

TARPO RTAC Meeting

December 14, 2023



The RTAC meeting will begin at 12:00 PM. The RTCC meeting will also resume at that time as part of a joint meeting. Please mute your line if you have not already done so.

1. Welcome, Introductions, Ethics

- Roll Call

Ethics Reminder: In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every TARPO board member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any 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.



2. Purpose & Agenda for Meeting

Discussion/Information Items:

- a. Budget FY 24 PWP Amendment #2
- b. SPR Discussion
- c. MOU Amendment Update
 - i. Possible Logos
 - ii. Municipal Signatures Update
- d. MPO/Boundary Update
- e. STIP Update
- f. Request by Division 8 to Modify U-5727 and U-6070 in Lee County
- g. Prioritization 7.0 Update
- h. Local Input Point Methodology Review (SMPO and Points)



2. Purpose & Agenda for Meeting

Decision Items Today—see Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve October 12, 2023 Minutes
- b. Recommend the Approval of the FY 2024 PWP Amendment #2
- c. Recommend the Approval of a Logo
- d. Recommend the Approval of the Request by Division 8 to Modify U-5727



3. Public Comment

- The comment time is an opportunity for comment by any members of the public

4-8. Updates

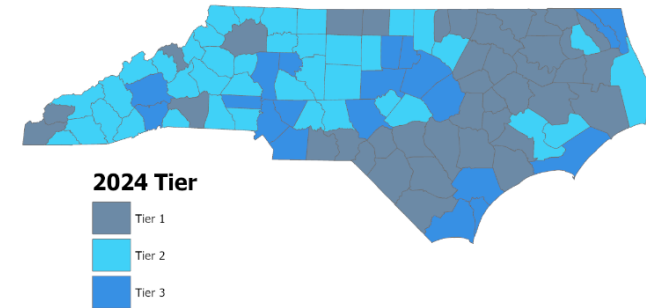
- Board of Transportation Update
- Transportation Planning Division Update
- Division 7 Update
- Division 8 Update



9. TARPO Staff Update

- A newsletter will be sent out soon by email/posted online
- **2024 Ethics SEI/RED Forms**
 - TAC members must complete their Ethics paperwork yearly by April 15th.
- **2024 Tier Ranking**

2024 Tier Rankings



The North Carolina Department of Commerce annually ranks the state's 100 counties based on economic well-being and assigns each a Tier designation. This Tier system is incorporated into various state programs to encourage economic activity in the less prosperous areas of the state.

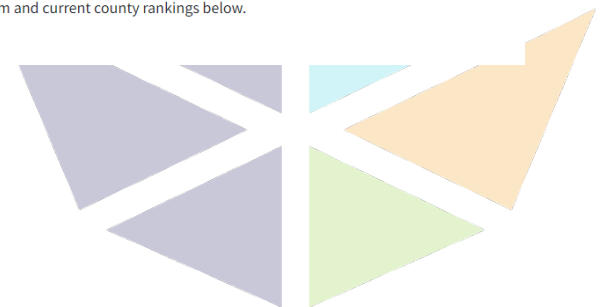
The 40 most distressed counties are designated as Tier 1, the next 40 as Tier 2 and the 20 least distressed as Tier 3.

[2024 County Tier Designations Memo](#) (published November 29, 2023)

County Tiers are calculated using four factors:

- Average unemployment rate
- Median household income
- Percentage growth in population
- Adjusted property tax base per capita

You'll find detailed information about the Tiers system and current county rankings below.



