



Kerr-Tar RPO TCC and TAC Meeting

Thursday, August 25, 2022

3:00PM – 4:30PM

Pursuant to NCGS §138A-15 (e): ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER

*Does any 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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- **Roll Call of TCC & TAC to Establish Quorums**
- **Call the Meeting to Order** – *TCC Chair & TAC Chair*
- **TAC Action Item I** – *Approval of May 26, 2022 Meeting Minutes*
- **TCC Action Item I** – *Approval of June 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes*
- **NCDOT Reports** – *NCDOT Division Engineer, Division Planning Engineer, & RPO Coordinator*
 - Draft 2024-2033 STIP & Transportation Project Updates
- **S-Line TOD Study Report** – *Nick Morrison, NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division*
 - Joint Advisory & Technical Committees session – Sept. 13th, 10:30am-Noon
Perry Memorial Library in Henderson
- **Safe Routes to School Report** – *Kenia Gomez-Jimenez, SRTS Coordinator*
- **Other Business** – *Sam Boswell, RPO Coordinator*
 - Kerr-Tar COG Annual Banquet – Sept. 22nd, 6:30pm
 - KARTS Open House and Tour – Sept. 29th, 1:00-3:00pm
 - Granville Co. ECG Feasibility Study, Public Meeting – Oct. 4th, 5:00-7:00pm
Camp Butner Room at Butner Town Hall
 - Upcoming Conferences, Grants and Funding Opportunities
 - Other NCDOT News
- **Public Comment**
- **Adjournment** – *Thank you for your participation!*



**Kerr-Tar RPO Transportation Advisory Committee & Technical Coordinating Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: Thursday, May 26, 2022

Meeting Time: 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Meeting Location: Kerr-Tar COG Office, 1724 Graham Ave, Henderson NC 27536

Pursuant to NCGS §138A-15(e): ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER

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TCC Members Present:

Mr. Andy Kuhn, Business Relations Coordinator, Franklin County
Mr. Barry Baker, Planning Director, Granville County & TCC Chair
Mr. Bob Deaton, Division Planning Engineer, NCDOT Division 5
Mr. Brandon Jones, PE, Division Engineer, NCDOT Division 5
Mr. Carroll Harris, Mayor, Town of Macon
Ms. Cynthia Jones, Assistant Director of Community and Economic Development, Warren County
Mr. G. Paylor Spruill, Assistant City Manager, City of Henderson
Ms. Irene Johnson, Executive Director, KARTS
Ms. McKinley Perkinson, Economic Development Director, Henderson-Vance County EDC
Mr. Tracy Parrot, PE, Deputy Division Engineer, NCDOT Division 5

TCC Members Present via phone:

Mr. Jason Rogers, Planning Administrator, Franklin County
Mr. Justin Jorgensen, Senior Transportation Planner, Granville County
Ms. Lauren Johnson, Planning Director, City of Roxboro
Ms. Lori Oakley, Planning Director, Person County
Mr. Mike Ciriello, Planning Director, Town of Butner
Mr. Michael Felts, County Manager, Granville County
Mr. Philip Geary, PE, Transportation Engineer III, NCDOT Transportation Planning Division

TAC Members Present:

Ms. Emma Ruth Stewart, City of Louisburg Councilmember & TAC Vice-Chair
Mr. Tom Lane, Town of Butner Councilmember & TAC Chair

TAC Members Present via phone:

Mr. Gordon Wilder, Vance County Commissioner
Mr. Walter Gardner, Jr., Town of Warrenton Mayor

Kerr-Tar Staff and Others Present:

Ms. Kenia Gomez-Jimenez, Regional Program Manager & SRTS Coordinator, Kerr-Tar COG
Mr. Michael Kelly, Planning Director, Kerr-Tar COG
Mr. Sam Boswell, Regional Transportation Planner & RPO Coordinator, Kerr-Tar COG

Others Present:

Ms. Brooke Nance, Planner II, Franklin County
Mr. Christopher Neal, Mayor, Town of Louisburg
Mr. Nick Morrison, Multimodal Regional Planner, NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD)

I. Roll Call of TCC & TAC to Establish Quorums

The meeting begins shortly after 3:00pm and quorums are established for both committees.

II. Call the TCC Meeting to Order

TCC Chair Baker calls the TCC meeting to order. TAC Chair Lane calls the TAC meeting to order.

III. TCC/TAC Action Item I – Approval of March 24, 2022 Meeting Minutes

TCC Chair Baker recognizes the first order of business being approval of the April 28, 2022 RPO meeting minutes. A motion to approve the minutes as written is made by Mike Ciriello and seconded by Paylor Spruill. The motion carries unanimously.

TAC Chair Lane requests a motion to approve the April 28, 2022 RPO meeting minutes. A motion is made by Emma Stewart and seconded by Walter Gardner. The motion carries unanimously.

IV. TCC/TAC Discussion Item I – 2024-2033 Draft STIP Project Swapping Overview

TCC Chair Baker turned the time over to Sam to lead a discussion on the Draft 2024-2033 STIP. The beginning of the presentation was a recap of Brandon Jones’s presentation at the April RPO meeting. This included an overview of events that led up to the 2024-33 STIP and an explanation of the STIP development method.

The presentation included a more thorough explanation of the “Seniority Approach” and the “Flexibility Option” parameters. Then, the discussion turned to the specific projects for the Kerr-Tar region that are subject to being swapped in or out of the Flexibility Approach. Projects scheduled for delivery but eligible to be swapped out (“Seniority Projects”) include AV-5818, U-6020, U-5969B, U-5969C, and U-5890. In the current draft of the STIP, these five projects are “committed” (right of way scheduled by FY28). Projects to be reprioritized unless swapped in (“Swappable Projects”) include R-5893, R-2814D, R-3608, U-6024, and U-5969A.

Brandon Jones commented that there is potentially something set up in last year's budget that funded AV-5818 in Person County (airport runway extension). Lori Oakley was also aware of some special funding, but couldn't remember specifics. She thinks construction may have been pushed back to 2029. This will require follow up.

Brandon also noted that 3 of the 5 "Swappable Projects" are in the STIP, but only funded for Preliminary Engineering, giving them a "non-committed" status. These projects would still be reprioritized in P7.0 unless they gain "committed" status in the 24-33 STIP through the swapping "Flexibility Option".

Lori Oakley (Person County) expressed concern about the A section of U-5969 in Roxboro. Person County wants to be sure that this section of the project doesn't fall through the cracks even though sections B and C are scheduled for delivery in the Draft 2024-2033 STIP. Currently, U-5969A is funded for preliminary engineering only, meaning it will be in the STIP but will have a "non-committed" status and will be subject to reprioritization in P7.0.

Emma Stewart expressed concern for R-2814D in Louisburg. This project is currently not funded at all and is a very important project for Louisburg's connection to the Raleigh area.

