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memorandum

To: MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
From: Elizabeth (Libby) Messick, Regional Planner
Date: November 2, 2020

Re: TAC Meeting – Wednesday, November 10, 2020 Conference Call

The next meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is scheduled for **10:00 am, Tuesday, November 10, 2020.**

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If there is an issue or project which you would like to add to the agenda, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please email Libby at elizabeth.messick@earpdc.org to receive the meeting packet information.

Please make every effort to attend.

AGENDA

Technical Advisory Committee of the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

November 10, 2020

10:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Review and approval of minutes from October 7, 2020
3. Old Business
 - A. Resolution 807: Increase funds for Russell Drive CN (100064899)
4. New Business
 - A. Review FY 20-23 TIP Spreadsheet and Administrative Modifications
 - B. Status report of ALDOT projects
 - C. Safety Observations
 - D. TAB
5. Next TAC Meeting – December 9, 2020
6. Adjourn

MINUTES
Technical Advisory Committee
of the Metropolitan Planning Organization
Wednesday, October 7, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Those attending:

Fred Denney	City of Oxford
Jana Monday	CDG Engineers
Jules Moss	MDA
Libby Messick	EARPDC
Mark Stephens	City of Jacksonville
Matt Hawes	CDG Engineers
Michael Bergh	ALDOT East Central Region
Michael Hosch	Calhoun County
Rodney McCain	Calhoun County
Shane Brown	ALDOT East Central Region
Sundae Ragland	ALDOT Planning Studies
Toni Arrington	ALDOT Planning Studies
Toby Bennington	City of Anniston

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Ms. Libby Messick.

Upon reviewing the minutes of the September 9, 2020 meeting, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Toby Bennington and was seconded by Mr. Mark Stephens. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Messick called for a motion to further discuss Resolution 807: Increase funds for Russell Drive CN. No motion was made.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Messick called for review of the FY 20-23 TIP Spreadsheet and Administrative Modifications. She gave the members handouts of the list of MPO projects. Ms. Messick explained that there were five modifications that did not create any changes to the TIP spreadsheet.

Ms. Messick then called for discussion of Resolution No. 808. This Resolution was for the increase of PE funds for Frank Akers (STMOA-STPOA-0800(215)). Ms. Messick explained that ALDOT has reported an overrun in PE for this project in the amount of \$17,200.21 and the City of Anniston has requested additional MPO funds to cover the overrun. A motion was made by Mr. Toby Bennington to approve this increase with **Resolution No. 808**, which was seconded by Mr. Fred Denney. Motion carried.

Next, Ms. Messick called for discussion of Resolution No. 809. This Resolution was to increase the CN funds for Bynum Leatherwood/Old Gadsden Roundabout. Ms. Messick explained ALDOT has reported an engineers estimate increase of \$221,589.06. Because the increase was greater than 20% a resolution needed to be passed for the increase and has caused the project to extend a month until let. A screenshot

of this TIP's funding should the resolution pass was provided. A motion was made by Mr. Michael Hosh to approve this increase with **Resolution No. 809**, which was seconded by Mr. Toby Bennington. There was one vote in opposition. Motion carried.

Ms. Messick called for discussion of Resolution No. 810. This Resolution was to adopt the Final 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan. Ms. Messick explained a final run through of the plan would take place October 8, all comments with the exception of late comments received by FHWA have been addressed but these comments would not make changes to the projects on the plan. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Stephens to adopt the LRTP with **Resolution No. 810**, which was seconded by Mr. Toby Bennington. Motion carried.

Ms. Messick called for discussion of Resolution No. 811. This Resolution was to adopt the Calhoun Area Functional Classification Map. Ms. Messick explained the map has been updated with the classification of Ossington Ave. A motion was made by Mr. Fred Denney to adopt the functional classification map with **Resolution No. 811**, which was seconded by Mr. Mark Stephens. Motion carried.

Ms. Messick then called for discussion of the final Public Involvement for Resolution 810 to adopt the LRTP. A handout was included in the meeting packet with call-in and online access to the virtual public involvement meeting scheduled for October 8 between 11 and 12.

