

**MINUTES**  
**GPATS STUDY TEAM COMMITTEE**  
**October 24, 2022**  
**Remote participation by members**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Keith Brockington, Jon Caime, Daniel Cooper, Lance Estep, Asangwua Ikein, Jason Knudsen, Diane Lackey, Skip Limbaker, Casey Lucas, Liston Mehserle, Joel Smith, and Anna Stewart

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Senator R. Rice, Mayor Burgess, B. Groel, and G. Sprague

**CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Keith Brockington called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**GPATS HORIZON2045 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN ADOPTION**

Keith Brockington addressed the members on the Horizon2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update found on the GPATS website:

Mr. Brockington thanked GPATS staff members Anna Stewart and Asangwua Ikein for their hard work on the Horizon2045 LRTP Update.

Mr. Brockington said because of the size of the GPATS area this LRTP Update will be the last one completed in-house.

Due to the forthcoming census data, this LRTP Update is as brief as possible. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects will not be updated in this LRTP Update. A region-wide bicycle and pedestrian plan is expected to take place within 2023. Thus, the bicycle and pedestrian projects will be updated at that time. GPATS is also participating in the Congestion Management Process (CMP) pilot project with SCDOT, thus this LRTP Update does not include a CMP.

Mr. Brockington said the Guideshare percentages are not changing from Horizon2040 LRTP. They are as follows:

- Roadway Corridors: 50% allocation
- Intersections: 25% allocation
- Bicycle/Pedestrian: 10% allocation
- Transit: 10% allocation
- Signal Upgrades: 5% allocation

GPATS has seven fiscally constrained corridor projects and over \$240 million allocated for roadway corridors through 2045. GPATS hopes to use interstate funds from the state to assist with the cost of some of the corridor projects. Six of the fiscally constrained corridor projects are located in Greenville County, and one is located in

Pickens County. GPATS has twenty fiscally constrained intersection projects and has over \$120 million allocated for intersections through 2045. The fiscally constrained intersection projects are distributed in Greenville County, Pickens County, and Anderson County. The full list of ranked projects can be found on the GPATS website.

Mr. Brockington made himself available for any questions.

Gaye Sprague, with Anderson County, mentioned Anderson County's Study on SC 81.

Mr. Brockington commented SC 81 was ranked 11, but was not within the fiscal constraint. Once the Anderson County study is completed GPATS will look into completing an amendment to the Horizon2045 LTRP Update. Local funds and local studies can be used to increase a project's rank.

Mr. Brockington said US 29 into Anderson County is an example of a project that can potentially earn more points.

Lance Estep, with Applachain Council of Governments (ACOG), reiterated US 29 into Anderson County is discussed in ACOG's Regional Freight Plan. This will be a combined effort between GPATS, ACOG, and the Anderson-Area Transportation Study (ANATS).

Gaye Sprague thanked GPATS Staff for their work on the Horizon2045 LRTP Update.

Jon Caime, with Anderson County, asked if the US 29 Corridor Study will be merged into the LRTP.

Mr. Brockington replied this was correct.

Jon Caime asked when the census data will be available.

Mr. Brockington replied hopefully by the end of 2022 the census data will be available.

Jon Caime mentioned the SC 418 corridor is becoming a major freight corridor.

Mr. Brockington responded this project was ranked 16 on the ranking list.

**Recommendation:** Mr. Brockington asked for approval or any objections from the members to recommend adoption of the Horizon2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan Update to the Policy Committee for their approval. No verbal objections or questions by consensus.

**GPATS 2023-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, AMENDMENT AC#2**

Keith Brockington addressed members on the proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment AC #2 and advised the following changes:

At the Request of SCDOT, the following changes are being made to the TIP:

- Addition of Funding for Closed and Load Restricted Bridges DB Package 2023-3:
  - A. Add \$17,748,000 Construction Bridge/Interstate/NHS/NHP funding to FY2023
  - B. Add \$16,992,000 Construction Bridge/FA Non-NHS/NHP funding to FY2023
- Addition of Funding for Closed and Load Restricted Bridges DB Package 2024-1:
  - A. Add \$24,795,667 Construction Bridge/FA Non NHS/NHP funding to FY2024
  - B. Add \$5,531,850 Construction Bridge/Off System/STBGP funding to FY2024

GPATS Guideshare funding will increased starting in FY2023 from \$20,644,009 to \$23,210,097 . This is the second of four proposed annual increases.

**Recommendation:** Mr. Brockington asked for approval or any objections from the members to pass the Transportation Improvement Program amendment AC #2 recommendations to the Policy Committee for their approval. No verbal objections or questions by consensus.

**ADJOURN**

Without objection, Mr. Brockington adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

*Anna Stewart*

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Submitted by Recording Secretary