Brandon noted that reprioritizing projects would provide a chance for projects currently set to be funded at the Division level to be eligible for Regional funding. This could then free up Division funding for other STIP projects.

Butner is unlikely to swap out U-6020 (West Lyon Station Road intersection realignment). Henderson is unlikely to swap out U-5890 (Dabney Drive corridor upgrade).

The deadline for swapping projects (or deciding to not make any swaps) is September 30. KTRPO staff will reach out to CAMPO staff concerning the possibility of making swaps or project schedule changes to make room for R-2814D to achieve "committed" status (ROW scheduled by FY 28).

V. NCDOT Reports – Transportation Project Updates

Bob Deaton, NCDOT Division 5 Planning Engineer, provided updates in line with the project memo supplied in the agenda packet. Projects schedules and costs were updated to reflect information currently in the Draft 2024-2033 STIP.

VI. Safe Routes to School Reports

TCC Chair Baker recognized Kenia Gomez-Jimenez to provide updates from the Safe Routes to School program. First, Kenia gave an update of the NCDOT Bicycle Helmet Initiative. In the Kerr-Tar region, 1,025 helmets will be distributed across 13 organizations. All across the state, there was a record number of bicycle helmets distributed through the program this year.

Second, Kenia announced the City of Oxford's Bike Rodeo, which will take place on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00am-12:00pm at Hix Park. Kerr-Tar Staff will be present at the event teaching about proper bicycle helmet use, and the first 75 attendees will be given a free bicycle helmet.

VII. Other Business

TCC Chair Baker turns the time over to Sam to cover the following other RPO business:

FY 22 SPR Update – Granville County East Coast Greenway Feasibility Study

In the agenda packet, there was a memo that covers the progress of the ECG Feasibility Study. Currently, the main reason for delay is an inability to schedule a stakeholder meeting with Norfolk Southern. Since the provided memo was written, Exult Engineering has made contact with NS and is planning to hold a meeting with them in early to mid-June. When this is scheduled, Sam will update the RPO. Following that meeting, Exult will want to hold a stakeholder meeting with members of the RPO, likely in mid to late June.

S-Line TOD Study Updates

In the agenda packet, there were a series of memos from Kittelson & Associates detailing the results of their community engagement pop-up meetings held in Norlina, Henderson, and Franklinton (included because of its connection to the COG, not the RPO) last December.

In June, the Kittelson team plans to conduct a series of urban design workshops in each of the communities being studied along the S-Line rail corridor. During these workshops there will be open studio sessions from 1:00-4:00pm where the public can drop in and see the urban design drawings in process and provide feedback in real-time. There will also be pinup sessions from 5:30-7:00pm each day to present the draft TOD concepts and the background of the project.

The Henderson workshop will be on Tuesday, June 7 at Perry Memorial Library. The Norlina workshop will be on Thursday, June 16 at the Warren County Armory Civic Center.

McKinley Perkinson (Henderson-Vance EDC) announced that the Henderson location may be incorrect due to the Library double booking its space. Sam will check on that and report back to the RPO membership via email.

The following are current or upcoming funding opportunities for various transportation projects. Those interested should contact the RPO Coordinator.

VW Mitigation Plan, Phase 2

There are still multiple RFPs open for the VW Mitigation Plan Phase 2, including Level 2 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and Clean Heavy-Duty Equipment and Vehicle Replacements.

Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Project Grant Funding

The primary purpose of the CFAT funding is to reduce transportation related emissions in eligible counties. In the Kerr-Tar region, that includes Franklin, Granville, and Person counties. Qualifying projects must be transportation related, reduce criteria pollutant emissions, and be located within or benefit a NAAQS maintenance area. One exception is that electric vehicle charging stations are eligible projects in all 100 North Carolina counties. Applications are due by July 1st.

USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

The Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant program provides funding to support plans, projects, and strategies that will prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. USDOT will convene a series of stakeholder webinars in June to help potential applicants.

USDOT Reconnecting Communities Pilot program

The Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) discretionary grant program can support planning, capital construction, and technical assistance to equitably and safely restore community connectivity. One or more Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) for the program are anticipated to be posted in summer 2022.

Note: *We are currently awaiting clarification about whether RPOs are eligible for these two USDOT funding opportunities. Counties, cities, and towns are eligible, but it is currently unclear if Rural Planning Organizations are. Sam will follow up on this.*

VIII. Public Comment

Andy Kuhn had comments referring back to the discussion about the S-Line TOD Study. He is concerned that the stakeholder engagement and the overall project is happening in a segmented, isolated manner. There is growing concern about how to coordinate aspects of this project on a regional level. Nick Morrison (IMD) volunteered to act as a sort of liaison between the RPO, NCDOT IMD, and Kittelson. He will report at future RPO meetings regarding the progress of the S-Line project.

IX. Adjournment

TCC Chair Baker requests a motion to adjourn, which was made by Mike Ciriello and seconded by Lori Oakley. All members of the TCC vote to adjourn. The TCC meeting adjourns.

TAC Chair Lane requests a motion to adjourn, which was made by Emma Stewart and seconded by Tom Lane. All members of the TAC vote to adjourn. The TAC meeting adjourns.



**Kerr-Tar RPO Transportation Advisory Committee & Technical Coordinating Committee
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Meeting Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022

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Mr. Keith Callahan, Planning Director, Vance County & TCC Vice-Chair
Ms. Kim Denton, County Manager, Franklin County
Mr. Nick Morrison, Multimodal Regional Planner, NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD)
Mr. Philip Slayter, Planning and Zoning Administrator, Town of Louisburg
Mr. Tracy Parrot, PE, Deputy Division Engineer, NCDOT Division 5

TCC Members Present via phone:

Ms. Cheryl Hart, Planning Director, City of Oxford
Ms. Cynthia Jones, Assistant Director of Community and Economic Development, Warren County
Ms. Irene Johnson, Executive Director, KARTS
Mr. Justin Jorgensen, Senior Transportation Planner, Granville County
Ms. Lori Oakley, Planning Director, Person County
Ms. McKinley Perkinson, Economic Development Director, Henderson-Vance County EDC
Mr. Mitch Fleig, Transportation Director, PATS
Mr. Scott Walston, PE, CPM, NCDOT Transportation Planning Division

TAC Members Present:

Ms. Emma Ruth Stewart, City of Louisburg Councilmember & TAC Vice-Chair
Mr. Russ May, Commissioner, Granville County

TAC Members Present via phone:

Mr. Tom Lane, Town of Butner Councilmember & TAC Chair

Kerr-Tar Staff and Others Present:

Ms. Kenia Gomez-Jimenez, Regional Program Coordinator & SRTS Coordinator, Kerr-Tar COG

Mr. Sam Boswell, Regional Transportation Planner & RPO Coordinator, Kerr-Tar COG

Others Present:

Ms. Amna Cameron, Deputy Director, NCDOT Office of Strategic Initiatives & Program Support

Ms. Brooke Nance, Planner II, Franklin County

I. Roll Call of TCC & TAC to Establish Quorums

The meeting begins shortly after 3:00pm. The TCC establishes a quorum, but the TAC does not have enough members present to establish quorum. TAC members in attendance are invited to stay for the TCC meeting.