9. TARPO Staff Update

AccessNC Reports

- A couple of reports that are available from NC Commerce may be of interest. I have included links to all 4 counties for Commuting Profile and Area Profile. These are available at the County level, and the dashboards are interactive. Here's the link to run other counties:

<https://accessnc.nccommerce.com/DemographicsReports/>

Commuting Profile

[Chatham](#)

[Lee](#)

[Moore](#)

[Orange](#)

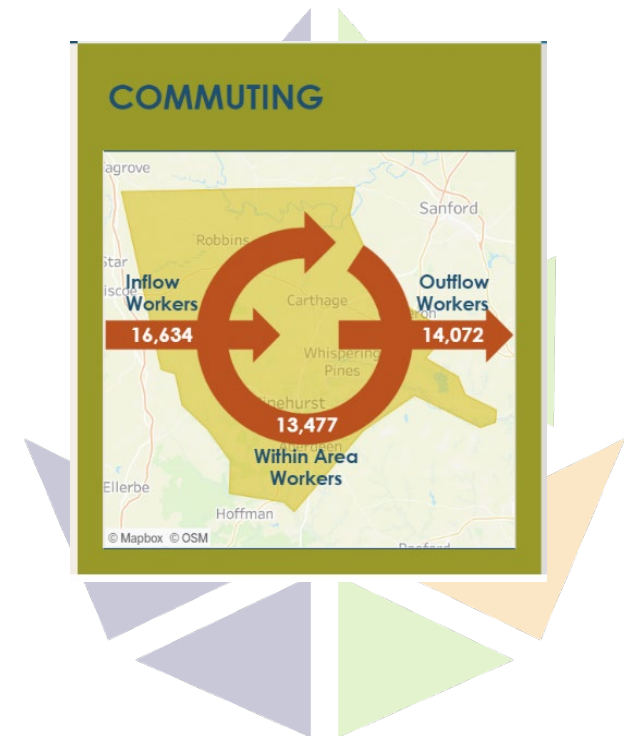
Area Profile

[Chatham](#)

[Lee](#)

[Moore](#)

[Orange](#)



10. RTCC Adjournment & Report

- The RTCC meeting will be adjourned and the RTCC chair will report to the RTAC on the RTCC's decisions from its meeting.
- The RTAC will remain in session.



Item 11a: Budget FY 24 PWP Amendment #2

TJCOG received approval for FY24 Indirect Rate. The rate was 32.65% and it is now 51.29%. So, TARPO's budget needs to be adjusted to account for that increase of \$13,890 in indirect cost.

Staff is recommending these changes:

II-1 CTP Development

This category is **decreased by \$3,000** to reflect the approved FY 24 indirect rate, and changing priorities as CTP work has slowed down, given the on-going Prioritization work.

II-4 General Transportation Planning

This category is **decreased by \$5,900** to reflect the approved FY 24 indirect rate, and changing priorities, given the on-going Prioritization work.

III-1 Administrative Documents

This category is **decreased by \$4,990** to reflect the approved FY 24 indirect rate, and changing priorities, given the on-going Prioritization work.

V-1 Indirect Costs Approved by Cognizant Agency

This category is **increased by \$13,890** to reflect the approved FY 24 indirect rate.



Item 11b: SPR Discussion

Each year for the last several years. NCDOT's TPD has made SPR funds available to the RPOs on a competitive basis. These funds can be used for planning but not for surveying or engineering. The Second Avenue project in Siler City was funded using SPR funds.

For FY 2024, the call is open now. If you would like to apply, here are some things to keep in mind:

- Potential project ideas include Highway Corridor Studies, Economic surveys and investigations, Freight planning, and Planning for multi-modal infrastructure.
- Potential projects would be due to **staff by late January 2024**, so they can be added to the February 2024 CPRPO agenda
- SPR funds are Federal funds and would require a 10% local match
- A scope of work and a cost estimate is required for the application



