

**Cabarrus Rowan Urban Area
Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Advisory Committee**

Wednesday April 22, 2026

4:30 pm

**Dinner provided by
Cabarrus County**

**NC Research Campus
Kannapolis City Hall
401 Laureate Way
Kannapolis, NC 28081**

Agenda

1) Call to Order TAC Chairman Smith

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Members for Quorum & Introduction of Guests
- List of Eligible TAC Voting Members
- Ethics Reminder
- New NCDOT Secretary Daniel Johnson
- Legislative or Board of Transportation Updates
- Chamber of Commerce Update
- Speakers from the Floor (3 minutes per speaker)
- Adjustments/Approval to the Agenda including Consent

CONSENT AGENDA

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NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

THIS CONCLUDES THE CONSENT AGENDA

2) Approval of March 25, 2026 minutes TAC Chairman Smith

3) FY 2026-2035 MTIP Modification #4 Phil Conrad

INFORMATION: MPO staff typically brings amendments or modifications from recent NCDOT Board of Transportation agendas to the TCC/TAC for consideration. The first project modifications are statewide project additions: C-5702D, C-5702E, and RX-2600. The second project modification is to upgrade a traffic signal at the intersection of Jake Alexander Blvd and Lincolnton Road (HS-2609A). The third project modification is to add rumble strips on Old Beatty Ford Road (HS-2609C). The fourth project modification is to add a project break for the installation of rumble strips with long life pavement markings on Irish Potato Road (HS-2610AE). The fifth project modification is to delay construction to FY 27 for the Little Texas Road sidewalk project (EB-5844). The sixth project modification is to delay right-of-way to FY 27 for the Poplar Tent and Harris Road intersection improvements (HL-0001). The seventh project modification is to delay construction to FY 27 for the Concord Citywide Signal System software project (HL-0123). Attachment 3 is a resolution modifying the MTIP for these projects.

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION: 1) Receive a report on modification #4 to the FY 2026-2035 MTIP; and 2) Consider endorsing modification #4 to the FY 2026-2035 MTIP.

4) Reports / MPO Business **Phil Conrad / TAC Members**

- Local Reports – NCDOT Division 9 & 10/TPD Newsletter
- Poplar Tent and Harris Intersection Update
- P8/STIP Schedule – May 2026 Quantitative Data Release
- Rowan Transit System Section 5310 Grant Application Letter of Support
- Section 5310 Grant Requests: Cabarrus County - \$274,000 and Rowan County - \$36,000
- FY 26 Bike and Ped Demonstration Planning Studies
- FY 27 Special Studies

5) Information Items **Phil Conrad**

- Rider and Salisbury Transit Ridership
- SEI Filing Deadline *April 15th*
- Metrolina Region AQ Conformity Determination
- Funding Swap of \$3.8 million
- NCMPO Conference May 6-8
- Federal BASICS Act
- Western NC Rail Corridor Stakeholder Steering Committee
- Statewide Freight Plan Factsheet

Next meeting: May 27, 2026

- Agenda items for May TAC meeting





NORTH CAROLINA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

SAMPLE¹

ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER

(to be read by the Chair or his or her designee at the beginning of each meeting)

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every [Board] member to avoid conflicts of interest.

Does any [Board] member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the [Board] today?

If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

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¹ N.C.G.S. §138A-15 (e): “At the beginning of any meeting of a board, the chair shall remind all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest under [Chapter 138A].” There is no set language required by the Act. Specific language can and should be tailored to fit the needs of each covered board as necessary.

Transportation Secretary



Daniel Johnson's service as Secretary of Transportation began on Oct. 1, 2025. Appointed to the office by Governor Josh Stein, Johnson builds on his eight years of experience serving in senior executive roles at the N.C. Department of Transportation, including most recently as deputy secretary and general counsel.

Johnson's service with the Department of Transportation continues a career that has largely been devoted to public service. Following his graduation from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, he accepted a commission in the U. S. Navy and served as a surface warfare officer on the USS Blue Ridge.

Upon completion of his military service, Johnson worked for U.S. Sen. Max Cleland, of Georgia, where he focused on issues related to military affairs and veterans. Following a return to UNC-Chapel Hill to attend law school, Johnson served as an assistant district attorney in Wake County before going into private practice.

A native of Hickory, Johnson now lives in Raleigh with his wife and two children.

MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

NC Research Campus
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Members

Terry Crawford	City of Concord
Justin Simpson	Town of Mt. Pleasant
Larry Pittman	Cabarrus County
Dillon Brewer	Town of Rockwell
Jim Greene	Rowan County
Ron Smith	Town of Harrisburg
Deloris High	Town of East Spencer
Ryan Dayvault	City of Kannapolis
Isaac Davis, Jr.	Town of Midland

Others

Phil Conrad	CRMPO Director
Sean Epperson	NCDOT Division 10
John Rhyne	NCDOT Division 9
Naomi Hatchell	City of Kannapolis
Albert Smith	Town of East Spencer
Karla Leonard	Rowan Chamber
Marty Sung	NCDOT-TPD
George Eckart	NCDOT-Division 9
Barbara Mallett	Town of East Spencer
Grant Campbell	NC House
Andy Bailey	NCDOT-TPD
Rashid Muhammad	Town of Spencer
Leah Weaver	WSP

Call to Order

TAC Vice-Chair Ryan Dayvault called the meeting of the Cabarrus Rowan Metropolitan Planning Organization (CRMPO) TAC to order after a meal provided by the City of Salisbury at approximately 6:05 pm. TAC Vice-Chair Dayvault welcomed those in attendance and asked all present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to a flag displayed. After the pledge was recited, TAC Vice-Chair Dayvault on to call the roll of eligible voting TAC members and determined that a quorum had been met.

CRMPO Executive Director Phil Conrad read the NC State Ethics Commission Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest requirement and stated that if a conflict should arise during any part of the meeting, members should recuse themselves from that portion of the meeting.

TAC Vice-Chair then recognized Representative Grant Campbell from the NC House, who reported that the NC General Assembly would be working to complete a budget in the upcoming

session. He noted some relevant legislation in the hopper on property tax reform and his activity with on committees related to Medicaid Waste, Fraud, and Abuse.

TAC Vice-Chair Dayvault continued with the meeting and asked for any Chamber of Commerce updates. Mrs. Karla Leonard representing the Rowan Chamber reported to the TAC members that the Chamber continues to support the recently submitted Build Grant application by the Town of East Spencer for \$25 million. She also noted a successful 100th Chamber Gala in January.

TAC Vice-Chair Dayvault then asked if there were any speakers from the floor. With none heard he moved onto the consent agenda.

TAC Vice Chair Dayvault then requested any adjustments to Consent Agenda for the night's meeting. The items under the Consent Agenda were the FY 2026-2035 MTIP Modification #3 and Funding Swap Request. Director Conrad briefly reviewed the items for the members. With no adjustments being heard, Mr. Justin Simpson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Terry Crawford seconded the motion and after no questions or discussion, the TAC members voted unanimously to approve.

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delay construction to FY 27 for the Kannapolis Amtrak station improvements (P-5725). The fourteenth project modification is to modify funding for routine capital for Rider Transit (TA-5130A). The fifteenth project modification is to modify funding for bus stop shelters for Rider Transit (TG-5103A). The sixteenth project modification is to modify funding for operations for ADA services for Rider Transit (TG-5103B). The seventeenth project modification is to modify funding for operations for preventative maintenance (TG-5103C). The eighteenth project modification is to modify the project scope for the Poplar Tent Road widening (U-3415A).

Funding Swap Request

The NCDOT is proposing the swapping of funding sources for several projects within the CRMPO, which could potentially help NCDOT secure additional federal funding for North Carolina. The funding swap involves switching \$3.8 million of CRMPO's Surface Transportation Block Grant-Direct Attributable (STBG-DA) federal funds for \$3.8 million in other flexible federal funds in the years the STBG-DA funds were programmed. There is no impact to schedules, local matches, or project management requirements resulting from the swap.

THIS CONCLUDES THE CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of January 28, 2026 Minutes

TAC Vice-Chair Dayvault highlighted the minutes from the January 28, 2026 TAC meeting included in their meeting packets. Vice-Chair Dayvault asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. With no corrections or additions heard, Mr. Terry Crawford made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Justin Simpson seconded the motion, and the TAC members followed with a unanimous vote to approve.

2055 MTP and Transportation Conformity Update

CRMPO Director Phil Conrad introduced Leah Weaver from WSP to provide a presentation on their work for the 2055 MTP. She explained some of the technical work to update maps and forecasted traffic for the 2055 MTP Update. She also referenced the update to the CTP and the coding of projects for the next phase of the CTP. After her presentation, Phil provided an update on the Transportation Conformity Analysis and Determination Report, and noted the completion of the public comment period. He indicated that no comments were received. He said that the 2055 MTP and Conformity was on schedule to meet the April deadline. (The deadline was subsequently met by the regional partners in the form of a letter from USDOT.) He recapped some of the components of the 2055 MTP. He further noted that requirement to meet national ambient air quality standards due to the 2004 designation by USEPA of the area as nonattainment for ozone. He referenced the tests of the project networks for ozone and motor vehicle emission budgets. He noted the reports available on the MPO website including

appendices. He stated that the federal review of the draft Conformity Report concluded in November with no comments.

After the review and with no questions or comments heard, Mr. Terry Crawford made a motion to adopt the 2055 MTP which was seconded by Mr. Justin Simpson. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Dillon Brewer made a motion to approve the Metrolina Conformity Determination Report, which was seconded by Mr. Jim Greene. This vote was unanimous.

