1. Adoption of the Agenda

Bill Coxe

2. Consideration of March Meeting Minutes

Bill Coxe

<u>ACTION REQUESTED</u>: Approve as presented, or with amendments.

3. Barton Creek Greenway TIP Amendment (C-5537) (10 minutes) Gwen Cook <u>ACTION REQUESTED</u>: Recommend that the MPO amend the TIP to accelerate construction of Barton Creek Greenway from FY 2015 to FY 2012 to allow the greenway to serve as a construction detour for pedestrians during the replacement of the bridges carrying N. Tryon St. (US 29) over Mallard Creek.

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: Barton Creek Greenway is to be approximately ½ mile long, connecting existing Mallard Creek Greenway to JW Clay Blvd at University Place. This greenway, scheduled to receive CMAQ funding in 2015, has become the primary option for a greenway bypass for Mallard or Toby Creek greenways during NCDOT construction affecting N. Tryon Street, which would close those greenways for approximately one year. The intent is to have Barton Creek Greenway completed by spring of 2014.

ATTACHMENTS: Map

4. CONNECT Consortium Agreement (15 minutes) Rebecca Yarbrough/Bjorn Hansen *ACTION REQUESTED*: *Recommend that the MPO approve the CONNECT Consortium Agreement.*

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: In the summer of 2011, MUMPO endorsed submission of Centralina COG's application for HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning funds, on behalf of the region. MUMPO also indicated at that time their intent to become a member of the CONNECT Consortium, a collaborative of over 100 local governments, non-profits, businesses and business groups, and organizations such as MPOs and RPOs, who will guide the process of creating a regional plan for sustainable development, the Regional Strategic Framework. CCOG now has a draft Consortium Agreement that is expected to be final (attorney- and HUD-approved) by April 5, for review by the MUMPO TCC. The TCC is being requested to review, comment, and recommend approval to the MPO at its May 16, 2012 meeting.

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>: Invitation Letter & Appointment Form; Resolution & Proposed Consortium Agreement; Memorandum of Understanding

5. I-77 & I-485 TIP & LRTP Amendments & Conformity Determination (15 minutes) Barry Moose *ACTION REQUESTED: FYI*

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: NCDOT has proposed significant improvements to I-77 and I-485. A public comment period to receive citizen input on the proposed improvements begins on April 2, 2012 and will close on May 2, 2012. The TCC is tentatively scheduled to make a recommendation to the MPO on May 10, with the MPO's action tentatively scheduled for May 16. An update on the project's status will be provided.

6. NCDOT Title VI Assurances (15 minutes) *ACTION REQUESTED: FYI*

Sharon Lipscomb

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: NCDOT's Office of Civil Rights (OCR) informed the state's MPOs last year of the need to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The compliance takes the form of providing assurances that MUMPO will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, national origin or disability. In addition, policies and procedures are to be established to address discrimination complaints lodged against MUMPO. This topic was discussed at the January meeting, at which time the TCC requested that OCR staff attend a future meeting to address concerns.

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>: Resolution; Policy Statement; Assurances; Complaint Procedures; Complaint Form; Complaint Log

7. Charlotte Urbanized Area Expansion & MUMPO Impacts (15 minutes) *ACTION REOUESTED: FYI*

Robert Cook

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: The Census Bureau released its 2010 Census urban area designations on March 26, 2012. The Charlotte urbanized area (UZA) expanded significantly and will result in a considerable increase in MUMPO's planning area. The extent of the expansion will be reviewed and key topics discussed.

ATTACHMENTS: Maps

8. Certification Review (10 minutes)

Loretta Barren

<u>ACTION REQUESTED</u>: FYI

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: The FHWA and FTA have completed their quadrennial review of MUMPO's planning process and have issued the final Certification Review. The presentation will discuss the Review's findings. <u>Click here for the Certification Review</u>

9. Congestion Management Process (CMP) Update (10 minutes) *ACTION REQUESTED: FYI*

Robert Cook

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: The TCC formed a CMP Task Force at its January meeting. An update on the project's status will be provided.

10. Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) (10 minutes)

Anil Panicker

<u>ACTION REQUESTED</u>: FYI

BACKGROUND: Update on the status of the CTP.

- **11. Upcoming Issues**
- 12. Adjourn