Item 11c: MOU Amendment Update

Possible Logos



Option 1 -Orange with Full Name



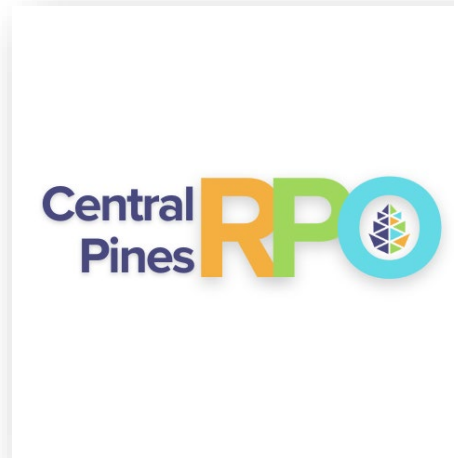
Option 2-Orange



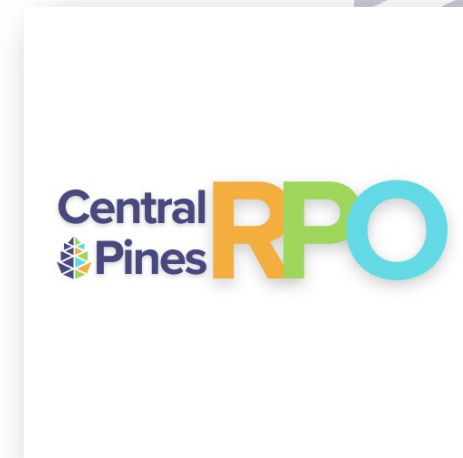
Option 3 -Blue with Full Name



Option A



Option B



Option C

Item 11c: MOU Amendment Update (cont.)

Municipal Statements Update

I have received signed statements from the municipalities that are bolded.

Chatham County

Goldston

Pittsboro-Received

Siler City-Received

Lee County

Broadway-Received

Sanford-Received

Moore County

Cameron

Carthage Received

Robbins-Received

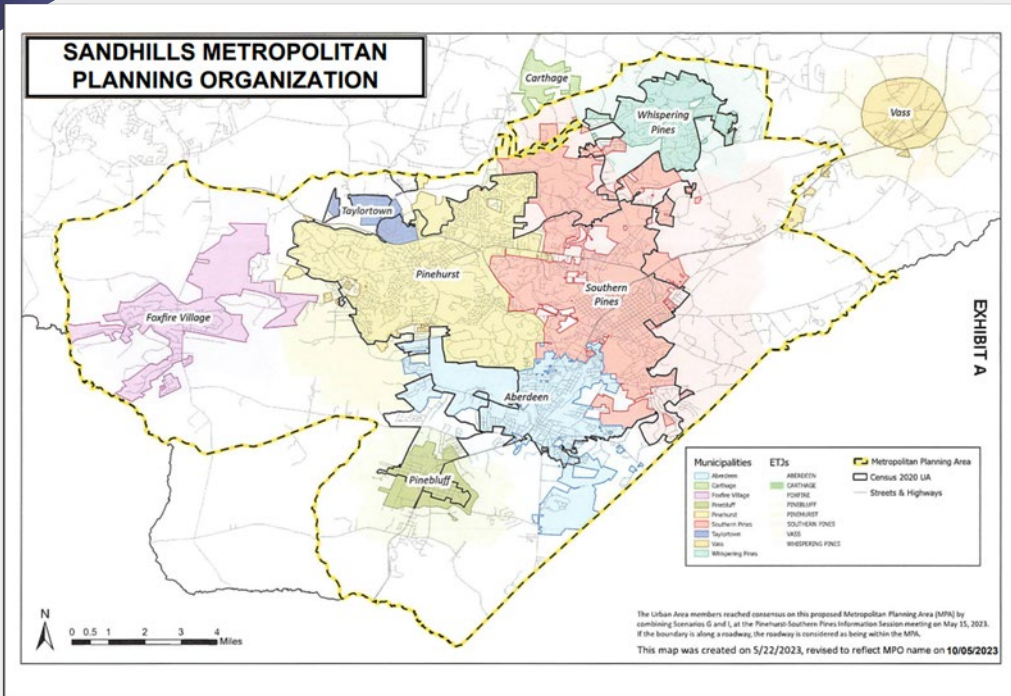
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Orange County

None



Item 11d: MPO/Boundary Update



Staff has not attended the formation committee for SMPO since the last CPRPO meeting. However, I did speak to Scott Walston. He told me that the MOU has been adopted by all of the parties and is now in NCDOT's hands. SMPO plans to have a TAC meeting in the new Year.

Item 11e: STIP Update

2024-2033 STIP Update

The attached documents show STIP amendments to 2024-2033 STIP that were presented to the NC Board of Transportation in the last two months.

