

Appendix H: Public/ Agency Comments and Responses

Winston-Salem MPO Public Comments



CREATIVE CORRIDORS COALITION

Comments on MTIP Amendments US 421/Business 40 (U-2827B)

The Creative Corridors Coalition (CCC) is a nonprofit organization created to provide a voice and a process for residents of Winston Salem and Forsyth County to influence the design and implementation of roadway infrastructure projects in and around the downtown area, including US 421/Business 40 (U-2827B). Our mission is to create opportunities to incorporate community input into the design, planning, construction and maintenance process that will yield effective passageways connecting our community and appropriately reflecting the identity of this great city. The Creative Corridors Coalition's four guiding principles are Green, Artful, Iconic, and Network.

Our purpose is to work very closely and cooperatively with the NC DOT as it develops the designs for the various highways in the downtown area. To this end, Creative Corridors commissioned a 90-page Visionary Master Plan and Design Guideline document, which has been adopted by the Winston-Salem City Council. It contains a comprehensive combination of general concepts, design guidelines, and specific elements intended to provide thorough guidance and input to bidders in order to design and build the bridges, right of way, and infrastructure associated with the US 421/Business 40 (U-2827B) project and others in the area.

Creative Corridors is pleased that the project is going to be combined and streamlined, and looks forward to working closely with the NC DOT on it. Two other projects are either underway or about to begin – the Salem Creek Connector and the Martin Luther King Jr Drive Streetscape Improvement – that Creative Corridors is also involved with. We are thrilled to collaborate with the NC DOT, City DOT, and the Transportation Advisory Committee on these important infrastructure improvements in our community.

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to set Winston-
Salem apart*

Greensboro MPO Public Comments

None received.

Agency Comments

FHWA Request to Agencies to Review Conformity Document

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Subject: Reply Requested by 7/5/13: Agency Review of the Draft Triad Transportation Conformity Determination Report

Amanetta/Myra,

The attached files contain the FHWA letter requesting review and comment of the Greensboro MPO LRTP/TIP Amendment and the Winston Salem MPO TIP Amendment Draft Conformity Determination Report (CDR). I will not be sending hard copies of these letters. If you want a hard copy for your files please print a copy.

Myra: I am sending this to you as part of the interagency consultation process. Please either provide a reply containing your review comments, deferral to FHWA on comments, or no comments.

Heather: This email serves as our request for your review of the draft CDR.

The draft CDR will be provided on the Greensboro MPO website by June 17, 2013 and that link is provided below and in the attached files

<http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=2176>

I am requesting your review comments by 7/5/13.

If you have any questions or need additional information/time for your review , please let me know.

Thanks,

Eddie

FHWA Comments

Lydia,
I reviewed the draft CDR and have one minor comment.

Page 5, 1st paragraph, 3rd sentence, replace the following:
VMT and Speed input data developed by NCDOT
with the following:
VMT and Speed input data developed by the MPO (See Appendix D).

You may want to use something else other than MPO like PART Modeler I was not sure what you might want there.

If you have any questions, please let me know.
Eddie

EPA Comments

Good morning Eddie,
Thank you for providing the draft Triad Transportation Conformity Determination Report and amended 2035 LRTP and amended 2012-2018 TIP for our review. We have reviewed the documents and do not have any comments. We look forward to reviewing the final report when it is submitted.

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NCDAQ Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Draft Triad Transportation Conformity Determination Report. I offer the following comments:

- * Page 5, first paragraph after the bullet: Strike the word "factors". It should read, "...and emissions developed by the North Carolina Division of Air Quality..."
- * Page 8, second paragraph below tables: Sentence should read, "NCDENR-DAQ calculated emissions with the MOVES2010b model."

As I do not have any significant comments that would delay the finding of conformity with this amendment, I will begin drafting the DAQ letter of support for signature.

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FTA Comments

Hi, Eddie: Defer to FHWA.

Myra Immings, FTA