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Experience Metroplan

Executive Director | 2023 - Present

- Ensures the Board of Directors is kept fully informed on the condition of the agency and any trends, events, or emerging issues of significance to the agency's success.
- Represents the organization on regional/local boards.
- Evaluates legislative activities and regulation changes with the impact upon the organization.
- Supervises all organization staff, either directly or indirectly through senior staff.
- Manages strategic planning in accordance with the directional strategy of the Board of Directors and the organization as a whole.
- Finance – Oversees the budgeting, accounting, grants management and purchasing functions of the organization. Familiarity with federal funds account requirements and grant reporting requirements is helpful.

Deputy Director | 2017 - 2022

- Responsibilities of the CARTS Study Director with the following added responsibilities
- Create budgets for planning program and engineering projects for use in agency financial plan
- Develop board meeting agendas and packets for the Metroplan Board of Directors
- Develop transportation policy recommendations and agency proposals for presentation to the Metroplan Board of Directors and Executive Director
- Provide support for the Metroplan Board Executive Committee and Small Cities Council meetings
- Oversee additional support staff for the agency

CARTS Study Director | 2012 - Present

- Develop and administer the Unified Planning Work Program including budgeting, project priorities, and staffing priorities
- Prepare and present transportation agenda for MPO Policy Committee meetings
- Prepare and monitor the Transportation Improvement Program, including preparing and administering annual call for projects for \$15+million in federal funds suballocated to Metroplan
- Served as committee chair for the Metropolitan Technical Committee (2012-2018)
- Supervise the development of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and coordinate among regional advisory committees, including developing the financial plan for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Coordinate planning studies and products with Rock Region METRO and the Arkansas Department of Transportation

Transportation Engineer | 2004 - 2011

- Maintained and analyzed results of the Central Arkansas Regional Transportation Study Area Travel Demand Model
- Conducted and oversaw corridor studies for freeways and major arterials
- Oversaw Metroplan engineering projects and monitored Metroplan's TIP projects for progress towards obligation/completion
- Reviewed project designs and developed recommendations for multi-modal considerations
- Provided technical expertise to the transportation planning process including the Long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Metroplan committees

Education

Master of Civil Engineering

Transportation Planning

2003 | North Carolina State University

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

2002 | Louisiana Tech University

Professional Certifications

Professional Engineer AR

#13198 | December 2007

American Institute of Certified Planners

#025234 | September 2011

Professional Memberships

Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO)

2018 - Current | Policy Committee

Arkansas Highway Safety Plan Committee

2014 - Current

American Planning Association

2008 - Current

Healthy Active Arkansas

2016 - 2019 | Built Environmental Team Lead

Metroplan Awards

Engineering Excellence Award

2023-2024 | American Council of Engineering
Central Arkansas Regional Greenways Plan

Unique Contribution to Planning

2021 | American Planning Association Arkansas Chapter
Unified Development Ordinance

Unique Contribution to Planning

2020 | American Planning Association Arkansas Chapter
Horizon 2020