PEE DEE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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Transportation Action Committee (TAC)

Meeting March 24, 2021 10:30 am 2314 Pisgah Road, Florence, SC

- I. Welcome Sammie Copeland
 - TAC Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 am and all attendees introduced themselves.
- II. Pee Dee Regional Project Updates Brian Dix (or representative)
 - Brian Dix reviewed the status of current projects with the group. He provided a brief review of the Feasibility Studies. Hopes that they could be reviewed in the May 2022 Planning Commission meeting so that the studies could be accepted and begin this summer. The state now has an on-call list, so we will be able to expedite the study process.

III. Construction Project Updates

- a. SCDOT District 4 Chesterfield County Greg Williams (or representative)
 - Greg Williams, District 4, gave an update on current non-COG projects in Chesterfield County. Most of the projects are resurfacing throughout the county at a cost of more than \$16 million, with an estimated additional \$12 million coming for resurfacing before the end of the year. Among them are projects on Highways 151. Provided an update on Fed Funded Hwy 1 bridge work that may be completed in 2024. There is a railroad, which adds time to the process.
- b. SCDOT District 5 Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion & Marlboro Counties Kyle Berry (or representative)
 - Joey Skipper provided the District 5 update. Many resurfacing projects are underway throughout the district. Stated that he has heard no complaints about the new roundabout in Marion.

IV. Action Items

- a. Public Participation Plan Draft Review.
 - Dunae Shaw requested that the committee review the new Public Participation Plan, and expected an email in two weeks, seeking approval.
- V. Pee Dee COG Staff Update

- Lindsay Privette provided a COG Staff Update. She announced that the request for the traffic counts near W. Lee Flowers on Highway 52 has been completed, and it has been concluded that there is no need for a traffic signal at this time. Joey Skipper stated that once the new industries request an encroachment permit, they will revisit the need for a signal and potentially add the signal into the permit.
- Dunae Shaw reiterated that the STIP for the Feasibility studies have been submitted to SCDOT and we are hopeful that the projects will be added at our May 2022 Commission Meeting.

VI. Comments & Questions

- Dr. Carolyn Prince wants to know if the traffic volumes will be included in the Hwy 38 Study. Brian Dix confirmed that the traffic counts will be included in the study. She requests that Ron Munnerlyn along with the Marlboro County Economic Development be included to discuss and give input on the scope of the Hwy 38 Study.
- Tim Harper requests a feasibility study to widen Hwy 378 from Gresham to the Horry County Line, in order to make the Highway completely 4 Lane. Also suggested getting in contact with the WRCOG so that they can join in and give us any previous insight and input on a possible 378 Widening. Lindsay Privette will report back after getting in contact with the WRCOG.
- Waymon Mumford spoke strongly in favor of the 378 Study. Also recommended a
 "field Trip" to get a live view of any of the places of concern. He stated that it takes
 the cooperation of all of us to make progress and applauds the staff and
 administration on what has been accomplished in this region.
- Johnny Brown agreed with the suggestion to bring WRCOG into the feasibility study for Hwy 378. Also asked for an update on our current financial status. Based on our current TIP we will have an estimated total of \$5.7 million remaining.
- Marshall Munn reported that the roundabout in Clausen has been well received, even by truck drivers, as it helps them, and others decreased their speeds.
- Sammie Copeland would like to see a RAISE application used in Chesterfield
 County. Also suggested meeting with other COGs to gain insight and share ideas,
 especially since we are all regional and some of our projects will affect their
 counties.
- Lindsay Privette explained CEDS and requests input from the committee. She will send copies of the old documentation to help update the new information.
- Leon Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marshall Munn seconded the motion.

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Meeting Title: TAC MEETING

Organizer: PEE DEE COG

Location: 2314 PISGAH RD. FLORENCE SC

Date:

3/24/2022

Time:

10:30AM

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