II. Call the TCC Meeting to Order

TCC Chair Baker calls the TCC meeting to order.

III. TCC Action Item I – *Approval of May 26, 2022 Meeting Minutes*

TCC Chair Baker recognizes the first order of business being approval of the May 26, 2022 RPO meeting minutes. A motion to approve the minutes as written is made by Philip Slayter and seconded by Paylor Spruill. The motion carries unanimously.

IV. TCC Action Item II – *Selecting TCC Officers for FY 2022-2023*

The TCC Bylaws state that “nominations for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair will be received from among the voting members present at the last meeting of the fiscal year”. With this meeting being the last of the fiscal year, the RPO Coordinator opens the floor for nominations for TCC Chair, then for TCC Vice-Chair.

Paylor Spruill nominates Barry Baker for the office of TCC Chair. The nomination is seconded by Philip Slayter. There are no other nominations made, and all TCC members vote in favor of Barry Baker as TCC Chair.

Justin Jorgensen nominates Paylor Spruill for the office of TCC Vice-Chair. The nomination is seconded by Lori Oakley. There are no other nominations made, and all TCC members note in favor of Paylor Spruill as TCC Vice-Chair.

The Kerr-Tar RPO thanks Barry Baker and Keith Callahan for their roles as Chair and Vice-Chair during FY21-22.

Barry Baker and Paylor Spruill will assume their roles of Chair and Vice-Chair starting at the first RPO meeting of FY22-23.

- V. **Presentation – Amna Cameron, Deputy Director, Office of Strategic Initiatives & Program Support**
TCC Chair Baker recognizes Amna Cameron from NCDOT and turns the floor over to her for a presentation on the Eastern Transportation Coalition’s Mileage-Based User Fee Pilot program.

The gas tax is a primary source of revenue for transportation projects in NCDOT. With vehicles becoming more fuel efficient and with the increasing presence of electric and alternative fuel vehicles, the gas tax is no longer a sustainable source of transportation funding. This pilot program considers an alternative method: one where drivers pay per mile rather than per gallon of gasoline.

The presentation materials were provided in the Agenda Packet. Those seeking further information on this pilot can check NorthCarolinaMBUFpilot.com.

VI. **NCDOT Reports – *Transportation Project Updates, Draft 2024-2033 STIP***

Not a lot of changes since last month. (Tracy Parrott) Refer to packet.

- R-2814C (US 401 in Franklin County) is nearing 85% complete.
- U-6020 (West Lyon Station Road in Butner) has completed right-of-way acquisition. The project will be “shovel ready” once utility relocation is complete.
- C-5610B (Industry Drive sidewalk in Oxford) is working through comments from hydraulics unit.

Tracy also provided an update on the I-85 Rehabilitation project in northern Warren County near the state line. Project will include improved landscaping and new state signage.

The conversation then moved to a discussion on the Draft 2024-2033 STIP. Sam introduced the Programming Timeline document provided to RPO members ahead of the meeting. Its purpose was to illustrate the expected lifespan of each project in the STIP in order to make swapping decisions clearer. The RPO is expected to make a decision about STIP project swaps by September 30th.

Tracy clarified that the Flexibility Option was primarily intended for full project swaps rather than project schedule shifts. Schedule shifts are not impossible, but they are significantly trickier to coordinate. Making sure that project costs are compatible is a primary determinant in project swaps. Additional comparisons such as traffic counts or crash data are left to the region to look at as deemed necessary. The ability to swap projects is mainly intended to address changes in regional priorities (for example, if a P3.0 project is no longer as impactful as a P5.0 project, the region can try swapping them).

Another point of clarification: any programmatic funds that would be provided by that Bipartisan Infrastructure Law have already been included in the Draft 2024-2033 STIP budget. Future funding announcements from the BIL will be project-based grants and not applied to the overall STIP budget.

VII. S-Line TOD Study Report – Nick Morrison, NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division

Nick has not yet met with the S-Line Study Team following the conclusion of their Community Workshop & Design meetings that they hosted along the S-Line corridor during June. Nick was able to report on attendance at the Franklinton meeting (~20 people) and Sam was able to report on the meetings in Henderson (~25 people) and Norlina (~40 people).

Andy Kuhn reported that there hasn't been communication regarding local funding for the S-Line studies. Towns like Franklinton had been contributing funds to the study, but have not been informed about potential funding amounts for FY22-23. Communication about the next steps in the overall process have been unclear.

Tracy Parrott provided information about the \$58M awarded in CRISI Grant funds, which include a 30% design of the rail corridor. NCDOT Rail Division is also trying to make room for specific bridge projects in the STIP that can count as local match towards the S-Line project, but that process has been difficult thus far since everything falls within Division 5.

VIII. Safe Routes to School Reports – Kenia Gomez-Jimenez, SRTS Coordinator

Kenia reported on the June 4th Oxford Bike Rodeo that the Safe Routes to School program did in partnership with Oxford's Parks & Recreation department. Over 50 children attended and took part in bike helmet fittings (helmets provided through the NCDOT Bike Helmet Initiative) as well as bike safety and skills courses. Other participants included Safe Kids Granville County, Black Ox Bike Shop, and Oxford's Police and Fire departments.

IX. Other Business

TCC Chair Baker turns the time over to Sam to cover the following other RPO business:

FY 22 SPR Update – Granville County East Coast Greenway Feasibility Study

On June 6th, Exult (the study team) was able to host a stakeholder meeting with Norfolk Southern, which confirmed the unlikelihood that a greenway can be built within the rail company's right-of-way.

Another stakeholder meeting with RPO members from within the study corridor is scheduled for June 29th. The study team will begin field work following that meeting.

VW Mitigation Plan, Phase 2

There are multiple active RFPs for the VW Mitigation Plan including Level 2 EV Charging Stations as well as Clean Heavy Duty Vehicle Replacements. Those interested in applying may contact the RPO for assistance.

Andy Kuhn asked if there is a documented list of EV charging stations in the Kerr-Tar region, which is a project currently underway by RPO staff.

Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Project Grant Funding

The application deadline has been extended to August 1st.

USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

The NOFO did not specify RPOs as eligible applicants, but upon inquiry the RPO was told that since we are established by state law, we can qualify as an applicant. The RPO will continue evaluating how best to apply for this grant program.

N.C. Clean Transportation Plan Public Information Session #2

This webinar is scheduled for June 28th. Interested attendees should register in advance.

