

The Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization serves as the intergovernmental organization for local elected officials, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and residents of Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties to work cooperatively to address transportation issues.

Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)

Meeting Agenda

September 11, 2020 • 9:00 AM

Cape Fear Council of Governments • Wilmington, NC

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I. START-UP

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Ethics awareness & conflict of interest statement** – The following is to be read aloud at the beginning of each meeting:

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Committee member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any Committee member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Committee today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

If any members have a conflict of interest, an ABSTENTION FROM VOTING form [[attached](#)] is required to be submitted *prior to the meeting*.

- 5. Additions or corrections to the agenda**
- 6. Approval of Minutes:** June 12, 2020 [[attached](#)]
- 7. Public comment**

II. PRESENTATIONS

- 8. Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Multi-Use Greenway/Blueway Trail –**
Brayton Willis, Brunswick County Branch, NAACP

9. Title VI Training Update – Patrick Flanagan, Cape Fear RPO

III. NEW BUSINESS

10. Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Multi-Use Greenway/Blueway Trail Resolution – The Brunswick County Chapter of the NAACP is seeking support for the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Trail. *RTCC recommended approval of the attached Resolution of Support.*

11. US 74 Strategic Transportation Corridor, Corridor U Vision Resolution – This is culmination of the NCDOT STC corridor study of Corridor U (US 74). MPOs and RPOs along the corridor are being asked to adopt a resolution of support for the common corridor vision established by the corridor study. *RTCC recommended approval of the attached Resolution of Support.*

12. FY 2020-2021 PWP Amendment – The Planning Work Program (PWP) for the current fiscal year should be amended based on remaining SPR funds. *RTCC recommended approval of the attached FY 20-21 PWP Amendment.*

IV. REPORTS/UPDATES

- Cape Fear RPO
 - 2020 Meeting Schedule
 - Columbus Co. CTP
 - Brunswick Co. CTP
 - Pender Co. CTP
 - NCDOT Mobi Awards
 - Cape Fear Region State Trails Plan
 - Ferry Update
 - STIP Amendments
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington)
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender) - [*attached*]
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus) - [*attached*]
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD) - [*attached*]
- NC Board of Transportation

V. OTHER

13. Open discussion: General questions, comments, and other discussions

14. Adjourn

Cape Fear RPO
Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Meeting
September 11, 2020

ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

The undersigned RTAC Member abstains from voting on the following Agenda items and requests that the official record of the Meeting shows that he or she did not vote on the motion:

Item _____

Reason for Abstention: _____

Item _____

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Item _____

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

The RTAC Member should review the agenda prior to the meeting, list the agenda items or other matters for which he or she desires to abstain from voting, sign name, and give request to Allen Serkin, Secretary to the RTAC, prior to the meeting.

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Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)

****DRAFT** Meeting Minutes**

June 12, 2020 • 9:00 AM

Cape Fear Council of Governments • Large Conference Room • Wilmington, NC

Voting Members Present

Frank Williams, Brunswick County
Mike Forte, Brunswick County
Dave DeLong, St. James
Glenn Marshall, Sandy Creek
Craig Caster, Boiling Spring Lakes

Terry Mann, Whiteville
Jackie Williams-Rowland, Brunswick
Don Helms, Surf City
Teresa Batts, Surf City
Grady Hunt, Board of Transportation

Others Present

Caitlin Marks, NCDOT Division 3
Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT Division 6
Bill Hammond, NCDOT Division 6
Ken Clark, NCDOT Division 6
Nazia Sarder, NCDOT TPD
Cat Peele, NCDOT Ferry

Iona Thomas, McAdams
Shweta Nanekar, McAdams
Graham Bruns, McAdams
April Radford, Cape Fear COG
Patrick Flanagan, Cape Fear RPO
Allen Serkin, Cape Fear COG
Billy Christ, Congressman Rowzer

START-UP

- 1. Call to Order** – RTAC Chair, Frank Williams, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call** – Patrick Flanagan took a roll call of all attendees.
- 3. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance** – Don Helms led the group in an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Ethics awareness & conflict of interest statement** – Frank Williams read the ethics awareness statement. No conflict was found.
- 5. Additions or corrections to the agenda** – Patrick Flanagan requested Item 8 be struck from the agenda as no update was available. *Mr. Don Helms made a motion to approve the agenda with that change. Mike Forte seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

*Frank Williams, Yes
Mike Forte, Second
Dave DeLong, Not Present*

*Glenn Marshall, Yes
Terry Mann, Yes
Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes*

Don Helms, Motion
Teresa Batts, Yes

Grady Hunt, Not Present

- 6. Approval of Minutes** – *Mr. Terry Mann made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Don Helms seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

Frank Williams, Yes
Mike Forte, Yes
Dave DeLong, Not Present
Glenn Marshall, Yes
Terry Mann, Motion

Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes
Don Helms, Second
Teresa Batts, Yes
Grady Hunt, Not Present

- 7. Public comment** – There was no comment from the Public. Patrick Flanagan noted there is now a public comment form available on the RPO website where the meeting agendas are posted. Any public comment forms received will be read during the this portion of the meeting.

- 8. ~~Vacancies and appointments~~** (~~roster attached~~)

I. PRESENTATIONS

- 9. NC 211 Corridor East Coast Greenway Study Update** – Iona Thomas, of McAdams, gave a presentation to the group. She gave some background on the purpose of the project, what field work had been done up to this point and what the next steps were. She briefed the group on the public input phase of the project that is about to begin and asked everyone, especially those representing areas on the corridor, to help promote the survey to the public.
- 10. NCDOT Funding** – Caitlin Marks, with NCDOT Division 3, gave an update on the funding situation at NCDOT. She highlighted what affect the funding issue is having on local projects and initiatives. She also talked about what NCDOT is doing to address the issue. Patrick Flanagan mentioned the potential ramifications this will have on P6.0 and the SPR application submitted for the upcoming fiscal year.

II. NEW BUSINESS

- 11. PAS-TRAN FY 2022 FTA Section 5310 Grant Funds Resolution** – RPO staff presented the resolution and discussed its purpose with the group. *Mr. Terry Mann made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Don Helms seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

Frank Williams, Yes
Mike Forte, Yes
Dave DeLong, Yes
Glenn Marshall, Yes
Terry Mann, Motion

Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes
Don Helms, Second
Teresa Batts, Yes
Grady Hunt, Yes

12. Monarch FY 2022 FTA Section 5310 Grant Funds Resolution – RPO staff presented the resolution and discussed its purpose with the group. *Mrs. Jackie Williams-Rowland made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Terry Mann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

*Frank Williams, Yes
Mike Forte, Yes
Dave DeLong, Yes
Glenn Marshall, Yes
Terry Mann, Second*

*Jackie Williams-Rowland, Motion
Don Helms, Yes
Teresa Batts, Yes
Grady Hunt, Yes*

13. FY 2019-2020 PWP Amendment – RPO staff presented the proposed budget amendments. *Mr. Mike Forte made a motion to accept the presented amendments to the FY 19-20 PWP. Mr. Don Helms seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.*

*Frank Williams, Yes
Mike Forte, Motion
Dave DeLong, Yes
Glenn Marshall, Yes
Terry Mann, Yes*

*Jackie Williams-Rowland, Yes
Don Helms, Second
Teresa Batts, Yes
Grady Hunt, Yes*

