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**APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018 – 10:30 A.M.
COUNCIL BOARD ROOM
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

- 10:30 I. Call to Order – **Mr. Joe Dill**, Chair
- A. Invocation
 - B. Introduction of Guests
 - C. Approval of September 28, 2018 Board Minutes
(Section 1, Board Packet)
 - D. September 30, 2018 Financial Statements **[Information Only]**
(Section 2, Board Packet)
- 10:35 II. The Opioid Epidemic in South Carolina and the Upstate – **Ms. Brandi Simmons**, Public Education Coordinator, the Phoenix Center, **Dr. Kevin Walker**, Medical Director, Division of Pain Management, GHS, **Ms. Michele Grecco**, Child Abuse Prevention Director, GHS, and **Ms. Rachel Richman**, PharmD Inspector, DHEC Bureau of Drug Control
- Briefing: The panel of experts will provide an overview of opioid abuse in South Carolina and the Upstate, as well as prevention, treatment, and enforcement programs.
- 11:15 III. Discover Upcountry South Carolina Association – **Mr. Tim Todd**, Executive Director, Discover Upcountry SC Association (Section 3, Board Packet)
- Briefing: Discover Upcountry promotes natural resource and cultural tourism in the six counties of the SC Appalachian region. Mr. Todd will provide a presentation on its efforts and initiatives.

11:40 IV. Transportation Performance Management and Target Setting – **Ms. Jane Hall**, Chair, Regional Transportation Committee and **Mr. Lance Estep**, Principal Planner (Section 4, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Federal Highway Administration has adopted a performance management model that places certain reporting and target setting requirements on State DOTs, MPOs and COGs. The Regional Transportation Committee will present recommended language to be incorporated into the ACOG Rural Long Range Transportation Plan to comply with these requirements.

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11:50 V. Criteria for Designating Distressed Areas in Accordance with the Recently Amended SC Textile Communities Revitalization Act – **Mr. Don Godbey**, Chair, Economic Development Committee and **Ms. Brooke Ferguson**, Economic Development Director

Briefing: The recently revised Textile Communities Revitalization Act provides tax credits for the re-development of abandoned textile mills. For tax credits to be available for certain activities, the property must be “located in a distressed area of a county in this State, as designated by the applicable council of governments.” The Economic Development Committee will present recommended criteria for designating distressed areas.

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12:00 VI. Executive Director’s Report – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director

12:05 VII. Adjourn to Lunch