Next, Ms. Messick called for discussion of Status Report of ALDOT projects. Mr. Shane Brown gave a report included in the agenda packet. He detailed bridge painting projects were waiting on punch list items and on-going claims; Mountain Street was on punch list items; milling, widening, and surface treatment is complete on one half of the AL-144 resurfacing and widening from St. Clair County line to US 431 and the upper binder is being placed; storm drain and borrow were being placed on the northbound side of US-431 for the access management project; and SR-21 signal upgrade at Baltzell Gate and Lenlock are awaiting material submittal and approval.

Next, Ms. Messick continued by calling for discussion of Safety Observations. She 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. Mr. Fred Denney provided an update for item 22 that the Police Chief is not in favor of a speed limit increase, but the City Engineer will do a study. Mr. Mark Stephens provided an update for item 20 that a signal warrant study has been requested.

Next, Ms. Messick called for the Report on Urban Fixed Route and ADA Handicapped Transit Systems. She explained she had not received any information for the month as of yet but should have it by the MPO meeting.

Ms. Messick called for to reschedule November's TAC meeting as it falls on Veterans Day. It was agreed to move the meeting to the Tuesday, November 10, prior to the original date.

Lastly, Ms. Messick called for discussion of RAA grant applications. She explained the guidelines, FAQ, and application was included in the meeting invite email. Applications are due by November 30.

The next TAC meeting will be Wednesday, November 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Resolution # 807

Increase CN Funds for Russell Drive (100064899)

WHEREAS, the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has adopted its FY 2020-23 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) on August 15, 2019 with Resolution #788; and

WHEREAS, the ALDOT has requested that the MPO allocate an additional \$91,617.30 in CN for project #45, Resurface Russell Drive from Alexandria Road to Peaceburg Road City of Weaver (100064899) funds into CN.

Project Number	Current Allocation	New Allocation
100064899	\$412,831.00	\$504,448.30

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Calhoun Area MPO, that the FY20-23 TIP be amended to change the allocations for the Calhoun County projects as indicated above. Passed and adopted this 17th day of September 2020.

Councilman Jeff Clendenning, Vice Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

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

November 2020 Administrative Modifications

That created changes on the TIP spreadsheet:

1. #7 CN (100051026) INTERSECTION SIGNALS AND TURN LANES AT CR-389 (LENLOCK LN) AND CR-324 (SAKS RD)
Current Funding: \$1,433,834
Requested Funding: \$1,519,732
-Funding includes \$60,119.06 of County Federal funds. Total added on TIP spreadsheet does not include these funds. Actual increase = $\$1,433,834 - \$1,519,732 = \$85,898$
 $\$85,898 - \$60,119.06$ (County Fed \$) = $\$25,778.94 + \$1,433,834 = \$1,459,612.94$
2. #51 CN (100070224) RESURFACING ON ALEXANDRIA-JACKSONVILLE HIGHWAY FROM CEDAR SPRINGS ROAD TO THE JACKSONVILLE CITY LIMITS
Current Funding: \$733,941
Requested Funding: \$725,341
-Reduction of \$8,600 in federal funds to cover overrun from #7 (100051026). Only federal funds were able to be reduced as local match has been received by ALDOT.

That did not create changes on the TIP spreadsheet:

CALHOUN AREA MPO

FY 20-23 TIP AS OF November 3, 2020

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

	Authorized to Proceed
	Moved from one FY to another FY
	Funded by ATRIP or ARRA
	New Project or Allocation Change

