

AGENDA
for the
Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
March 18, 2021
10:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Verification of Quorum
- III. Recognition of Guests
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Review and approve minutes from February 18, 2021
 - B. TBA
- V. New Business
 - A. Review FY 20-23 TIP Spreadsheet and Administrative Modifications
 - B. Resolution 817: Amend the 2019 Bicycle Pedestrian Plan to Include Economic Impact
 - C. Resolution 818: Amend the FY21 UPWP to include FY20 rollover
 - D. Resolution 819: Support letter of disagreement to OMB
 - E. Resolution 820: Certification of the FY 21 ADA-Paratransit Plan
 - F. CAC Appointments
 - G. Safety Observations
 - H. TBA
- VI. Other Business
 - A. Status Report on Other Local Projects from ALDOT
 - B. Report on Urban Fixed Route and ADA Handicapped Transit Systems
 - C. Comments or Issues from Member Jurisdictions or Attendees
 - D. TBA
- VII. Next MPO Meeting – Thursday, April 15, 2021
- VIII. Adjourn

MINUTES
Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Thursday, February 18, 2021
10:00 a.m.

Those attending:

Barbara Hendricks	ALDOT Local Transportation
Jay Jenkins, Vice Chairman	City of Anniston
Jules Moss	MDA
Lian Li	FHWA
Libby Messick	EARPDC/MPO
Mark Stephens	City of Jacksonville
Michael Bergh	ALDOT East Central Region
Michael Hosh	Calhoun County
Rodney McCain	Calhoun County
Shane Brown	ALDOT East Central Region
Toby Bennington	City of Anniston
Mayor Wayne Willis	City of Weaver

After roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present, Vice Chairman, Councilman Jay Jenkins called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

There were no new guests.

OLD BUSINESS:

The minutes of the January 21, 2021 meeting were approved on a motion made by Mr. Toby Bennington and seconded by Mark Stephens. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice Chairman Jenkins called for the Review of FY 20-23 TIP Spreadsheet and Administrative Modifications. Ms. Messick gave the members a copy of the current TIP. Ms. Messick explained that there were two modifications that created changes to the TIP spreadsheet and six modifications that did not create changes.

Vice Chairman Jenkins then called for discussion of Resolution No. 812. Ms. Messick explained this resolution was a correction to the Resolution that was passed the previous month to cover an increase in PE for Hillyer Robinson Industrial Parkway Safety Improvements. The overrun amount reported on the previous Resolution was of \$12,167.04 and should have been \$22,512.10. A motion was made by Mr. Toby Bennington to approve this increase with **Resolution No. 812**, which was seconded by Mark Stephens. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Jenkins next called for discussion of Resolution No. 815. Ms. Messick explained this resolution was to increase the CN funds for project number 56 (100070198) Resurfacing on Henry Road and Country Club Drive SW to Fairway Drive. Whereas a Resolution was passed the previous month to reduce the limits of the project, an updated engineer's report found that additional funding would be needed to complete the project. A rough estimate between the additional funding needed from the engineering report and remaining funds from the Church Street project in the amount of \$165,000 was projected to be needed for this project. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Stephens to approve this increase with **Resolution No. 815**, which was seconded by Toby Bennington. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Jenkins then called for discussion of Resolution No. 816. Ms. Messick explained this resolution was to increase CN funds for project number 44 (100064897) Installation of a Roundabout at the Bynum Leatherwood Road (CR-109) and Old Gadsden Highway Intersection. She further explained that this project is scheduled for let next month. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Stephens to approve the limit reduction with **Resolution No. 816**, which was seconded by Toby Bennington. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Jenkins next called for discussion CAC Appointments. Ms. Messick explained that there was a list of the members in the agenda packet to review. The City of Anniston still needs 7 appointments, 2 for the City of Jacksonville, 7 for the City of Oxford, and 1 for the City of Weaver.

Next, Vice Chairman Jenkins continued with New Business by calling for discussion of Safety Observations. Ms. Messick explained that there was a handout in the agenda packet with the list of concerns from the CAC that had been discussed at previous meetings for review. There were no new updates available.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Vice Chairman Jenkins called for the status report on other local projects from ALDOT East Central Division. Mr. Shane Brown reported the 144 project is nearing completion with only punch list items and thermoplastic remaining, 431 was no on median work and on schedule for resurfacing in the spring; Baltzell and Lenlock is still awaiting materials; and Church Street should be starting in the next couple of months.

