with it. Mr. Ed Johnson asked about reworking Lemuel Black Road to connect with Doc's at Nursery Road. He also asked about the potential of Elliott Bridge Road. Ms. Chapman stated that Elliott Bridge was looked at but the traffic projections didn't yield it being more than a minor thoroughfare. Mr. Bray talked about the Lillington Bypass and the different connections and potential interchanges at NC 210 and US 421. Mr. Ed Johnson recommended upgrading the classifications of US 421 and US 401.

Ms. Theresa Thompson asked about pedestrian changes, to which Mr. Bray stated he had made no changes. Ms. Ficzkko asked about intermodal connections and a potential off-load train facility north of Lillington. Ms. Chapman asked about a potential Raleigh to Fayetteville rail line and the need to show this improvement on the maps. She then talked about the abandoned rail lines and Rails to Trails maps from US 421 in Lillington west to Broadway. Right of Way issues were discussed.

#### **V. Closing Notes**

Mr. Bray stated the next meeting would be in the middle of February and these issues would continue to be discussed.

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