PE Preliminary Engineering
RW Right of Way
UT Utilities
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					543,237			
5 Signal Improvements at Lenlock / SR-21	100047016	Anniston		CN					276,647			
6 McIntosh Rd. Improvements and Re-Alignment	100054925 100054926	Calhoun County Calhoun County	Under CN	UT GN		52,475 1,358,096						
7 Lenlock/Saks Road Intersection & Turn Lanes	100051026	Calhoun County	COMPLETE	CN	1,459,613							
11 Snow Street Drainage Improvements & Resurfacing	100052525	Oxford	Under CN	GN		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 100054938 100054939	Calhoun County		RW UT 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 100057405 100057406 100057407	Oxford		PE RW UT CN				989,149		117,054		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				879,462				
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	229,983							
38 Intersection Lighting at SR-202/Bynum Leatherwood	100064881 100064882	Calhoun County	COMPLETE COMPLETE	PE GN	24,000	328,607						
39 Mountain St. NE Resurface from SR-21 to 8th Ave	100064883 100064884	Jacksonville		PE CN		48,716		771,051				
40 Church Ave Resurface from 11th St to SR-21	100064885 100064886	Jacksonville		PE CN			118,686				1,928,758	
41 Airport Rd. Bridge Replacement @ Coldwater Creek (BIN 11215)	100064887 100064888 100064889 100064890	Oxford		PE RW UT CN			340,890				10,406 78,046 2,143,954	
43 Lenlock Lane Resurface from US-431 to Anniston CL (PE developed by County Eng.)	100064895	Calhoun County	COMPLETE	CN	686,407							
44 Bynum Leatherwood/Old Gadsden Rd Roundabout	100064896 100064897	Calhoun County		PE CN			294,000				1,139,586	
45 Russell Dr. Resurface from Alexandria Rd to Peaceburg Rd.	100064898 100064899	Weaver		PE CN			47,553				412,831	
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 CN		1,977 51,532						
48 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase I	100070247 100070248 100070249 100070250	Oxford		PE RW UT CN					311,264		325,891	323,165
49 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase II	100070253 100070254 100070255	Oxford		PE RW UT					349,181		193,239	191,622

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50 Friendship Road Widening and Bridge Replacement Phase III	100070257	Oxford		CN								
	100070259			PE					150,748			
	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					87,305			
	100070198			CN						470,287		
57 Resurfacing George Douthit Dr from SR-21 to Brierwood Place SW	100070203	Jacksonville		PE							212,715	
	100070208			CN								1,078,819
58 Baltzell Gate Connector Multi-use path	100070238	Anniston		PE							18,133	
	100070239			CN								183,146
59 Coldwater Mountain/Mulberry St. to Legarde, multi-use path	100070241	Anniston		PE						32,643		
	100070242			CN							164,848	
60 Anniston to Oxford Bike Lane; S Noble and Chestnut	100070244	Anniston		PE					5,555			
	100070245			CN						44,884		
Hillyer Robinson Ind. Parkway Safety Improvements overrun - CLOSED			CLOSED	CN					4,147			
Resurfacing CR-187 (Friendship Rd) From CR-193 (Boiling Spring Rd) to SR-21	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	2,625,246	8,968,051	1,996,780	3,167,299
APPORTIONMENT					2,182,759	2,266,095	2,363,956	2,463,701	2,521,554	2,521,554	2,521,554	2,521,554
CARRYOVER					9,694,529	8,823,163	6,476,186	7,516,110	6,682,138	6,578,446	131,948	656,722
AVAILABLE					11,877,287	11,089,258	8,840,142	9,979,811	9,203,692	9,099,999	2,653,502	3,178,276
BALANCE					8,823,163	6,476,186	7,516,110	6,682,138	6,578,446	131,948	656,722	10,977

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. Project has been staked and 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	Chocolocco Rd	Widening to 3 lanes from intersection with 431 to Robertson Rd.	07/17/19	08/25/20	✓	✓	This suggestion would be a major undertaking. *Incoming sub-division development may increase traffic along this road. * Has been added to the long-range plan.	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
20	Jacksonville	White's Gap Rd./SR-21 intersection	Signalization at the intersection	2/25/20	10/01/20	✓	✓	Signalization of this intersection denied previously due to proximity to other signalized intersections. Jacksonville has requested a warrant study.	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.	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