FY 2026-27 DRAFT UPWP

Director Conrad provided a review of the FY 2026-27 Draft UPWP for the TAC members. He stated that each year the Cabarrus-Rowan MPO develops and adopts a unified planning work program (UPWP). The UPWP is the MPO budget and follows the state fiscal year 2026-2027. He highlighted some of the tasks in the planning source table. He also referenced a letter from NCDOT indicating that the allocation in FY 27 to the CR MPO was \$532,375. He pointed to a new template that the Federal government is requiring all MPO's to use, to certify their respective transportation planning process. He summarized the checklist table to certify the MPO transportation planning process. He also noted the local match table in the packet for municipal and county budgets. Without any further discussion, Mr. Dillon Brewer made a motion to adopt FY 27 UPWP with the appropriate resolution and Mr. Justin Simpson seconded it. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Justin Simpson made a motion to certify the CR MPO transportation planning process and Ms. Deloris High seconded the motion. The vote was also unanimous.

2026 Draft Local Priority Methodology

Director Conrad noted NCDOT staff has indicated that Session Law 2012-84 requires the Department to develop a process for standardizing or approving MPO local input methodology. The last time the MPO approved changes to the Local Priority Methodology was in 2021, which included changes in the way that points can be flexed between the tiers. He stated that the MPO had submitted a draft of the Cabarrus-Rowan local input methodology to NCDOT for content review. NCDOT staff has granted conditional approval to the MPO's methodology subject to public input and the MPO Board approval tonight. He concluded that this methodology would be applied in calendar 2026.

After review and no comments or questions being heard, Mr. Dillon Brewer made a motion to adopt the Draft Final Local Priority Methodology. Mr. Justin Simpson seconded the motion and the TAC members voted unanimously to approve.

Reports/CRMPO Business

1. Local Reports - NCDOT Division 9 & 10 – Mr. John Rhyne, NCDOT Division 9 reported to the TAC members that Division 9 updates were included in their meeting packet and highlighted some bridge projects. He also introduced Mr. George Eckart as the new Division Planning Engineer.

Mr. Sean Epperson, NCDOT Division 10 noted the Division 10's report included in their packet. He then went on to highlight a spreadsheet of Division 10 project updates.

2. FY 26 Special Studies – Director Conrad reported that there are funds in FY 26 available.
3. FY 26 Bike and Ped Demonstration Planning Studies – Director Conrad reported that there are funds in FY 26 available.
4. Town of Midland Express Design Request – Director Conrad reported that the MPO has received a request from the Town of Midland to use of 3 remaining express design slots and the item is under review by the TCC.
5. Federal BASICS Act – Director Conrad noted the progress on the BASICS Act to replace IIJA, which expires on Sept. 30, 2026. He also explained the emphasis on formula funds and local project administration.
6. MPO Staffing RFLOI – Director Conrad noted the open bid for the MPO staffing for the CR MPO with interviews held recently by the selection committee.

Informational Items

- RIDER Transit and Salisbury Transit Ridership Information - Phil highlighted the ridership information included in the TAC packets.
- SEI Filing Deadline April 15th
- April Meetings pending NCDOT availability
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Next Meeting : April 22, 2026

Adjournment

With no other business to bring before the TAC, Vice-Chair Dayvault adjourned the March TAC meeting.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING MODIFICATION #4 TO THE CABARRUS-ROWAN
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR FY 2026-2035

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) is a staged multiple year listing of all federally funded transportation projects scheduled for implementation within the Cabarrus-Rowan Urban Area which have been selected from a priority list of projects; and

WHEREAS, the document provides the mechanism for official endorsement of the program of projects by the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC); and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee has reviewed the current FY 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Program, dated October 1, 2025, and found the need to modify it;

WHEREAS, the following attached modification has been proposed.

WHEREAS, Projects listed in the MTIP are also included in the State TIP (STIP) and balanced against anticipated revenues as identified in the STIP; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan has a planning horizon year of 2050, and meets all the requirements in 23 CFR 450; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee has found that the Transportation Improvement Program conforms to the purpose of the North Carolina State Implementation Plan (*or interim emissions tests in areas where no SIP is approved or found adequate*) for maintaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in accordance with 40 CFR 51 & 93; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee has determined that the proposed modification is exempt from the requirements for determining air quality conformity in accordance with 40 CFR 93.127.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Cabarrus-Rowan Urban Area Transportation Advisory Committee that the FY 2026-2035 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program dated October 1, 2025, for the Cabarrus Rowan Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization be modified as listed above on this the 22nd day of April 2026.

I, Meredith Smith, Transportation Advisory Committee Chair, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Cabarrus-Rowan Transportation Advisory Committee, duly held on the 22nd day of April 2026.

Meredith Smith, Chair
Transportation Advisory Committee

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REVISIONS TO THE 2026-2035 STIP
HIGHWAY PROGRAM

STATEWIDE PROJECT

STIP ADDITIONS

* C-5702D - STATEWIDE PROJECT
STATEWIDE
PROJ.CATEGORY
EXEMPT

NORTH CAROLINA CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CENTER, SYSTEMWIDE CONDUCT A CLEAN-FUEL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY OUTREACH AND AWARENESS PROGRAM IN ALL CMAQ-ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.

ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF DIVISION OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING.

IMPLEMENTATION

FY 2026 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2026 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2027 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2027 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2028 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2028 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2029 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2029 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2030 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2030 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2031 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2031 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2032 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2032 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2033 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2033 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2034 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2034 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
FY 2035 -	\$2,000,000	(CMAQ)
FY 2035 -	\$500,000	(L(M))
	<u>\$25,000,000</u>	

* INDICATES FEDERAL AMENDMENT

REVISIONS TO THE 2026-2035 STIP
HIGHWAY PROGRAM

STATEWIDE PROJECT

STIP MODIFICATIONS

* C-5702E	- STATEWIDE PROJECT	NORTH CAROLINA CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY	IMPLEMENTATION	FY 2026 -	\$6,033,000	(CMAQ)
STATEWIDE		CENTER, SYSTEMWIDE CONDUCT EMISSIONS-		FY 2026 -	\$1,711,000	(L(M))
PROJ.CATEGORY		REDUCING SUB-AWARDS IN ALL CMAQ-ELIGIBLE		FY 2027 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
EXEMPT		COUNTIES, INCLUDING EDUCATION AND OUTREACH.		FY 2027 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
		<u>MODIFY FUNDING AT THE REQUEST OF THE DIVISION</u>		FY 2028 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
		<u>OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING.</u>		FY 2028 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
				FY 2029 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
				FY 2029 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
				FY 2030 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
				FY 2030 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
				FY 2031 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
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				FY 2034 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
				FY 2035 -	\$3,000,000	(CMAQ)
				FY 2035 -	\$750,000	(L(M))
					\$41,494,000	
* RX-2600	- STATEWIDE PROJECT	VARIOUS, IMPROVE PASSENGER RAIL CROSSING	ENGINEERING	FY 2027 -	\$500,000	(T)
STATEWIDE		SAFETY INVENTORY PROGRAM.		FY 2028 -	\$500,000	(T)
PROJ.CATEGORY		<u>MODIFY PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FUNDING FROM</u>		FY 2029 -	\$500,000	(T)
DIVISION		<u>FEDERAL TO STATE.</u>		FY 2030 -	\$500,000	(T)
					\$2,000,000	

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REVISIONS TO THE 2026-2035 STIP
HIGHWAY PROGRAM

CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

STIP ADDITIONS

* HS-2609A ROWAN PROJ.CATEGORY REGIONAL	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	US 70/US 601 (JAKE ALEXANDER BOULEVARD), AT LINCOLN TON ROAD. UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL INCLUDING PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS, ADD PEDESTRIAN ACCOMMODATIONS. <u>ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	RIGHT-OF-WAY	FY 2027 -	\$67,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2027 -	\$8,000	(T(M))
			UTILITIES	FY 2028 -	\$90,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2028 -	\$10,000	(T(M))
			CONSTRUCTION	FY 2029 -	\$239,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2029 -	\$26,000	(T(M))
					\$440,000	
* HS-2609C ROWAN PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	SR 1221 (OLD BEATTY FORD ROAD), BETWEEN SR 2464 (LOWER STONE CHURCH ROAD) AND SR 1337 (LENTZ ROAD) NEAR ROCKWELL. INSTALL RUMBLE STRIPS/STRIPES. <u>ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2027 -	\$549,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2027 -	\$61,000	(T(M))
* HS-2610AD UNION PROJ.CATEGORY REGIONAL	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	NC 207, SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LINE TO MAURICE STREET. INSTALL RUMBLE STRIPS WITH LONG LIFE PAVEMENT MARKINGS. <u>ADD PROJECT BREAK AT THE REQUEST OF TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2029 -	\$423,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2029 -	\$47,000	(T(M))
* HS-2610AE CABARRUS PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	SR 2400 (IRISH POTATO ROAD)/SR 2411 (COLD SPRINGS ROAD), BETWEEN SR 1002 (OLD CONCORD ROAD) AND SR 1006 (MT PLEASANT ROAD SOUTH). INSTALL RUMBLE STRIPS WITH LONG LIFE PAVEMENT MARKINGS. <u>ADD PROJECT BREAK AT THE REQUEST OF TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2028 -	\$447,000	(HSIP)
				FY 2028 -	\$50,000	(T(M))

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REVISIONS TO THE 2026-2035 STIP
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CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

STIP MODIFICATIONS

EB-5844 CABARRUS PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	SR 2154 (LITTLE TEXAS ROAD), SR 2180 (LANE STREET) CONSTRUCTION	FY 2027 - \$131,000 (CMAQ)
		TO SR 2126 (DALE EARNHARDT BOULEVARD) IN	FY 2027 - \$3,230,000 (TAANY)
		KANNAPOLIS. CONSTRUCT SIDEWALK AND CURB AND	FY 2027 - \$971,000 (L(M))
		GUTTER.	FY 2027 - \$520,000 (HF)
		<u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 26 TO FY 27.</u>	\$4,852,000
HL-0001 CABARRUS PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	SR 1394 (POPLAR TENT ROAD), SR 1449 (HARRIS RIGHT-OF-WAY	FY 2027 - \$3,632,000 (BGANY)
		ROAD) INTERSECTION IN CONCORD; SR 2880 (MOSS	FY 2027 - \$784,000 (BGDA)
		DRIVE) TO FULLERTON PLACE DRIVE. CONSTRUCT	FY 2027 - \$1,104,000 (L(M))
		INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS; WIDEN TO FOUR CONSTRUCTION	FY 2029 - \$6,280,000 (BGDA)
		LANES.	FY 2029 - \$1,570,000 (L(M))
<u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN, DELAY RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM FY 26 TO FY 27.</u>	\$13,370,000		
HL-0123 CABARRUS PROJ.CATEGORY EXEMPT	- CABARRUS-ROWAN URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	VARIOUS, LOCATIONS IN CONCORD. UPGRADE CONSTRUCTION	FY 2027 - \$400,000 (CRPDA)
		SOFTWARE FOR CONCORD CITYWIDE SIGNAL SYSTEM.	FY 2027 - \$100,000 (L(M))
		<u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 26 TO FY 27.</u>	\$500,000