A few other announcements not included in the agenda:

- The City of Roxboro was awarded CMAQ funds for the construction of a sidewalk to connect Southern Middle School and South Elementary School.
- NCDOT officially approved the RPO's FY22-23 PWP.
- Ethics filings have officially been completed for required members within the RPO. Thank you to everyone for your diligence and patience in that process.

X. Public Comment

Tracy Parrott forgot to mention earlier in the meeting that NCDOT is hosting an open house at its Division 5 office in Durham for RPO members, elected officials, and members of the public to come in and ask questions about STIP projects and funding. NCDOT staff will be available all day from Monday, July 25th to Friday, July 29th. No appointment necessary.

XI. Adjournment

TCC Chair Baker requests a motion to adjourn, which was made by Carroll Harris and seconded by Andy Kuhn. All members of the TCC vote to adjourn. The TCC meeting adjourns.



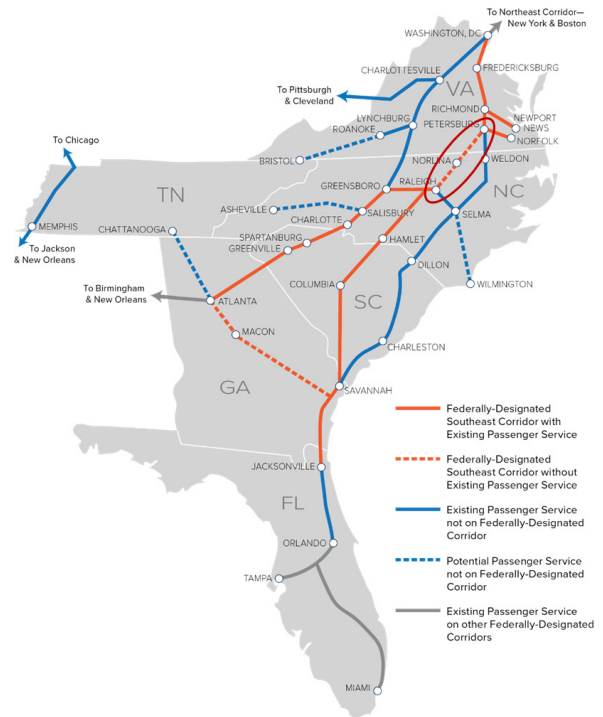
S-LINE BRIEFING JULY 2022

Upcoming Industry Day | August 25, 2022

NCDOT will share details with engineering and construction firms about the anticipated opportunities, procurement process and schedule, and opportunities for small and disadvantaged business enterprises associated with the Raleigh to Richmond (R2R) Corridor Infrastructure Engineering & Safety Program.

Overview of Current Work

- ✓ The S-Line presents an opportunity to connect communities from Sanford to Norlina through the power of passenger rail. It is also a critical link in the Southeast Corridor, as a planned higher speed rail network connecting the southeast with the bustling Northeast Rail Corridor. The S-Line opens new doors for economic development with options for commuters, businesses and families.
- ✓ A major goal of developing the S-Line in North Carolina is to ensure that the benefits and the economic growth associated with the project extend to all communities and neighborhoods along the line.
- ✓ Underserved communities and populations, especially those with limited access to passenger vehicles, would gain greater regional resources and more choices regarding transportation, housing, education, and job opportunities.
- ✓ The NCDOT Integrated Mobility and Rail Divisions are leading initiatives on transit-oriented development (TOD) planning and infrastructure design in communities on a 95-mile section of the S-Line rail corridor.
- ✓ TOD creates places designed to bring people, businesses, retail, recreation, activities, and public spaces together with easy walking and cycling connections alongside transit. This type of development helps make communities more accessible – even without a personal vehicle – by building mixed-use neighborhoods that are more walkable, pedestrian- and transit-friendly.
- ✓ The TOD planning study and infrastructure teams are having conversations with participating communities about housing options, transportation opportunities and local plans, policies, and development regulations.
- ✓ The study team recently completed community design workshops in each of the partnering S-Line communities, helping members of the public envision how TOD could work in their community.
- ✓ The planning study will deliver a vision for future TOD that is responsive to each community’s individual needs and the recommendations will position communities to take advantage of anticipated development arising from either intercity or future commuter rail services.



Top: S-Line: Missing Link

Left: Sanford, NC Concept Plan

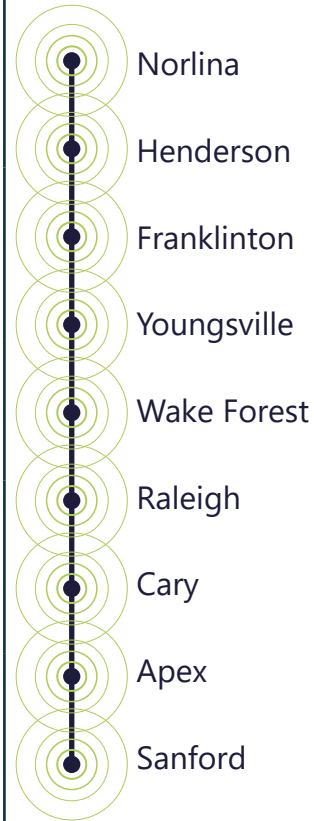
Right: CRISI Grant Award Announcement, Wake Forest, NC



Project Background

- **The S-Line is a missing link within the larger vision for passenger rail service in the southeast.** The planned Southeast Corridor will provide higher speed intercity passenger rail between Charlotte and Washington, DC. Environmental documentation for the Raleigh to Richmond segment of the Southeast Corridor was completed in 2017.
- **The S-Line is an underused freight rail line** currently owned by CSX that connects Richmond, Virginia to Tampa, Florida. Virginia purchased the right of way for the S-Line to grow freight and passenger rail service. **The S-Line is essential to the Southeast Corridor that will provide high-performance passenger rail service in the Southeast.**
- **The Southeast Corridor Commission is a multi-state collaborative body working to progress the Southeast Corridor and rail throughout the southeast.** The Commission includes representatives from Washington, DC, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida.
- **The S-Line will provide major environmental benefits,** shifting passenger vehicle ridership to the passenger rail service, reducing emissions. In addition, successful TOD supports the inclusion of expanded multimodal infrastructure and community resources like green spaces and parks, further supporting the environment.
- Final station locations have not been determined. A federal RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) grant application was submitted to **prepare feasibility studies and environmental review and preliminary engineering of potential stations along the S-Line.**

Communities Involved



Grant Funding Update



NCDOT was awarded \$57.9 million for the **Raleigh to Richmond (R2R) Corridor Infrastructure Engineering & Safety Program** that includes surveys and preliminary engineering.

