

**Lenoir CTP Steering Committee
Meeting #9
Wednesday, August 9, 2017, 10:00 AM
Lenoir County Tax Administration Building
101 North Queen Street, Kinston, NC 28501**

Members Present

Nathan Rhue (Town of La Grange), Harold Thomas (Lenoir County Economic Development), Angie Greene (Lenoir County Transit), Bill Whaley (Lenoir County Transportation Committee), Wayland Humphrey (Lenoir County Planning), Mark Pope, (Lenoir County Economic Development), Amanda Conner (Lenoir County Economic Development)

Staff Present

Patrick Flanagan, (Eastern Carolina RPO), Andy Bailey (NCDOT – Transportation Planning Branch), Amar Pillai (NCDOT – Transportation Planning Branch), Brian Wert (NCDOT – Transportation Planning Branch)

The meeting began with introductions of those present.

Mr. Bailey and Mr. Pillai introduced the 2015 and 2045 Highway Deficiencies Maps. It was noted that with the addition of the (Shallow) Kinston Bypass and Harvey Parkway Extension, that there were few highway deficiencies in 2045. It was also noted that there were a couple of external stations that needed some review to make sure that these were acceptable future model volumes coming into the planning area. The committee mentioned that the Carey Road Extension project is now in the fully funded (first 5 years) portion of the 2018-2027 STIP. Mr. Bailey and Mr. Pillai said that they would add this facility to the future year network and modify the 2045 Highway Deficiencies Map.

Mr. Bailey mentioned that the other modes of transportation have already been discussed at prior meetings and the maps would be ready for the public input/workshop phase of the study. Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Bailey would try to find some time to talk with the Kinston city staff about the various bicycle and pedestrian plans and make sure there is nothing missing from their vision.

The timing and locations of the public workshops were discussed. It was mentioned that the Global TransPark has a government meeting on September 14, 2017 and would be a prime traditional location to introduce the existing and future deficiencies in the system to government officials and the public. It was also mentioned that the Lenoir County Fair would be from September 19-23. It was recommended that a booth be set up at the fair on September 19 (with a backup date of September 21) for public comment and input. Mr. Flanagan also suggested creating two different 2045 Highway Deficiency Maps: One if none of the programmed improvements (Kinston Bypass, Harvey Parkway Extension, Carey Road Extension) were funded and one if they were.

With no further business, the meeting concluded. The next CTP Steering Committee meeting will be in October 11, 2017. The initial draft CTP will be discussed in detail.