* INDICATES FEDERAL AMENDMENT

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Projects Under Construction								
17BP.9.R.96	Replace Bridge #254 over Kerr Creek on SR 1547 (Caldwell Rd) in Rowan County	February 25, 2026	February 1, 2027	0% Complete	\$1,236,890	Smith-Rowe	Eric Goldston (704) 630-3220	Smith-Rowe to close Caldwell Rd beginning April 6, 2026. Signed detour will be in place. Estimated open to traffic date August 01, 2026.
BP9-R012 BP9-R012.3 (Formerly 17BP.9.R.105)	Replace Bridge #108 over Tuckertown Reservoir on SR 1004 (Stokes Ferry Rd) in Rowan County	October 22, 2025	April 27, 2027	30% Complete	\$4,105,055	Smith-Rowe	Eric Goldston (704) 630-3220	Smith Rowe completing substructure work on bent 1 & 2. Drilled piers completed for bent 1, bent 2 piers under construction. End bent construction will begin shortly thereafter. No boater access permitted under bridge at this time.
HS-2409F (DI00382)	Install rumble stripes and 6-inch long life pavement markings on NC 152 from Iredell County line to SR 1211 (Patterson Street/Brown Road).	January 28, 2026	June 16, 2026	0% Complete	\$685,282	TRP Construction Group	Eric Goldston (704) 630-3220	HS-2409 (D/F/G/H/I/J) were awarded under the same contract (DI00382). Total contract amount is \$685, 282.
2025CPT.09.07.10801 2025CPT.09.08.20801 2025CPR.09.18.10301 (C205054)	1 Section of US-601, 1 Section of NC-150, 5 Sections of NC-801, and 12 Sections of Secondary Roads	February 18, 2025	November 1, 2026	14% Complete	\$11,502,013	NJR Group	Kelly Seitz (704) 630-3200	The contractor has resurfaced two maps on NC 801. Planning to complete the rest of the maps in 2026.
HE-0009 (DI00329)	Grading, Drainage, and Paving on NC 152 from East of I-85/US 601 Interchange to 800' West of SR 2648 (Timberfield Trail)	November 13, 2024	May 15, 2026	74% Complete	\$4,150,391	Performance Managed Construction	Kelly Seitz (704) 630-3200	The contractor is currently waiting on the weather to improve to resume operations. Enbridge has moved their gas line in conflict with driveway 3. This utility was preventing the roundabout pattern from being implemented until this time.
W-5709E (DI00350)	Construct Roundabout and other safety improvements at Intersection NC 153 (Rice Street) and SR 1197 (Cannon Farm Rd) in China Grove	August 28, 2024	May 21, 2026	66% Complete	\$2,542,801	NJR Group	Kelly Seitz (704) 630-3200	Daily lanes closures expected. Contractor finished construction of Y3. ICT#5 (closing Cannon Farm Road for 56 days started on February 23, 2026)
Projects Under Development								
U-5901 44705.3.1	Airport Parkway –Construct 2-lane roadway on Multilane right of way in new location from SR 1710 (Harrison Rd) near US 70/601 (Jake Alexander Blvd) to SR 2539 (Peach Orchard Rd) at US 29 in Salisbury	January 17, 2034	TBA	Planning/Design In Progress ROW Acquisition July 31, 2030	\$52,100,000	TBA	Al Blanton (336) 747-7800	DDRL - Raleigh Let. Express design update in progress to update project estimate. PE work in progress. A Concurrence Point 2 (CP2) meeting was held on July 25, 2024. CP2 form, signed by the Merger Team, concurs with 6 alternatives to carry forward for detailed study. NCDOT proposed an additional alternative for consideration that the Merger Team concurred on in June. CP2A meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2025. Public meeting was held November 5, 2025 at the Salisbury Civic Center (315 S. MLK Jr. Dr.).
U-6062 47486.3.1	Upgrade SR 2739 (N. Main St and S. Main St) to incorporate Bicycle Lanes and Sidewalks, from SR 2000 (Jackson Park Rd/N. Loop Rd) in Kannapolis to SR 1211 (Kimball Rd) in China Grove	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	\$35,800,000	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Al Blanton (336) 747-7800	DDRL - The PE work for this project has been suspended. Express design was completed to revise project estimate.
HP-0028	Construct roundabout. SR 1509 (Miller Road) intersection in China Grove.	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	\$4,200,000	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Al Blanton (336) 747-7800	Express Design Completed - No additional PE work at this time.
R-5860A	Proposed Misenheimer Bypass to proposed Rockwell Bypass. Upgrade roadway and access management.	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	\$50,500,000	Funded For Preliminary Engineering Only	Bryan Key (919) 707-6263	Raleigh Letting (LET) -
P-5733 47612.3.1	NS Main - Rowan County - Upgrade Station Building, expand waiting space and surface parking	January 21, 2026	TBA	ROW Acquisition October 1, 2025	\$9,143,000	TBA	Brad Smythe (919) 707-4118	NON-DOT Let - NCDOT is working with the City to develop a project agreement for this project and identify additional ROW funds, due to an appraisal exceeding the budget.

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Projects Under Development								
P-5726 47604.3.1 (C204343)	NS Main - Construct Track Improvements, Second Platform, Pedestrian Underpass, Siterwork, Retaining Wall, and Signalling Equipment	July 20, 2027	TBA	ROW Acquisition In Progress	\$13,600,000	TBA	Brad Smythe (919) 707-4118	Raleigh Let - Pending execution of rail agreement.
P-5726A	Salisbury train station second platform and pedestrian underpass.	July 22, 2026	TBA	ROW Acquisition In Progress	\$2,500,000	TBA	Brad Smythe (919) 707-4118	Division POC -
P-5726B	Salisbury Norfolk Southern crossover relocation.	June 24, 2026	TBA	ROW Acquisition In Progress	\$4,000,000	TBA	Brad Smythe (919) 707-4118	NON-DOT Let -
State Forces Projects Under Development								
48921	Construct right turn lane on SR 1210 (Old Beatty Ford Rd) at US 29.	July 30, 2027	TBA	Planning/Design In Progress	TBA	State Forces	Dan Ulrich (336) 747-7800	High Impact Low Cost (HILC) project. Division presented the RCI (Reduced Conflict Intersection) concept at Landis Council meeting. After coordinating with the town and settling on a design alternative the let date has been shifted to allow more time for design, ROW acquisition and utility relocation. Updated estimate pending completion of revised RCI design.
Division Bridge Projects Under Development								
15BPR.115.1	Bridge Rehabilitation - Bridge #137 and #465 on I-85 over Yadkin River	August 21, 2029	TBA	TBA	\$6,000,000	TBA	Jeremy Keaton (336) 747-7800	In development - Raleigh SMU managed.
Locally Administered Projects Under Development								
BL-0177	8TH STREET GREENWAY HAWK, KANNAPOLIS. INSTALL PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL.	September 30, 2027	TBA	ROW Acquisition June 30, 2027	\$435,000	TBA	Beth Hassenfritz (704) 920-4235	NON-DOT let (LAP) -
BL-0088	Installation of Granite Quarry Sidewalks: North Kerns Street from North Main Street to US 52. North Oak Street from Crook Street to Granite Civic Park. Crook Street from North Main Street to North Oak Street.	September 30, 2026	TBA	ROW Acquisition September 16, 2025	\$380,000	TBA	Jason Hord (336) 747-7800	Non-DOT let (LAP) - R/W authorization has occurred and acquisition is beginning.
C-5603D 43713.3.4	Construct sidewalks on Old Concord Rd from Ryan St to Jake Alexander Blvd	September 30, 2026	TBA	ROW Certified Utility Relocation In Progress	\$1,950,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	Non-DOT let (LAP) - City of Salisbury - Railroad approval pending. Supplemental funding agreement approved. City is investigating eliminating the work inside the railroad right of way due to continued issues with getting railroad approval.
C-5603H 43713.3.8	Brenner Ave from Statesville Blvd. to W Horah St and Brenner Ave. at Link Ave. in Salisbury	September 30, 2026	TBA	Design In Progress	\$643,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	Non-DOT let (LAP) - City of Salisbury - ROW Certification pending. RR concerns. Additional funds are being transferred from BL-0034. Supplemental agreement pending. City is investigating eliminating the work inside the railroad right of way due to continued issues with getting railroad approval.
EB-5619B	Grants Creek Greenway - Construct multi-use trail from Forestdale Drive to 1000' south of Statesville Blvd	September 30, 2026	TBA	ROW Acquisition In Progress	\$1,439,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	NON-DOT let (LAP) - Route change needed due to Veteran's Affairs denying path to cross their ROW. Agreement approved for updated funding.
EB-5619C	Grants Creek Greenway - Construct multi-use trail from 1000' south of Statesville Blvd to Kelsey Scott Park	September 30, 2027	TBA	ROW Acquisition September 30, 2026	\$2,352,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	NON-DOT let (LAP) -

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Locally Administered Projects Under Development								
HL-0049	US 70 / US 601 (Jake Alexander Blvd) to Milford Hills Rd in Salisbury. Construct Median; Construct roundabout at Milford Hills Rd.	September 30, 2027	TBA	ROW Acquisition September 30, 2026	\$830,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	Non-DOT let (LAP) - 25% plans complete. Drainage Plans approved. CE completed.
HL-0064	US 29 Main Street from Kerr Street to Horah Street in Salisbury. Safety Improvements.	September 30, 2026	TBA	TBA	\$6,021,000	TBA	Jared Mathis (704) 638-5221	Non-DOT let (LAP) - Public meeting was held in July. Seeking additional funds from MPO, working to finalize plans.
EB-5861	Third Street Greenway from 3rd Street to Yadkin River in Spencer. Construct alternate route, including spur from Grants Creek	September 30, 2026	TBA	TBA	\$4,287,000	TBA	Joel Taylor (704) 633-5331	Non-DOT let (LAP) - Municipal agreement in place. A concept plans has been developed, but Town is currently reviewing options to determine next steps. Division and Town continue to have discussions about next steps and how this project can be funded.