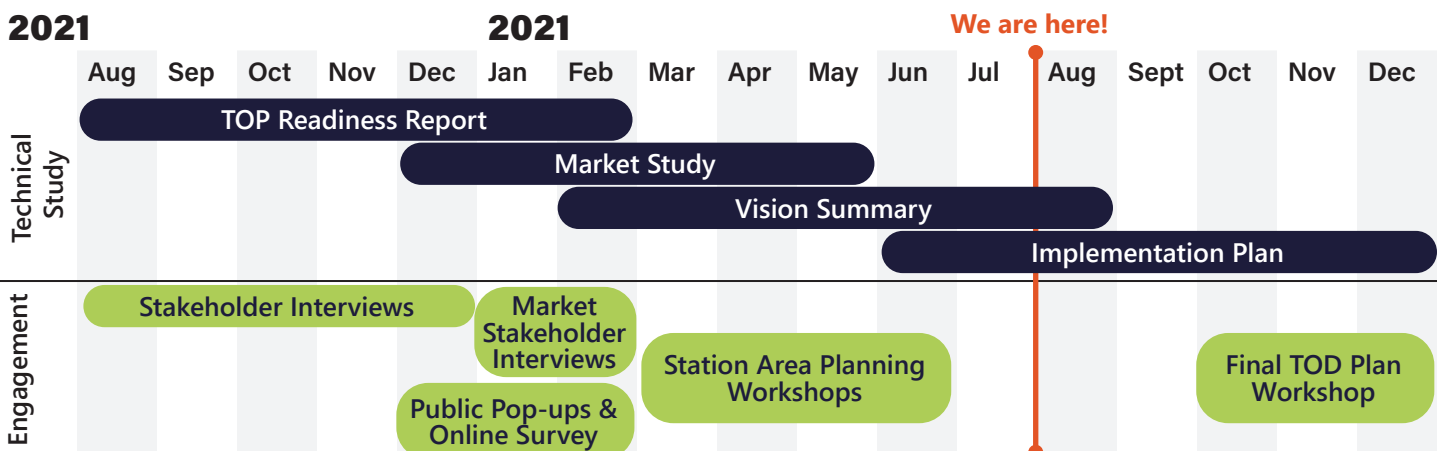


A federal **RAISE grant** application was submitted to prepare feasibility studies, environmental review, and preliminary engineering of potential stations along the **S-Line**. Awards will be announced in August of 2022.



Future federal grant applications for **Intercity Passenger Rail** will be made for construction of the Raleigh to Richmond corridor. The length of segment will be dependent on the magnitude of funding awarded. Any infrastructure constructed will support initial intercity passenger rail services.

TOD Planning Study Schedule



Transportation Projects Coming to N.C. as Part of Federal Infrastructure Law



Funds from the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will help North Carolina improve all modes of transportation, including funds that will be used to plan mobility hubs in seven communities along a rail corridor.

RALEIGH – North Carolina will see six major transportation improvements, thanks to new federal spending from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced Thursday that 166 projects will receive funds nationwide this year under the \$2.2 billion Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity, or RAISE, grants.

“We are very appreciative of our federal partners for helping advance transportation in North Carolina,” said J. Eric Boyette, the state’s transportation secretary. “These RAISE grants will greatly benefit our economy, strengthen supply chains, and make travel safer and easier, whether you’re driving, bicycling, walking or riding the train.”

North Carolina’s nearly \$60 million share of the RAISE grants will pay to:

- reconstruct 28 bridges in western North Carolina. The \$10.7 million in RAISE funds will help fix low-water bridges in six counties so they can better function during flood events and other bad weather emergencies.
- transform a busy corridor from Rutherfordton to Spindale into a Complete Street. RAISE funds totaling over \$20 million will pay for road improvements and bicycle, pedestrian and transit improvements in Rutherford County.
- fund the planning of mobility hubs in seven communities along the S-Line, a rail corridor between Raleigh and Petersburg, Va. The \$3.4 million in RAISE funds will increase access to transportation options, rail and transit services. It will also better connect urban and rural communities, improve freight services, and reduce travel time on rail between Raleigh and Washington D.C.
- build a new intermodal facility at the Wilmington port. More than \$18 million is going to construct a facility that will enable the loading and discharging of supply containers on and off trains at the port.
- engineer and design a 3.6-mile multi-use path and add other sidewalks and paths in the Elizabeth City area. The law will provide \$2 million in funds for this project.
- construct a 1.2-mile extension to the Long Branch Trail in Winston-Salem. The extension aims to reduce pedestrian and bicycle-related crashes in an underserved community. The law provides \$6 million for this project.

NCDOT's Integrated Mobility Division supported the S-Line communities on their application and did the same for Rutherfordton and Spindale. The division offers similar technical expertise to small towns, counties and other communities around the state. Spindale’s Town Manager G. Scott Webber was excited to hear about the grant for his community in Rutherford County.

“This is unbelievable news!” Webber said. “This will truly transform the landscape in our communities. The fact that this project received funding on the first submittal is testimony not only to the strength of the project but to the strength of the team that assembled to complete the application.”

The RAISE program was the first discretionary grant program for which applications were accepted under last year's \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Thursday's announcement was one of the first opportunities that President Joe Biden had to demonstrate plans for distributing the money.

For more information about Thursday's announcement, visit [USDOT](#). Communities and others interested in applying for federal transportation grants are welcome to contact staff in NCDOT for assistance.

NCDOT

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NORTH CAROLINA REGIONAL S-LINE MOBILITY HUB PLAN

RAISE AWARD AMOUNT: \$3,400,000

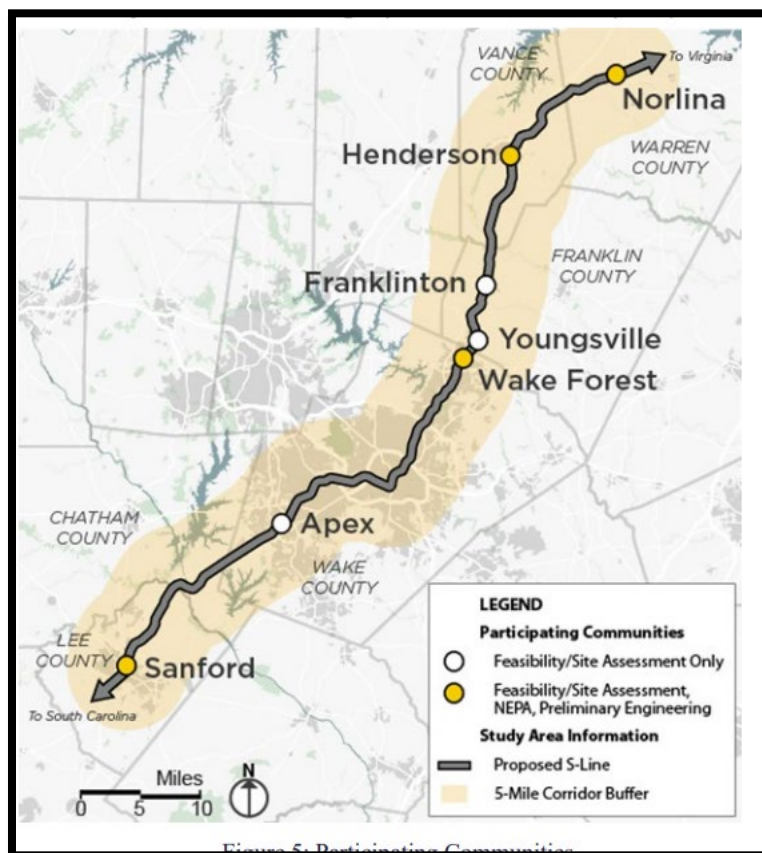
APPLICANT: TOWN OF WAKE FOREST

STATE: NORTH CAROLINA

RURAL

Project Description: This planning project will fund the planning of mobility hubs in seven communities along the passenger rail S-Line. The planning activities include feasibility and site assessments for all the partner communities, NEPA compliance, and preliminary engineering for four of the seven communities.