Vice Chairman Jenkins called for the Report on Urban Fixed Route and ADA Handicapped Transit Systems. Ms. Messick gave the report for the Fixed-Route ridership for the month of January, which was provided in the agenda packet for review. Ms. Messick further explained the ADA Paratransit Ridership for December; Anniston had 646 (decrease) one-way trips, Jacksonville had 102 (decrease) one-way trips, 61 trips for Weaver (increase), and Oxford had 135 (decrease) one-way trips. For the Urbanized area 109 (increase) one-way trips and 76 (decrease) one-way trips for the Rural area. Fixed-route ridership had a total of 5,177 (decrease) riders for the month of January.

Finally, Vice Chairman Jenkins called for comments or issues from member jurisdictions or attendees. There were none.

Next meeting of the MPO will be Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Mr. Toby Bennington motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mark Stephens. Motion carried. Vice Chairman Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

CALHOUN AREA MPO

FY 20-23 TIP AS OF March 2, 2021

ALL FUNDS AVAILABLE (FED + LOCAL MATCH)
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP)

	Authorized to Proceed		PE Preliminary Engineering
	Moved from one FY to another FY		RW Right of Way
	Funded by ATRIP or ARRA		UT Utilities
	New Project or Allocation Change		CN Construction

Project Description	ID#	Sponsor	Status	Scope	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
3 Resurface Chief Ladiga Trail w/Sidewalk Connection City of Weaver	100062151	Weaver	COMPLETE	CN	276,000							
4 Signal Upgrade at SR-21 / Baltzell Gate Rd. (ARRA \$ Re-assigned to Frank Akers Rd.)	100047014	Anniston		CN					574,112			
5 Signal Improvements at Lenock / SR-21	100047016	Anniston		CN					308,905			
6 McIntosh Rd. Improvements and Re-Alignment	100054925	Calhoun County		UT		52,475						
	100054926	Calhoun County	Under CN	CN		1,358,096						
7 Lenock/Saks Road Intersection & Turn Lanes	100051026	Calhoun County	COMPLETE	CN	1,459,613							
11 Snow Street Drainage Improvements & Resurfacing	100052525	Oxford		Under CN		2,237,834						
14 Alexandria-Jville Rd. Resurface from McClellan Rd. to Cedar Springs Rd.	100064930	Calhoun County		CN				538,117				
23 64th Street Bridge Replacement (BIN 6204) (PE developed by County Eng.)	100054937	Calhoun County		RW								
	100054938			UT								
	100054939			CN								
25 Coffee (A) Street - Resurface from SR-21 to Alexandria Rd.	100043808	Jacksonville	COMPLETE	CN	334,248							
30 Barry Street/US 78 - Reconfigure Intersection	100057404	Oxford		PE								
	100057405			RW				989,149				
	100057406			UT						118,224		
	100057407			CN						674,572		
33 Chief Ladiga Trail - Anniston - ± 5.8 mi (Cane Ck. To 4th St.)	100060694	Anniston		RW			522,903					
35 Noble/4th St. Intersection Improvements	100063208	Anniston		CN				879,452				
36 Bike/Ped Improvements at 10th, Clydesdale, & 11th	100063210	Anniston		CN	43,874							
37 Bike/Ped Improvements at 14th, 11th, and Cobb Ave. (CN includes \$25k for Bicycle Parking Racks)	100063212	Anniston		CN	229,383							
38 Intersection Lighting at SR-202/Bynum Leatherwood	100064881	Calhoun County	COMPLETE	PE	24,000							
	100064882		COMPLETE	CN		328,607						
39 Mountain St. NE Resurface from SR-21 to 8th Ave	100064883	Jacksonville		PE		48,716						
	100064884			CN				773,051				
40 Church Ave Resurface from 11th St to SR-21	100064885	Jacksonville		PE			118,686					
	100064886			CN						1,719,506		
41 Airport Rd. Bridge Replacement @ Coldwater Creek (BIN 11215)	100064887	Oxford		PE			340,890					
	100064888			RW						10,406		
	100064889			UT							78,826	
	100064890			CN							2,165,394	
43 Lenock Lane Resurface from US-431 to Anniston CL (PE developed by County Eng.)	100064895	Calhoun County	COMPLETE	CN	686,402							
44 Bynum Leatherwood/Old Gadsden Rd Roundabout	100064896	Calhoun County		PE			294,000					
	100064897			CN						1,383,502		
45 Russell Dr. Resurface from Alexandria Rd to Peaceburg Rd.	100064898	Weaver		PE			47,553					
	100064899			CN						504,448		
46 4-lane Greenbrier Rd. to Golden Spring Rd. cost overruns Resolution 733	100008423	Anniston	COMPLETE	CN		533,835		119,894				
47 Wilmer, Greenbrier to G Street, cost overruns Anniston	100047017	Anniston	COMPLETE	PE		1,977						
			COMPLETE	CN		51,532						