CABARRUS-ROWAN M.P.O. & N.C. D.O.T. - DIVISION 10 PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS - MARCH - 2026

RECENTLY SELECTED SAFETY & MOBILITY PROJECTS

ID	CONTRACT TIP	COUNTY	ROUTE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT DATES	PROJECT MANAGER	STATUS	COMMENTS
	HS-2610AE	CABARRUS	SR 2400/SR 2411 (Irish Potato Road) between SR 1002 (Old Concord Road) to SR 1006 (Mt Pleasant Road South) MP 0.0-2.653, MP 0.0-9.695.	Install centerline rumble strips with LLPMs.	ROW: 2028 LET: 2028	NCDOT Jason Brooks 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	
	SS-6210AZ	CABARRUS	NC 200 from Cabarrus County Line to US 601.	Install centerline and edgeline rumble strips with LLPMs.	ROW: 2030 LET: 2030	NCDOT Jason Brooks 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	

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PLEASE NOTE - This spreadsheet is compiled several weeks prior to the monthly meeting for distribution into the agenda packet. This information is meant to provide a "general" overview of active design & construction projects. Feel free to contact the listed Project Manager directly for detailed questions surrounding current project specifics.

ID	CONTRACT TIP	COUNTY	ROUTE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT DATES	PROJECT MANAGER	STATUS	COMMENTS
1	Y-4810K	CABARRUS	ROGERS LAKE ROAD	Grade Separation over NA/NCRR Railroad and closure at Grade Crossing N.724408Y in Kannapolis	ROW: 2018 LET: 2022	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	
2	P-5725	CABARRUS	KANNAPOLIS TRAIN STATION	Second Platform and Pedestrian Overpass	ROW: 2019 LET: 2025	NCDOT Brad Smythe 919-707-4118	Utility Relocation Underway	Pending Railroad CON agreement, completion.
3	I-3802AA	CABARRUS	I-85	Installation of Fiber Optic Communications Network, CCTV and DMS System for I-3802A project	ROW: 2022 LET: 2023	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	
4	U-3415A	CABARRUS	POPLAR TENT ROAD	SR 1394 Poplar Tent Rd. Concord Derita Road to George Liles Pkwy. Widen to 4 lane divided	ROW: 2029 LET: 2033	NCDOT Donald Griffith 704-983-4418	Design Work Underway	PROJECT DATE(S) have changed due to 2026-2035 DRAFT STIP.
5	U-5761	CABARRUS	NC 3 DALE EARNHARDT BLVD	Improve Intersection of NC 3 and US 29/601	ROW: 2022 LET: 2027	NCDOT Donald Griffith 704-983-4418	ROW Acquisition Underway	
6	U-5956	CABARRUS	US 29 CONCORD	Realign Union Cemetery Road to Intersect US 29 at Rock Hill Church Road	ROW: 2022 LET: 2025	NCDOT Randy Bowers 704-983-4418	Construction Underway	PRECON - 3/19/26
7	U-6032	CABARRUS	MALLARD CREEK ROAD	Mallard Creek Road (SR-2467)/ Derita Rd (SR-1445) from I-485 to Concord Mills Blvd. Widen to 6 lanes	ROW: 2022 LET: 2029	NCDOT Donald Griffith 704-983-4418	ROW Acquisition Underway	PROJECT DATE(S) have changed due to 2026-2035 DRAFT STIP.

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8	HS-2010H	CABARRUS	NC 49 @ ZION CHURCH ROAD	Convert to RCI	ROW: 2024 LET: 2026	AGENCY- Donald Harward 704-983-4400	Utility Relocation Underway	
9	HS-2010Q	CABARRUS	NC 49 @ OLD AIRPORT ROAD	Convert to RCI	ROW: 2025 LET: 2027	AGENCY- Donald Harward 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
10	HS-2010R	CABARRUS	ROBINSON CHURCH ROAD	Near Peach Orchard Road - Wedge, widen, shoulders & ditch grade.	ROW: 2025 LET: 2027	AGENCY- Donald Harward 704-983-4400		Project scope area overlaps with Developer's work. Project to be released once Developer is completed.
11	HS-2610Z	MECKLENBURG (94%) CABARRUS (6%)	NC 49 from US 29 in MECKLENBURG CO. to 0.3 mile into CABARRUS CO., MP 23.31-27.91 (MECK), 0.00-0.30 (CABARRUS).	Install median and edgeline rumblestrips with LLPMS.	ROW: 2027 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jason Brooks 704-983-4412	Planning Underway	
12	HS-2610W	CABARRUS	SR 1600 (SHILOH CHURCH RD) from NC 73 to SR 1601, MP 0.00-2.42.	Install edgeline rumblestrips with LLPMS.	ROW: 2027 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jason Brooks 704-983-4412	Planning Underway	
13	HS-2610X	CABARRUS	SR 1430 (KANNAPOLIS PKWY) from NC 3 to NC 73, MP 0.00-4.16.	Install median and edgeline rumblestrips with LLPMS.	ROW: 2027 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jason Brooks 704-983-4413	Planning Underway	
14	SS-6210AR	CABARRUS	SR 1132 (FLOWES STOWE RD) from US 601 to NC 24, MP 6.23-15.31.	Install centerline and edgeline rumblestipes with LLPMS.	ROW: 2027 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jason Brooks 704-983-4414	Planning Underway	

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15	B-5372	CABARRUS	EAST FIRST STREET	BRIDGE - 120109 / SR 1706 Kannapolis Bridge on (East First Street) over US 29	ROW: 2024 LET: 2024	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	
16	B-5808	CABARRUS	POPLAR TENT ROAD	BRIDGE - 20057 & 120059 (US 29/601) over Irish Dutch Buffalo Creek at Poplar Tent Road	ROW: 2021 LET: 2023	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	
17	17BP.10.R110		EAST GOLD HILL ROAD	BRIDGE - 120105 / E. Gold Hill Road Mt. Pleasant Replace bridge over branch of Big Bear Creek	ROW: LET: 2025	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	PROJECT COMPLETE	END EDIT 6/2026
18	BP10.R055	CABARRUS	MAUNEY ROAD	BRIDGE - 120292 / Mauney Road Mt. Pleasant Replace bridge over Little Meadow Creek	ROW: 2022 LET: 2025	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	
19	BP10.R047	CABARRUS	GOLD HILL ROAD	BRIDGE - 120083 / SR 2408 (Gold Hill Road) over Dutch Buffalo Creek	ROW: 2023 LET: 2025	NCDOT Brad Eagle 704-983-4380	Construction Underway	Anticipated Closure May/June
20	BP10.R034	CABARRUS	MOUNT OLIVE ROAD	BRIDGE - 120073 / SR 2416 (Mt Olive Road) Mt. Pleasant over Branch of Dutch Buffalo Creek	ROW: 2024 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Yanwei Ma 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
21	BP10.R015	CABARRUS	OLD AIRPORT ROAD	BRIDGE -120129 / SR 2635. (Old Airport Road) Concord over Cold Water Creek	ROW: 2023 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Yanwei Ma 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
22	BP10.C003	CABARRUS	PENNINGER ROAD	BRIDGE - 120050 / SR 2113 (Penninger Road) over Br. Of Cold Water Creek	ROW: 2027 LET: 2029	NCDOT- Yanwei Ma 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
23	BR-0244	CABARRUS	ROGERS LAKE ROAD	BRIDGE - 120033 / SR 1625 (Rogers Lake Rd.) over Irish Buffalo Creek	ROW: 2026 LET: 2030	NCDOT- Yanwei Ma 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	

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24	BR-0181	CABARRUS	LANE STREET	BRIDGE - 120062 / SR 2180 (Lane St.) over Lake Fisher	ROW: 2025 LET: 2030	NCDOT- Yanwei Ma 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	
25	EB-5732	CABARRUS	CONCORD MILLS BOULEVARD	SR 2894 (Concord Mills Blvd.) Construct sidewalk on Bruton Smith Blvd between US 29 and John Q Hammonds Drive.	ROW: 2026 LET: 2029	NCDOT- Terry Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
26	EB-5844	CABARRUS	LITTLE TEXAS ROAD	Little Texas Road from Lane Street to Dale Earnhardt Blvd -Sidewalk	ROW: 2024 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	ROW Acquisition Underway	
27	C-5603F	CABARRUS	BETHPAGE ROAD	Bethpage Road from South Main Street to Leonard Avenue and from Westgreen Drive to Klondale Avenue -Sidewalk	ROW: 2025 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	ROW Acquisition Underway	
28	C-5603I	CABARRUS	US 601	US 601 from Flowe Store Road to Zion Road with US 601 and Flowe Store Road. Sidewalk and Intersection improvements	ROW: 2025 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	ROW Acquisition Underway	
29	DJ00560	CABARRUS	Kannapolis Pkwy, Various Secondary Routes	Resurfacing	LET: 2025	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400	Construction Underway	
30	BL-0060	CABARRUS	COX MILL ROAD	Cox Mill Road Loop Greenway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge	ROW: 2025 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	