14. Prioritization 6.0 Update – RPO staff highlighted the changes to the Prioritization 6 schedule due to COVID-19.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

- Cape Fear RPO
 - 2020 Meeting Schedule: staff reviewed the adopted schedule.
 - Columbus Co. CTP: staff is working on best way to proceed with public meetings.
 - Brunswick Co. CTP: Brunswick County staff is working with NCDOT on how to proceed.
 - Pender Co. CTP: we are waiting on TPD staffing to begin this plan.
 - Cape Fear Region State Trails Plan: staff went over the survey and outreach efforts for this plan. Also, discussed the Southeast Area Trails plan and their public survey.
 - US 74 Corridor Master Plan: staff informed the group about upcoming resolutions of support for the corridor vision and further, detailed, study of the Delco area associated with upgrading US 74.
 - STIP Amendments: staff highlighted the projects that had been delayed in the most recent STIP adjustment.
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington): staff gave an update while a short video played. The south gate to the Port is being reconfigured to be automated. The container yard expansion program is underway, and a study is happening to look at deepening the shipping channel.
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender): Caitlin Marks informed the group of an upcoming town hall meeting at the Wilmington Convention Center.

- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus): Darius Sturdivant gave an update on Columbus County updates including the opening of the Hallsboro Road interchange on US 74.
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD): Nazia Sarder expanded on the Brunswick County CTP update and spoke about the 2050 Moves statewide plan progress. She also reminded everyone of the Bike/Ped planning grant deadline.
- NC Board of Transportation: Grady Hunt told the group NCDOT funding has been the main topic of the Board recently.

V. OTHER

15. Open discussion: staff informed the group The Southport – Fort Fisher ramp project has been delayed by COVID-19. It is expected to be completed in the beginning of July. Frank Williams spoke about virtual meetings and meeting in person in the future and possible ways to proceed for the RTAC. The next meeting will be held September 11th at 9 a.m. There was no other business.

16. Adjourn – *There being no further discussion Frank Williams adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.*

Minutes prepared by Patrick Flanagan on June 12th, 2020



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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GULLAH GEECHEE CULTURAL HERITAGE
CORRIDOR MULTI-USE GREENWAY/BUEWAY TRAIL**

WHEREAS, the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee is the duly recognized transportation decision making body for the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO), as authorized under NCGS §136-211; and

WHEREAS, according to NCGS §136-212, it is the duty of a Rural Transportation Planning Organization to develop long-range local and regional multimodal transportation plans; and

WHEREAS, according to NCGS §136-212, it is the duty of a Rural Transportation Planning Organization to provide a forum for public participation in the transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor is a National Heritage Area and it was established by the U.S. Congress to recognize the unique culture of the Gullah Geechee people who have traditionally resided in the coastal areas and the sea islands of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida — from Pender County, North Carolina, to St. John's County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, with the estimated growth and development in the southeastern United States during the next 30 years projected to occur along the coastal plain, many traditional southern communities have encourage the preservation of historical and cultural identity while enhancing environmental qualities that create opportunities for active, healthy lifestyles and a sense of place; and

WHEREAS, the proposed concept of a Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Multi-Use Greenway/Blueway Trail would provide for improved dedicated bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure facilities to ensure safety, particularly on freight routes, promote physical health, provide greater bike/pedestrian/waterway connectivity as the bike/pedestrian/blueway trail system melds into the greater regional network of greenways, blueways and trails; and

WHEREAS, this greenway/blueway concept will highlight regional environmental and historic assets, environmental restoration and create economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the proposed concept of a Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Multi-Use Greenway/Blueway Trail ties into other trail efforts in the Cape Fear RPO and links to the East Coast Greenway, and connects communities; and

WHEREAS, this unique approach to celebrating the cultural and historic values of this community and our region by integrating functional use, scenic and economic value, historical and environmental interpretation; and

WHEREAS, this greenway/blueway trail will establish a major regional greenway/blueway link for communities along the Cape Fear River and beyond.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization hereby supports the proposed concept of a Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Multi-Use Greenway/Blueway Trail.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting this 9th day of September 2020.

BY:

Frank Williams, CFRPO RTAC Chair

ATTEST:

Patrick Flanagan, CFRPO RTAC Secretary

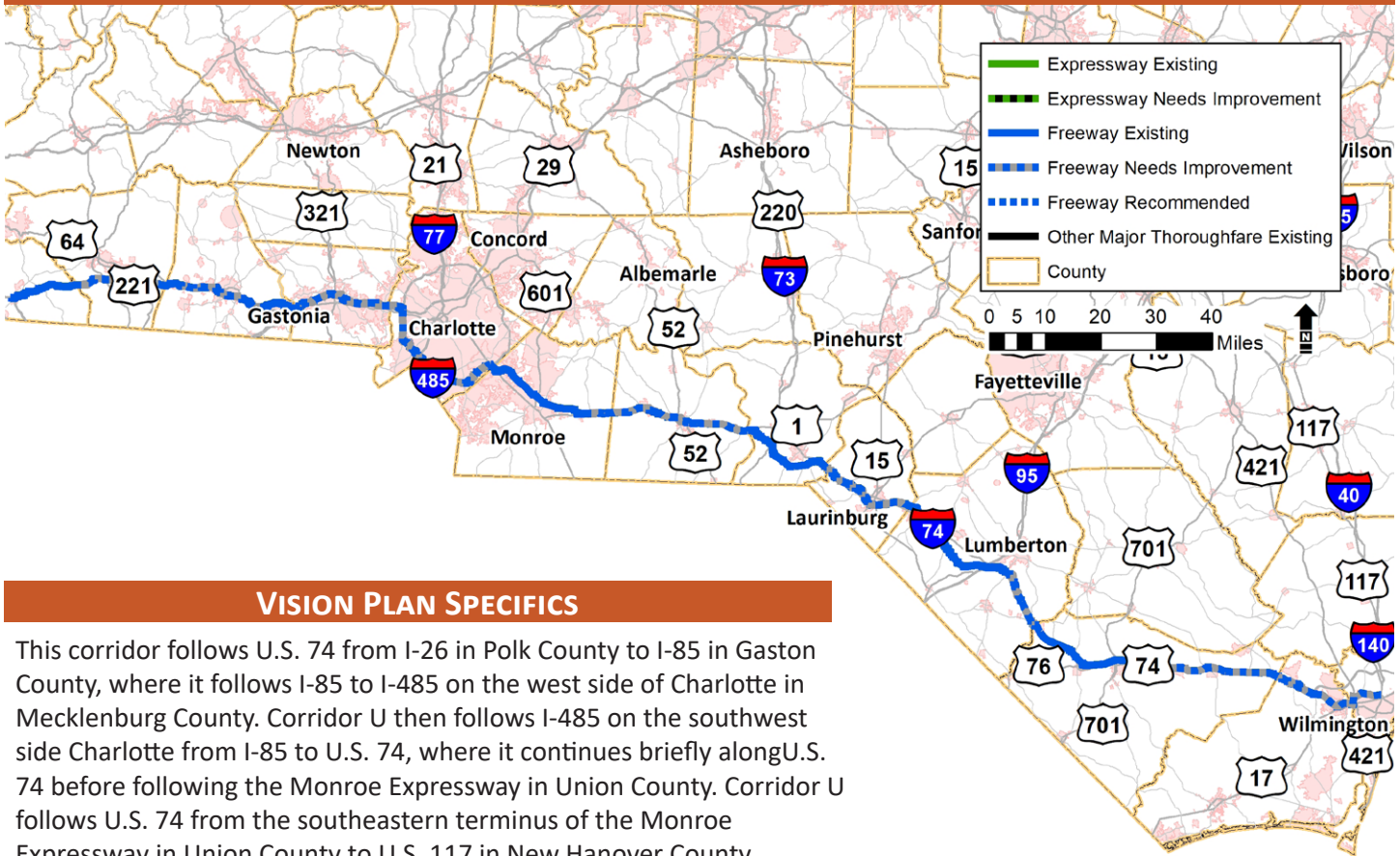
CORRIDOR U

U.S. 74W/U.S. 74E/ I-74 – I-26 in Polk County to U.S. 117 in Wilmington

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The 292-mile Corridor U serves southwest North Carolina from I-26 in Polk County to U.S. 117 in Wilmington, the primary access to the Port at Wilmington, traversing the state's southern tier counties and the Charlotte metropolitan area. U.S. 74 carries high truck volumes for the entire length of the corridor and high passenger volumes from Shelby to Monroe. Corridor U overlaps Corridor H (Future I-74) for 91 miles from Rockingham to Columbus County. The corridor is used as both a regional and statewide connection to major employment centers, airports, and health centers.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION



VISION PLAN SPECIFICS

This corridor follows U.S. 74 from I-26 in Polk County to I-85 in Gaston County, where it follows I-85 to I-485 on the west side of Charlotte in Mecklenburg County. Corridor U then follows I-485 on the southwest side Charlotte from I-85 to U.S. 74, where it continues briefly along U.S. 74 before following the Monroe Expressway in Union County. Corridor U follows U.S. 74 from the southeastern terminus of the Monroe Expressway in Union County to U.S. 117 in New Hanover County.

- Freeway cross-section
- AASHTO Design Classification of Interstate or Freeway
- Minimum 4 lanes with a median
- Connections provided only at interchanges
- Traffic signals and driveways not allowed

AREAS IDENTIFIED FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

- Complete high-capacity, high-speed improvements for improved route continuity
- Increase reliability and capacity from Shelby to Monroe
- Safety improvements on rural, uncontrolled access sections to address high crash sections or hot spots
- Establish consistent route continuity for improved freight operations
- Park and Ride and Express Bus providing additional public transit options to address congestion
- Track improvements to facilitate rail freight/passenger flow based on rail and freight plans
- Wilmington area improvements

CORRIDOR U

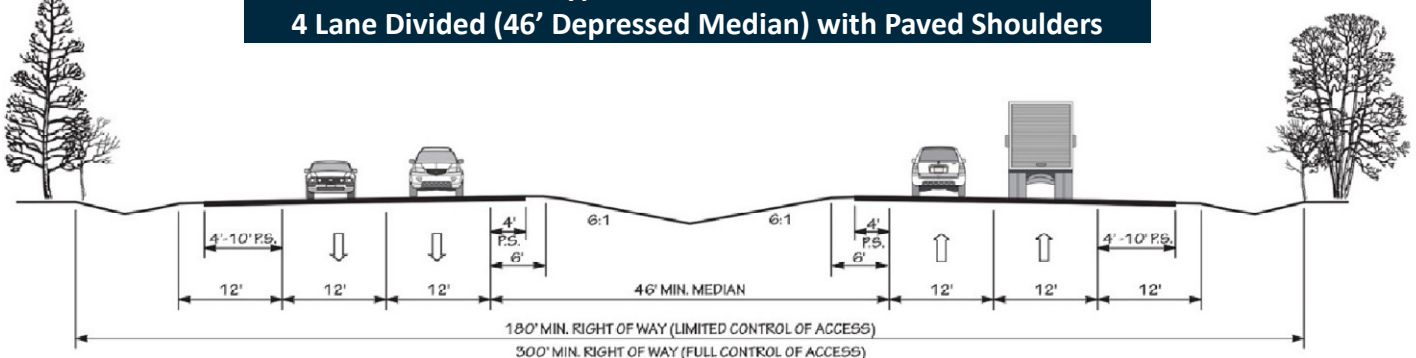
U.S. 74W/U.S. 74E/ I-74 – I-26 in Polk County to U.S. 117 in Wilmington

KEY FUNCTIONS AND EXPECTATIONS (FUNCTIONS OF CORRIDOR IN CONTECT OF STC GOALS AND CRITERIA)

- **Connectivity:** Corridor U is a part of the STRAHNET and STRACNET military networks and is becoming part of the interstate system from Richmond County to Columbus County.
- **Mobility:** This corridor connects Charlotte, Wilmington, and other regional population centers with multiple interstates and major routes including I-26, I-85, and I-95 providing passenger and freight mobility across the state's southern tier.
- **Economic Prosperity:** U.S. 74 connects multiple statewide economic resources including two international airports, Carolinas Medical Center, and the Port of Wilmington.
- **Expectation:** Corridor U is expected to remain the principal east-west corridor through NC's southern tier of counties. The principal mobility expectations are safe, reliable transition through the greater Charlotte region and consistent, high-speed travel from the Port of Wilmington to the Charlotte metro region, in support of high-level economic activities.

CROSS-SECTION

Typical Section No. 4A 4 Lane Divided (46' Depressed Median) with Paved Shoulders