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48 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase I	100070247	Oxford		PE					311,264				
	100070248			RW						325,891			
	100070249			UT								323,165	
	100070250			CN									1,515,107
49 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase II	100070253	Oxford		PE					349,181				
	100070254			RW						193,239			
	100070255			UT								191,622	
	100070257			CN									
50 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase III	100070259	Oxford		PE					150,248				
	100070262			RW						108,417			
	100070269			UT								107,510	
	100070271			CN									
51 Alexandria/Jacksonville Rd. - Resurface (Cedar Springs Rd to Jacksonville) (PE by County Eng.)	100070224			CN					725,341				
52 Whites Gap Rd and Whites Gap Rd SE - Resurfacing (PE developed by County Eng.)	100070226	Calhoun County		CN						1,285,326			
53 AL Hwy 202/Hunter St. - Signal Upgrade	100070695	Calhoun County		PE					30,300				
	100070228	Calhoun County		CN						102,010			
54 Roy Webb Rd. - Resurfacing (PE developed by County Eng.)	100070230	Calhoun County		CN							978,786		
55 Eulation Gate Rd. - Resurfacing (PE developed by County Eng.)	100070232	Calhoun County		CN								390,227	
56 Resurfacing Henry Road from SR 21 to the City Limits	100070197	Jacksonville		PE						89,170			
	100070198	Jacksonville		CN						635,287			
57 Resurfacing George Douthit Dr from SR-21 to Brierwood Place SW	100070203	Jacksonville		PE							212,715		
	100070208	Jacksonville		CN								1,078,819	
58 Baltzell Gate Connector Multi-use path	100070238	Anniston		PE							18,133		
	100070239	Anniston		CN								183,146	
59 Coldwater Mountain/Mulberry St. to Legarde, multi-use path	100070241	Anniston		PE						32,643			
	100070242	Anniston		CN							164,848		
60 Anniston to Oxford Bike Lane; S Noble and Chestnut	100070244	Anniston		PE						5,611			
	100070245	Anniston		CN						44,884			
Hillyer Robinson Ind. Parkway Safety Improvements overun - CLOSED	100054927		CLOSED	PE						22,512			
Resurfacing CR-187 (Friendship Rd) From CR-193 (Boiling Spring Rd) to SR-21	100054928		CLOSED	CN					4,147				
	100054996		CLOSED	CN					24,468				
Frank Akers		Anniston	CLOSED	PE						17,200			
PROGRAMMED					3,054,124	4,613,072	1,324,032	3,297,673	2,478,465	7,271,858	4,241,000	3,167,299	
APPORTIONMENT					2,182,759	2,266,095	2,363,956	2,463,701	2,521,554	2,540,505	2,540,505	2,540,505	
CARRYOVER					9,694,529	8,823,163	6,476,186	7,516,110	6,682,138	6,725,227	1,993,874	293,379	
AVAILABLE					11,877,287	11,089,258	8,840,142	9,979,811	9,203,692	9,265,732	4,534,379	2,833,884	
BALANCE					8,823,163	6,476,186	7,516,110	6,682,138	6,725,227	1,993,874	293,379	(333,415)	

Resolution # 817

Amend the 2019 Calhoun Area Bicycle Pedestrian Plan to Include Economic Impact

WHEREAS, amended Title 23 USC 217 (SAFETEA-LU, Section 6001; MAP-21, 2012; FAST Act, 2015), 23 CFR 450.200 and 450.300, require the State of Alabama and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to accommodate the needs to non-motorists in the transportation planning process as well as integrate walking and bicycling facilities and intermodal programs into transportation plans, and

WHEREAS, the Calhoun Area MPO has adopted its 2019 Calhoun Area Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan on August 15, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the Calhoun Area MPO wishes to amend the 2019 Calhoun Area Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan to include recognition and record of an economic impact study as

Appendix D – Trail Economic Impacts in Calhoun County

“As a new and added component to the Calhoun MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Plan, recently updated substantially, is the inclusion of measuring the value of economic impact to the development and sustainability of non-motorized street transportation, recreational trail use and the connectivity to ecotourism and the overall economic development environment and quality of life. A program along with a methodology to measure this component has been well planned and well outlined to guide and support decisions for public and private sector investment.