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31	BL-0086	CABARRUS	HICKORY RIDGE ROAD & STALLINGS ROAD	Hickory Ridge Road and Stallings Road -Sidewalks	ROW: 2026 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
32	BL-0087	CABARRUS	MULTIPLE LOCATIONS	Elm Avenue, Glenn Street, Crowell Drive, and Cedar Drive - Sidewalk	ROW: 2025 LET: 2026	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
33	HL-0001	CABARRUS	POPLAR TENT ROAD	Poplar Tent Road Improvements (Moss Drive to Fullerton PI Drive)	ROW: LET: 2029	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	
34	HL-0062	CABARRUS	NC 49	NC 49 from Morehead Road to Cedar Drive - Access Management Improvement	ROW: 2026 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
35	HL-0063	CABARRUS	CALDWELL ROAD	Caldwell Road from US 29 to NC 49-Intersection Improvement and Roadway Extension	ROW: 2026 LET: 2027	NCDOT- Jeff Burleson 704-983-4400	Design Work Underway	
36	R-2246A	CABARRUS	GEORGE LILES PARKWAY	George Liles Parkway Concord NC 49 to Roberta Road. Widen to Multi-Lanes		NCDOT- Dustin Simpson 704-983-4400	Planning Underway	Project is funded for PE ONLY per the 2026-2035 Draft Stip
37	BO-2410A	MULTIPLE	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - Installation of curb ramps.	ROW: 2024 LET: 2024	NCDOT- Tim Kirk 704-983-4400	Construction Underway	

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38	2024CPT.10.17.2 0131 - Contract DJ00512	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 3 sections of secondary roads for Resurfacing/FDR	ROW: LET: 2024	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400	Construction Underway	
39	2024CPT.10.04.2 0131 - Contract DJ00487	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 38 sections of secondary roads for Resurfacing	ROW: LET: 2024	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400	Construction Underway	
40	2024CPT.10.03.1 0131 - Contract DJ00486	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 1 Section of NC 3, 1 Section of NC 24/27 and 3 sections of secondary roads	ROW: LET: 2023	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400	PROJECT COMPLETE	PUNCHLIST ITEMS COMPLETED END EDIT 4/2026
42	2025CPT.10.04.1 0131, 2025CPT.10.04.2 0131 Contract DJ00540	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 1 section of US 601 and 3 sections of secondary roads	ROW: LET: 2024	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400		
43	2025CPT.10.05.2 0131, 2025CPT.10.05.2 0132, 10.101311 Contract DJ00554	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 8 sections of secondary roads with 2 FDR roads and 1 road diet included	ROW: LET: 2025	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400		
44	2025CPT.10.21.2 0131 Contract DJ00560	CABARRUS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS	VARIOUS LOCATIONS - 8 sections of secondary roads	ROW: LET: 2025	AGENCY- Brad Eagle 704-983-4400	Construction Underway	



Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) / Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update

Cabarrus-Rowan MPO — In March 2026, the Cabarrus-Rowan MPO has adopted the Cabarrus-Rowan 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Metrolina Conformity Determination Report via formal resolution. Detailed information regarding the CRMPO MTP can be found at <https://www.crmppo.org/Plans/Mobility>.

NCDOT Freight Plan and Freight Forum Update

Federal regulations require states to update their statewide freight plans every four years. NCDOT is currently collaborating with a consulting firm to update the Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan. Following initial stakeholder engagement meetings in Durham, Charlotte, Asheville, and Wilmington, NCDOT will host Freight Forums across the state throughout April. These forums are designed to facilitate proactive and meaningful dialogue with industry leaders. For more information, please contact Pam Cook (prcook@ncdot.gov).

FY 2026 Federal Grant Opportunity: Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

The FY 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program has been released, with approximately \$1 billion in available funding. The SS4A program provides two primary grant type :

- *Planning and Demonstration Grants:* Used to develop, complete, or supplement an Action Plan, as well as to carry out demonstration activities that inform the plan .
- *Implementation Grants:* Used to execute strategies or projects consistent with an existing Action Plan. These may also bundle requests for supplemental planning and demonstration activities.

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FHWA News

FHWA Issues \$407M to Support Rural Bridge Projects

The Federal Highway Administration has issued \$407.7 million to support 119 rural bridge projects in 12 states in fiscal year 2024 and 2025 grant funding via the agency’s Competitive Highway Bridge Program or CHBP. This funding is part of the Competitive Highway Bridge Program (CHBP) and focuses on "bridge bundling"—grouping multiple small projects into a single award to save time and taxpayer money. More information is available at [HERE](#) .

National Day of Crash Responder Training

On April 10, 2026, the FHWA hosted the first-ever National Day of Crash Responder Training. The goal is to train 1 million first responders in specialized safety protocols to reduce secondary crashes and improve safety for responders on American highways. More information is available at [HERE](#)

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Eligible applicants include :

- Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs).
- Political subdivisions of a State or territory (e.g., counties, cities, towns, special districts, certain transit agencies, and similar units of local government).
- Federally recognized Tribal governments

Additional details are available on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) or [the SS4A Website](#).

The application deadline is **May 26, 2026** .

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Upcoming	Date
3rd Quarter 5303 Claim (January 1, 2026 to March 31, 2026) due	April 29, 2026
3rd Quarter invoice and work summary due	May 12, 2026
TPD approves FY 27 (U)PWP	June 30, 2026

Statewide Plans

- NC Moves 2050 Plan—<https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/Transportation/nc-2050-plan/Pages/default.aspx>
- NCDOT Strategic Transportation Corridors—<https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/Transportation/strategic-corridors/Pages/default.aspx>
- NCDOT Comprehensive State Rail Plan (25-Year Vision) - <https://www.ncdot.gov/divisions/rail/Pages/rail-plan.aspx>
- NC Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan (2023) - <https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Statewide-Freight-Plan/Pages/default.aspx>
- Great Trails State Plan—<https://www.ncdot.gov/divisions/integrated-mobility/multimodal-planning/great-trails-state/Pages/default.aspx>
- Statewide Pedestrian & Bicycle Plan (2013) - <https://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/walkbikenc/default.aspx>
- Connecting North Carolinians to Opportunities (Public Transportation Strategic Plan—2018) - <https://www.ncdot.gov/divisions/Integrated-mobility/public-transit-services/statewide-strategic-plan/Documents/december-2018-strategic-plan.pdf>
- NCDOT Resilience Strategy Report (2021) - [Department-of-Transportation-2021-Resilient-Strategy-Report.pdf \(nc.gov\)](#)

Helpful Links: To learn more, click on the following links or do an internet search using “NCDOT: and names in black:

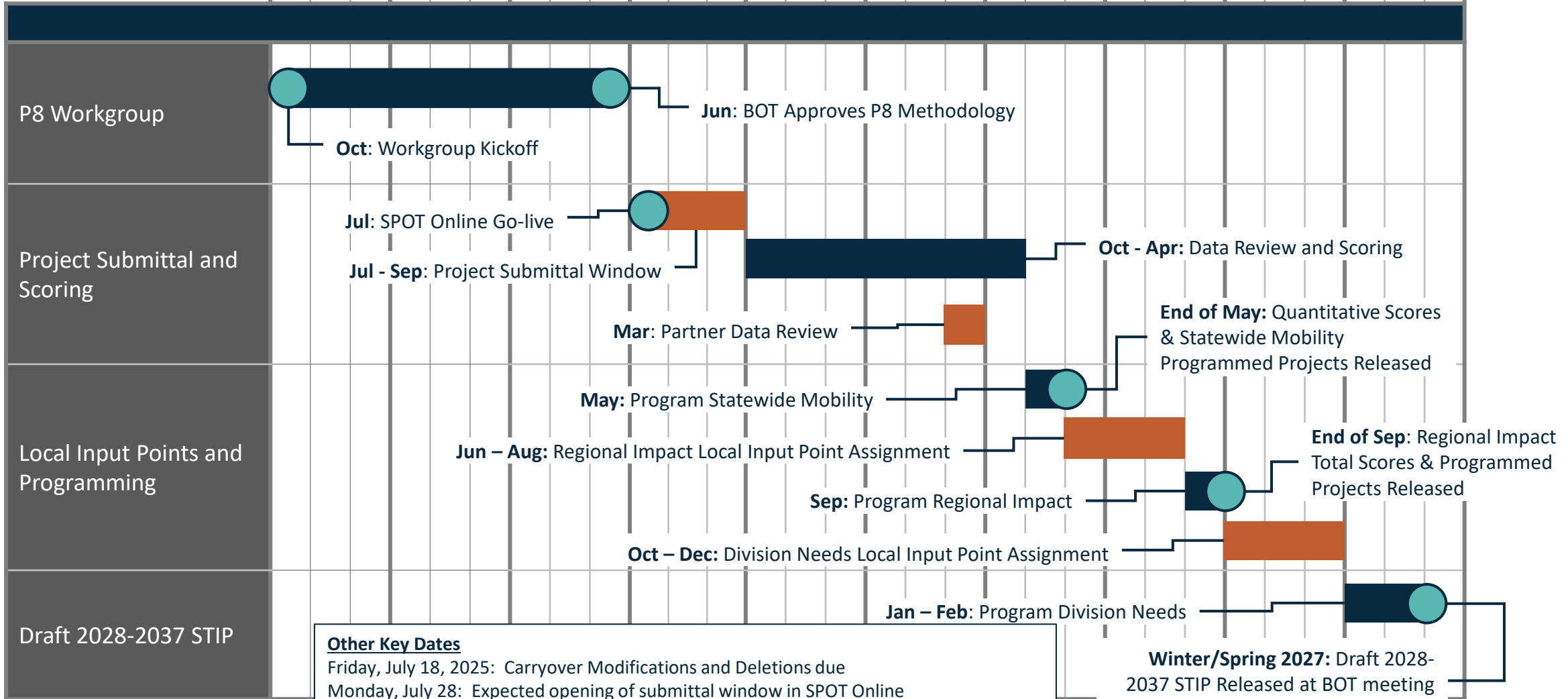
- [ncdot.gov](https://www.ncdot.gov)—NCDOT home page
- <https://drivenc.gov/> - Real-Time Traffic
- <https://www.ncdot.gov/contact/Pages/form.aspx?UnitName=pothole&sourceUrl=/contact/> - Report a pothole
- [NCDOT Annual Average Daily Traffic \(AADT\) Mapping Application \(arcgis.com\)](#) - Interactive Annual Average Daily Traffic Map
- <https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/transportation/stip/Pages/default.aspx>—NCDOT: State Transportation Improvement Program
- <https://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/ncbikeways/default.aspx>—Interactive Bicycle Routes Map
- <https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/State-Mapping/Pages/Traffic-Survey-Group.aspx>—Links to all traffic count data information -

