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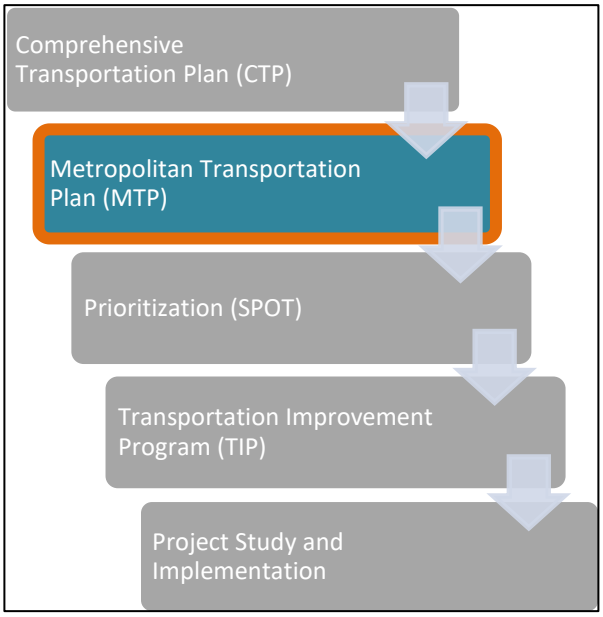
Item 4C:

Amendment to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Very Brief Overview

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a federally-required planning document that MPOs are required to update and maintain to reflect planned transportation investments in the region over the next twenty-five years. The MTP is required to be fiscally constrained, meaning that projects in the MTP have to be reasonably expected to work within projected revenues The French Broad River MPO is required to update its MTP every five years with the last update completed in September, 2020.



Update Summary

- Add a planned extension of Commercial Boulevard for a business park in the East Flat Rock area of Henderson County that has been funded with Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) funds which, due to the cost of the project, does not require another project to be removed and should not impact any other projects schedule.

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HA-0003 Project Background
The access road project in Henderson County, HA-0003, is a project that is programmed as part of an economic development project in the East Flat Rock area of Henderson County. The project would extend Commercial Boulevard to provide access to an industrial site south of the existing termini in East Flat Rock.

The access road extension is funded with Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Access Road funds, a competitive pot of funds which has funded numerous other "smaller" projects of similar scope in the region, including:

-Crossroads Parkway in Mars Hill
-Access Road Extension in Black Mountain, near Blue Ridge Road and I-40
-Broadpointe Drive Extension in Mills River

To note: these funds from ARC are considered exempt from STI, i.e., would not impact other projects in the MTP or the schedule of other projects in the TIP.

Project Added to the MTP	Commercial Boulevard Extension (HA-0003)
Project Removed from the MTP	None
Anticipated Impact to Other Projects in the MPO	None
Total Amount of Funding	$618,547*
Scheduled Project Let Date	FY 2021

Action Required

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Appendix G

Amendments

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MTP 2045 - Amendment #1

JUNE 2021

This amendment includes the addition of ~~two~~ one new project~~s~~ into the MTP ~~and the removal of one existing project. The first addition is the I-26 interchange in Buncombe County, identified as MTP ID # HD134532, and TIP ID # HE-0001. This project is categorized under Horizon Year 2030 and is programmed for $25,000,000 in the Division 13 Needs tier.~~ The ~~second~~ addition is the Commercial Boulevard roadway extension in Henderson county, identified as MTP ID # HD144533, and TIP ID# HA-0003. This project is programmed at $619,000 in the Division 14 Needs tier. ~~Both of these projects were requested for MTP inclusion by NCDOT.~~

~~In order to maintain fiscal constraint in the Division 13 Needs tier, the NC 280 (Airport Road) project in Buncombe County is to be removed from the MTP. This project, identified as MTP ID # HD134522, is scheduled in Horizon Year 2045. With the removal of this project and addition of the new I-26 interchange, there is a balance of $4,424,500 in the Division 13 Needs tier.~~

On the following pages is a summary of these amendments as well as a project location map.

MTP 2045 Amendments - June 2021

County	MTP ID	TIP	Route/Facility Name	Description	From/Cross Street	To	Construction Year	Amendment Detail	Additional Amount Programmed by Horizon
HORIZON YEAR 2030 (PROJECTS COMMITED IN THE TIP)									**$ 25,619,000**
~~Buncombe~~	~~HD134532~~	~~HE-0001~~	~~I-26~~	~~Construct new interchange on I-26 that connects to NC 191/Brevard Road, north of the Blue Ridge Parkway~~	~~Exit 35~~	~~-~~	~~2022~~	~~Add project to the MTP at the request of NCDOT~~	~~$25,000,000~~
Henderson	HD144533	HA-0003	SR 1970 (Commercial Boulevard)	Construct roadway extension to industrial park		-	2021	Add project to the MTP at the request of NCDOT	$619,000
HORIZON YEAR 2040 (PROJECTS IN THE PRIORITIZATION PROCESS)									**$ -**
NO AMENDMENTS AT THIS TIME									
HORIZON YEAR 2045 (LONGER-TERM PRIORITIES)									**$ (27,332,000)**
~~Buncombe~~	~~HD134522~~		~~NC 280 (Airport Road)~~	~~Access Management with Complete Streets Improvements~~	~~US 25 (Hendersonville Road)~~	~~I-26~~		~~Remove project from the MTP to demonstrate fiscal constraint~~	~~($27,332,000)~~

The I-26 Interchange and NC 280 amendments to the MTP have been moved to Informational Items for the June MPO Board Meeting

MTP 2045
Proposed Amendments

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