CLOSED ITEMS

Item #	Jurisdiction	Location	Suggestion	Date-Original	Date-Recent	TAC	MPO	Response	Status
2	Talladega County /ALDOT (I-20 ROW)	I-20 east bound exit at Hwy 202	Reduce sight limitation from exiting the I-20 east bound exit ramp	09/19/18	11/14/18	✓		Out of MPO Jurisdiction; Referred to Talladega County Engineer then forwarded to ALDOT; ALDOT to consult with traffic engineer	CLOSED
3	Mixed Calhoun County/ Talladega County	On SR-21 between the Choccolocco Creek bridge and existing 65 mph in Munford/ Talladega County	increase the speed limit to 65?	09/19/18	06/12/19	✓	✓	Safety concerns regarding intersections along SR-21. Investigation ongoing for better lighting conditions and safety from residential areas intersecting with this road. Increasing speed would contradict safety concerns along this route.	CLOSED
4	Mixed Calhoun County, Oxford	Between Hardees on Hwy 202 to Coldwater	increase the speed limit to 65?	09/19/18	06/12/19	✓	✓	Safety concerns regarding intersections along Hwy 202 (See item #1). Also, Anniston investigating moving speed decrease towards area for Coldwater mountain/bike facility on 202 bike safety. Increasing speed would contradict safety concerns along this route.	CLOSED
7	Jacksonville	SR-21	Make manhole covers and curb gutters the same height as the new existing surface	11/14/18	06/12/19	✓	✓	Risers will be put in. They have been purchased. Mayor Smith will follow up. Shannon Jones with ALDOT stated this will be addressed with a surface job punch list item and should start the week of Jan 9 th , 2019. This punch list item is complete.	CLOSED
8	Oxford	Bynum Blvd.	Increase speed limit on the 4-lane to more than current 45 mph	11/14/18	4/16/20	✓	✓	Mr. Denney will talk to the Mayor and Police Chief. Suggestion had been posed in the past and had been opposed. Discussion of speed limit options and where have begun. Will need to discuss with police chief and bring to City Council. Ordinance passed February 11 to increase speed limit to 55 mph from Turner Rd. to HWY 202 – new speed limit signs installed	CLOSED

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9	Weaver	1 st Baptist Church	Sidewalk rehabilitation	01/16/19	02/05/19	✓	✓	Mr. Theo Smart inquired if there were any plans to rehabilitate the currently torn sidewalk in front of the 1 st Baptist Church in Weaver. Mayor Willis was only aware of the issue after last month's meeting. There are no plans at this time.	CLOSED
10	Anniston	202/Quintard intersection	Look into timing of light; traffic backs up	03/21/19	06/27/19	✓	✓	Jay Jenkins has reported this issue to the public works department. Upon inspection of the signal cabinet, an issue was identified and addressed. The signal timing is now functioning as intended.	CLOSED
14	Anniston	Russell Avenue	Widening road to include shoulder	07/17/19	09/09/20	✓	✓	This suggestion would be a major undertaking. We will take it into consideration when looking at upcoming traffic counts and updating the incoming LRTP. This road is residential and not on the classified system and therefore would be unavailable for MPO funding.	CLOSED
16	Anniston	4 th /Noble Intersection	Light timing seems long for this intersection	09/18/19	11/13/19	✓	✓	The City of Anniston has investigated the timing at this light and it is functioning correctly.	CLOSED
19	Anniston	West-bound 431 exit ramp and SR-21 intersection	Difficulties merging at this intersection. Mainly traffic coming to a complete stop at bottom of the ramp	1/15/20	05/22/20	✓	✓	There are no measures that could help assist with merging traffic at this intersection. This is a very common occurrence at similar "off ramp" intersections.	CLOSED
23	Anniston/ ALDOT	21 exit from the 431 Bypass	Signage for food and gas locations off the bypass	7/15/20	09/16/20	✓	✓	This type of signage only available for interstates. CAC to draft letter to City of Anniston and Chamber of Commerce to appeal for some type of signage/billboard.	CLOSED

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