P8 Schedule (with key dates)

October 2024
(format updated July 2025)

- Fixed Dates
- Partner Input

2024	2025					2026					2027		
O N D	J F M A M	J J A S O	N D	J F M A M	J J A S O	N D	J F M						



Other Key Dates
 Friday, July 18, 2025: Carryover Modifications and Deletions due
 Monday, July 28: Expected opening of submittal window in SPOT Online
 Tuesday, September 30, 2025: Submittal window closes
 Tuesday, September 30, 2025: Area-specific Weights due to SPOT Office
 Friday, May 1, 2026: Deadline for SPOT Office approval of LIP Assignment Methodologies



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MIDLAND ◦ MOUNT PLEASANT ◦ ROCKWELL ◦ EAST SPENCER ◦ ROWAN COUNTY ◦ SALISBURY ◦ SPENCER ◦ FAITH

April 22, 2026

North Carolina Department of Transportation
Public Transportation Division
1550 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1550

RE: Rowan Transit System
Federal Section 5310
Operating

Please accept this letter of support for Rowan Transit System as they seek Federal Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program) funding to assist in maintaining their current level of service and meet the increasing demand for paratransit in Rowan County. Current data indicates 78% of Rowan Transit System riders reside in rural areas. This Section 5310 funding is critical for providing life sustaining transportation to our elderly and disabled citizens.

Rowan Transit is a non-emergency public transportation service for Rowan County residents, including paratransit service.

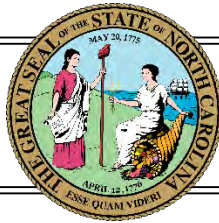
Sincerely,

Meredith Smith, Chair
Cabarrus-Rowan TAC

cc: Mr. Aaron Church, Rowan County
Mr. Ed Muire, Rowan County
Ms. Valerie Steele, Rowan Transit

	RIDER TRANSIT							RIDER ADA PARATRANSIT							2026	
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		2025
January	35154	32795	19946	13670	26317	26781	29858	25453	1014	1233	1064	1291	1877	1755	1450	1164
February	32851	31073	23498	20251	25535	28616	29895	22565	1001	1238	1065	1358	1459	1717	1531	1042
March	35038	25626	36652	23914	28482	31228	33207	26998	1066	887	1558	1626	1781	1626	1579	1374
April	33822	15732	36209	24336	26145	32730	34167		1117	550	1555	1474	1565	1647	1415	
May	36735	18489	36769	24130	28,564	32920	33287		1015	687	1464	1542	1609	1523	1375	
June	36931	22239	35573	26036	27521	32708	32408		918	997	1370	1638	1629	1410	1561	
July	37265	22975	27155	24640	27290	33752	33763		956	1065	1305	1476	1536	1432	1534	
August	38455	22020	27824	26857	31323	37532	32468		1041	1191	1233	1740	1978	1595	1521	
September	35590	21712	27014	27278	27870	33401	31463		1076	1231	1286	1553	1511	1466	1376	
October	37727	24501	28779	27419	29829	38060	33329		1175	1024	1304	1550	1728	1625	1463	
November	32930	22073	25692	25003	27854	33670	28466		1132	959	1424	1731	1594	1428	1329	
December	32848	19994	24882	24418	26707	32915	28939		1049	1044	1463	1651	1465	1407	1344	
Totals	425346	279229	349993	287,952	333,437	394,313	381,250	75,016	12560	12106	16091	18630	19732	18631	17478	3580

	SALISBURY TRANSIT SYSTEM							SALISBURY ADA PARATRANSIT							2026	
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		2025
January	11588	10836	4631	6274	7251	7603	7337		669	662	605			483	617	
February	10819	10426	4495	6350	7028	8026	8004		664	587	553			516	680	
March	10813	8444	5069	6798	7748	7801	7891		621	641	711			440	750	
April	11383	4344	5058	7895	7140	8445	7953		629	442	737			523	810	
May	15528	4230	4698	12549	18248	19271	20326		754	505	673			504	743	
June	10983	5406	5225	7338	8482	7861	7500		698	618	762			459	672	
July	12228	5987	6240	7481		7950	8063	7211	855	605	680			405	512	850
August	13186	5505	6527	8600		8897	8132	5647	854	495	682			569	618	740
September	11472	5350	6081	7825		7489	7723	6593	827	529	659			529	555	907
October	12645	5758	6087	7295		7254	8464	7176	801	590	639			632	706	860
November	12742	4384	5667	7443		8030	7450	6426	644	545	613			506	592	675
December		5416	7190	6697		6893	6379	6208		718	703			463	541	576
Totals	133387	76086	66968	92545	55897	105520	105222	39261	8016	6937	8017			6029	7796	4608



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March 2026

It's that time Again.....

Your Annual Statement of Economic Interest is Due on April 15th!



Get ready to cross the finish line! April 15th is the 2026 Statement of Economic Interest (“SEI”) filing deadline for currently serving SEI filers. If you have already filed your 2026 SEI you are already a winner! That includes those currently in State elected offices who filed their 2026 candidate SEI for that office.

Also, if you were a State elected official (legislator, judge, district attorney, or clerk of court) whose service ended in 2025, you are required to file a post-service 2026 SEI by April 15th.

Are you ready to accelerate your SEI filing? Then we encourage you to file your SEI electronically. In 2025, over 95% of SEI filers chose to e-file because e-filing is convenient, fast, and efficient. E-filing provides immediate confirmation of your filing and ensures that your information is saved for future filings.

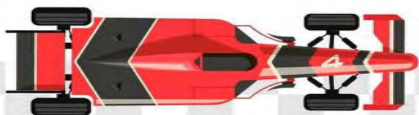
The SEI e-filing system guides you through a series of questions designed to automatically determine what type of filing is necessary based on the answers you provide and generates the appropriate completed form at the end of the process (either a No-Change form SEI or a Long form SEI). The system even emails a copy of your completed form to you!

If you don't receive a confirmation as soon as you e-file, you have not successfully submitted your SEI. Please log back into your e-filing account, make sure you completed all sections, and hit the “submit” button.

Here are the links to access the SEI e-filing superstore: <https://ethics.nc.gov/seis/regular-and-post-service-filers>

MPO/RPO TAC Filers (e-file and manual): <https://ethics.nc.gov/seis/electronic-filing>

We still offer manual filing for those who cannot file electronically but we hope you will give electronic filing a try. Trust us, we're the Ethics Commission. You will be surprised at how easy it really is and who wants the hassle of printing out a manual/paper form and mailing or delivering it to us.



AVOID A PENALTY!

If your goal is to make it to the finish line, don't race through the questions. The SEI is a legal document, so carefully read over each question before answering. If you miss a question or provide incomplete information, you will be asked to file again.

- **Income Question:** You should list all income sources (not amounts) of over \$5,000. Some filers select “*I had no reportable income over \$5,000*” which in many cases is inaccurate. For instance, if you or your immediate family members are employed, you most likely had income of \$5,000 or more and therefore must disclose the source of that income.
- **Reason for Filing** During the e-filing process, keep in mind the ***Reason for Filing*** questions apply to those positions you hold which require that you file an SEI.
 - Example A. - You are a professor at a university, but the reason why you are required to file an SEI is because you are currently serving or being considered to serve on the Plant Conservation Board. You would **ONLY** select the Board as your reason for filing.
 - Example B. – You are a **covered** employee with the Department of Justice, and you serve on the Dispute Resolution Commission. You would select **BOTH** the agency **AND** the Board. If you are required to file due to service with multiple entities, you should list them all on one SEI to avoid the need for multiple filings.
- **Missing Real Estate Disclosure Form (RED) for RPO/MPO filers** If you are filing because you serve on an MPO/RPO Transportation Advisory Committee ("TAC"), you must select your TAC as your “Reason for Filing.” Otherwise, the e-filing system will not prompt you to complete a Real Estate Disclosure ("RED") form. Manual filers, make sure you file both an SEI and a RED.
- **Paper/Manual SEI Filing** This is a last resort if you are unable to e-file. You must answer all required questions and check the applicable boxes, or your SEI will be rejected as incomplete and you will need to refile and possibly miss the filing deadline.

Frequently Asked SEI Questions

Q: Who must file an SEI?

A: Members of State boards and Transportation Advisory Committees; member of the Governor’s Cabinet and Council of State; legislators; judicial officers (justices, judges, district attorneys, clerks of court); and State employees in certain exempt positions.

Q: Do I have to file if my term on a Board or Commission has expired or will expire before April 15?

A: It depends. Even if your term has expired or will expire on or before April 15, 2026, you will continue to serve until your replacement is appointed **and** sworn in. You therefore are obligated to file an SEI.

Q: Where Can I Check My Agency or Board’s SEI Compliance?

A: You can check compliance, including your SEI filing date and education received date here:

<https://ethicssei.nc.gov/Tools/Report>

TEST YOUR ALERTNESS, SKILL, AND DISCIPLINE

Income Disclosure:

If Mr. Smith and his spouse earned a salary as a State employee in 2025, must they report this income in response to Question 6 on the SEI?

- Yes, Mr. Smith should report any income over \$5,000 received by him, his spouse, or another immediate family member in response to the income question on the SEI. Although the identity of the employer may have already been listed in response to the employer question at the beginning of the SEI, the income question should also include this information.

Stock Questions:

As of December 31, 2025, Mr. Smith owned stock valued at \$9,600 in GM and \$11,500 in Google. He also owned \$22,700 in a technology-focused mutual fund which holds stock in Apple as well as other technology companies. What should Mr. Smith list in response to the stock question on the SEI?

