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AGENDA

9:00 a.m., Friday, July 12, 2019
NCDOT Headquarters, Room 150
1 South Wilmington Street, Raleigh, North Carolina

I. Call to Order

The Honorable Nancy McFarlane

II. Introductions

III. Testimony

a. North Carolina Demographic Trends

Michael Cline, Ph.D.
State Demographer, Office of State Budget and Management

b. NCDOT Finance Overview

Burt Tasaico
Director, Office of Strategic Initiatives & Program Support, NCDOT

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c. Federal Revenues: Insolvent, Uncertain, and In Need of Modernization

Jeff Davis
Senior Fellow and Editor, Eno Transportation Weekly

d. Financing Vibrant Transportation Systems Internationally

Jaime Rall
NC FIRST Consultant, J.R. Rall Consulting, LLC

e. Financing Transportation and Revenue Solutions in Other States

Carolyn Kramer
Director, Transportation Investment Advocacy Center
American Road and Transportation Builders Association

IV. Commission Discussion

The Honorable Nancy McFarlane

Announcements

Next Meeting: Friday, August 30 at 9:00 AM

Public Comment Period: Give us your feedback on ideas for new revenue streams.
Submit written comments at www.ncdot.gov/ncfirst during the month of July.

This meeting will be live streamed on NC FIRST Commission website at
www.ncdot.gov/ncfi

Speaker Bios

Michael Cline, Ph.D.

State Demographer, Office of State Budget and Management

Dr. Michael (Mike) Cline is the State Demographer of North Carolina and annually produces the official population estimates for the state, counties and municipalities. In addition, he prepares twenty-year population projections for counties and the state; advises state agencies and the Governor's office regarding the implications of demographic change; and supports census related activities. Mike moved to North Carolina in April 2017 after a long career in Texas – including a stint working within the Office of the State Demographer of Texas and, most recently, as the Associated Director of the Hobby Center for the Study of Texas at Rice University. A native of the small west Texas town of Snyder, his professional work in demography began soon after the 1990 Census when he helped three rural counties redraw county commissioner court boundaries. Since then, he has provided demographic research in support of business, non-profit and government decision making. Dr. Cline has authored or co-authored several books, book chapters and articles, including: *Population Change in the United States: Socioeconomic Challenges and Opportunities in the Twenty-First Century* and *Changing Texas: Implications of Addressing or Ignoring the Texas Challenge*. Dr. Cline earned his Ph.D. in Demography from the University of Texas at San Antonio, his M.A. in Geography from Kansas State University and his B.A. in Geography from Texas Tech University.

Burt Tasaico

Director, Office of Strategic Initiatives & Program Support, NCDOT

Burt Tasaico is the N.C. Department of Transportation's director of strategic initiatives and program support. As part of his role, he is responsible for expanding and transforming traditional data into timely and meaningful information to reinforce the department's mission, initiatives, policy decisions and to synchronize efforts to ensure the highest delivery of NCDOT's programs.

Tasaico's previous work experience primarily consists of transportation, both in the private and public sector, in all phases of transportation planning, modeling, programming, funding, revenue forecasting and cash management.

Tasaico has held various positions at NCDOT, including working in the Program Development Branch, Information Technology Division and Financial Management Division.

A licensed professional engineer, Tasaico earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees from North Carolina State University and a graduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Government.

Jeff Davis

Senior Fellow and Editor, Eno Transportation Weekly

Jeff Davis is a Senior Fellow with the Eno Center for Transportation and is also the Editor of the *Eno Transportation Weekly*. He is known to be a walking encyclopedia of all federal transportation legislation.

Speaker Bios

Jeff came to Washington in 1988 to attend The American University and soon began working on Capitol Hill for the ranking minority member of the House Rules Committee. He founded his own research and consulting business, the Legislative Services Group, in June 1998 and began publication of *Transportation Weekly*, a news service that monitors and analyzes federal legislative and regulatory developments dealing with transportation and public works, about a year thereafter.

Jaime Rall

NC FIRST Consultant, J.R. Rall Consulting, LLC

Jaime Rall is principal of Rall Consulting, a bespoke consultancy firm focused on transportation policy research and analysis. In 2016, in partnership with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Jaime authored the second edition of *Transportation Governance and Finance*, a compendium of how all 50 states manage and pay for their transportation systems. Previously, Jaime served as a transportation policy expert and program manager at the National Conference of State Legislatures—the nonprofit, bipartisan organization widely regarded as the nation’s leading authority on state legislative issues — where she published and presented widely on state transportation funding and finance, public-private partnerships, and trends in transportation technologies. She holds degrees from the University of Denver, where she also serves as adjunct faculty, and from Oxford University.

Carolyn Kramer

Director, Transportation Investment Advocacy Center American Road and Transportation Builders Association

Carolyn Kramer is the Director of the American Road & Transportation Builders Association’s (ARTBA) Transportation Investment Advocacy Center™ (TIAC), a dynamic education program and information resource designed to help private citizens, legislators, organizations and businesses successfully grow transportation investment at the state and local levels through the legislative and ballot initiative processes. In this role she tracks and analyzes recent state transportation funding legislative and ballot initiatives, as well as reports on transportation funding methods and trends. Carolyn also organizes the annual National Workshop for State & Local Transportation Advocates and manages the Transportation Investment Advocacy Council, a national network of advocates who share a common interest in increasing state and local transportation investment. Carolyn joined ARTBA in May 2012 to provide program support and communications management for the National Work Zone Safety Information Clearinghouse and the FHWA LTAP/TTAP Clearinghouse. She was promoted to her role with ARTBA's TIAC in May 2014. Prior to working with ARTBA she interned with the ABC News Online Division and OneVoice, and held positions with NAF and the ONE Campaign. Carolyn graduated from Rutgers College in May 2009 with a BA in Middle Eastern Studies and Political Science. She obtained a Public Relations Certificate from the Rutgers Professional Development Studies at School of Communication and Information in July 2014. A New Jersey native, she currently resides in Alexandria, VA with her husband and son.