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Opportunity to Comment on Carrboro Transportation Priorities

The public is invited to comment on Carrboro transportation priorities for the 2014-2020 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at a public input session during the Transportation Advisory Board meeting on Thursday, November 17. This drop-in public input session will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Carrboro Town Hall, Room 109. Carrboro Town Hall is located at 301 W. Main St., and is accessible for persons with disabilities.

The N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is in the process of developing the 2014-2020 STIP, which prioritizes federally- and state-funded transportation capital investments for this seven-year period. The STIP also includes major transportation projects funded by other sources.

Two parts of the STIP process will be discussed at the public input session.

1. 2014-2020 Regional Priority List

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO), the regional transportation planning agency, is holding a public comment period on the 2014-2020 Regional Priority List, a list of regional transportation investment priorities submitted to NCDOT for evaluation for inclusion in the STIP. NCDOT's Strategic Planning Office of Transportation (SPOT) conducts the state-level evaluation of projects. The Regional Priority List is composed of projects submitted by MPO member communities on adopted Local Priority Lists, projects evaluated by SPOT during the previous prioritization process, and projects submitted by NCDOT highway divisions. Carrboro's most recent Local Priority List was adopted by the Board of Aldermen on May 17, 2011. The MPO also ranks projects, and that ranking is a factor in the SPOT evaluation.

For more information, visit the following MPO link:

http://www.dchcmpo.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=84&Itemid=35

May 17, 2011, Board of Aldermen minutes and adopted Local Priority List:

http://www.townofcarrboro.org/BoA/Minutes/2011/05_17_2011.pdf

2. 2016-2020 Surface Transportation Program - Direct Attributable (STP-DA) Call for Projects

Federal transportation legislation provides that a portion of federal Surface Transportation Program funds are allocated directly to MPOs. The MPO is planning to issue a Call for Projects for the 2016-2020 time period. Each jurisdiction will be required to submit projects for consideration for STP-DA funding.

For more information, or to provide a comment in lieu of attending the public input session, contact Jeff Brubaker, Transportation Planner, at 919-918-7329, or jbrubaker@townofcarrboro.org.

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