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Kim,

I wanted to recommend eliminating the R/ECAP score from consideration for the SCDOT I-526 Pool. A decent portion of the target area is located in an racially or ethnically concentrated area of poverty. If the area identified on the map is the target area, then I would recommend removing this item from scoring consideration in this pool. The points gained from being in the target area are lost based on being in a R/ECAP area.

I would also recommend allowing applicants in the SCDOT I-526 Pool to receive points for both being in the target area (5 points) and being within 0.25 miles of a low country rapid transit bus stop (3 points). Again, if the goal is to provide housing in this area of N. Charleston, then this would maximize the chances of a development being awarded that meets all of the goals of SCDOT (location and proximity to a Low Country Rapid Transit Stop).

Thanks,

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