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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: DCHC MPO Board

FROM: Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, Executive Director

DATE: September 7, 2022

RE: MPO STAFF REPORT

This memorandum summarizes DCHC MPO Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) tasks.

# II - A. DATA AND PLANNING SUPPORT

# II - A - 1 Networks and Support Systems

- Vehicle Miles of Travel
- Street System Changes
- · Traffic Crashes and Safety Data
- Central Area Parking Inventory
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities & Counts Inventory
- Network Data Collection
- Capacity Deficiency Analysis
- Land Use, Socio-Economic Environmental Data Analysis

#### II - A - 2 Travelers and Behavior

- Dwelling Unit, Population, and Employment Changes
- Base Year Data Collection
- Travel Surveys
  - Regional household survey proceeding fall 2022
- Vehicle Occupancy Rates
- Travel Time Studies
- Annual Continuous Travel Behavior Surveys (Household Survey)

# III - A - 3 Transportation Modeling

- Travel Regional Model Enhancements
- Horizon Year Data Forecasts
- Financial Planning
- FTA STOPS and CIG Technical Analysis & Planning
- CommunityViz

#### II - B. PLANNING PROCESS

#### II - B - 1: Targeted Planning

- Air Quality Planning/Conformity Analysis
- Alternative Fuels/Vehicles
- Hazard Mitigation and Disaster Planning
- Congestion Management Strategies
- Freight Movement/Mobility Planning
- Climate Change Planning

#### II - B - 2: Regional Planning

- Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Racial Equity Planning

# II - B - 3: Special Studies

- US 15-501 Quad Section Corridor Study
  - ✓ 3rd public workshop: evaluate alternative strategies October 2019
  - ✓ Stakeholder meetings to discuss Chapel Hill cross-section, northern quadrant road, New Hope Commons access – completed August 2020
  - ✓ Board releases final draft for public comment September 2020
  - ✓ Board holds public hearing on final draft October 2020
  - ✓ Release RFI for second phase of study March 2021
  - ✓ Develop RFQ for second phase of study May 2021
  - Update Board on second phase of study Fall 2022
- Durham Freeway Corridor Study
- Orange County US 70 Corridor Study
  - ✓ Execute Consultant Contract May 2022
  - ✓ Kickoff Meeting June 2022
  - Existing Conditions Report November 2022
  - Market and Economic Report November 2022
  - Future Conditions Analysis January 2023
  - Public Workshop #1 January 2023
  - Plan Elements Development May 2023
  - o Public Workshop #2 May 2023
  - Implementation Strategies October 2023
  - Complete Final Plan November 2023
  - Adoption December 2023
- Durham County US 70 Corridor Study

 Consultant developing public involvement focused on equity and defining data analysis framework for project-specific performance measures.

# III - A. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

# III-A-1: Unified Planning Work Program

 Staff will begin the next UPWP adoption process and will discuss 23-24 UPWP elements with NCDOT, FHWA, and our regional partners.

# III-A-2: Metrics and Performance Measures

 Staff reviewed and proposed targets for Federal transportation performance measures on transit vehicle state of good repair. Staff will perform a similar process for the upcoming emissions rulemaking.

#### III-B: TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

**III-B-1: Prioritization** 

III-B-2: Metropolitan TIP

III-B-3: Merger and Project Development

# III-C: CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE (TITLE VI) AND OTHER REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

III- C-1: Title VI

III-C-2: Environmental Justice

III-C-3: Minority Business Enterprise Planning

III-C-4: Planning for the Elderly and Disabled

III-C-5: Safety/Drug Control Planning

Staff will submit a Safe Streets for All grant application to fund a regional safety study.

**III-C-6: Public Participation** 

**III-C-7: Private Sector Participation** 

#### III-D: STATEWIDE AND EXTRA-REGIONAL PLANNING

Staff attended 3Q NC AMPO meeting in August

# III-E: BOARD SUPPORT, MEMBER SERVICES, AND ADMINISTRATION

- Staff will schedule a governance subcommittee meeting to be held before the end of September.
- Staff continues recruitment processes for vacant positions.