Project Benefits: The project will increase access to active transportation options, commuter rail and transit services. The addition of these mobility hubs will offer more transportation options for residents and reduce emissions in a rapidly growing corridor. The project will explicitly consider equity and minimize displacement when considering transit-oriented development strategies to ensure improved quality of life for the community. The project will repair roadways which will improve safety and ease congestion, and includes long-term maintenance plans.



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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13
9:00 AM-12:00 PM**



For kids age
4 to 15

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Come and Test Your Bike Handling Skills!
FREE Bike Helmet Giveaway, Goodie Bags, and Ice Cream!

For More information, contact the Vance County Sheriff's Office at (252) 425-0933.

EVENT LOCATION:
Vance County Courthouse Parking Lot



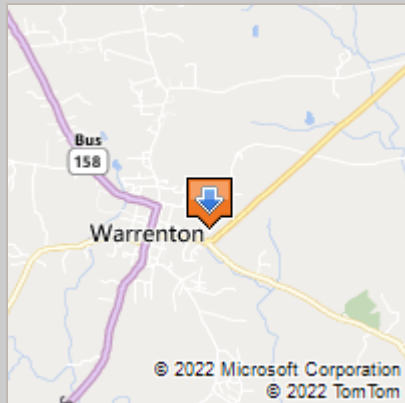
When

Thursday, September 22, 2022 from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM EDT

 [Add to Calendar](#)

Where

Warren County Armory Civic Center
501 US Hwy 158 Bus E
Warrenton, NC 27589



[Driving Directions](#)

Contact

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252-436-2040
kconner@kerrtarco.org

2022 Kerr-Tar COG Annual Banquet & Awards Ceremony

You are cordially invited to attend the Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments' Annual Banquet & Awards Thursday, September 22, 2022. The event will be held at the Warren County Armory and begins at 6:30 pm. Join us as we recognize our local community leaders for their commitment to improving the Kerr-Tar Region. Please reply by September 6.

[Register Now!](#)





PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
2022 KERR-TAR REGIONAL COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS

Annual Banquet & Awards Ceremony

September

THURSDAY | **22** | AT 6:30 PM

WARREN COUNTY ARMORY CIVIC CENTER
501 US HWY 158 BUS E
WARRENTON, NC

Register HERE

RSVP by September 6, 2022

OPEN HOUSE



THE KARTS BOARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & STAFF

**Cordially invite you to attend an open house and
tour of our new facility located at
1575 Ross Mill Rd Henderson, NC 27537**

**Come see our new facility and meet the people
who keep transit moving!**

**September 29th
1 PM to 3 PM
Kerr Area Transportation Authority**

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When: Aug. 31 & Sept. 1 (pre-conference events Aug. 30)

Where: Durham Convention Center

The purpose of the 2022 Sustainable Fleet Technology Conference & Expo is to showcase the latest and greatest in advanced vehicles, fuels, and technologies, including data-driven solutions. The SFT is a source of on-the-ground experiences for increasing fleet efficiency and sustainability, while reducing emissions and costs.

Click to Learn More: www.sustainablefleetexpo.com

What can you learn about?

- *Alternative Fuels (including biofuels, CNG, electric, propane, renewable diesel)*
- *Advanced Vehicle Technologies*
- *Motor Fleet Management*
- *Vehicle Sharing Technologies*
- *Idle Reduction*
- *Vehicle Right Sizing*
- *Eco-Driving*
- *Autonomous Vehicles & Future Technologies*

Who should attend?

- *Public & Private Fleet Managers*
- *Purchasing Officials*
- *State Government Leaders*
- *Municipal Government Officials*
- *Non-Profit Stakeholders*
- *Clean Cities Coalitions & Stakeholders*
- *Alternative Fuel Trade Organizations*
- *Sustainability Managers*
- *Academic Leaders & Researchers*

For additional event information, contact **Heather Brutz**
NC Clean Energy Technology Center, hmbritz@ncsu.edu

2022 North Carolina Planning Conference



Winston-Salem Skyline

2022 North Carolina Planning Conference

RESILIENT: REIMAGING ECONOMY, EQUITY, AND ENGAGEMENT

We are excited about getting back together in person again in Winston-Salem! Attendees will have the opportunity to experience the city and the surrounding area with the sessions, tours, and activities that have been planned. Winston-Salem will also provide the perfect setting to inspire participants and empower them with fresh ideas to take back to their communities.

This year's conference is scheduled for September 13-16 and will be held at the M.C. Benton Convention Center in the heart of the Twin City Quarter Complex. The Winston-Salem Marriott will serve as our conference hotel and is situated right across the street from the convention center. This year's conference theme is Resilient: Reimagining Economy, Equity, and Engagement. The conference will feature concurrent sessions, lightning rounds, networking opportunities, and mobile tours of Winston-Salem and the surrounding areas.

The 2022 Conference Committee is planning much more so be sure to join us for what promises to be a dynamic, informative, and exciting conference!

For more information on the conference including how to register, reserve hotel rooms, etc., visit [Attendee Information](#).

Attendee Information

Ready to Attend the Conference?

2022 North Carolina Planning Conference

Resilient: Reimagining Economy, Equity, and Engagement

September 13-16

Twin City Quarters (Winston-Salem, NC)

Conference Location

M.C. Benton Convention Center

This year's conference is located at the M.C. Benton Convention Center located in the heart of Winston-Salem's Twin City Quarter. For more details on the convention center, please visit [Twin City Quarter](#).

Registration

2022 NC Planning Conference Registration

APA-NC will be utilizing an online platform called Whova for the 2022 North Carolina Planning Conference. Attendees can Download the Whova Mobile App or Access It From the Web Platform on Desktop using the email address you registered with the event to sign up.

