

**Henderson County
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

August 20, 2025 Meeting Summary

| Voting Member | Present | Absent |
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| Beau Waddell, Chair at-large | √ | |
| Sam Henderson, Vice-Chair at-large | √ | |
| Dawn Barr, at-large | √ | |
| Warren Ladbrook, at-large | √ | |
| Shiela Franklin, Henderson County | | √ |
| Jay Egolf, Henderson County | √ | |
| Jennifer Hensley, City of Hendersonville | √ | |
| Emily Whitmire, Village of Flat Rock | O | |
| Shanon Gonce, Town of Mills River | √ | |
| George Banta, Town of Laurel Park | √ | |
| Jim Player, Town of Fletcher | √ | |

Also present at the table: Autumn Radcliff, Planning Director; Janna Bianculli, Assistant Planning Director; Tristan Winkler, FBRMPO; Troy Wilson, NCDOT; and Chuck McGrady, NCDOT BOT.

Mr. Beau Waddell, Chair at large, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Public Comment:

Mr. Ward Seguin spoke to thank NCDOT for finishing projects early.

Ms. Jennifer Evans spoke about the need for more communication about ongoing work on Davis Mountain Rd.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Hensley moved to approve the agenda and summary, and member at-large Sam Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion:

Hwy 191 Improvements in Mills River

FBRMPO Director, Tristan Winkler, updated the TAC on 191 improvements in Mills River. Mayor Gonce raised the question of bump-outs being located to ensure large vehicle and property access along Hwy 191, as well as the possibility of lowering speed limits along the road.

SPOT 8.0 Project Submittals

FBRMPO Director, Tristan Winkler, discussed potential submittals to the SPOT 8.0 process Mayor Gonce moved to approve the five highway projects and rollovers. Councilman Player seconded the motion. Motion carried. Councilman Banta moved to approve the five bike ped projects and Warren Ladbrook seconded the motion, which carried. Sam Henderson moved to approve the county's transit submittal, and Councilman Player seconded the motion, which also carried.

I-26 Noise Level at Mountain Home

Chair Waddell noted a public comment about noise levels in Mountain Home from I-26, and member at-large Sam Henderson asked about the county's ability to restrict this noise. Mayor Gonce raised that a primary issue was unmuffled traffic in the area, and that the State Highway Patrol can enforce this under G.S 20-128. Member at-large Sam Henderson motioned for the TAC to advise the Board of Commissioners to discuss the topic with the State Highway Patrol and the County Sheriff, as the matter is already law. Councilman Player seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Updates:

NCDOT, Laurel Park, and Flat Rock gave updates.

Next Meeting:

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM.

This is a meeting summary. The official minutes are the recording of the meeting. Anyone can request a copy of the meeting recording by contacting County staff.