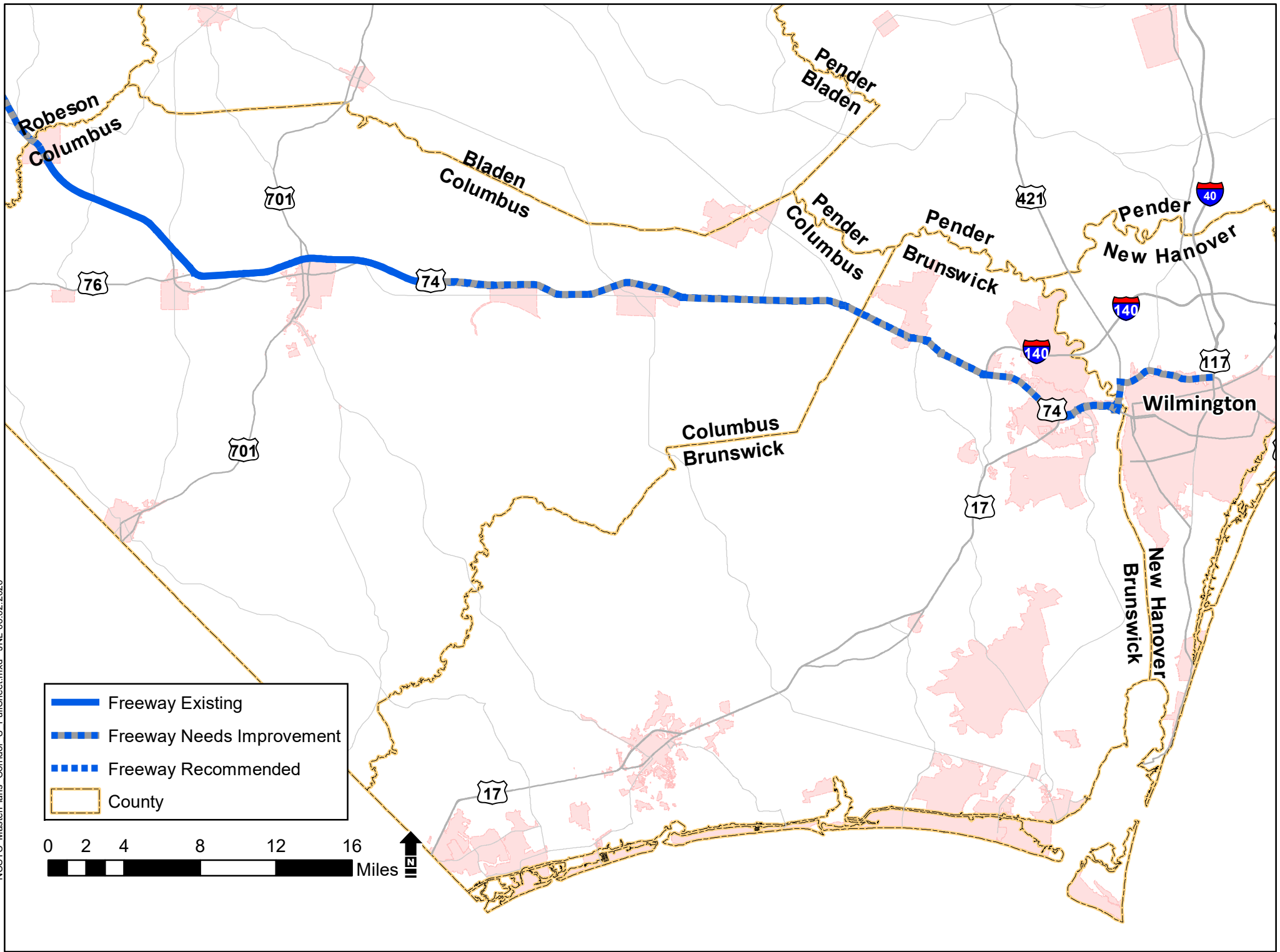


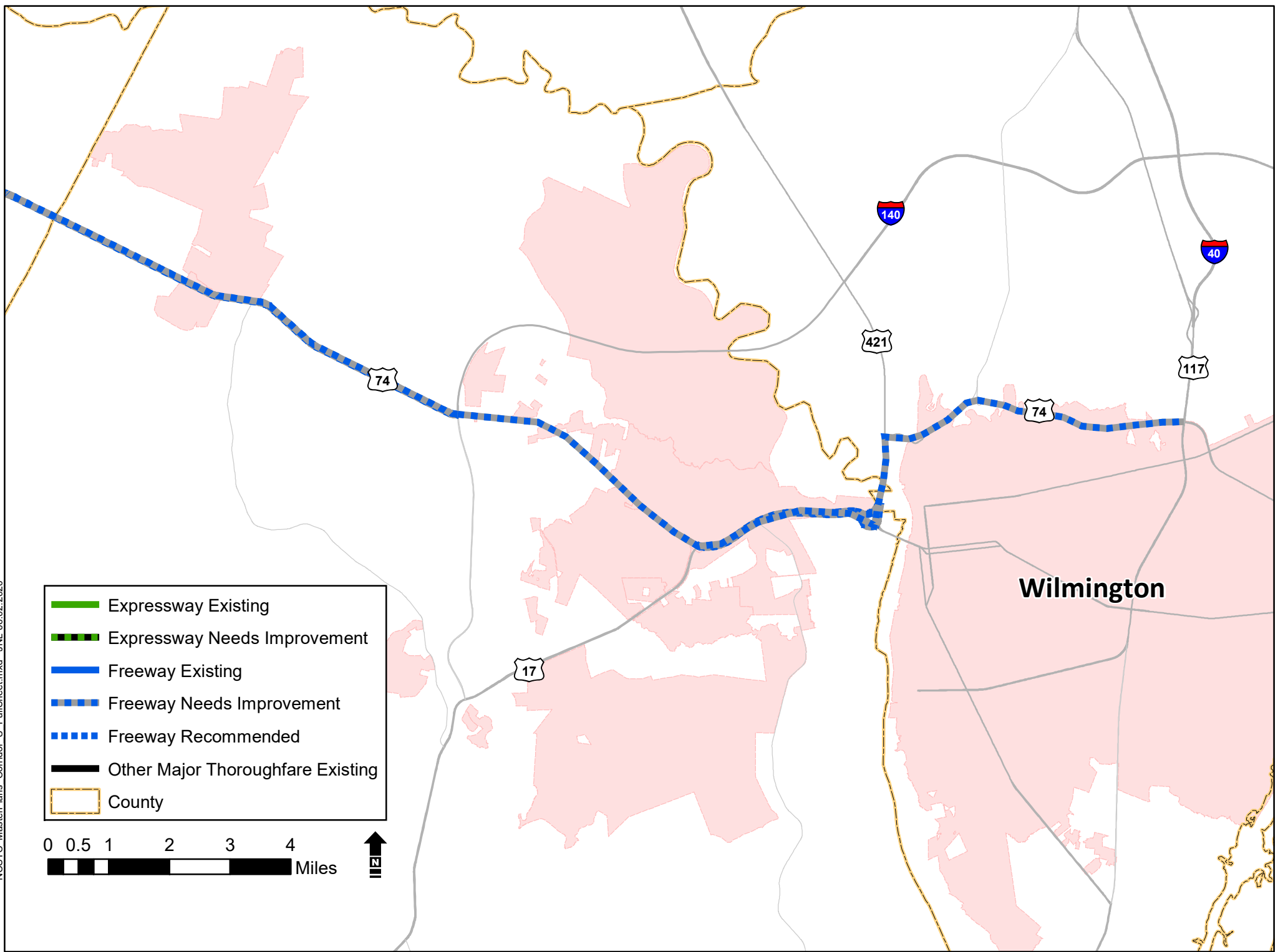
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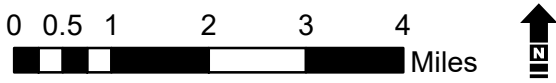
STIP Projects & CTP Recommendations	Connections and Freight	Primary Activity Centers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• R-2707, U.S. 74 Shelby Bypass• I-5507, I-485 Express Lanes• I-6016, I-85 and I-485 interchange improvements• R-5878, U.S. 74 Wadesboro Bypass• I-6055, Upgrade U.S. 74 corridor to interstate standards in Richmond and Scotland counties• I-6011, Upgrade U.S. 74 corridor to interstate standards in Columbus and Robeson counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• U.S. 74 carries high truck volumes along the entire length of the corridor• U.S. 74 carries high passenger volumes from Shelby to Monroe• Almost entire route is part of the National Highway System• Entire route is Federal designated truck route• 304 bridges along the corridor: 6 are structurally deficient, 91 are functionally obsolete	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charlotte Douglas International Airport• Wilmington International Airport• Port of Wilmington• Charlotte region employment centers• UNC Charlotte• UNC Pembroke• UNC Wilmington• New Hanover Regional Medical Center• Charlotte Inland Terminal







