



# Northwest Piedmont Rural Planning Organization

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**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments**  
**August 15, 2006**  
**5:30 p.m.**

Bobbly Knight, Davie  
Vernon Thompson, Mocksville  
Kim Phillips, Yadkin  
Joe Del Guercio, Danbury  
John Turpin, Northwest Piedmont COG  
Judi Wallace, Safe Routes To School  
Roger Dull, Davie County School System  
Wayne Davis, Transportation Planning Branch  
Mike Patton, NCDOT Division 9  
Marc Allred, Northwest Piedmont RPO

**I. Introduction and Welcome**

- Vernon Thompson, Chair

**II. Approval of Minutes**

- April 18, 2006
  - John Tupin: motion Kim Phillips: seconded. All approved.

**III. Presentation (TAC)**

1. Terry Canales, (Safe Routes To School Coordinator) – Safe Routes To School, Introduction & Workshop
  1. Native of W-S. Passion about SRTS. Nationally certified. We have money to help with program. State is paying for workshops.
  2. Went over powerpoint presentation.
  3. Joe: How can you address schools that have little accessibility?
  4. Area where you can build greenway or trail.
  5. Vernon: Parents were intent on bringing their kids to school even though they could walk.
  6. Education to parents so some could reconsider. Show benefits of walking.
  7. Most schools participating have educational workshops.
  8. Patton: Comment on caps on grant size.
  9. Grant size will be a rolling process w/ 2 or 3 per year with \$100,000 grant. 70% used on improvements. \$50 to \$60 per yard.

**IV. Information Items**

- RPO – Marc Allred
  1. Dedicated Alternates
    - Marc Allred discussed the need for a dedicated alternate. Only the designee and the alternate have the ability to count towards



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a quorum or vote. The municipal designee for the county can have an alternate from another town in the county. All designees/alternates must be elected officials.

## 2. Review of Old TIP Projects (Cleanup)

- Marc Allred went over unfunded projects in the TIP for our counties. Some projects have been on TIP for many years and over time the project may not be important to the community any longer. Getting these projects off the TIP can help BOT decide which projects need to be funded.

## 3. County Advisory Committees

- Marc Allred went over County Advisory Committees (CAC). The CAC is used for public involvement and helps the counties identify and prioritize transportation projects. Due to the fact that enhancements were cancelled in 2006, there was no need for CAC meetings. CAC meetings will start back up in winter of 2007 to review transportation projects that will be sent to the BOT for consideration on 2009 – 2015 TIP.

## 4. Yadkin Valley Scenic Byway Update

- Marc Allred: Northwest Piedmont RPO preliminary application met DOT minimum requirements. DOT Scenic Byway Dept. gave their recommendations and the group went with it with a few additions. There was a map on display for people to look over the route.

## 5. Enhancements

- Marc Allred: Went over how the RPO will go over enhancement applications for approval. Regional workshops will be provided for RPO participants in spring of 2007. These workshops will help in explaining the requirements of awarded projects, how to create a successful application, and the review/rating of applications by the RPO.

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### 1. Wayne Davis – Transportation Planning Branch

- a. Stokes County CTP: Met with Stokes County Transportation Plan in July on public involvement. Went over survey questions. 800 surveys will be sent out later in August and results will be brought back to NCDOT in early October. Surveys will be in libraries grocery stores, etc. Will also be on web at Survey Monkey.com. Stokes County CTP should be completed in March. Yadkinville is next.
- b. Response to Davie County for revised of thoroughfare plan. Intersection of I-40 and Redlands. Discuss with W-S MPO first.
- c. US 64 Bypass progress: Marc Allred will contact Derrick Weaver of PDEA to get progress..

### 2. Division Engineers



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- a. Mike Patton: Blaise Church Rd intersection was funded. Curb & Gutter work in Danbury. Both projects will not be worked on until next year.
- b. Bobby Knight: Can't realign Blaise Church Rd. this year.

- Public Comment

## V. Action Items

- a. Change in By-Laws: Change in terminology of non-voting members to non-voting representatives. In Article III-Members, Section 1-Membership.
  1. John Turpin motioned
  2. Vernon Thompson
    1. All approved

## VI. Adjournment

- a. Next meeting is November 21, 2006
  - Kim motion
  - John Turpin seconded.
    - All approved.