2024-2033 STIP- New Look!

In an effort to make it easier to look up STIP projects and their status, see below for a view showing the most recent changes to the 2024-2033 STIP and a listing of STIP projects by County.

Most Recent Changes

TIP #	Updated	If d...	Item N	Notes	Cou
COUNTY Lee Count 2					
2			11/2/2023	Construction-2030	
3	Modified		11/2/2023	National Highway Program (NHP) - right-of-way costs ...	
COUNTY Moore Count 3					
4			11/2/2023	Amended in January 2023 to Add ROW and Utility ...	
5			11/2/2023	Amended in January 2023 to delay ROW from FY 23 to F...	

6 records

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STIP Projects Organized by County

Note: A purple vertical line means the project has been changed.

Chatham

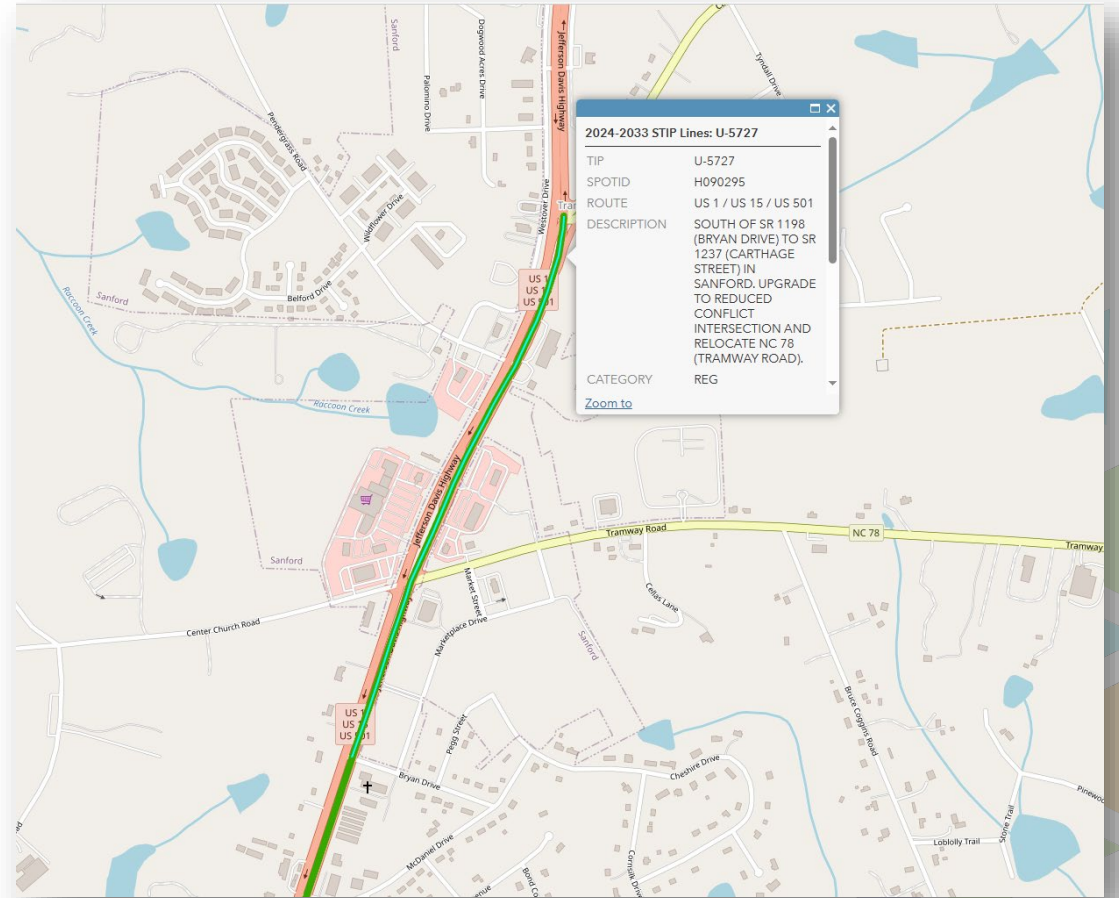
TIP #	STIP	County	Mode	Route	Descri
MODE Aviation Count 2					
1	2024-2033	Chatham	Aviation	SCR	Siler Cr navigat approa
2	2024-2033	Chatham	Aviation	SCR	Siler Cr 22 and relocat

