



SUMMARY OF PLANNING BOARD ACTION

SUBJECT: Draft 2030 Projections for Long Range Transportation Plan

MEETING DATE: January 6, 2004

RECOMMENDATION: That the Council actively pursue acquisition of advanced transportation modeling tools in coordination with the Durham-Chapel Hill Metropolitan Planning Organization that would allow more detailed analysis of alternative scenarios of growth for the region, and areas within the region. The modeling should enable the region to understand the congestion and air quality impacts of alternative land use scenarios in general, and large developments specifically (such as the Carolina North proposal), so that policy choices can be informed regarding the impacts of congestion upon the quality of life in the region. The enhanced model should also be able to assess the impact of alternative transportation strategies, such as pedestrian oriented design and public transportation.

VOTE: 8-0

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