Beginning in March 2021, Jacksonville State University’s Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CEDBR) in collaboration with JSU’s School of Science Masters GIS Program, will begin a new evaluation of the economic impact that the recreational bike/ped trails in Calhoun County have on our local economy. JSU’s CEDBR has had trail counters on the Chief Ladiga Trail and Coldwater Mountain Bike Trail for close to three years. They added trail counters to the most recently developed McClellan Trails in February of 2020. These trail counters collect raw usage data throughout the year. By pairing this raw data collected from the trail counters in conjunction with intercept surveys that JSU students will be collecting throughout a seven-month time frame at different points along each trail, they will be able to formulate an accurate economic impact these essential trails have on Calhoun County and the local region’s economy. The data used for this study will be collected from March 2021 through October 2021.

The importance of an all-encompassing bicycle and pedestrian plan to include the economics of use, expansion and impact ensures that component becomes and stays a vital and necessary link to a city’s and to a region’s overall transportation plan.”

Results of the above study will subsequently be added to the plan when completed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Calhoun County MPO hereby amends the 2019 Calhoun County Area Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Passed and amended this 18th day of March 2021.

Councilman Jeff Clendenning, Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Messick, Senior Planner
East Alabama Regional Planning and
Development Commission

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Chief Ladiga Trail Expansion City of Anniston, AL

Estimated Economic Impact on Calhoun County, AL

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Construction 2022 Impacts



Short-Term Construction Economic Impact on Total Output

Impact	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
1 - Direct	26 \$	1,066,036 \$	1,233,701 \$	3,100,000
2 - Indirect	5 \$	230,483 \$	426,212 \$	881,722
3 - Induced	4 \$	151,189 \$	298,483 \$	536,792
TOTAL	35 \$	1,448,309 \$	1,958,396 \$	4,518,514

\$120 THOUSAND GENERATED IN STATE AND LOCAL TAXES

\$43 THOUSAND LOCAL

\$77 THOUSAND STATE

Source: IMPLAN Group, LLC. IMPLAN [2019]. Huntersville, NC. IMPLAN.com.



**Center for Economic Development
and Business Research**
JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

Resolution # 818

Amending the Fiscal Year 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

WHEREAS, the **Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)** is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (amended by the FAST Act, Sections 1201 and 1202, December 2015); 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93; and,

WHEREAS, the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) requires all urbanized areas, as established by the US Bureau of the Census, to do area-wide urban transportation planning, and the designated planning organization to submit a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as a condition for meeting the provisions of Title 23 USC 134; and,

WHEREAS, consistent with the declaration of these provisions, the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission, as staff to the MPO, in cooperation with the Bureau of Transportation Planning and Modal Programs, Alabama Department of Transportation, has prepared a Unified Planning Work Program for Fiscal Year 2021; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to its duties, functions, and responsibilities, the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) proposes to allocate the remaining administrative funds from fiscal year 2020 in the amount of \$160,680 (\$128,544 Federal; \$32,136 local match) into fiscal year 2021 in order to complete the Anniston Area Bike-Ped Facility Design/Installation Manual that was allocated funds from 2019 rollover, as well as set some funds aside to identify and implement special studies or set aside for larger plans such as the Long Range Transportation Plan; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), that the fiscal year 2020 UPWP be amended as indicated above.

Passed and adopted this 18th day of March 2021.

Councilman Jeff Clendenning, Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Messick, Senior Planner
East Alabama Regional Planning and
Development Commission

TASK 6.0 SPECIAL PROJECTS, CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT, TECHNICAL STUDIES, AND DEVELOPMENTS OF REGIONAL IMPACTS (DRI)

6.2 Special Project Identification

Objective

To have available a portion of MPO PL funds to assist member governments with the development and funding of special transportation or transit related technical studies as well as set aside funds for later large plans (ie LRTP)

Previous Work

Numerous special technical studies to support efforts by the member jurisdictions of the MPO Numbering, although off in this FY UPWP is kept at 6.2 to match previous FY UPWP.