- Mr. Smith **is not** required to report the GM stock because, as of December 31st, it did not meet the \$10,000 reporting threshold for individual stocks.
- Mr. Smith **is** required to report the Google stock because it was over \$10,000 in value as of December 31st.
- Question 3 excludes stocks owned in mutual funds from the reporting requirement. Although the value of Mr. Smith's interest in the technology mutual fund exceeded \$10,000, that interest is not reportable.

Ms. Jones has extensive stock ownership. Can she just list the name of her brokerage firm?

- **No!** Each filer is obligated to disclose those interests on their SEI. This enables members of the public and the filer's colleagues to understand the filer's interests in the event there is a potential conflict of interest. Stocks may be listed on the SEI or on an attachment to the SEI. But please don't specify the value or number of shares owned.

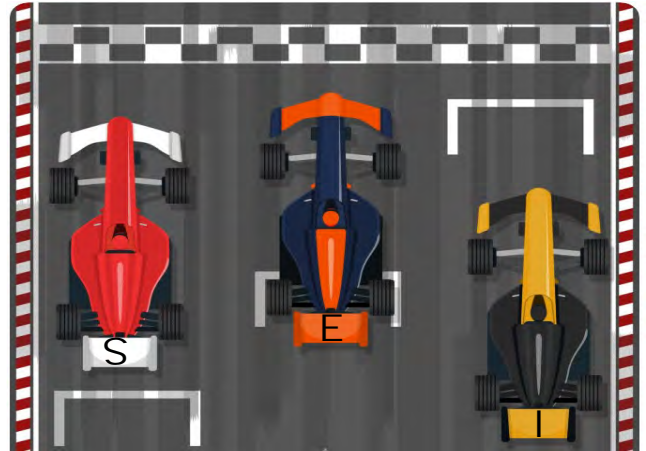
Filing a No Change Form:

Mr. Wilson files a No Change SEI every year because it's more convenient than answering the questions on the Long Form SEI. Is that okay?

- **No!** Before filing an SEI each filer is obligated to carefully review the last filed Long Form and confirm that there have been no changes to any required disclosures, such as employment and income, business interests, stock holdings, and service on non-profit boards. When filing a No Change SEI, the filer must verify that there have been no changes to the interests disclosed on the last filed Long Form SEI.

HERO CORNER –
Because Ethics Liaisons are our heroes!

We greatly value and appreciate your support in assisting the Ethics Commission in ensuring compliance with the State Government Ethics Act. With over 6,500 public officials subject to the SEI filing and ethics education requirements, we cannot achieve full compliance without you keeping us updated on changes to public officials and encouraging those officials to 100% compliance with SEI and education requirements. **Please remember, if we aren't notified about changes to membership or the EL doesn't follow up with those who are out of compliance, it can result in an employee or board member being placed on our SEI or education noncompliance lists.**



As we approach the busiest time of the SEI filing season, we ask that you please check your board, commission, or agency's roster of covered persons on the [Compliance Report \(https://ethicssei.nc.gov/Tools/Report\)](https://ethicssei.nc.gov/Tools/Report). This is a great tool for tracking SEI and education compliance. If the information found on the compliance report is not current or the list of members or employees needs updating, please report any changes on our convenient [New Covered Person or Ethics Liaison Form | Ethics Commission \(https://ethics.nc.gov/ethics-liaison/new-covered-person-or-ethics-liaison-form\)](https://ethics.nc.gov/ethics-liaison/new-covered-person-or-ethics-liaison-form).

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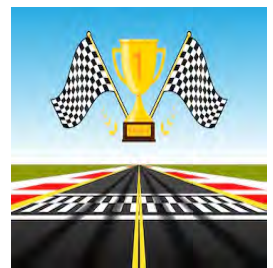


*Aaron, Angela, David, Katie, Kathy,
Jameson, Jane, Mary, Susy, and Tracey*

Your Friends at the State Ethics Commission.

AND THE NOMINEES FOR MOST VALUABLE PIT CREW MEMBER ARE

Wanda Jenkins of Fayetteville State University assumes responsibility for her crew members. She performs inspections to track crucial data needed by the Ethics Commission. With a leader like Wanda, the university's covered employees and trustees will cross the Ethics compliance finish line in record time!



Rick Long's Military Affairs Commission roared off the starting line, with his team being amongst the first to file. With Rick managing communication between his commissioners and the Ethics Crew, the MAC team is on its way to finishing ahead of the pack!

Lindsey Wakely at the State Board of Elections was quick off the starting line, providing lists of candidates for State office so the SEI Unit could help candidates file their SEIs. And she red-flagged withdrawn candidates quicker than you can say "return to pit lane."



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April 6, 2026

In Reply Refer To:
HDA-NC

Mr. Daniel Johnson, Secretary
North Carolina Department of Transportation
1 South Wilmington Street
Raleigh, NC 27601

Subject: Metrolina Region Transportation Conformity Determination

Dear Secretary Johnson:

The Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 reviewed the Metrolina Region Transportation Conformity Determination Report (CDR) and supporting documentation:

- ❑ The Cabarrus Rowan Metropolitan Planning Organization (CRMPO) made a conformity determination on their 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the CRMPO FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on February 25, 2026.
- ❑ The Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) made a conformity determination on their 2055 MTP and the FY 2026-2029 TIP on February 18, 2026.
- ❑ The Gaston Cleveland Lincoln MPO (GCLMPO) made a conformity determination on their 2055 MTP and the FY 2026-2029 TIP on March 26, 2026.
- ❑ The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) had no regionally significant projects in the FY 2026-2029 portion of the State FY 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for the donut area within Union County.

No comments were received on the CDR and comments received on the MTPs and TIPs were satisfactorily addressed by the MPOs.

Based on the February 16, 2018, South Coast Air Quality Management District vs EPA ruling, we find the FY 2026-2029 TIPs are a direct subset of the MPOs Metropolitan Transportation Plans.

The Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration have reviewed these documents. We coordinated this conformity process with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 and their review letter is attached.

Based on our review, we find that the 2055 MTPs and TIPs for the CRMPO, CRTPO, GCLMPO and the donut area of Union County conform to the purpose of the State Implementation Plan in accordance with 40 CFR Part 93.

Sincerely,



For Yolonda Jordan
Division Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Mike Abraczinskas, Director, Division of Air Quality, NCDEQ
Weston Freund, Environmental Protection Specialist, Region 4
Robert Sachnin, AICP, Director Planning & Program Development, FTA, Region 4
Ronald Smith, FTA, Region 4
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REGION 4

ATLANTA, GA 30303

April 3, 2026

Yolonda Jordan
Division Administrator
North Carolina Division Office
Federal Highway Administration
310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 410
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Ms. Jordan:

Thank you for your letter requesting our review of the transportation conformity determination for the 1997 and 2008 8-Hour Ozone Conformity Determinations for the Updated 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plans (MTP) and the Amended FY 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) for the Cabarrus Rowan Metropolitan Planning Organization (CRMPO), the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), Gaston Cleveland Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (GCLMPO), and the FY 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program for the Donut Area in Union County Located in the North Carolina Portion of the Charlotte Bi-State Maintenance Area. As allowed by the Transportation Conformity Rule, the South Carolina portion of this Maintenance area implements transportation conformity independent of the North Carolina portion of this area. We have completed our review and recommend a finding of conformity for the 1997 and 2008 8-hour ozone standards for the Updated 2050 MTPs, Amended FY 2026-2035 TIP and FY 2026-2035 STIP for the CRMPO, CRTPO, GCLMPO and the donut portion of Union County in the bi-state Charlotte, North Carolina Maintenance Area.

On August 15, 1997, and subsequently on July 1, 2004, and May 6, 2005, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published revisions related to the "Criteria and Procedures for Determining Conformity to State or Federal Implementation Plans of Transportation Plans, Programs, and Projects Funded or Approved Under Title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Act," or Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Part 93). These revisions outline the criteria that must be met for the 8-hour ozone standard. The EPA has reviewed the conformity determinations related to both the 1997 and 2008 8-hour ozone standards for the Updated 2055 MTPs and Amended FY 2026-2035 TIPs and FY2026-2035 STIP for the CRMPO, CRTPO, GCLMPO and the donut portion of Union County in the bi-state Charlotte, North Carolina Maintenance area and has concluded that all of the criteria have been met, including those outlined in the July 1, 2004, conformity rule revision entitled, "Transportation Conformity Rule Amendments: Conformity Amendments for New 8-hour Ozone and PM_{2.5} National Ambient Air Quality Standards, Response to March 1999, Court Decision and Additional Rule Changes," (69 FR 40004).

Thank you again for the opportunity to review the conformity determinations for the 1997 and 2008 8-hour ozone standards for the Updated 2050 MTPs and Amended FY 2026-2035 TIPs and FY2026-2035 STIP for the GCLMPO, CRMPO, CRTPO and the donut portion of Union County in the bi-state Charlotte, North Carolina Maintenance area. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Weston Freund of my staff at (404) 562-8773.

Sincerely,

JEANNIE
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Jeannie Williamson
Manager
Air Regulatory Management Section

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Gillian Walshe-Langford, EPA Region 4

From: [Robinson, Teresa](#)
To: [Phil Conrad](#)
Cc: [Wasserman, David S](#); [Hyland, Melissa A](#); [Tabbi, Lindsay R](#)
Subject: CRMPO fund swap proposal for AR FFY 26
Date: Friday, March 6, 2026 1:41:46 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[CRMPO Fund Swap Proposal for AR FY26.xlsx](#)

Hi Phil,

Happy Friday! I'm sorry this took longer than expected to get to you. The STIP Unit has been crazy busy with our new software and the plague hit my household last week.

As mentioned previously, we are trying to be more proactive in our August redistribution process this year instead of waiting until late spring to work with the MPOs regarding fund swaps. Please see attached our proposal for fund swaps on projects in CRMPO.

