

NC 73 COP
Regular Quarterly Meeting
Meeting Notes- January 19, 2006

In attendance- Jaya Dhindan, Lindsey Hobbs, Charles Jeter, Karen Floyd, Terry Derner, Linda Dosse, Rockne Bryant, Ryan McDaniels, Bill Coxe, Jack Simoneau, Eddie McNeely, Charles Knox, Bo Moore, Barry Matherly, Jonathen Marshall, Matthew Ennis, Bjorn Hansen, Bill Duston, Mike Holder.

Welcome and Introductions- Bjorn Hansen welcomed everyone in attendance and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

COP member regulations comparison- Mr. Hansen presented research comparing the regulations of the municipalities and counties along the NC 73 corridor, as they applied to access management and development regulations. Mr. Hansen answered questions to clarify the points, and general discussion among attendees regarding application occurred.

NC 73 Website- Mr. Hansen presented the NC 73 project page on the NCDOT website. He then asked if the COP should have its own, and what information it should contain. Bill Duston then suggested some items that would fulfill the multi-jurisdictional data and project review sharing goals of the COP. The members agreed this would be useful, and that a web site should be created in the current fiscal year. Mr. Hansen stated he can prepare a draft web site for the next COP meeting. At the request of Mr. Duston, the members felt that any discussion of funding in FY 06-07 should occur in the next few weeks due to the budget development cycle. A web site would be a very visible deliverable that would demonstrate the activities completed to date.

Small Area Plans- Mr. Hansen presented the details of a small area plan, and the corresponding zoning codes, for land along NC 73. Members asked questions regarding application along the corridor and which sections would be applicable to them. Mr. Hansen stated that this presentation, and all subsequent ones, will be made available on the web site.

NC 73 project advancement- Bill Coxe presented an overview of how Huntersville advanced the schedule for widening a section of NC 73 along near US 21 through local funding, to be repaid by future NCDOT funds once the project would have been funded through the TIP. Mr. Coxe answered questions regarding scheduling, environmental review, and design.

Roundtable Discussion- Bo Moore asked about advancing these projects into the TIP with funding, as well as the need for a second annual meeting, similar to the one held in July 2005 at the McGuire Nuclear Station. Mr. Hansen responded that the corridor fell under three transportation planning organizations and each one advanced projects, although an annual meeting was a visible way of reminding everyone the corridor's total need. Jack Simoneau also described each municipality and county's responsibilities to perform proper land use and corridor preservation responsibilities.

Next Meeting Date: Centralina COG will send several potential meeting dates, beginning February 1, 2006, with all at the Cornelius town hall at 1 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 PM.