

East Alabama Region MPO & RPO Transportation Monthly Newsletter

November 2018 Issue

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Calhoun Area MPO Updates

➤ **Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan Updates**

The Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan update continues. The first document and maps from the stakeholder's meeting held October 3, 2018 are now posted to the website ([Calhoun Area MPO](#)). There were twelve (12) attendees at the stakeholder's meeting and a lot of great conversations about destinations in each jurisdiction and cyclist safety. Please direct any comments or suggestions to CalhounBikePed@gmail.com.

A public participation meeting will be scheduled once a draft plan nears completion. Information regarding this meeting will be posted on the EARPDC website, advertised in the Anniston Star, and distributed to the Policy, Technical Advisory, and Citizens Advisory Committees once scheduled.

➤ **Public Participation Plan Update**

The Calhoun Area MPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) is in the process of being updated. Once a draft is complete, a public meeting and public comment period will be initiated.

Information regarding the meeting and comment period will be posted on the EARPDC website and distributed to the Policy, Technical Advisory, and Citizens Advisory Committees once scheduled. Adoption of the update will require ALDOT approval of both Draft and Final versions as well as a passed resolution through the MPO Policy Committee. Please direct any initial comments to elizabeth.messick@earpdc.org.

➤ **October MPO Project Changes**

- #45 CN (PI #100064899) RESURFACE RUSSELL DRIVE FROM ALEXANDRIA ROAD TO PEACEBURG ROAD CITY OF WEAVER.
Old Target start date: January 25, 2019 to
New Target start date: November 08, 2019.

-Change from FY19 to FY20. 1% FY change increase applied. No apportionment given for FY20 yet.

- #35 UT (PI #100065454) INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT NOBLE STREET AND 4TH STREET
-Change from FY18 to FY19 in the ALDOT monthly project report spreadsheet. 1% FY change increase applied on TIP spreadsheet.
- #35 CN (PI #100063208) INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT NOBLE STREET AND 4TH STREET
Old Target start date: February 22, 2019 to
New Target start date: April 26, 2019
-No change in FY; No change to TIP spreadsheet
- #4 CN (PI# 100047014) SIGNAL UPGRADE SR-21 AT BALTZELL GATE ROAD.
Old Target start date: January 25, 2019 to
New Target start date: June 28, 2019.
-No change in FY; No change to TIP spreadsheet
- #39 CN (PI# 100064884) RESURFACING, STRIPING, AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ON MOUNTAIN STREET NE FROM SR-21 TO 8TH AVENUE NE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE.
Old Target start date: January 25, 2019 to New Target start date: June 28, 2019.
-No change in FY; No change to TIP spreadsheet
- #40 CN (PI# 100064886) RESURFACING CHURCH AVENUE FROM 11TH STREET TO SR-21.
Old Target start date: January 25, 2019 to
New Target start date: June 28, 2019.
-No change in FY; No change to TIP spreadsheet

➤ MPO Social Media



After a long hiatus and some technical difficulties, the Calhoun Area MPO is back on Facebook with a new page all its own! Find us at <https://www.facebook.com/CalhounAreaMPO/>! We're still getting things organized on our website, so we can share it on our Facebook feed, but posts will start soon. Feel free to like our page and share future posts! This outlet will be used for upcoming events, meetings, website updates, and more!

RPO Updates

➤ 1st Quarter of FY 19

There will be no RPO meetings for the first quarter of FY 19. We will be reaching out to make sure all contact information is correct, everyone that would like to be involved with the RPO is included, and all members are accounted for. Please reach out to Libby Messick at elizabeth.messick@earpdc.org if you do not hear from us to ensure you are listed correctly.

➤ FY19 Meetings

❄️ January:

Northern Counties: January 10th @ Gadsden Chamber, 11:30 am, after MPO meeting

Central Counties: January 17th @ EARPDC, 11 am, after MPO meeting

Southern Counties: January 24th time and location TBD

🌱 April:

Northern Counties: January 10th @ time and location TBD

Central Counties: January 17th @ EARPDC, 11 am, after MPO meeting

Southern Counties: January 24th time and location TBD

☀️ July:

Northern Counties: January 10th @ Gadsden Chamber, 11:30 am, after MPO meeting

Central Counties: January 17th @ EARPDC, 11 am, after MPO meeting

Southern Counties: January 24th time and location TBD

➤ Meeting Coordination Interest

If you have any interest in hosting an RPO meeting, any suggestions on where to house an RPO meeting, or suggestions on places for box lunches/food items during an RPO meeting in your area, please contact Libby Messick at elizabeth.messick@earpdc.org or 256-237-6741. We would love to have these meetings be both beneficial and enjoyable for all involved.

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Projects Proposed to Let November 2, 2018

➤ Calhoun County

- None

➤ Chambers County

- None

- **Cherokee County**
 - None
- **Clay County**
 - None
- **Cleburne County**
 - None
- **Coosa County**
 - None
- **Etowah County**
 - None
- **Randolph County**
 - None
- **Talladega County**
 - None
- **Tallapoosa County**
 - STPNU-HSIP-0049(509) for constructing the Safety Widening, Planing, Resurfacing, and Traffic Stripe on SR-49 from the Macon County Line to the intersection of SR-14 northwest of Franklin. Length 4.942 miles.
The Bracket Estimate on this project is from \$1,712,323 to \$2,092,839.

Upcoming Funding Opportunities & Deadlines

It's not too early to be thinking ahead!

- Industrial Access Road and Bridge Program (ALDOT) – late January deadline possible
- Recreational Trails Program (ADECA) – early February deadline possible
- Land and Water Conservation Funds (ADECA) – early February deadline possible

More information on deadlines will be distributed as it becomes available.

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 <i>Technical Advisory Committee @ 10</i>	8	9	10
11	12 <i>Veteran's Day</i>	13 <i>Transit Advisory Board @ 9</i>	14 <i>Citizens Advisory Committee @ 10</i>	15 <i>MPO Policy Com- mittee @ 10</i>	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>Transit Advisory Board @ 9</i>	12 <i>Technical Advisory Committee @ 10</i>	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 <i>MPO Policy Committee @ 10</i>	21	22
23	24	25 <i>Christmas</i>	26	27	28	29
30	31	<i>New Year's Day</i>				