- Expressway Existing
- Expressway Needs Improvement
- Freeway Existing
- Freeway Needs Improvement
- Freeway Recommended
- Other Major Thoroughfare Existing
- County



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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE U.S. 74 MASTER PLAN VISION, FROM I-26 IN POLK COUNTY TO U.S. 117 WILMINGTON, CORRIDOR U OF THE STRATEGIC TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS NETWORK

WHEREAS, the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee is the duly recognized transportation decision making body for the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO), as authorized under NCGS §136-211; and

WHEREAS, according to NCGS §136-212, it is the duty of a Rural Transportation Planning Organization to develop long-range local and regional multimodal transportation plans; and

WHEREAS, the N.C. Department of Transportation adopted the Strategic Transportation Corridors (STC) Network in 2015 to establish a multimodal, high-priority system of highways, rail lines, ports, and airports to support smart planning, help set long-term investment decisions, and ensure that North Carolina's economic prosperity goals are achieved; and

WHEREAS, the *North Carolina Transportation Network and Strategic Transportation Corridors Framework* calls for the development of individual strategic corridor master plans in each of the 25 designated corridors with a buffer of 20 miles on either side of each facility; and

WHEREAS, the corridor master plan for U.S. 74, from I-26 in Polk County to U.S. 117 in Wilmington, identified as Corridor U in the STC Framework, is being advanced from its more general network-level identification to a corridor-specific master plan vision built upon a common technical framework; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the Corridor U Master Plan is to develop a consistent transportation vision for the corridor, based on stakeholder input and sound technical assessment, that recognizes statewide economic development objectives, advances subsequent regional planning and corridor project development activities, and can serve to streamline the project development process; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the N.C. Department of Transportation to expand and maintain Corridor U as a freeway from I-26 in Polk County to U.S. 117 in Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, the Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization represents Corridor U along U.S. 74 from the western Columbus County line to N.C. 87 (Maco Road NE) in Brunswick County; and

WHEREAS, the Cape Fear RPO is in support of US 74 becoming an interstate highway that would have substantial positive benefits to include positive economic and tourism benefits, improve quality of life, facilitate emergency evacuations, and provide better access to the Port of Wilmington; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rural Transportation Advisory Committee of the Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization hereby supports the N.C. Department of Transportation master plan vision for Corridor U along U.S. 74 from the western Columbus County line to N.C. 87 (Maco Road NE) in Brunswick County.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting this 9th day of September 2020.

BY:

Frank Williams, CFRPO RTAC Chair

ATTEST:

Patrick Flanagan, CFRPO RTAC Secretary

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September 11, 2020

Ms. Nazia Sarder
Transportation Planning Division
NC Department of Transportation
1554 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1554

Subject: Planning Work Plan Amendment, FY 20-21
Rural Transportation Planning Funds, Cape Fear RPO
FY 2020 WBS#49232.4.2 PO#7500024256

Dear Ms. Sarder:

The Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization (CFRPO) is seeking Transportation Planning Branch approval for the amended FY 20-21 Planning Work Program. This amendment was deemed necessary by RPO staff, who reviewed the current fiscal year planning work program and budget and identified shifts of money that are necessary to reflect actual work demands through the fiscal year. The changes were recommended by the Technical Coordinating Committee on September 2, 2020 and endorsed by the Technical Advisory Committee on September 11, 2020. There is no money requested of RPO members.

The recommended changes are as follows:

VI-1 – Special SPR Allocation

VI-1.1 SPR Special Project NC 211 ECG Feasibility Study: Funding is **decreased** by \$28,381.26 because that amount was spent in the previous fiscal year. The remaining \$71,618.74 of the original \$100,000 will be spent in this fiscal year.

Sincerely,

Frank Williams, CFRPO RTAC Chair

Patrick Flanagan, CFRPO RTAC Secretary

FY 2020-2021
PLANNING WORK PROGRAM
ANNUAL PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES TABLE
Cape Fear RPO

TASK CODE	WORK CATEGORY	RPO PROGRAM FUNDS		
		LOCAL 20%	STATE 80%	TOTAL
I. DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT				
I-1	DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT	\$ 1,700	\$ 6,800	\$ 8,500
I-1.1	Highway			
I-1.2	Other Modes			
I-1.3	Socioeconomic			
I-1.4	Title VI			
II. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING				
II-1	COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (CTP)	\$ 1,600	\$ 6,400	\$ 8,000
II-1.1	Develop CTP Vision			
II-1.2	Conduct CTP Needs Assessment			
II-1.3	Analyze Alternatives and Environmental Screening			
II-1.4	Develop Final Plan			
II-1.5	Adopt Plan			
II-2	PRIORITIZATION	\$ 2,600	\$ 10,400	\$ 13,000
II-2.1	Project Prioritization			
II-3	PROGRAM AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT			
II-3.1	STIP Participation			
II-3.2	Merger / Project Development			
II-4	GENERAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000
II-4.1	Regional and Statewide Planning			
II-4.2	Special Studies, Projects and Other Trainings			

Q1 Amendment		
Date: 11/September/2020		
Original Budgeted Amount	Net Change	New 1st Quarter Budgeted Amount
I. DATA COLLECTION AND ASSESSMENT		
\$ 8,500	\$ -	\$ 8,500
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		
II. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING		
\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		
\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ 13,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		
\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		
\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		

III. ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND POLICIES				
III-1	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES	\$ 5,300	\$ 21,200	\$ 26,500
III-1.1	Administrative Documents			
III-1.2	TCC / TAC Work Facilitation; Ethics Compliance			
III-1.3	Program Administration			
IV. DIRECT COSTS				
IV-1	PROGRAMMATIC DIRECT CHARGES	\$ 2,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 10,000
IV-1.1	Program-wide Direct Costs			
IV-2	ADVERTISING	\$ 200	\$ 800	\$ 1,000
IV-2.1	News Media Ads			
IV-3	LODGING, MEALS, INCIDENTALS	\$ 300	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,500
IV-3.1	Hotel Costs			
IV-3.2	Meal Costs			
IV-3.3	Incidentals			
IV-4	POSTAGE	\$ 20	\$ 80	\$ 100
IV-4.1	Mailings			
IV-5	REGISTRATION / TRAINING	\$ 200	\$ 800	\$ 1,000
IV-5.1	Conference Registration			
IV-5.2	Meeting / Workshop / Training Fees			
IV-6	TRAVEL	\$ 840	\$ 3,360	\$ 4,200
IV-6.1	Mileage Reimbursement			
IV-6.2	Car Rental Costs			
IV-6.3	Other Travel Expenses			

III. ADMINISTRATION OF TRANS PLANNING & POLICES		
\$ 26,500	\$ -	\$ 26,500
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another.		
IV. DIRECT COSTS		
\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 4,200	\$ -	\$ 4,200
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		

V. INDIRECT COSTS				
V-1	INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 6,034	\$ 24,135	\$ 30,169
V-1.1	Incurred Indirect Costs			
RPO PROGRAM TOTAL		\$ 26,594	\$ 106,375	\$ 132,969

V. INDIRECT COSTS		
\$ 30,169	\$ -	\$ 30,169
Provide explanation for moving funds from one category to another		
\$ 132,969	\$ -	\$ 132,969