If these could be voted on by the MPO board at the next meeting, we'd be very appreciative! We are proposing a swap for \$3,756,932 of DA funds for \$3,756,932 of BG AnyArea funds to be used on MPO projects at the MPO's discretion. Once approved, we will send out the official fund swap letter and update the sharepoint spreadsheet with the changes.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Teresa Robinson, PE
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Project	Phase	Current Fund Source	Proposed Fund Source	How NCDOT will use the Funds	Amount to Obligate/Authorize in FFY 26
C-5603H	UTIL	CMAQ (NCDOT)	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 220,000
HN-0036	PE	CMAQ (NCDOT)	CRP-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 306,974
HS-2009D	ROW	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 28,000
HS-2009D	UTIL	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 16,000
HS-2010H	CON	HSIP	STBG-DA	FUND PROJECT	\$ 1,559,200
HS-2010H	ROW	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 82,892
HS-2010Q	PE	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 86,744
HS-2010R	PE	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 17,778
HS-2409B	CON	HSIP	STBG-DA	FUND PROJECT	\$ 128,000
HS-2409F	CON	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 280,000
HS-2409L	CON	HSIP	STBG-DA	FUND PROJECT	\$ 216,000
I-5858	CON	NHPP	STBG-DA	GARVEE PAYMENT	\$ 635,344
W-5709E	PE	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 40,000.00
W-5709E	ROW	HSIP	STBG-DA	CONVERT ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION	\$ 140,000.00



BASICS – Bridges And Safety Infrastructure for Community Success Act (H.R. 7437)

America’s transportation system depends on a safe and reliable network of roads and bridges in every region of the country. [The BASICS Act](#) focuses federal transportation investment on core infrastructure needs by ensuring funding reaches communities efficiently and is used where it delivers the greatest public benefit.

What this bill does:

- **INVESTS IN REPAIRING BRIDGES:** Builds on the Bridge Formula Program to continue fixing the nation’s most deficient bridges, with a focus on both state- and locally owned infrastructure. Unlike prior approaches, the BASICS Act ensures that funding for locally owned bridges is proportional to the number of locally owned bridges in each state, directing resources to the worst-condition bridges regardless of ownership.
- **DELIVERS REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECTS FASTER:** Metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) are responsible for developing Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) that identify local priority projects that meet federal performance goals. The BASICS Act accelerates delivery of these regionally supported projects by increasing funding for the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program. As the most flexible federal transportation formula program, STBG allows states and regions to move projects forward efficiently and deliver tangible benefits for local businesses, workers, and communities in every congressional district.
- **FOCUSES ON ROAD SAFETY:** Nearly 100 people lose their lives on America’s roads every day. The BASICS Act strengthens the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) to confront this crisis head-on by increasing overall safety funding and preventing states from transferring HSIP dollars away from safety priorities. The bill also ensures that 25 percent of HSIP funding is delivered regionally in both urban and rural areas, giving local governments direct access to capital for proven safety projects and building on the success of the Safe Streets and Roads for All program.
- **ENSURES TRANSPARENCY AND COLLABORATION:** Federal transportation dollars must be accountable to taxpayers. The BASICS Act improves transparency around how funding flows, what resources are available to regions, and how projects advance from planning to delivery. By reinforcing collaboration across federal, state, regional, and local partners, the bill helps ensure projects move efficiently and deliver real results on the ground.
- **BUILDS STRONG PLANS FOR RURAL AND URBAN REGIONS:** The BASICS Act invests in planning capacity by strengthening Rural Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs) and increasing Metropolitan Planning (PL) funding. Strong planning leads to better project selection, faster delivery, and smarter investments, ensuring both rural and metropolitan regions can advance projects that reflect local priorities and long-term needs.

CID Overview

There are five intrastate corridors funded in the federal Corridor Identification and Development (CID) Program. Currently (April 2026) all are in Step 1, which uses 100% federal funding to prepare a scope, schedule, and budget for a Service Development Plan (SDP). Step 2 uses 90% federal funding to complete the SDP. The intrastate corridors are:

- Asheville to Salisbury
- Fayetteville to Raleigh
- Kings Mountain to Charlotte
- Wilmington to Raleigh
- Winston-Salem to Raleigh

This document details the approach to local stakeholder engagement through the transition into Step 2 and through the remainder of Step 2. Primary tasks requiring local stakeholder input are identification of non-federal match and confirmation of priority station locations. However, all deliverables of an SDP will benefit from coordinated local input and verification.

Stakeholder Steering Committee

Each intrastate corridor will have a Stakeholder Steering Committee organized by NCDOT and its CID consultant team. The committee will consist of every MPO and RPO along a corridor with attendance including both planning organization staff as well as staff from member jurisdictions. NCDOT's intent is that Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) members will attend. Meetings will generally be virtual MS Teams meetings during normal business hours. They will be scheduled with the assistance of planning organization staff.

The Stakeholder Steering Committee will be a venue to share information, coordinate public engagement activities, and confirm consensus on major milestone deliverables and decisions within the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) CID framework. It will be a counterpart to a technical committee made up of railroads and FRA staff that will review CID deliverables.

Initial Engagement Steps

1. MPO Staff Leader Call

The initial step will be a one-on-one phone call or teams meeting between Jason Myers and the lead MPO/RPO staff person. This document on the purview of the Stakeholder Steering Committee will be shared.

2. Set up Steering Committee

With the assistance of MPO/RPO staff, the NCDOT CID team will create a roster for each Stakeholder Steering Committee. A kickoff meeting will be held to introduce attendees to the CID program and the status of their corridor.

3. Match Discussions

For every intrastate corridor except Asheville to Salisbury, the initial meeting will include a discussion on the need for non-federal ten percent (10%) match for CID Step 2. The amount of the anticipated match will be shared. The NCDOT CID team will offer an example approach to divide match responsibility in a way that is roughly proportional to population and expected ridership but is also

weighed so that communities that stand to gain state-supported intercity passenger rail service for the first time contribute proportionally more than communities which already enjoy such service. NCDOT will be clear that this is a starting point and that it will be up to the assembled communities to decide if and how they should support the effort. The Stakeholder Steering Committee will meet regularly until the matching funding is confirmed.

NCDOT expects that funding partners will be local and county governments, as planning organizations' funding is mostly federal. One-on-one or small group meetings with potential funding partners will be offered to discuss the CID program and the need for matching funding as desired. The CID team expects that the Rail Division will also be invited to speak to elected boards of cities, towns, and counties as they deliberate on their contribution.

Corridors doing a Core SDP (Kings Mountain, Wilmington, and Winston-Salem) are expected to require \$100-130K per year for a two-year period to complete a Core SDP costing up to \$2.5M. Fayetteville to Raleigh is moving directly into a full SDP and is expected to need \$130-150K per year for a three-year period to complete the SDP costing up to \$4.5M. Corridor-specific scopes, schedules, and budgets will be shared with the Stakeholder Steering Committees.

At the completion of this step, appropriate agreements with the funding partners will be drafted for execution. The Stakeholder Steering Committee will continue to be a valuable venue to discuss implementation strategy, including match needs for future discretionary grant opportunities or to complete future steps of project development work through CID.

4. Purpose and Need and Public Engagement Plan

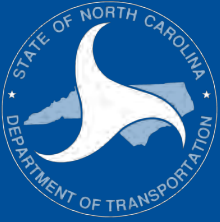
Once a corridor enters Step 2, an initial topic of discussion will be the purpose and need of a corridor. The public engagement plan is another. These topics will be a quick but important touch point for the Stakeholder Steering Committee. They are likely to be combined with the first meetings on Route and Service Options (next step).

5. Route and Service Options

In both Core and Full SDPs, the first half of Task 3 – Alternatives Analysis are route and service options analysis. The Stakeholder Steering Committee will be a consensus-based body to confirm choices made through the analyses of Task 3. With a consensus of the committee, a finite set of initial station locations for service start will be defined by the end of Task 3.

Other SDP Milestones

The Stakeholder Steering Committee will continue to be a venue through which the NCDOT team can share progress and deliverables with corridor stakeholders. At this time, the CID team does not expect other major stakeholder decisions after the completion of Task 3, but the group will be an effective way to coordinate public outreach and keep interested stakeholders informed as corridors move into subsequent phases of CID and implementation. The committee can be used to discuss future match needs and the Strategic Transportation Investments prioritization process.



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Multimodal Freight Plan

NORTH CAROLINA

From the food we eat to the vehicles we drive, freight transportation supports nearly every part of our daily lives.

A connected network of highways, railroads, ports, airports, and pipelines keep goods moving across North Carolina. Most of this system works behind the scenes to keep stores stocked and deliveries on time. But when disruptions like delays or shortages occur, we feel the impact through higher prices and fewer available goods. Planning ahead helps keep communities supplied and businesses running.

THE FREIGHT JOURNEY: FROM FARMS TO FACTORIES TO YOU



Freight transportation is critical to North Carolina's economy.



478 million tons of freight moved across North Carolina.



\$741 billion in freight value moved; projected to grow by 97% by 2050.



13th ranked state in the nation for the value of freight moved.

*Source: [TRIP: A National Transportation Research Nonprofit](#), December 2023



Freight Planning Is Important for Everyone



Thoughtful freight planning helps businesses reduce costs and improve efficiency. It provides for consistent access to affordable goods for residents. It helps communities reduce emissions and foster healthier environments. And it improves safety for all.

Advancing Safer, More Reliable Freight

Safer Roads to Help Save Lives

From 2017 to 2021, an average of **169 people died** annually in North Carolina in collisions involving large trucks.

Less Congestion to Improve Mobility

Congestion cost NC businesses **\$2.9 billion** in 2023 due to time commercial trucks spent stuck in traffic.

*Sources: [TRIP: A National Transportation Research Nonprofit](#), December 2023; [ATRI: Cost of Congestion to the Trucking Industry Update](#), October 2023

Building the Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan

The N.C. Department of Transportation is updating its statewide freight plan to keep goods moving, grow the economy, and improve safety. The plan will outline cost-effective strategies and policies to accomplish these goals. It will also support community priorities like clean air and reliable supply chains.



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