FY2018-27 TIP PUBLIC COMMENTS

General Comments

Comment #1

The North Carolina Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration jointly commented that the MTIP cannot differ from the STIP in the first four years of the program without jeopardizing funding for the entire program itself. Rather than adopting aspects of the MTIP that differ from the STIP, even though all parties agree to those changes, the proper procedure is to adopt the MTIP without those changes and then adopt an amendment that implements the changes.

DCHC MPO Response to Comment #1

DCHC MPO staff has removed the changes to the first four years of the MTIP that differ from the STIP adopted by the North Carolina Board of Transportation in August of 2017. DCHC MPO staff will put forth an amendment to the FT18-27 MTIP scheduled to be adopted by the DCHC MPO Board in January 2018. This amendment will include all of the proposed changes to the MTIP that differ with the adopted STIP.

Specific Project Comments

Comment #1

I am strongly in favor of SR-1148 (Eno Mountain Road). Of the projects within and near Hillsborough, this plan in my opinion provides the greatest benefit per dollar. At 1.9 million dollars the reconfiguration of Eno Mountain Road provides a legitimate alternative route, albeit small, to travel through the downtown corridor and addresses an ineffective intersection. Comparatively, at 33 million dollars the widening of NC-86 north of Hillsborough would likely alleviate some congestion but, may not have the desired impact without additional changes further south along NC-86/Churton Street.

Comment submitted October 23, 2017

Response #1

Thank you very much for your comment. The referenced projects in the comment were submitted for scoring for the FY2020-29 TIP. At this time, the results of that scoring have not been released. Neither of these proposed projects are in the FY2018-27 TIP. The DCHC MPO Technical Committee and Board can take these considerations into account when determining local points for projects for the FY2020-29 TIP.