

Stokes County CTP Meeting Summary

June 13, 2016, 10:00am

Walnut Cove Public Library

106 5th St, Walnut Cove, NC 27052

Attendance:

Bobby Miller	Town of Walnut Cove
Scott Lenhart	Stokes County Health Department
Hemal Shah	NCDOT TPB
Elizabeth Jernigan	Northwest Piedmont Rural Planning Organization
Elwood Mabe	Town of Walnut Cove
J.D. Stewart	PART
Diane Hampton	NCDOT TPB
Dock Rosenthal	NCDOT TPB
Shirley Foye	NCDOT TPB

Introductions

Ms. Shah welcomed everyone and attendees made introductions. Ms. Shah reviewed items from the previous meeting.

Alternatives Analysis

Ms. Shah provided attendees with maps and supporting documentation regarding US 311 (Main Street) in Walnut Cove. US 311 is Over Capacity from NC-65E to First Street with the rest of Main Street Near Capacity and predicted to be Over Capacity 2045. Ms. Shah asked for recommendations. Attendees recommended the following:

- Diverting traffic onto Oldtown Road and upgrading the road to handle truck traffic.
- Improving the intersection at NC 65 and US 3011 (TIP Projected: ROW 2020; Construction 2023)
- Improving the intersection at US 311 and First Street
- Recommend 3 lane cross-section with bicycle and pedestrian accommodations and on-street parking.

Public Transit

J. D. Stewart with the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) discussed options for Park & Ride Lots and public bus service. Elizabeth Jernigan updated the committee on current efforts YVEDDI and partners in Stokes County are pursuing to fund a deviated fixed-route system in King and later a countywide circular route.

Bicycle & Pedestrian

Ms. Shah informed the committee she was working with Beth Johnson to show improvements within a 1.5 mile radius around schools in order for them to be eligible to receive Safe Routes to Schools funding.

Mr. Miller requested the following sidewalk connections:

- Extending the sidewalk along Main Street to Lakeside Drive to ensure connectivity with Food Lion shopping center.
- New sidewalks on 9th Street and Lakeside Drive to connect with Main Street and provide a loop for exercise/recreational users.
- Provide connections with the NC Mountains to Sea Trail.

Next Steps:

- Public workshop, July 25th, 4-6 pm (Prior to County Commissioners Meeting)
- Transportation Survey will go out with the Health Department Survey
- Present to Walnut Cove Commissioners on August 9th
- Next meeting will be late August.