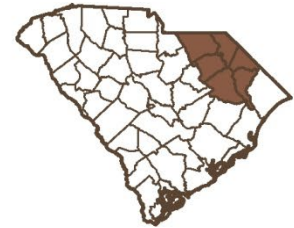


# PEE DEE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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## Transportation Action Committee (TAC)

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Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2024, 10:30 am  
2314 Pisgah Road, Florence, SC

### Meeting Attendees

Sammie Copeland Chairman	Dunae Shaw	Chavis Watford
Joey Skipper	Sandy Watford	Dr. Carolyn Prince
Edwin Sharpe	Greg Williams	Teiyanna Chandler
Brian Dix	Joette Dukes	Tim Harper
Ethan Brown	Shawn Brasher	Lindsay Privette
Tripp Ward	Caroline Dunlap	

- I. Welcome - Sammie Copeland
  - Sammie Copeland welcomed the group, requested that all in attendance introduce themselves, declared a quorum present, and called the meeting to order. Chair Copeland requested to amend the agenda to add an item of discussion related to drainage in Chesterfield County. Add as Item VII. Motion to approve, Harper. Watford second.
- II. Approval of December 13, 2023, Meeting Minutes
  - Tim Harper moved that the minutes of the December 13, 2023, TAC meeting be approved as submitted. Carolyn Prince seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- III. Pee Dee Regional Project Updates
  - a. Brian Dix (or representative) – PDCOG Project Updates
    - Brian Dix provided an overview of current COG projects, see attached report. Specific conversation given to:
      - Dillon County project at SC 9/57 and S-76. Tim Harper will talk with Glen Wagner regarding the project and report back at the June meeting.
      - Darlington County project at McIver Road in ROW acquisition phase. In conversation with CSX about ROW.
      - The city of Hartsville, Washington Street proposed roundabout. PDCOG contacted the city to make sure they were good with the proposed improvement. They confirmed that they were. Next step will be public meetings to show the project.
      - The recent public meeting for Paper Mill Rd. and E. National Cemetery was well attended with positive feedback from residents.
      - Following Dix's report, Copeland requested to return discussion to the Chesterfield County project at Center Point Rd. and Oakland Church Rd. Copeland requested information on making the intersection a 4-way stop rather

than expending the funds on the proposed construction. Dix will investigate traffic counts and report back if it is a possibility.

- b. SCDOT District 4 – Chesterfield County - Greg Williams (or representative)
  - Gregg Williams reported on activities in District 4: significant paving thanks to the gas tax. Several sections of Highway 151, Highway 601, and other secondary roads will be repaved.
- c. SCDOT District 5 – Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion & Marlboro Counties - Kyle Berry (or representative)
  - Joey Skipper reported on activities in District 5: SCDOT is coming out of the season of patching and ditch maintenance, repaving will begin across the district.

#### IV. Langston Road and John Paul Jones Road Intersection Discussion

- Lindsay Privette presented the intersection of Langston Road and John Paul Jones Road in Florence County as an item of consideration for the LRTP, at the request of Council Member Yarborough and County Administrator Kevin Yokim.

#### V. PDCOG Staff Update

- Lindsay Privette provided an update on conversations with Roxanne Ancheta re: large projects:
- Dillon County Highway 34 bridge does not rank high enough on the state-wide bridge replacement plan for any improvements in the foreseeable future. SCDOT recommends that the county try to get direct appropriations at the state and federal level instead.
- Cheraw Highway 9 bridge: SCDOT has put money into the bridge to make it structurally sound, and it does not rank high enough on the state-wide bridge replacement plan for any additional improvements in the foreseeable future. SCDOT recommends that the county try to get direct appropriations at the state and federal level instead.
- Florence County I-95 and 327 intersection: an intersection modification request needs to be submitted by the County. Per the recommendation of SCDOT Planning, Mr. Brashear requested to discuss in more detail with Lindsay Privette and Brian Dix following the meeting.

#### VI. Comments & Questions

- NA

#### VII. Chesterfield County Drainage

- Copeland shared a discussion about major drainage issues in the town of Chesterfield. Major hurdles are lack of identification of “who’s at fault” and lack of funding. Question: where does DOT’s authority/responsibility end and where does the towns begin?