Proposed Work

- Revise task to include FY 20 rollover funds once identified
- Assist member jurisdictions with project scope development and refinement
- Assist member jurisdictions with technical studies to support and advance worthy transportation or transit improvement projects or activities that lead to construction projects
- Other Technical Studies as requested by MPO members and approved by ALDOT

Products

- Special technical studies that advance and support traditional or alternative transportation or transit improvement projects or activities
- Special projects or studies will be added when previous FY rollover funds are identified
- Continuation of special projects or studies not completed by the end of FY 2020

Staffing

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

Schedule

Ongoing activities throughout the fiscal year: October 1st, 2020 through September 30th, 2021

Funding Source

Type	Source	Amount
PL	FHWA/FTA	\$ 106,234
Local	EARPDC	\$ 26,558
Total		\$ 132,792

6.3 Anniston Area Bike-Ped Facility Design/Installation Manual

Objective

Further advance ongoing multimodal bicycle and pedestrian connectivity initiatives within the area. Specific next steps include implementation of the Chief Ladiga Trail extension, access trail connectors, and the Anniston Coldwater Mountain Biking venue connection.

Previous Work

Added Task to UPWP in September 2020

Hired consultants JRWA, following ALDOT guidelines and approvals, to start work

Review MPO and local Plans and Programs

Proposed Work

- Assess Connectivity Options for Coldwater Mountain Venue to Downtown/Chief Ladiga Trail
- Develop Chief Ladiga At-Grade Crossing Typology and Operational/Safety Criteria
- Update MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and Design Manual
- Review Public Comments and Finalize Plan Updates

Products

- Interim draft documents after each tasked portion (above bullet points)
- Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
- Draft Bicycle/Pedestrian Facility Design/Installation Manual
- Final Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
- Final Bicycle/Pedestrian Facility Design/Installation Manual

Staffing

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

JR Wilburn and Associates

Schedule

Ongoing activities throughout the fiscal year: October 1st, 2020 through September 30th, 2021

Funding Source

Type	Source	Amount
PL	FHWA/FTA	\$ 22,310
Local	EARPDC	\$ 5,578
Total		\$ 27,888

Appendix E

FY 2021 PL Funding – Detailed View

		SPR		PL		Total
		FHWA	ALDOT	FHWA/FTA	MPO	
Task 1.0	Administration	-	-	-	-	-
1.1	MPO Administration			\$88,501	\$22,125	\$110,626
1.2	Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)			\$3,125	\$781	\$3,906
1.3	Education and Training			\$9,330	\$2,332	\$11,662
1.4	Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)			\$200	\$50	\$250
Task 2.0	Data Collection			\$70,168	\$17,542	\$87,710
Task 3.0	Public Involvement	-	-	-	-	-
3.1	Public Information Officer (PIO)			\$6,700	\$1,675	\$8,375
3.2	Public Participation Plan (PPP)			\$5,670	\$1,418	\$7,088
3.3	Title VI/Environmental Justice Planning			\$1,030	\$258	\$1,288
3.4	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)			\$400	\$100	\$500
Task 4.0	Environmental Mitigation and Streamlining	-	-	-	-	-
4.1	Air Quality, Climate Change, and Storm Water Mitigation Planning			\$500	\$125	\$625
Task 5.0	Transportation Systems	-	-	-	-	-
5.1	Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)			\$4,100	\$1,025	\$5,125
5.2	Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)			\$6,768	\$1,692	\$8,460
5.3	Public Transportation			\$14,367	\$3,592	\$17,959
5.4	Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Planning			\$4,125	\$1,031	\$5,156
5.5	Freight Planning			\$4,100	\$1,025	\$5,125
5.6	Transportation Management and Operations Planning (Includes ITS)			\$400	\$100	\$500
5.7	Transportation Safety and Security Planning			\$4,118	\$1,030	\$5,148
Task 6.0	Special Projects, Corridor Development, Technical Studies, and Developments of Regional Interest	-	-	-	-	-
6.2	Special Projects Identification*			\$106,234	\$26,558	\$132,792
6.3	Anniston Area Bike-Ped Facility Design/Installation Manual*			\$22,310	\$5,578	\$27,888
Subtotal		0	0	\$352,146	\$88,037	\$440,183
SPR (ALDOT Allocation Only, Not for Local MPO Activities)		\$50,000	\$10,000			\$60,000
TOTAL						\$500,183

FY 2021 Allocation of \$223,602 = FHWA PL and FTA 5303 funds have been combined as one fund for better management and tracking

MPOs may carry over funds for 3 years. FY 2020 rollover funds = \$160,680 (128,544 federal).

SPR (ALDOT) State Planning and Research Funds – Allocation has been reduced to \$60,000 (\$50,000 Fed/\$10,000 State).

*Indicates additional PL funds in excess to the allocated yearly amount.

