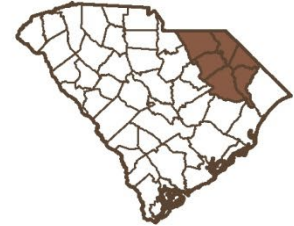


PEE DEE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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Transportation Action Committee (TAC)

Meeting
June 8, 2023, 10:30 am
2314 Pisgah Road, Florence, SC

Meeting Attendees

Sammie Copeland Chairman	Dunae Shaw	Chavis Watford
Leon Johnson Vice-Chairman	Sandy Watford	Brian Nickerson
Edwin Sharpe	Leah Quattlebaum	Teiyanna Chandler
Brian Dix	Daniel Atkinson	Holly Smith
Ethan Brown	Tim Harper	Bob Kilgo
Kerri Kellahan	Lindsay Privette	
Matt Lifset	Chris Rubens	

- I. Welcome - Sammie Copeland
 - Chairman welcomed everyone and determined a quorum was present. All attendees introduced themselves.

- II. Pee Dee Regional Project Updates - Brian Dix (or representative)
 - Brian Dix, SCDOT, provided an update on all current Pee Dee COG projects. See attached report for details.

- III. Construction Project Updates
 - a. SCDOT District 4 – Chesterfield County - Greg Williams (or representative)
 - Greg Williams, SCDOT District 4, could not make it to the meeting, but provided a report on the signal and intersection improvement at Dove Sutton Road and US 601 in the Town of Pageland. The contractor is planning on starting the project late next week and it has a Mid-August completion date.

 - b. SCDOT District 5 – Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion & Marlboro Counties - Kyle Berry (or representative)

- IV. Feasibility Review Discussion
 - a. US 378 from Old River Road to Conway (Corridor Improvements) Feasibility Reports – Marion/Horry County– Neel-Shafer, Inc.

- Matt Lifset and Chris Rubens of Neel-Shafer, Inc, gave a brief presentation and overview of the scope of work with the Feasibility Study so far. The main scope of the study is to figure out the best way to widen the existing corridor to 5 lanes. There is a significant amount of truck traffic along the corridor with 15% - 24% of the traffic coming from trucks. There are also ideas for widening some areas, and adding passing lanes to the areas that are more constrained. The Study is still in the early stages but has an estimated completion date of March 2024.
 - b. SC 38 from NC state line to Bennettsville (Corridor Improvements) Feasibility Reports – Marlboro County - Holt Consulting Company LLC
- Daniel Atkinson of Holt Consulting stated that the SC 38 feasibility study was still in the early stages. He stated that there we ideas of widening the roadway and adding passing lanes along the 12-mile section. A brand new corridor was suggested by Leon Johnson, but that was deemed not to be cost efficient.
 - c. SC 9 from Lancaster County line to Horry County line (Corridor Improvements) Feasibility Reports - Multi County– Civil Engineering Consulting Services, Inc.
- Brian Nickerson of Civil Engineering Consulting Services gave a brief overview of the SC 9 Feasibility Study. The study is still in the very early stages. Tim Harper and Sammie Copeland brought up areas of concern including the Dillon Inland Port, Bridges across I-95, and the connection to SC 34 and SC 38.

V. Action Items

- a. LRTP Update
 - The I-73 Interstate project was presented and amended to the LRTP by the TAC. Tim Harper made a motion to add the I-73 interstate project to the LRTP. Leon Johnson Seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Pee Dee COG Staff Update

- Dunae Shaw gave a brief overview of the SCDOT Status Meeting for STIP/TIP Window Update. The SCDOT Planning Office needs a TIP Draft to review before the study team with the Final TIP to be submitted by February 29, 2024. Project ideas are expected from the TAC at future meetings.

VII. Comments & Questions

- Leon Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sammie Copeland seconded the motion.