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# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA Metropolitan Planning Organization

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The mission of the Wilmington MPO is to develop and implement a comprehensive multi-modal transportation plan that supports the existing and future mobility needs and economic vitality of the Wilmington Urban Area. This shall be accomplished by protecting the environment, safe guarding the social equity, improving the quality of life for the citizens of the community, improving the local economy and providing for the safe and efficient mobility throughout the region. This is achieved through the long range transportation planning process which includes a comprehensive, continuous and cooperative approach from citizens and participating members.

#### Meeting Agenda

Wilmington Urban Area MPO Transportation Advisory Committee

TO:	Transportation Advisory Committee Members
FROM:	Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director
DATE:	October 26, 2012
SUBJECT:	October 31 <sup>st</sup> Meeting

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO Transportation Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 4 pm. The meeting will be held in the Lord Spencer Compton Conference Room at City Hall in downtown Wilmington.

The following is the agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approval of Minutes:
  - a. 9/26/12
- 3) Public Comment Period
- 4) Presentations
  - a. Local Programs Management- Marta Matthews, NCDOT
- 5) Old Business
- 6) New Business
  - a. Resolution Seeking Affiliate Membership in the I-95 Coalition
  - b. Resolution adopting STIP/MTIP Amendments
  - c. Resolution supporting I-74 as a Priority Project for the Eastern North Carolina Coalition
  - d. Resolution Adopting the Direct Appropriation Funding- Local Prioritization Process and Funding Allocation
  - e. Amendment to the TAC Meeting Calendar- November 26<sup>th</sup>
- 7) Discussion
  - a. STIP/MTIP Administrative Modifications
  - b. Wilmington MPO Boundary Expansion
- 8) Updates
  - a. City of Wilmington/Wilmington MPO
  - b. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority
  - c. NCDOT
- 9) Announcements
  - a. Walk/Bike NC Regional Workshops- October 29<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Wilmington MPO Bike/Ped meeting- November 15<sup>th</sup>

#### 10) Next Meeting –December 12, 2012

#### Attachments:

- Minutes 9/26/12 meeting
- I-95 Corridor Coalition Procedural Guidelines
- Resolution supporting participation in the I-95 Coalition
- MTIP/STIP Amendments
- Resolution adopting STIP/MTIP Amendments
- Resolution supporting I-74 as a Priority Project for the Eastern North Carolina Coalition
- STP-DA Roadway Investment Target Proposed Evaluation Criteria
- STP-DA Proposed Intersection Investment Target Proposed Evaluation Criteria
- STP-DA Proposed Bicycle/Pedestrian Target Proposed Evaluation Criteria
- Resolution Adopting the Direct Appropriation Funding- Local Prioritization Process and Funding Allocation
- STIP/MTIP Administrative Modifications- October
- Maps demonstrating the Potential MPO Boundary Expansion Alternatives
- Local Resolutions Requesting Inclusion in the Wilmington MPO
- Pros and Cons Memorandum- Brunswick County
- NCDOT Projects in the Possible MPO Planning Area Boundary Expansion in Brunswick County
- City of Wilmington/Wilmington MPO Project Update (October 2012)
- NCDOT Project Update

# **Meeting Minutes**

# Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee Date: September 26, 2012

# Members Present:

Dean Lambeth, Vice-Chair, Town of Kure Beach Joe Breault, Town of Belville Pat Batleman, Town of Leland Steve Shuttleworth, Town of Carolina Beach Bill Sisson, Town of Wrightsville Beach Jonathan Barfield, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority Earl Sheridan, City of Wilmington Bill Sue, Brunswick County

# Staff Present:

Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director Tara Murphy, Associate Transportation Planner Suraiya Rashid, Associate Transportation Planner

# 1. Call to Order

Mr. Lambeth called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

# 2. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the August 29, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

# 3. Public Comment Period

No one wished to speak during the Public Comment Period

Mr. Lambeth told members that Staff is requesting to make two changes to the meeting agenda. He noted that item 7b is to be moved ahead and an additional item would be introduced later in the agenda. Mr. Sue made the motion to alter the meeting agenda and Mr. Barfield seconded the motion. The motion to amend the meeting agenda carried unanimously.

# 4. Presentations

# 7.b. Wilmington MPO Transportation Management Area Designation

# **Direct Appropriation Funding – Local Prioritization Process**

Ms. Suraiya Rashid gave a presentation on the STP – DA Funds. She told members that staff reviewed three TMAs for benchmarking in establishing a Local Prioritization Process for programming Direct Attributable (DA) funds. The benchmark MPOs were Winston Salem, Capital Area and Durham-Chapel Hill. After reviewing the information, staff recommended using a process similar to the Capital Area MPO (CAMPO) because it offers greater opportunity for the regional needs of the MPO.