With Whova you can:

- View our event agenda and plan your personal schedule
- Access handouts, video recordings, or streaming directly within sessions and utilize the session Q&A to ask questions (if enabled by the organizers)
- Set up in-person/virtual meet-ups with other attendees to connect and network
- Create and converse through various Discussion Topics in the Community Board
- Receive updates such as last minute session changes from the organizers
- Get presentation documents and slides (if the event organizer uploaded them)

After downloading, use your registered email address when signing up in the app and choose a strong password, or sign up using a social media account. Once you're signed up, you should be taken directly to our event!

If you aren't directly added to the event and are asked for an event invitation code when accessing the event, please type in the invitation code you received upon registration. If you did not get the registration code, please email conference.apanc@gmail.com.

Already used the Whova app in the past? Double-check that it is installed on your phone, and log in using your existing account email and password.

If you need more guidance on how to use Whova to attend the event, please visit [Whova User Guides](#).

Agenda (subject to change)

2022 North Carolina Planning Conference Agenda

2022 North Carolina Planning Conference Speakers

Official Conference Hotel

The **Winston-Salem Marriott (425 N Cherry Street)** will serve as our conference hotel and is located across the street from the Benton Convention Center. Click [Winston-Salem Marriott](#) to book your room nights for the conference!

Deadline to Reserve: Extended to Tuesday, August 23, 2022 or until room block is sold out.

The **Winston-Salem Marriott** has a block of rooms available for conference attendees with special rates for our conference for the nights of Tuesday, September 13 through September 15. The group rate is *\$179 plus applicable taxes*. There is no onsite parking available and valet parking is \$25.00 per car per day. Offsite parking is available .1 mile away in the Cherry/Fifth Street Parking Garage. Check-time is 3:00 pm and check-out time is 12:00 pm. Please verify details directly with the hotel.

To: Members of the Kerr-Tar Rural Planning Organization

Diane Cox
Executive Director

From: Sam Boswell, RPO Coordinator

**Member
Governments**

Subject: Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Project Grant Funding

COUNTIES

Franklin
Granville
Person
Vance
Warren

The North Carolina Clean Energy Technology Center (NCCETC) at North Carolina State University has announced a request for proposal for the 2022 Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) project. The CFAT project is supported with federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds provided by NCDOT. The primary purpose of the CFAT project is to reduce transportation related emissions in 24 eligible North Carolina counties. In the Kerr-Tar region, that includes Franklin, Granville, and Person counties.*

MUNICIPALITIES

Bunn
Butner
Creedmoor
Franklinton
Henderson
Kittrell
Louisburg
Macon
Middleburg
Norlina
Oxford
Roxboro
Stem
Stovall
Warrenton
Youngsville

The CFAT project is designed to be as flexible and accommodating as possible to each public and private sector applicants that have an interest in and commitment to mobile emission reduction technologies. The basic criteria for eligibility are that the project:

- **Is transportation related** – including on-road projects, rail and off-road construction equipment used in transportation projects;
- **Reduces criteria pollutant emissions** – including nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide (CO), volatile organic compounds (VOCs) or hydrocarbons (HC) and particulate matter (PM); AND
- **Is located within OR benefits a NAAQS maintenance area.**

***Exception:** Electric vehicle charging stations are eligible projects in all 100 counties of the state. To be clear, electric vehicle charging stations *are eligible* outside the 24 counties of NAAQS maintenance.

Applications are due by **September 9, 2022. **** updated deadline ******

A minimum 20% to 24% cost share of total project cost is required for all applicants. Total cost share will vary depending on the size of the project.

Total funding available: \$1,500,000.

Maximum per project award: \$300,000.

Minimum per project award: \$5,000.

The specific transportation related technologies eligible for CFAT project reimbursement include:

- Alternative fuel & advanced technology vehicle (AFV) leases
- Alternative fuel & advanced technology vehicle (AFV) conversions
- Mobile idle reduction technologies
- Diesel retrofits
- Electric vehicle charging projects (publicly accessible)

FALL LITTER SWEEP

North Carolina
Sept. 10-24, 2022
Volunteer Locally!
N.C. Department
of Transportation
Biannual Cleanup Drive



Forms, posters, and
telephone listings are
available on our website

ncdot.gov/littersweep

Share your clean-up images at:
#LitterSweepNC



ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY
Learn how you can help keep
North Carolina beautiful.
apps.ncdot.gov/LM



SWAT-A-LITTERBUG

Littering is illegal and a fineable offense upon conviction. G.S. 14-399. Let us know when a person is littering by contacting Litter Management through the Online Swat-A-Litterbug process or by calling the NC State Highway Patrol at *HP or NCDOT Litter Management at **1-800-331-5864**. Find out more at ncdot.gov/litterbug.

SEPT 10-24, 2022

- ▶ Do not pick up what appears to be hazardous material or any type of container with unknown contents (notify your local coordinator or NCDOT maintenance office if you encounter hazardous objects or holes, guy wires and other hidden obstacles in the ground.)
 - ▶ Place trash bags where they can be easily retrieved by NCDOT personnel, but well clear of roadway traffic.
 - ▶ Do not use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol prior to or during a cleanup.
 - ▶ Provide adequate supervision by one or more adults 21 years of age or older for groups that have volunteers 12-17 years of age. All volunteers must be at least 12 years of age with adult supervision to participate.
 - ▶ Know the routes to medical care in case of emergency and have a first-aid kit readily available.
 - ▶ Conduct a safety meeting for all volunteers prior to each cleanup and go over all safety procedures, rules and guidelines. View the "North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway Safety" video and the "Colorado Meth Lab Waste Recognition" video prior to participating in a cleanup.
- You can access all safety information and videos from our website at ncdot.gov/littersweep.

VOLUNTEER SAFETY RULES AND GUIDELINES

FALL LITTER SWEEP

- ▶ Park in areas that: provide safe entrance and exit of the pickup area; do not create hazards with other vehicles and equipment operating near the work area; and provide maximum protection for volunteers getting in and out of the vehicle.
- ▶ All volunteers must wear a NCDOT approved orange safety vest. It is a good practice to wear long-sleeve shirts, gloves and high-top boots to protect against unforeseen hazards.
- ▶ Take extra precautions to prevent heat and cold stress when working in extreme temperatures. Pick up only during daylight hours and stop work during inclement weather.
- ▶ Face oncoming traffic while on foot. Stay off the road at least five feet from the pavement edge.
- ▶ Do not pick up in ditches, tunnels, on road surfaces, bridges, overpasses or medians. Avoid any construction areas.
- ▶ Work in small groups, allowing ample space for each volunteer to work safely.
- ▶ Place tools in a safe position so that sharp points are not exposed.
- ▶ Be aware of hidden obstructions that may have sharp edges and broken glass, especially in grassy areas.
- ▶ Do not attempt to squeeze bags to make room for more trash. Use caution when handling trash bags containing broken or sharp objects. Use proper lifting techniques when lifting bags.