Appendix F

FY 2021 Local Match Table

Funding Summary						
Local match for FHWA Mapping or Technical Studies is the responsibility of the local government that commissioned the mapping or study. This local match is invoiced monthly on a reimbursement basis.						
	<u>Federal Share</u>	<u>Local Match</u>	<u>Total</u>			
Total Funds for MPO	\$352,146	\$88,037	\$440,183			
FHWA Mapping or Technical Studies						
Anniston Mapping	\$24,800	\$7,000	\$31,800			
Anniston Area Bike-Ped Facility Design/Installation Manual (Anniston)*	\$22,310	\$5,578	\$27,887			
Oxford Mapping	\$28,800	\$8,000	\$36,800			
Funds Available for Area-Wide Planning Projects	\$276,236	\$67,459	\$343,696			
Local Match						
Local match for Area-wide Planning and Projects is invoiced quarterly on a reimbursement basis as MPO Dues. Quarterly dues may not exceed the amounts in the table below.						
Member Jurisdictions	% Pop.	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	Apr. 1 - June 30	July 1 - Sep. 30	TOTAL
Calhoun County Commission	23.80%	\$4,014	\$4,014	\$4,014	\$4,013	\$16,055
Anniston	28.96%	\$4,884	\$4,884	\$4,884	\$4,884	\$19,536
Hobson City	0.96%	\$162	\$162	\$162	\$162	\$648
Jacksonville	15.73%	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$10,612
Oxford	26.75%	\$4,511	\$4,511	\$4,511	\$4,512	\$18,045
Weaver	3.80%	\$641	\$641	\$641	\$640	\$2,563
TOTAL DUES	100.00%	\$16,865	\$16,865	\$16,865	\$16,864	\$67,459

*Indicates additional PL funds in excess to the allocated yearly amount.
Billed MPO dues may be up to but not over quarterly totals

Resolution # 819

Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Letter of Disagreement with Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Area Review Committee has made a recommendation to the OMB to make changes to the 2010 standards for delineating Metro and Micropolitan Statistical Areas

WHEREAS, the **Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)** is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (amended by the FAST Act, Sections 1201 and 1202, December 2015); 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93; and,

WHEREAS, the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) requires all urbanized areas, as established by the US Bureau of the Census, to do area-wide urban transportation planning, and the designated planning organization to submit a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as a condition for meeting the provisions of Title 23 USC 134; and,

WHEREAS, consistent with the declaration of these provisions, the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission, as staff to the MPO, has drafted a letter of disagreement with the Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Area Review Committees recommendation to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to denote urban areas as those with a population of 100,000 whereas current urban areas are denoted with a population of 50,000.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Committee that the same does hereby support a letter of disagreement with the Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Area Review Committees recommendation.

Councilman Jeff Clendenning, Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Messick, Senior Planner
East Alabama Regional Planning and
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RE: Comments Regarding Changes to the 2010 Standards for Delineating Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas

To Whom It May Concern:

We of the Calhoun Area (Anniston) MPO disagree with the subject changes and offer the following comments to the OMB in regards to changes to OMBs metropolitan and micropolitan statistical area standards.

The recommendations state: "These areas are not designed to serve as a general-purpose geographic framework applicable for nonstatistical activities or for use in program funding formulas" when they are used for urbanized funding and Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG). The Urbanized Area Formula Program (49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Sections 5307 & 5340 as reauthorized under the FAST Act) makes federal resources available to urbanized areas and to governors for transit capital and operating assistance, and for transportation related planning in urbanized areas. The CDBG program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities. Eligible grantees for this program include: Principal cities of Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), other metropolitan cities with populations of at least 50,000, and qualified urban counties with populations of at least 200,000 (excluding the population of entitled cities).

The Calhoun Area (Anniston) Alabama MPO is just 1 out of 7 MPOs in the state of Alabama that will be affected. From the standpoint of Urbanized Area Formula Program and CDBG, these recommendations have a disproportionately negative impact on minority and low income populations and they would strip an estimated 2.7 million minorities representation in the transportation planning process. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) were introduced in the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962 in order to ensure regional cooperation in transportation planning. We should be moving forwards, not backwards.



