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**DRAFT** -- Meeting Notes

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, December 3, 2014

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**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, December 3, 2014 • 9:30 AM – 12:00 NOON**

Georgia Center of Innovation for Logistics – PARB 255

**Attendees**

Name	Agency
Andy Edwards	FHWA
Mark Pickering	Savannah-Chatham County Public School System (SCCPSS)
Brian Martin	Bridge Terminal Transport (BTT)
Mike Crawford	Bridge Terminal Transport (BTT)
Tom McQueen	GDOT
Don Sullens	CEMA
Joe Drake	Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation
George Fidler	Savannah Airport Commission
Stephen Henry	City of Savannah
Randy Weitman	Georgia Ports Authority
Page Siplon	Georgia Center of Innovation for Logistics
Wykoda Wang	MPC/CORE MPO
Patrick Anater	CDM Smith
Adam Ivory	CDM Smith
Keith Bucklew	CDM Smith

**Meeting Summary**

The meeting was called to order. Wykoda Wang, CORE MPO, welcomed the attendees and asked for the attendees to introduce themselves.

Adam Ivory, CDM Smith, provided an overview of the project status and a review of the previous FAC meetings. In the review of the previous FAC meetings, specific comments from the 2<sup>nd</sup> FAC meeting concerning **Technical Memorandum 2.3 - Forecasting Future Freight Growth, Technical Memorandum 2.5 - Freight Network Bottleneck, Safety and Security Issues, and Technical Memorandum 4 - Economic Assessment** were addressed. Each comment from the 2<sup>nd</sup> FAC meeting that had been noted was discussed on how the comment was addressed in the CORE MPO Regional Freight Transportation Plan.

## Technical Memorandum 3 - Land Use Analysis

In **Technical Memorandum 3**, four land use categories were developed for the analysis – Existing Zoning; Existing Land Use; Freight Possibilities; and Existing and Possibilities. High-level profiles for Bryan, Effingham, and Chatham Counties were presented for each land use category. The land use categories were defined as the following:

- Existing Zoning – Where are the current Freight-Related Zoning areas in the study area?
- Existing Land Use – Where are the current Freight-Related Land Use areas in the study area?
- Freight Possibilities – Where could Freight-Related Land Use occur in the study area?
- Existing & Possibilities – How does the existing Freight-Related areas and Freight Possibilities match up with one another in the study area?

## Preliminary Project Recommendations

A draft list of the project recommendations was presented to the FAC. This list was developed using a combination of the analysis developed during the CORE MPO Regional Freight Transportation Plan and past studies which included freight oriented projects. The list of projects was divided into four categories:

- Short-term (2015-2020)
- Mid-term (2021-2030)
- Long-term (2031-2040)
- Additional Recommendations (projects where the timeframe had not been determined as of yet)

Comments received during the presentation of the draft list of project recommendations included:

- Double check I-516 widening in the short term
- Look through TIP for short term projects to potentially include freight-related recommendations
- Show I-95 @ Airways Ave.—Probably in “Vision Plan” and will be long term
- Statewide Signal System Improvement Plan should be reviewed for operational improvements
- Abercorn improvements(?) on Additional List—Take off
- Identify truck routes to be able to look at wayfinding improvements
  - All state highways are truck routes but not necessarily local routes
  - Look at improvements such as turning radii
  - US 80 @ SR 307 turning radii is bad.

## Next Meeting

After the group discussion on the preliminary project recommendations, Wykoda Wang concluded the meeting by thanking all participants for attending and reminded the participants that the project

documents were all available on the project website. The next meeting date was unknown, but will be scheduled during the Spring 2015 at a location to be determined.