Ms. Rashid told members that staff recommended that Wilmington MPO follow the CAMPO model by taking funds off the top to supplement the UPWP and the remaining monies divided between roadway, transit, bicycle/pedestrian and intersection projects for the local prioritization process. The next step is to determine the percentages of the funds to be allocated in each category or "bucket" every year as identified by the TAC.

Following Ms. Rashid's presentation, Mr. Shuttleworth said he has concerns regarding the reserve funds being set aside. He would like to see a cap placed on the amount. Mr. Breault agreed.

Mr. Kozlosky explained that the Federal Highway Administration will be conducting a mockcertification process the first week in October to help staff with establishing the process for distribution of funds received.

Mr. Sisson told members that he has concerns and believes the process should be fluid and flexible. Mr. Barfield suggested that the TCC help with developing strategies for establishing the process.

Mr. Kozlosky told members the first step in this process is for TAC members to decide on whether to pursue a modal mix or non-competitive local distribution for the DA funds. He noted that the TCC established a sub-committee at their last meeting for development of the process. They will begin working on strategies once the TAC decides the direction desired for programming the DA funds.

Mr. Sisson said he feels that the modal mix is the best choice because it will offer options in making changes as we move forward. Mr. Shuttleworth said he agreed that using the modal mix option will offer flexibility to be built into the process. Mr. Kozlosky told members that staff will bring back a modal mix process for review at the October meeting.

# a. Congestion Management Process

Mr. Geigle, from FHWA gave a presentation on the Congestion Management Process (CMP) for the Wilmington region. He told members that the CMP is a systematic and regionally-accepted approach for managing congestion based on accurate, up-to-date information on system performance and an assessment of strategies to address local/regional congestion needs. He noted that the one important difference is the change from an "8-step" model to a model that recognizes 8 necessary actions or elements. It allows flexibility in how the actions or elements are ordered/grouped and/or integrated into other processes such as the LRTP or TIP.

# 5. Old Business

# a. Resolution supporting naming US 17 in Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick Counties as "The Colonial Highway"

Mr. Kozlosky told members the US 17 Association has not yet completed their economic study and he recommended that the item be tabled until the completion of the study. The item can be brought forward at that time.

Mr. Breault made the motion to table the resolution until the study is complete. Mr. Sheridan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

# 6. New Business

a. Opening of a 30-day Public Comment Period for the STIP/MTIP Amendment

Mr. Sue made the motion the open the 30-day public comment period for the STIP/MTIP Amendment. Mr. Sisson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

# b. Resolution supporting participation in the Easter Carolina Coalition

Mr. Kozlosky told members the 14 MPOs and RPOs east of I- 95 met to discuss forming a Coalition to address on-going transportation issues that impact eastern North Carolina. The group will be discussing emerging issues and work to develop a collaborative approach to transportation

planning in the eastern part of the state. Each of these 14 MPOs and RPOs are being asked to adopt a resolution supporting participation in the Coalition.

Mr. Sisson made the motion to support participation in the Eastern Carolina Coalition. Mr. Sheridan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

# 7. Discussion

# a. Wilmington MPO Boundary Expansion

Mr. Kozlosky told members he received a letter from the Town of Surf City stating that they are not interested in being included in the MPO boundary. Without the addition of Surf City, to include Topsail Beach within the boundary is no longer geographically feasible. He said he also received correspondence from the Town of Southport and they are requesting to be included as a member of the MPO.

Mr. Kozlosky stated that staff's recommendation is that the MPO either do nothing regarding expansion, or expand to the northeast to include where the urban cluster stops. He said he does not recommend looking to Southport and that area of Brunswick County because there is a significant amount of rural area between here and there.

Mr. Sisson told Mr. Kozlosky he would like to have a list of pros and cons of each one. Mr. Shuttleworth said he would also like to see a pros and cons list. Mr. Kozlosky said he will bring the information to the next meeting.

# c. State Ethics Policy for MPOs and RPOs

Mr. Kozlosky told members that in 2012 the General Assembly enacted legislation covering all MPOs and RPOs that states that all members of their TCCs and TACs are covered by the State Ethics Act beginning January 1, 2013. Members must complete a Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) by April 15, 2013. He noted that local government ethics education does not satisfy the Ethics Act education requirement. June 30, 2013 is the deadline for completing ethics education.