TASK CODE	WORK CATEGORY	SPR PROGRAM FUNDS		
		LOCAL	STATE	TOTAL
		5%	95%	
VI. SPECIAL STATE PLANNING & RESEARCH FUNDS				
VI-1	SPECIAL SPR ALLOCATION	\$ 3,581	\$ 68,038	\$ 71,619
VI-1.1	SRP Special Project			
SPECIAL SPR TOTAL		\$ 3,581	\$ 68,038	\$ 71,619

Q1 Amendment		
Date: 11/September/2020		
Original Budgeted Amount	Net Change	New 1st Quarter Budgeted Amount
VI. SPECIAL SPR FUNDS		
\$ 100,000	\$ (28,381)	\$ 71,619
Net change amount was spent in the previous fiscal year.		
\$ 100,000	\$ (28,381)	\$ 71,619

PWP TOTAL	\$ 30,175	\$ 174,413	\$ 204,588
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\$ 232,969	\$ (28,381)	\$ 204,588
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Approved by the TAC on: September 11, 2020

Signature, TAC Chairman

Signature, RPO Secretary

CFRPO

Mode	Project ID	Div	County	PO	Project Description	STI Funding Category	Current Let Fiscal Year	July 2020 Reprogramming Construction Fiscal Year	# of Years Construction Delayed	July 2020 STIP Construction Cost
AVIATION	AV-5744	3	PENDER	CFRPO	HENDERSON FIELD AIRPORT (ACZ), LAND ACQUISITION PHASE IV FOR ROADWAY RELOCATION, ROADWAY RELOCATION, RUNWAY EXTENSION - PHASE 1 (850 LF)	DIV	2022	2022	0	\$6,796,000
HIGHWAY	B-4439	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	REPLACE BRIDGE 100 OVER MUDDY BRANCH ON SR 1342	DIV	2022	2022	0	\$1,250,000
HIGHWAY	R-5021	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	NC 211 FROM SR 1500 (MIDWAY ROAD) TO NC 87	DIV	2022	2022	0	\$102,300,000
HIGHWAY	B-5629	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	REPLACE BRIDGE 40 OVER MILLS CREEK ON	DIV	2023	2023	0	\$1,500,000
AVIATION	AV-5815	3	PENDER	CFRPO	HENDERSON FIELD (ACZ), APRON EXPANSION.	DIV	2024	2024	0	\$2,103,000
BIKE & PED	EB-5982	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	NC 211 (NORTH HOWE STREET) FROM EAST OWEN STREET TO DOSHER HOSPITAL	DIV	2025	2025	0	\$175,000
HIGHWAY	R-5850	3	PENDER	CFRPO	NC 53 PENDER COUNTY FROM US 117 BYPASS TO STAG PARK ROAD. WIDEN TO THREE LANES.	DIV	2025	2025	0	\$2,400,000
HIGHWAY	R-5947	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	NC 211 FROM SR 1112 (SUNSET HARBOR ROAD) TO NC 906 (MIDWAY ROAD). WIDEN ROADWAY.	DIV	2029	2030	1	\$22,900,000
HIGHWAY	R-3300B	3	PENDER	WMPO/CFRPO	NC 417 (HAMPSTEAD BYPASS) FROM SOUTH OF NC 210 TO NORTH OF SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT LOOP ROAD).	REG	2021	2023	2	\$116,700,000
HIGHWAY	R-5701	3	PENDER	CFRPO	NC 53 AT US 117 BUSINESS (WALKER / WILMINGTON STREET), CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT.	REG	2022	2027	5	\$1,700,000
HIGHWAY	U-5732	3	PENDER	WMPO/CFRPO	US 17 FROM SR 1582 (WASHINGTON ACRES ROAD) TO SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT LOOP ROAD) CONVERT TO SUPERSTREET	REG	2027	2029	2	\$25,100,000
FERRY	F-5705	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO	SOUTHPORT - FORT FISHER FERRY. CONSTRUCT RIVER CLASS FERRY. BRUNSWICK & NEW HANOVER COUNTIES.	REG	2029	2029	0	\$14,000,000
HIGHWAY	R-5877	3	PENDER	CFRPO	US 17 PENDER COUNTY AT NC 210 (SURF CITY). CONSTRUCT CONTINUOUS GREEN T-INTERSECTION (CGT). AT US 17 AND NC 210 NEAR SURF CITY.	REG	2027	2030	3	\$2,200,000
HIGHWAY	R-5899	3	PENDER	CFRPO	NC 210 PENDER COUNTY AT SR 1560 (WATTS LANDING ROAD). CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT.	REG	2028	2030	2	\$1,100,000
HIGHWAY	R-5900	3	PENDER	CFRPO	NC 50/NC 210 PENDER COUNTY AT SR 1534 (BELT ROAD). CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT.	REG	2028	2030	2	\$1,300,000
HIGHWAY	I-6040	3	PENDER	CFRPO	I-40 PENDER COUNTY FROM EAST OF US 117 (MILEMARKER 393) TO NC 210 (MILEMARKER 408). PAVEMENT REHABILITATION.	SW	2024	2029	5	\$11,200,000
HIGHWAY	U-5932	3	BRUNSWICK	CFRPO/GSATS	US 17 BRUNSWICK COUNTY AT NC 211 CONVERT INTERSECTION TO INTERCHANGE	SW	2027	2030	3	\$29,200,000

Columbus County Crossroads to Become All-Way

CERRO GORDO – The intersection of U.S. 76 at N.C. 242 in Cerro Gordo will be converted into an all-way stop next week to improve safety.

The change is scheduled to be implemented beginning at 8 a.m. on Aug. 10, so drivers may encounter delays and brief lane closures. Motorists should be alert for workers while traveling through the area. The intersection conversion requires dry weather.

Drivers on U.S. 76 currently do not stop, while those on the state highway must stop. The intersection receives higher traffic volume during the beach season, and the N.C. Department of Transportation wants to reduce serious crashes primarily caused by drivers on N.C. 242 failing to yield after stopping.

The NCDOT recommended the all-way stop after studying the traffic impact for an expansion of the nearby Cerro Gordo Elementary School. The change was one of several departmental recommendations, which the town of Cerro Gordo approved last year in a concurring resolution.

The other improvements have been implemented, including:

- Lower the speed limit on U.S. 76 in town from 45 mph to 35 mph;
- Widen the travel lanes on Church, Powell, Railroad and Cherry streets in town;
- Realign the intersection of Church and Powell streets to allow for southbound motorists from Powell Street to move through onto Church Street without stopping.

As a reminder, drivers approaching an all-way stop should follow these rules:

- The first vehicle at the intersection has the right of way;
- When two or more vehicles reach an intersection at the same time, the vehicle to the right has the right of way and may go straight or, if legal and after signaling, turn left or right;
- When two facing vehicles approach an intersection simultaneously, both drivers can move straight ahead or turn right. If one driver is going straight while the other wants to turn left, the driver who wants to turn left must yield; and
- Even with the right of way, drivers should remember to use appropriate turn signals and watch for pedestrians and other vehicles.

