

AGENDA

**APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 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 October 26, 2018 Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
 - D. October 31, 2018 Financial Statements **[Information Only]** (Section 2, Board Packet)
- 10:35 II. Greenville County Soil and Water Conservation District – **Ms. Kirsten Robertson**, District Manager, Greenville County SWCD (Section 3, Board Packet)
- Briefing: Ms. Robertson will discuss programs offered by the Soil and Water Conservation Service, addressing programs covering the entire SC Appalachian region. (Section 4, Board Packet)
- 11:00 III. Main Street South Carolina Program – **Ms. Jenny Boulware**, Main Street SC Manager (Section 4, Board Packet)
- Briefing: Main Street South Carolina empowers residents with the knowledge, skills, tools and organizational structure necessary to revitalize their downtowns, neighborhood commercial districts and cities or towns into vibrant centers of commerce and community. Ms. Boulware will discuss aspects of the program.
- 11:25 IV. Appalachian Council of Governments FY 2018 Audit – **Ms. Marcy Loucks**, Principal, McKinley, Cooper and Associates, Certified Public Accountants (Copy inserted in the Board Packet)
- Briefing: Ms. Loucks will provide a brief summary presentation of the FY 2018 Annual Audit. She will provide a full presentation at the Finance Committee Meeting, which will be held at 9:30 Friday morning. Any Board member who is interested in receiving the full presentation is invited to attend the committee meeting.

11:30 V. Appalachian Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2018 Annual Performance Update– **Mr. Don Godbey**, Chair, Regional Economic Development Committee; **Ms. Brooke Ferguson**, Economic Development Director

Briefing: ACOG is the designated agency for developing and maintaining the CEDS covering the SC Appalachian region. A new CEDS is required every five years, with annual performance updates completed in the intervening years. ACOG staff has been monitoring economic development activity in the region as it pertains to the 2018-2022 CEDS adopted in September 2017. Mrs. Ferguson will provide an overview of the Annual Performance Update. The Board of Directors will be asked to approve the document for submittal to the Economic Development Administration.

The full report is available for review on the ACOG website (www.scacog.org). To request a printed copy, please contact Denise Ernul at dernul@scacog.org or at (864) 242-9733.

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11:45 VI. ACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendments to Include an ARC (Appalachian Regional Commission) Funded Cherokee County Intersection Improvement - Ms. Jane Hall, Chair, Regional Transportation Committee and **Mr. Lance Estep**, Regional Transportation Planner (Section 5, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Transportation Committee will present a recommendation for the inclusion of an ARC-funded Cherokee County transportation project in the ACOG TIP and LRTP. The county recently received an ARC Grant to construct intersection improvements to the Cherokee County campus of Spartanburg Community College. In order to receive grant funding, FHWA requires that the project be included in the TIP and LRTP.

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11:55 VII. Executive Director’s Report – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director

12:05 VIII. Adjourn to Lunch