FORMS TO DOWNLOAD

Visit ncdot.gov/littersweep to download forms:

- Fall 2022 Litter Sweep poster
- Certificate of Appreciation request form
- Safety rules and regulations for volunteers
- Adopt-A-Highway reporting instructions
- Litter Sweep cleanup procedures
- Adopt-A-Highway media form
- For questions or to request copies, call 1-800-331-5864


MATERIALS & PICKUP

Visit your local NCDOT maintenance office for **gloves, safety vests and orange trash bags that are reversible to a blue color for glass, metal and plastic for recycling**. Dispose of recyclables yourself.

Please report pickups online at apps.ncdot.gov/LM (info needed: **Pickup key, route cleaned, # of volunteers, hours worked, # of recyclable bags and trash bags, and is NCDOT bag pick up needed**.) If you are not an Adopt-A-Highway volunteer, please use the Other Volunteer Pickup Key: NSLKC.

REMEMBER: It is illegal to dispose of aluminum cans and plastic bottles in landfills.

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DEADLINE TO REQUEST CERTIFICATE IS **OCTOBER 31, 2022**

Mail to: NCDOT Litter Management, 1540 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1540
Email to: kasawyer2@ncdot.gov

Email _____

Phone (Work) _____ Home _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ County _____

Address _____

Mail to _____

Issue in name of _____

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (Please Print)

Fall 2022
LITTER SWEEP

SEPT. 10-24, 2022

OVERVIEW

These guidelines have been developed to assist economic development practitioners with the development or update of a CEDS. As a collection of tools and examples, they are intended to be aspirational in nature and should not be construed as additional requirements.

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) contributes to effective economic development in America's communities and regions through a locally-based, regionally-driven economic development planning process. Economic development planning – as implemented through the CEDS – is not only a cornerstone of the U.S. Economic Development Administration's (EDA) programs, but successfully serves as a means to engage community leaders, leverage the involvement of the private sector, and establish a strategic blueprint for regional collaboration. The CEDS provides the capacity-building¹ foundation by which the public sector, working in conjunction with other economic actors (individuals, firms, industries), creates the environment for regional economic prosperity.

Simply put, a CEDS is a strategy-driven plan for regional economic development. A CEDS is the result of a regionally-owned planning process designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region.² It is a key component in establishing and maintaining a robust economic ecosystem by helping to build regional capacity (through hard and soft infrastructure) that contributes to individual, firm, and community success. The CEDS provides a vehicle for individuals, organizations, local governments, institutes of learning, and private industry to engage in a meaningful conversation and debate about what capacity building efforts would best serve economic development in the region. The CEDS should take into account and, where appropriate, integrate or leverage other regional planning efforts, including the use of other available federal funds, private sector resources, and state support which can advance a region's CEDS goals and objectives. Regions must update their CEDS at least every five years to qualify for EDA assistance under its Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs. In addition, a CEDS is a prerequisite for designation by EDA as an [Economic Development District \(EDD\)](#).

This guidance is primarily intended to assist in efforts to develop the *content* of a CEDS document. It suggests how to develop the document's format and substance to make the strongest, most useful and effective CEDS possible. The focus on content in these guidelines does not diminish the importance of the process used to develop a CEDS. A well-led, broadly inclusive process is vital to the creation of a relevant and effective document. It also serves to build leadership, enhance cooperation, and foster public ownership and enthusiasm. While the high-level steps required to prepare a CEDS can be found in the [Preparation section](#) of this document, EDA suggests contacting the appropriate EDA regional office (specific points of contact can be found on EDA's website at www.eda.gov) to learn more about the overall CEDS process and additional resources and guidance available.

From the regulations governing the CEDS (see 13 C.F.R. § 303.7), the following sections *must* be included in the CEDS document:

- *Summary Background*: A summary background of the economic conditions of the region;
- ***SWOT Analysis*: An in-depth analysis of regional strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (commonly known as a "SWOT" analysis);**
- *Strategic Direction/Action Plan*: The strategic direction and action plan should build on findings from the SWOT analysis and incorporate/integrate elements from other regional plans (e.g., land use and transportation, workforce development, etc.) where appropriate as determined by the EDD or community/region engaged in development of the CEDS. The action plan should

also identify the stakeholder(s) responsible for implementation, timetables, and opportunities for the integrated use of other local, state, and federal funds;

- *Evaluation Framework*: Performance measures used to evaluate the organization's implementation of the CEDS and impact on the regional economy.

In addition to the sections noted above, the CEDS must incorporate the concept of economic resilience (i.e., the ability to avoid, withstand, and recover from economic shifts, natural disasters, the impacts of climate change, etc.). The EDD or community responsible for the CEDS can address resilience as a separate section, distinct goal or priority action item, and/or as an area of investigation in the SWOT analysis. It may be most effective, however, to infuse the concept of resilience throughout the CEDS document. As a baseline, EDA suggests regions undertake a two-pronged approach to help identify and counter the vulnerabilities that each region may face.

This document provides recommendations on what should be included in each of the sections required by EDA's regulations, and suggests tools, resources, and examples to help in each section's development. As a collection of tools and examples, it is intended to be aspirational in nature and should not be construed as additional requirements. This guidance stresses the importance of linking the sections (e.g., using background information that is relevant to the SWOT) to improve the CEDS focus and impact. Moreover, the guide emphasizes strategic approaches based on regional visioning, goals, measurable objectives, and prioritized actions – rather than the CEDS serving as an inventory of programs and projects already in process in regions. In addition, this guidance underscores the need to think beyond traditional job creation and embrace capacity building and broad-based wealth creation when developing goals, measurable objectives, actions, and performance measures. It also highlights the need to undertake an asset-based approach (i.e., efforts that focus on the strengths of a community or region) while considering the interdependencies between regional economic prosperity and other topics such as job-driven workforce development, natural resource management and development and sustainable land use. Finally, this guidance provides practical recommendations about formatting a CEDS that will result in an engaging, technically-sound strategy for guiding regional development.

Please note, however, that the CEDS examples recommended in this document are intended to be informative and a source of inspiration, and should not be replicated wholesale for the CEDS section or area referenced. Each region's unique assets and challenges may make the use of another region's section structure and/or content ineffective.

1 The terms "capacities" and "capacity building" refer to the public sector's role in investing in new ideas, knowledge transfer, and infrastructure to build a foundation so that the private sector can flourish (i.e., enable economic development to promote regional prosperity).

2 For the purpose of these Content Guidelines, the terms "area," "region," and "community" are often used interchangeably to refer to an appropriate political, economic, or geographic entity for addressing economic development.

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Franklin County

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SURVEY



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Who?

Anyone who lives, works, or has an interest in the Kerr-Tar region is encouraged to respond to the online survey.



How You Can Help

To respond to the survey, scan the QR code with your smartphone camera, or click [HERE](#). The survey will be open through **August 31, 2022**. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



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