



RESOLUTION

ITEM NO. 7

DATE OF MEETING: August 24, 2015

REQUESTED BY: Suraiya Rashid, Senior Transportation Planner, Wilmington MPO

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Adopting the Cape Fear Transportation 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

BACKGROUND: The Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WMPO) is required to conduct transportation planning in a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive manner. A federal requirement is that the WMPO adopt a metropolitan transportation plan every five years. The purpose of the Cape Fear Transportation 2040 plan is to comply with a federal mandate to create a fiscally-constrained metropolitan transportation plan. This plan will guide transportation investments within the WMPO's boundaries from 2015 through 2040.

Cape Fear Transportation 2040 provides transportation analysis and recommendations for multimodal transportation investments for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, and portions of Brunswick and Pender Counties. The plan was developed under the guidance of a Citizens Advisory Committee appointed for the purpose of developing a metropolitan transportation plan. This plan reflects the needs and desires of the citizens within the Cape Fear region. The Citizens Advisory Committee worked in close coordination with subject matter experts, the Technical Coordinating Committee, the Transportation Advisory Committee, local elected and appointed officials, local municipal and county staff, service organizations, and the general public to develop the recommendations in the final plan.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider the adoption of the Cape Fear Transportation 2040 metropolitan transportation plan.



**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
CAPE FEAR TRANSPORTATION 2040 PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (Wilmington MPO) provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the N.C. Board of Transportation; and

WHEREAS; the Wilmington MPO is federally required to update the metropolitan transportation plan (MTP) every five years; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington MPO began development of the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* plan in 2013 to satisfy the requirements of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) as well as other federal, state and local laws for a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* plan is a product of a multi-modal, 3-C transportation planning process, compatible with the Wilmington MPO's long range vision; and

WHEREAS, the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* plan is fiscally constrained; and

WHEREAS, the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* plan was developed by the Wilmington MPO's Citizen Advisory Committee in coordination with the Technical Coordinating Committee and the Transportation Advisory Committee, local elected and appointed officials, local municipal and county staff, service organizations, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, public comments were solicited at regular intervals during the planning process and a 30-day public comment period was held to receive comments on the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington MPO's Transportation Advisory Committee requests adoption of the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* Plan by the MPO's local member jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Pender County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the *Cape Fear Transportation 2040* plan.

This 24th day of August, 2015.

J. David Williams, Chairman
Pender County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Melissa Pedersen
Clerk to the Board