

P6.0 PRE-SUBMITTAL COORDINATION PROCESS

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NCDOT desires to continue assisting MPOs, RPOs, and Divisions in submitting competitive projects in the STI prioritization process. Similar to P5.0, NCDOT Central Unit staff will dedicate time and resources to discuss potential P6.0 highway submittals via a series of webinars in early 2019. During these webinars, Central Unit staff will provide feedback on potential scoring, cost, comments on scope, and other pertinent information. This pre-submittal coordination effort will also allow MPOs, RPOs, and Divisions to increase their collaboration on potential project submittals.

The process is described below:

Late-November 2018 – NCDOT Central Unit staff will hold a webinar(s) with all MPOs, RPOs, and Divisions describing the pre-submittal coordination process and schedule.

Also discussed will be the Primary Route Designation policy and procedure for P6.0 scoring.

By January 18th, 2019 – MPOs, RPOs, and Division staff will submit up to 10 Highway intersection/interchange/superstreet projects into SPOT Online as Draft projects for the pre-submittal evaluation. Once entered, please send the list of SPOTIDs for these projects to Jason Schronce in SPOT (jschronce@ncdot.gov). This will allow Central Unit staff to review the project locations and be prepared to discuss them at the next individual webinar, which will be project specific discussions per agency.

Note, for P6.0, the official pre-submittal process is only for intersection/interchange/superstreet projects that require evaluation by NCDOT Congestion Management staff. The SPOT Office has provided a testing spreadsheet (with referenced P5.0 scaling) that can be used to get a preliminary score for corridor highway projects at any time with exported project data from SPOT Online. Please use this resource along with communication with the applicable Division (DPE/CDE) or SPOT staff member for detailed questions about your corridor projects. As any changes are confirmed by the P6.0 Workgroup, an updated testing spreadsheet will be released.

February to Mid-March 2019 – Central Unit staff will hold an individual planned webinar (up to 1 hour) with the Division/MPO or Division/RPO to discuss the submitted project lists. SPOT will set up the individual webinars with each Division, associated MPO or RPO, and appropriate Central Staff (Congestion Management, SPOT, and Feasibility Studies).

SPOT will report scoring details and other relevant information back to the Divisions/MPOs/RPOs prior to the P6.0 project submittal window opening in July 2019.

MPOs and RPOs are not required to participate in the aforementioned process, although it is highly encouraged. The outcome of this effort is expected to result in better projects being submitted for P6.0 with improved project data entry and clarity on the project's original intent/design.