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PRIORITIZATION 3.0 LOCAL INPUT POINTS

GIVE US YOUR COMMENTS. THEY ARE IMPORTANT TO US.

At the June 18 CRTPO meeting, a draft list of recommended projects for local input point assignment was presented with a request to begin a 30-day public comment period. A map of the recommended Regional Impact projects that are proposed for CRTPO local input point projects assignment and a spreadsheet of the project descriptions can be viewed [HERE](#). A map of the recommended Division Needs projects that are proposed for CRTPO local input point assignment and a spreadsheet of the project descriptions can be viewed [HERE](#). Public comments can be submitted via the CRTPO website by clicking [HERE](#) or in person at the July 16 CRTPO meeting. The public comment period will close on Monday, July 21, 2014.

A map of the preliminary fully and partially funded Statewide Mobility projects proposed under NCDOT Prioritization 3.0 can be viewed [HERE](#).

Staff will analyze all public comments received on the assignment of local input points to projects, and present this information at the August 20 CRTPO meeting with the recommendation to endorse the list. All local input points must be assigned to projects and submitted to NCDOT by August 29, 2014. NCDOT will calculate final project scores and begin developing the DRAFT 2016-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) beginning in the fall.

On May 14, 2014, NCDOT released the final data for all Prioritization projects in all transportation modes based upon criteria contained in the Strategic Transportation Investments (STI) act, North Carolina's newest transportation bill. As part of the new STI legislation, MPOs must have a NCDOT approved process for assigning local input points based on a combination of quantitative and qualitative data. CRTPO receives 2,500 points each to assign to Regional Impact and Division Needs tier projects within its planning area. A flowchart that depicts CRTPO's method for assigning local input points to proposed transportation projects can be viewed [HERE](#).

CRTPO Locally Administered Projects Workshop

On June 3, 2014, CRTPO hosted a locally administered projects workshop with participation from NCDOT and the FHWA-NC Division. The purpose of this workshop



was to detail the state and federal requirements that are involved with successfully completing a locally administered project, and provide this training opportunity to project managers in the area that have locally administered projects.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND PLANNING EFFORTS

NCDOT Division 10 • (Mecklenburg and Union Counties)
Public Meeting on P3.0 Local Input Points Assignment

Tuesday, July 15

4:00 - 7:00 pm

Metrolina Regional Transportation Management Center

2327 Tipton Dr.

Charlotte, NC 28213

NCDOT Division 12 • (Iredell County) Public Meetings
on P3.0 Local Input Points Assignment

Monday, July 14

4:00 - 7:00 pm

Community Room

Gastonia Police Department

200 East Long Avenue

Gastonia, NC 28052

OR

Tuesday, July 15

4:00 - 7:00 pm

Conover Station

3rd floor meeting room

Conover, NC 28613



2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

IT'S BEEN ADOPTED!

At the April 16 meeting, CRTPO adopted its 2040 MTP and made the finding that this plan and the 2012-2018 *Transportation Improvement Program* are in compliance with the provisions of the *Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990* and *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21)*.

On May 2, CRTPO received the Conformity Determination Letter and EPA Concurrence Letter for the 2040 MTP (and 2012-2018 TIP). This was the final step in the development and approval of this plan.

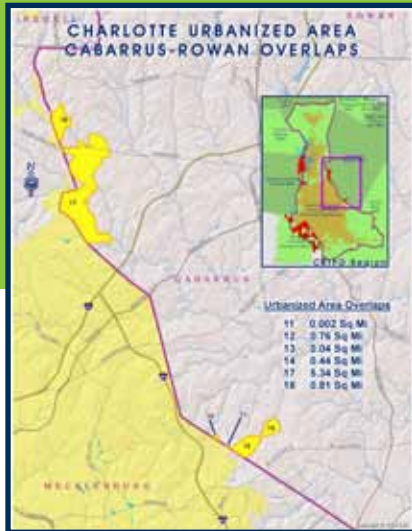
The CRTPO's 2040 MTP provides a framework for transportation planning, while specifically addressing the following challenges:

- An increase in population, membership, and area of the MPO due to the expansion of the Charlotte Urbanized Area;
- New Federal transportation legislation enacted in 2012, *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21)*;
- New State transportation legislation enacted in 2013, *Strategic Transportation Investments (STI)*; and
- Investing in a sustainable transportation system that provides mobility choices, maximizes opportunities for the movement of people and goods, and benefits all segments of the population.

A new MTP update is required four years after the approval date of the 2040 MTP, and CRTPO will begin the process of developing the 2045 MTP later this year.

The final 2040 MTP and *Air Quality Conformity Determination Report* can be found on the CRTPO website or by clicking [HERE](#).

CRTPO GEORGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS UPDATE



Within the last year CRTPO hired a Principal Planner with the core responsibilities of enhancing the MPO's capabilities with Geographic Information Systems (GIS). The GIS software allows CRTPO to map and present geographic data to citizens, elected officials and staff in a visually appealing way, while providing data-supported answers to transportation planning questions. To date, the GIS software has been used by CRTPO staff to conduct an environmental justice Degree of Impact Analysis as part of the 2040 MTP, TIP database project, and to create updated mapping for the MPO boundary expansion. GIS will be used to make downloadable and interactive data available through the CRTPO website. CRTPO can provide GIS shapefiles, and create maps to enhance its member jurisdictions' planning processes.

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