42 records

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Item 11f: Request by Division 8 to Modify U-5727 and U-6070 in Lee County

- Division 8 is proposing a scope adjustment to remove the relocation of NC 78 (Tramway Road) from U-5727. Division 8 is proposing to add the Tramway Road relocation to U-6070, a P7.0 submittal, to potentially be built in the future.
- Currently, Right of Way (ROW) is being acquired and the relocation of NC 78 will impact a radio station and a radio tower as well as several other parcels. After discussion with the property owner of the radio station and tower, it was determined that these impacts are going to be extremely costly to the project due to the acreage needed to relocate both the station and tower together and the need to be in close proximity of its original location.



Item 11g: Prioritization 7.0 Update



SPOT closed on October 27, 2023. Staff will post the final list of projects on the website and include the link in the newsletter.



Next up, is [Public Involvement Plan](#) review, slated for February.



SPOT office will be beginning data review soon. In some cases, I may be reaching out to get more information.

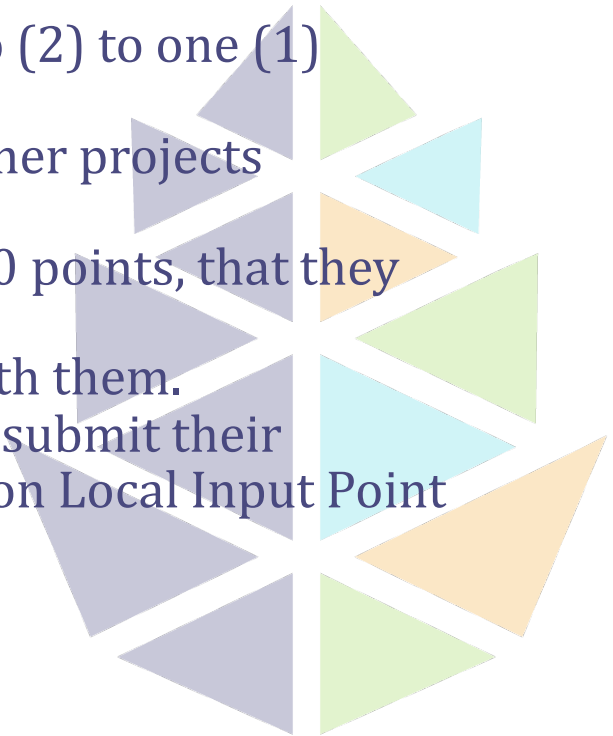


CPRPO also needs to approve a Local Input Methodology for Prioritization 7.0. More on that next.

Item 11h: Local Input Point Methodology Review (SMPO and Points)

Staff is proposing changes to the LIP, based on the new MPO and wanted to get the Board's feedback before we send to NCDOT for their initial approval. Those proposed changes include:

- Donating 400 points donation to the MPO for their use on their projects.**
- Lowering the number of guaranteed projects for Moore County from two (2) to one (1) project.
- Given that CPRPO will only have 1100 points, changing the number of other projects selected, after the guaranteed number to sum to that total.
- Putting in a note that in the event that Sandhills MPO does not use all 400 points, that they would be assigned by CPRPO to next highest scoring project(s).
- Noting that any public comments that pertain to SMPO will be shared with them.
- Finally, in the proposed schedule, noting that Sandhills MPO will need to submit their Regional Local Input Point assignments by July 30, 2024 and their Division Local Input Point assignments by December 1, 2024.



12. Consent Agenda



a. Approve October 12, 2023 Minutes



b. Approve the FY 2024 PWP Amendment # 2



c. Approve a Logo



d. Approve of the Request by Division 8 to Modify U-5727 and U-6070



12. Member Updates



Adjournment

**Next Meeting: February 8, 2024 in
Pittsboro**