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Projects in Development					
Project Manager	TIP	PO	Description	County	SAP Let Date
Central	B-5624	CFRPO	Brunswick 57 on NC 211 over Juniper Creek (let with B-5627)	Brunswick	7/20/2021
Central	15bpr.45	ECRPO/CFRPO	Duplin 433 and Pender 219 on NC 903 over I-40	Duplin/Pender	7/20/2021
Mike Bass	R-5021	CFRPO	NC 211 From Midway Rd to NC 87 : widen to a 4-lane divided facility	Brunswick	1/18/2022
Eric Murray	W-5703Q	CFRPO	NC 130 at Longwood Rd and Waccamaw School Rd (Previously	Brunswick	1/20/2022
Central	B-5644	CFRPO	Pender 15 on NC 11 over Crooked Creek	Pender	4/19/2022
Derek Pielech	B-4439	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 100 on Makatoka Rd over Muddy Branch	Brunswick	4/21/2022
Mike Bass	R-5701	CFRPO	Burgaw Intersection Improvement	Pender	6/2/2022
Trace Howell	R-3300B	WMPO/CFRPO	Hampstead Bypass	Pender	7/19/2022
Derek Pielech	17BP.3.R.80	CFRPO	Brunswick 104	Brunswick	11/17/2022
Central	B-5629	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 40 Over Mill Creek	Brunswick	1/17/2023
Derek Pielech	17BP.3.R.62	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 23 on NC 906/Midway Rd over Brunswick River Swamp	Brunswick	1/1/2024
Lydia	I-6040	CFRPO	I-40 East of US 117 to NC 210 Pavement Rehab	Pender	4/16/2024
Eric Murray	R-5850	CFRPO	Widen NC 53 to 3 lanes from US 117 Bypass to Stag Park Rd	Pender	5/2/2025
Derek Pielech	BR-0139	CFRPO	Replace Culvert on NC 133 and Funston Rd with a bridge	Brunswick	8/15/2025
Central	B-5627	CFRPO	Brunswick 11 on NC 87 over Orton Pond Creek (let with B-5624)	Brunswick	7/15/2026
Trace Howell	U-5732	WMPO/CFRPO	US 17 Hampstead Median Project	Pender	9/15/2026
Central	B-5156	CFRPO	Replace Bridge 28 Over Long Creek on NC 210	Pender	1/19/2027
Brian Harding	U-5932	CFRPO/GSATS	US 17 at NC 211 Interchange	Brunswick	6/15/2027
Mike Bass	R-5877	CFRPO	US 17 at NC 210 (Surf City) Green-T	Pender	6/17/2027
Mike Bass	R-5899	CFRPO	Roundabout at NC 210 and Watts Landing Road (Surf City)	Pender	6/15/2028
Mike Bass	R-5900	CFRPO	NC 210/NC 50 and Belt Rd RAB (Surf City)	Pender	6/20/2028
Mike Bass	R-5947	CFRPO	Widen NC 211 to 4 lanes from SR 1112 (Sunset Harbor Rd) to NC 906 (Midway Rd)	Brunswick	6/19/2029

PE Work Continuing

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*NCDOT is currently reprogramming the STIP; Revised dates are expected October 2020

Projects Under Construction

Contract Number	Resident	TIP/WBS/Program	County	Description	Estimated Completion	Percent Complete	
DC00276	Daniel Waugh	DF15403.2071072	Pender	Pender Hurricane Pipe Replacement (Group G)	Sep-20	93.25%	
DC00265	Lydia McKeel	N/A	, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender		Long Line Pavement Marking	Nov-21	21.25%
C204151	Alex Stewart	B-4438	Brunswick	Brunswick 47 on NC 211 over Bear Pen Island	Nov-20	73.76%	
C204185	Wayne Currie	HVBP	Brunswick	Old Oak Island Bridge (#14, NC 133 Country Club Dr) girder repair	Mar-20	100.00%	

Active Projects

Contract	TIP #	Project	R/W Date	Let Date	Work Began	Est. Completion Date	Revised Completion Date	Construction Progress	Contractor	Resident Engineer	Contract Amount	Comments
C204115	R-5749	Construct interchange at US 74-76 and SR 1001 (Hallsboro Road)	3/31/2017	2/20/2018	4/25/2018	11/19/2020	2/25/2021	100.00%	BMCO Construction INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$9,398,677	Project Complete Opened to traffic 6/12/2020
C204133	W-5601EV	US 74 Improvements - Construct directional crossovers on US 74 from SR 1824 Water Tank Road to just east of the Brunswick County Line in Columbus County. Project includes intersection improvements and installing a traffic signal at US 74/US 76 at NC 87.	6/30/2017	8/21/2018	1/9/2019	11/28/2020	11/28/2021	42.84%	Highland Paving Co LLC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$9,024,132	Project Completion date has been revised to June 2021
C204272	B-6604 B-6006 B-6007 B-6008	Replace 2 Bridges in Bladen County, 1 Bridge in Columbus County and 1 Bridge in Robeson County. B-6006: Columbus County replace Bridge #313 on SR 1159 (Old Tram Road) over Boogy Branch	1/15/2010	1/15/2019	11/20/2019	8/1/2021	N/A	13.55%	The Tara Group of Lumberton INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$2,745,918	
DF00233		Resurfacing, Milling, Pavement Markings on various secondary routes in Columbus County (31.4 mi). SR 1312 (Vinegar Hill Road), SR 1314 (Sidney Cherry Grove Road), SR 1317 (Clarendon Chadbourn Road), SR 1318 (Williams Road), SR 1319 (Old Cribbtown Road), SR 1321 (Feedmill Road), SR 1322 (Garland Duncan Road), SR 1323 (F M Cartret Road), SR 1326 (A D Hinson Road), SR 1327 (Old Cartrette Road), SR 1329 (Roseland Road), SR 1337 (Brice Ward Road), SR 1339 (Mercer Road), SR 1362 (C M Cartrette Road), SR 1378 (Williams Road), US 701	N/A	10/17/2018	10/1/2019	10/30/2020	11/28/2020	44.32%	Barnhill Contracting Co	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$4,448,417	
DF00240	SS-4906DJ	Replace Bridge# 222, 226 & 230 on SR 1700 (Red Hill Road) over Red Hill Swamp in Columbus County	N/A	2/20/2019	5/24/2019	10/13/2020	11/9/2020	100.00%	The Tara Group of Lumberton INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$2,721,617	Project Complete; Waiting on 80% grass
DF00257	R-5786GA, R-5786GB	Install ADA curb ramps at various locations in Columbus County (Bolton, Brunswick, Chadbourn, Whiteville and Tabor City)	N/A	4/17/2019	2/10/2020	11/20/2020	N/A	38.02%	JYMCO Construction Company INC	Blythe L. Jordan, PLS	\$1,197,433	