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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Messick, Senior Planner Calhoun Area MPO Coordinator
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on behalf of the Calhoun Area MPO

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RESOLUTION # 820

CERTIFICATION OF THE FY 21 ADA PARA-TRANSIT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission (EARPDC) has updated and developed a FY 2020 Para-Transit Implementation Plan update for the urbanized area of the Calhoun County, and

WHEREAS, the draft plan has been provided to the ACTS Transit Advisory Committee (TAC) for review and comment at its meeting held on March 9, 2021 and public comments were solicited through an ad in the Anniston Star on February 3, 2021 announcing the availability of the draft document online, for mailing upon request, or for review in the EARPDC lobby, local libraries, and on the EARPDC website; and a public review and comment meeting to be held virtually at 9:00am on March 9, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Calhoun Area MPO, hereby certifies that it has reviewed the draft FY 21 ADA Para-Transit Implementation Plan prepared by the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission as required under 49 CFR 37.139(j) and finds it to be in conformance with the transportation plan developed under 49 CFR part 613 and 23 CFR part 450 (the FTA/FHWA joint planning regulation). This certification is valid for one year. Passed and adopted this the 18th day of March 2021.

Councilman Jeff Clendenning, Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Messick, Senior Planner
East Alabama Regional Planning and
Development Commission

CAC Appointments

Vacancies	
Anniston	7
Jacksonville	2
Calhoun County	0
Oxford	7
Weaver	1
Anniston Army Depot	0
Hobson City	0

Ed Kimbrough	Anniston
Joan McKinney	Anniston
Miller Parnell, Vice Chairman	Anniston
Dr. Mike Kimberly	Anniston
Phillip Keith	Anniston
James Robert Jenkins	Anniston
Vacant	Anniston
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David Thompson	Jacksonville
Richard Lindblom	Jacksonville
TL Thompson	Jacksonville
Jamie 'Red' Etheredge	Jacksonville
Vacant	Jacksonville
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Rodney Cox	Calhoun County
George Salmon	Calhoun County
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Dennis Reaves, Chairman	Calhoun County
Tim Huddleston	Calhoun County
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Chris Gann	Calhoun County
Dr. David West	Calhoun County
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Buford Parker	Oxford
Lem Burrell	Oxford
Lavoy Jordan	Oxford
Bruce Britton	Oxford
Terry Parker	Oxford
Vacant	Oxford
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Vacant	Oxford/Trucking Rep
Frank Thomas	Weaver
Richard "Rick" Robins	Weaver
Vacant	
Mike Matthews	Anniston Army Depot
Dustin Gillihan	Anniston Army Depot
Kevin Ashley, P.E.	Anniston Army Depot
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Regina Jones	Hobson City
Johnnie C. Phillips, Jr.	Hobson City

MPO CAC Safety Observations

Item #	Jurisdiction	Location	Suggestion	Date-Original	Date-Recent	TAC	MPO	Response	Status
1	Oxford	Bynum Blvd/Hwy 202 Intersection	Incorporate a light at this intersection to see it better at night	09/19/18	7/8/20	✓	✓	Oxford will add streetlights at this intersection as a city project. ALDOT and power company are looking into ways to power the lights.	OPEN
6	Anniston	Henry Road intersection at the Bypass	Addition of street lighting	11/14/18	11/13/19	✓	✓	Anniston is working with Alabama Power. Process has started.	OPEN
11	Anniston	Ossington Ave.	Safety study/Traffic calming measures for residents	07/17/19	09/11/20	✓	✓	ALDOT and FHWA concurrence to classify Ossington/Coxwell as minor collector.	OPEN
12	Anniston/Oxford	US-78 east of the 431 bypass	Widening to 3 lanes	07/17/19	08/25/20	✓	✓	This suggestion would be a major undertaking. Has been placed on the long-range plan.	OPEN
13	Anniston	Choccolocco Rd	Widening to 3 lanes from intersection with 431 to Robertson Rd.	07/17/19	08/25/20	✓	✓	*Incoming sub-division development may increase traffic along this road. * Has been added to the LRTP for widening to the City Limits.	OPEN
15	Calhoun County	Saks Road @ 43rd street	Road is narrow, school buses make wide turns at this intersection, difficult for 2 cars to pass, school children walk in the ditch (photos)	07/24/19	06/1/20	✓	✓	Widening: This suggestion would be a major undertaking. We will take it into consideration when looking at upcoming traffic counts and updating the incoming LRTP. School children: TAP applications are being accepted until May 15.	OPEN
17	Calhoun County	Bynum Leatherwood Rd./Morrisville Road intersection	Turn lane needed for the landfill entrance	10/28/19	07/8/20	✓	✓	This issue is being investigated. A possible resolution has been presented to the County Commissioner.	OPEN

