



DCHC MPO Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

1:00 PM

Committee Room 2nd Floor
Durham City Hall 101 City Hall Plaza
Durham, NC 27701

1. Roll Call**2. Ethics Reminder**

It is the duty of every Board member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

Per state law, all MPO Board members and alternates are required to file a Statement of Economic Interest and a Real Estate Disclosure form (these have been incorporated into the same form for electronic filers for 2019) by April 16, 2019. The forms can be found on the web site of the North Carolina State Ethics Commission at https://ethics.ncsbe.gov/sei/blankForm.aspx?type=MPO_RPO.

3. Adjustments to the Agenda**4. Public Comments****5. Directives to Staff**[19-100](#)

Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-100\) MPO Board Directives to Staff.pdf](#)

CONSENT AGENDA**6. February 27, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**[19-126](#)

A copy of the February 27, 2019 Board meeting minutes is enclosed.

Board Action: Approve the minutes of the February 27, 2019 Board meeting.

Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-126\) 2.27.19 MPO Board Meeting Minutes LPA2.pdf](#)

ACTION ITEMS

7. **Remarks and Discussion with Secretary of Transportation James H. Trogdon, III (45 minutes)**

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James H. Trogdon, III, North Carolina Secretary of Transportation

Wendy Jacobs, MPO Board Vice Chair

Felix Nwoko, LPA Staff

Secretary Trogdon has come to the DCHC MPO Board meeting to discuss transportation issues of interest to our area, as well as his vision for the Department. He has been provided a copy of the attached DCHC MPO comments on the Draft FY2018-2027 STIP, which provides background on transportation policies of concern to our region.

Secretary James H. Trogdon, III was appointed to his position by Governor Cooper in January 2017. Secretary Trogdon is a registered professional engineer with more than 30 years of experience in transportation. He began his career with NCDOT in 1985 as a highway engineer, and in 2000 was named NCDOT's Division 4 Engineer.

Trogdon later worked with the N.C. General Assembly as director of Strategic Transportation Planning. In this role, he made recommendations and provided analysis on transportation issues, as well as drafting transportation legislation for General Assembly members and reviewing transportation programs and projects for effectiveness.

In 2009, Trogdon was named NCDOT's chief operating officer, a position he held until his retirement in 2013. As COO, he was a key leader in the department's effort to professionalize its decision-making process and become a performance-based organization with an emphasis on accountability and transparency. Trogdon also held several private sector positions after retiring from NCDOT, including national transportation director for SAS Institute.

In addition to his work as an engineer with NCDOT, Trogdon has more than three decades of military service. His duties included serving as the plans officer for road and school construction in Honduras and Ecuador, as well as infrastructure improvements in Italy. After being selected to command the 105th Engineer Group, his unit was mobilized to provide command and control for security forces at U.S. Army installations throughout North Carolina and Virginia. His unit was again mobilized in 2006 during Operation Iraqi Freedom as the Multi-National Division North Engineer Brigade to command and control two engineer battalions, and provide assured mobility and general engineering support within northern Iraq. Major General Trogdon retired from the military in 2016 as the Deputy Adjutant General for the North Carolina National Guard.

Trogdon earned a master's of strategic studies at the U.S. Army War College as well as a master's in civil engineering with a minor in statistics and computer science and a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from North Carolina State University.

Board Action: The MPO Board welcomes Secretary Trogdon and greatly appreciates his taking the time to meet with the Board.

Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-127\) Comments to NCDOT on Draft 20-29 STIP.pdf](#)

REPORTS:

8. **Report from the Board Chair** [19-101](#)
Damon Seils, Board Chair
Board Action: Receive the report from the Board Chair
9. **Report from the Technical Committee Chair** [19-102](#)
Nishith Trivedi, TC Chair
Board Action: Receive the report from the TC Chair.
10. **Report from LPA Staff** [19-103](#)
Felix Nwoko, LPA Manager
Board Action: Receive the report from LPA Staff.
Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-103\) LPA staff report.pdf](#)
11. **NCDOT Report** [19-104](#)
Joey Hopkins (David Keilson/Richard Hancock), Division 5 - NCDOT
Mike Mills (Pat Wilson/Ed Lewis), Division 7 - NCDOT
Brandon Jones (Bryan Kluchar, Jen Britt), Division 8 - NCDOT
Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Branch - NCDOT
John Grant, Traffic Operations - NCDOT
Board Action: Receive the reports from NCDOT.
Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-104\) NCDOT Progress Report.pdf](#)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

12. **Recent News Articles and Updates** [19-105](#)
Attachments: [2019-03-13 \(19-105\) news_articles.pdf](#)

Adjourn

Next meeting: April 10, 9 a.m., Committee Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings:

**Public Meeting for East Durham Siding & Grade Separation Project (P-5706)
Thursday, March 14, Hamner Conference Center, 15 T.W. Alexander Drive**

NCAMPO 2019 Conference April 24-26, Charlotte