TIP Projects and Safety Projects

TIP#	Project	R/W Date	Funding Status	Schedule	Project Cost	Comments
I-6011	I-74, US 74 from NC 41 near Lumberton to US 76 near Chadbourn. Upgrade US 74 to interstate standards	10/31/2026	Unfunded STIP Project	Let Date: 10/16/2029	\$53,600,000	Project is on hold; Construction scheduled after 2029 - Beyond current STIP (FY 2020-29)
R-2561B	Widen NC 87 to multi-lanes from SR 1730 (Elwell Ferry Road)in Bladen County to NC 11 in Columbus County	After 2029	Unfunded STIP Project	Let Date: After 2029	\$75,574,000	Project is on hold; Construction UNFUNDED
R-2561C	Widen NC 87 to multi-lanes from NC 11 to US 74/ US 76	7/21/2028	Programmed STIP Project; Funding is not committed	Let Date: After 2029	\$105,408,000	Project is on hold; Construction scheduled after 2029 - Beyond current STIP (FY 2020-29)
R-2561CA	NC 87 at NC 11 convert at-grade intersection to interchange	10/28/2019	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Let Date: 4/20/2021	\$27,300,000	Project Development activities are moving forward; Construction FY 2021
R-5020A	Widen US 701 Bypass to multilanes from South of SR 1166 (Pleasant Plains Road) to SR 1437 (Virgil Avenue) in Whiteville	2/28/2018	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Original Let Date: 7/18/2023 Revised Let Date: 10/1/2024	\$44,950,000	Project is on hold; Construction scheduled FY 2029
R-5020B	Widen US 701 Bypass to multilanes from SR 1437 (Virgil Avenue) to US 74/US 76 interchange in Whiteville	2/28/2018	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Original Let Date: 7/21/2020 Revised Let Date: 2/16/2021	\$29,050,000	Project Development activities are moving forward; Construction FY 2021
R-5797	US 74 at SR 1506 (Old Boardman Road/Macedonia Church Road) Upgrade at-grade intersection to interchange	10/31/2018	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Let Date: 4/20/2021	\$29,900,000	Project Development activities are moving forward; Construction FY 2021

TIP Projects and Safety Projects

TIP#	Project	R/W Date	Funding Status	Schedule	Project Cost	Comments
R-5819	US 74/US 76 at SR 1740 (R-5819 Old Lake Road) construct grade separation.	Original R/W Date: 7/31/2020 Revised R/W Date: 3/30/2021	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Original Let Date: 1/18/2022 Revised Let Date: 6/15/2022	\$14,175,000	Project is on hold; Construction FY 2022
R-5819A	Construct temporary access management improvements (Reduced Conflict Intersections) at SR 1740 (Old Lake Road) and SR 1735 (Chaunceytown Road)	N/A	New project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Let Date: 6/2/2021	\$2,395,000	Project is on hold; New project added at request of the Division - Spring 2020. Construction FY 2021
R-5820	US 74/ US 76 at SR 1735 (R-5820 Chaunceytown Road) convert at-grade intersection to interchange and convert Chaunceytown Road/NC 214 intersection to roundabout	Original R/W Date: 7/31/2020 Revised R/W Date: March 2021	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Original Let Date: 1/18/2022 Revised Let Date: 6/15/2022	\$26,906,000	Project is on hold; STIP Modification - To assist in Balancing Funds - Utilities delayed from FY 20 to FY 21. Add ROW in FY 21 - not previously programmed
R-5952	US 701 Bypass at SR 1305 (Complex Street) - Upgrade intersection	10/31/2024	Project programmed in the committed portion of the STIP	Let Date: 10/20/2026	\$7,900,000	Project is on hold; Construction FY 2027
W-5706J	NC 410 (Joe Brown Highway) at SR 1002 (Old Lumberton Road) and at SR 1003 (Silver Spoon Road); and, SR 1002 at SR 1003 - Intersection improvements	3/30/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 3/2/2022	\$1,535,000	Project is on hold
W-5706S	US 74/US 76 construct reduced conflict intersections from SR 1836 (Byrdville Freeman Road) to East of SR 1845 (Money Hole Road)	3/20/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 3/2/2022	\$3,312,850	Project Development activities are moving forward; Public Meeting was held 10/22/2019
W-5706X	Construct roundabout US 74 Business at SR 1005 (Peacock Road)	12/31/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 12/7/2022	\$1,625,000	Project Development activities are moving forward
W-5706AA	NC 410 (Joe Brown Highway south) at SR 1317 (Clarendon Chadbourn Rd) south of Chadbourn - Intersection improvements	2/18/2020	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 2/16/2022	\$465,000	Project Development activities are moving forward
W-5806A	NC 11 at SR 1740 (Old Lake Road) construct roundabout	5/30/2022	Project funding source: Safety Funds	Let Date: 4/5/2023	\$1,777,000	Project Development activities are moving forward



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SEPTEMBER TPD UPDATES CAPE FEAR RPO

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Brunswick County Model: The Brunswick County Model was completed in February of this year.

Columbus County CTP: Currently the CTP is ready to enter Public Involvement (PI) sessions, but with COVID-19, that won't be possible until it's safe to hold PI sessions.

NC Moves 2050: The project team has developed the draft NC Moves 2050 Plan recommendations. NC Moves 2050 Draft Recommendations public comment period has been delayed due to COVID 19 and NCDOT's current budget shortfall. Please visit the project website for the latest information: <https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/Transportation/nc-2050-plan/Pages/default.aspx>

HB 77 – DOT 2020-2021 Budget/Governance Bill: HB 77 has passed both the House and the Senate and is now law. Selected portions of the bill include the allowance for NCDOT to sell \$700,000,000 in NC BUILD Bonds for FY 2020-2021 and the development of a Department of Transportation Spend Plan. Please see the following link for a Summary of HB 77: <https://www.ncleg.gov/Sessions/2019/Bills/House/PDF/H77v7.pdf>

Greenway Ideas: NCDOT wants your feedback about how to improve our state's greenways. The NCDOT Great Trails State Plan will use existing plans and new recommendations to identify a network of trails that connect every county in North Carolina. Share your thoughts at <https://www.ncdot.gov/divisions/bike-ped/great-trails-state/Pages/getinvolved.aspx>

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NCDOT Logistics + Freight Bulletin: NCDOT has developed an NCDOT Logistics + Freight Bulletin. It focuses on sharing current issues, trends, data, and analyses on freight and logistics across every mode. It aims to expand awareness and understanding of the larger supply chain ecosystem in which multimodal freight transportation is an active and important player. The NCDOT Office of Logistics + Freight are supply chain management professionals at NCDOT dedicated to supporting and providing resources to NCDOT stakeholders at every stage of project delivery from planning through construction, ensuring infrastructure investment is connected to industry and commerce. They are available to provide relevant data, research, insight, and analysis for NCDOT project managers, planners, or stakeholders on freight activity and behavior across every mode of transportation. Another valuable resource for freight information is the NC Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan: bit.ly/NCDOTfreightplan

FHWA News: On June 16, 2020, FHWA awarded a \$2.1 million Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) grant to the NCDOT for its Multimodal Connected Vehicle Pilot Project. The NCDOT project will create a connected environment that can evaluate the impact of connected vehicle technology on driver and pedestrian safety. The project will include an application delivering safety notifications to all multimodal users— pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders and motorist. The project will use a communication system to improve transit efficiency using in-vehicle and roadside connected infrastructure and a new transit signal priority system.
<https://cms8.fhwa.dot.gov/newsroom/us-department-transportation-awards-433-million-advanced-transportation-and-congestion>

Hurricane Isaias Clean up: State Transportation Crews have completed cleanup and repair efforts after Hurricane Isaias after the category 1 storm came ashore in Brunswick County earlier in August. As soon as conditions were safe, crews assessed potential damage and found hundreds of downed trees and power lines as well as coastal flooding in Brunswick and New Hanover counties. Isaias caused 45 state-maintained roads to close temporarily.