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18	Calhoun County	Bynum Leatherwood Road/Eulaton Gate	Extend turn lane/deceleration lane on the Southbound side of Bynum Leatherwood from Eulaton Gate to begin at Hutto Hill Road. This will allow adequate stacking for ANAD workers during morning entry times and allow egress for travelers heading south towards SR202	1/14/20	7/8/20	✓	✓		OPEN
21	Anniston/ ALDOT	10 th and Quintard intersection	Left turn signal timing seems short. Traffic backs up at this light. Could turn lane length be increased	5/20/20	07/08/20	✓	✓	The signals from 8 th to 21 st are on a coordinated system, so if timing is added to one light then the entire system would need to be retimed. The City of Anniston has asked ALDOT to evaluate the feasibility of extending the turn lane at this intersection as it is an ALDOT maintained road. Reached out to Shane ? any further updates.	OPEN
22	Oxford	Western terminus of Bynum Blvd.	Increase speed limit from 45 to 55	7/15/20	10/07/20	✓	✓	Police Chief opposed to increase of speed limit. Oxford City Engineer will do a study.	OPEN

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

<u>PROJECT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
99-504-690-000-501	Bridge Painting Project over RR in Calhoun, Clay, Talladega, and Chambers Counties	Accepted for Maintenance 12-28-20
STPAA-HSIP-0144(502)	AL 144 Resurfacing and Safety Widening from St. Clair County line to US 431	Awaiting Perm. Stripe
NH-FMGR-0001(613)	US- 431 Access Management from MP. 233.238 to 240.049	Turn lanes and U-turn Bulbs complete through upper binder along north and southbound outside. Median cross over removal and turn lanes construction in progress.
STPOA-0021(516)	SR-21 Signal Upgrade at Baltzell Gate Rd. and Lenlock Lane	Materials approved. Work should begin in 2-4 weeks.
STPOA-0815(261)	Church Ave. resurfacing and Traffic stripe from SR-21 to 11th. St. Jacksonville	Awaiting production of Retaining Wall material. Scheduled to begin work May 3, 2021.

Fixed-Route Ridership

	FY 14-15	FY 15-16	FY 16-17	FY 17-18	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 20-21
Oct	11,357	9,851	9,011	9,560	9,993	8,871	5,541
Nov	9,644	9,077	9,481	9,225	8,504	7,665	5,425
Dec	10,621	9,749	9,459	8,205	8,082	7,596	5,266
Jan	10,446	8,957	8,019	7,510	8,239	7,614	5,177
Feb	8,826	9,573	8,462	8,960	7,800	7,262	4,773
Mar	9,467	9,965	9,707	9,493	8,979	7,185	
Apr	9,872	9,338	8,240	8,942	9,045	4,285	
May	9,548	8,838	9,900	9,502	8,774	5,141	
Jun	10,449	9,745	9,977	9,905	7,993	5,852	
Jul	10,535	9,164	8,971	8,820	8,626	6,160	
Aug	10,275	10,241	10,511	10,617	9,314	6,111	
Sep	9,688	9,543	9,280	8,607	7,868	5,923	

2020 Avg./Mo. 788 155 64 160 118 154

ADA Paratransit Ridership						
Fiscal Year 2020-2021	Anniston	Jacksonville	Weaver	Oxford	Section 5307 CC Urban	Section 5311 CC Rural
October	663	158	66	188	139	155
November	642	138	67	180	97	156
December	666	105	44	148	100	125
January	646	102	61	135	109	76
February	563	106	56	126	82	98
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2021 Avg./Mo. 3180 609 294 777 527 610
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Fiscal Year 2021 Meeting Dates

<u>TAC</u>	<u>CAC</u>	<u>MPO</u>
7 October		15 October
10 November	18 November	19 November
9 December		17 December
13 January	20 January	21 January
10 February		18 February
10 March	17 March	18 March
7 April		15 April
12 May	19 May	20 May
9 June		17 June
7 July	14 July	15 July
11 August		19 August
8 September	15 September	16 September

SIGN-IN SHEET

Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

March 18, 2021 – 10:00 a.m. Teleconference

NAME	ORGANIZATION	EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE NO.	Email Notices?
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Katie Herzberg	Starling		
Rodney McCain	Calhoun County		
Shane Christian	EAC-Transit ACTS		
Joe Meador	Snead		
Michael Bergh	AROST		
Jules Moss	MPOA		
1 Toby Bennington	City of Anniston		
1 Mayor Willis	City of Weaver		
1 Fred Denney	City of Oxford		
1 Mayor Alberta McCarty	1 Town of Hooch City		