# d. Wilmington MPO "Draft 2013-2023 STIP/MTIP

Mr. Kozlosky told members that the first draft of the 2013-2023 STIP/MTIP has just been released. It is the first step in disseminating funds from the prioritization 2.0.

# e. October Meeting Date Change

Mr. Kozlosky noted that the next meeting will fall on Halloween and asked if members wished to change the meeting date. The consensus of the committee was to leave the meeting as scheduled.

# 8. Updates

Project updates for the Wilmington MPO/City of Wilmington and NCDOT are included in the agenda packet.

# Added Agenda Item

Mr. Shuttleworth made the motion to add the consideration of a resolution supporting the Transit in the Park Grant application to the agenda. Mr. Sue seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

Ms. Harrington told members that the Towns of Kure Beach and Carolina Beach are seeking to apply for a grant offered by the Federal Transit Authority. If awarded, the grant will provide funding to alternative transportation projects in the vicinity of federally owned land. She said that the submittal date for the grant application is September 28, 2012 and if awarded the grant money will be used to

construct a transportation network that will help provide a safer, more convenient option for citizens, improve mobility, reduce traffic congestion and improve recreational opportunities.

Mr. Barfield made the motion to support the Transit in Parks Grant application for the Towns of Kure and Carolina Beach. Mr. Sue seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

# 9. Announcements

# 10. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 PM

Respectfully submitted Mike Kozlosky Executive Director Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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# **I-95 CORRIDOR COALITION**

# **PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES**

Prepared By:

Steering Committee

December 2010



# **Procedural Guidelines**

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# PREFACE

The I-95 Corridor Coalition does not have a formal set of By-laws. However, since its establishment, the Coalition has adopted a number of procedures, policies and guidelines that determine the manner in which we operate. These operating guidelines have been compiled and are contained in this manual. This manual will be of use to both new and existing Coalition members. Since procedures are always being revised, it is planned that this manual will be updated on a frequent basis. Any comments or suggestions should be addressed to the current co-chairs of the Steering Committee or to any of the Coalition staff.

Gene Donaldson (Delaware DOT), Chair I-95 Corridor Coalition Steering Committee

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### I. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

#### MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

There are four types of membership within the I-95 Corridor Coalition (Coalition): Full Membership, Affiliate Membership, Associate Membership and Friends of the Coalition.

*Full Membership* entitles the organization to a seat on the Executive Board, along with representation on the Steering Committee, Program Track Committees, and/or any special task forces. Full membership applies to any organization that owns or operates a major regional system within the Coalition's 16 states or that is an agency of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT). Each full member is accorded one vote, when voting is required.

*Affiliate Membership* entitles the organization to representation on the Steering Committee, Program Track Committees, and/or any special task forces. This category includes any organization that is a transportation-related association, such as a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) or other transportation planning agencies/organizations within the 16 State Coalition Region.

**Associate Membership** entitles the organization to representation on the Program Track Committees, and/or any special task forces. This category includes any organization that owns or operates a local transportation system; is otherwise eligible to be a Full or Affiliate member but is outside the geographic boundary of the Coalition; or is a partner agency, such as State Police, other law enforcement organizations, and motor vehicle agencies. Partner agencies typically contribute to the content and implementation of the Coalition's program, but are not part of a public transportation department or authority.

*Friends of the I-95 Corridor Coalition* entitles the organization to receive Coalition newsletters, publications, notices and project reports (if requested). Organizations or individuals not eligible for Full, Affiliate or Associate membership would fit this category.

#### Process for Adding New Members

Organizations interested in Full, Affiliate or Associate Membership must submit a written request. The leadership of the Steering Committee must approve any organization requesting Affiliate or Associate Membership. The Executive Board leadership must approve requests for Full membership. Any organization that is interested in becoming a Friend of the I-95 Corridor Coalition will be added to the database upon request.

#### New Member Packages

Any new Full, Affiliate or Associate Member will receive a welcome package that includes a welcome letter and current publications. Unless they make a specific request, Friends of the I-95 Corridor Coalition will be placed on the mailing list to receive future editions of publications.

#### Committee Membership

<u>Program Track Committees</u> - Membership on these committees will be open to all wanting to be involved. The Program Track Committee leadership is designated by the Steering Committee leadership. Participation may include representatives from Coalition members, affiliate organizations, interest groups and other interested parties.

<u>Policy & Strategic Planning Committee</u> – Membership on this committee consists of individuals with a broad perspective on Coalition and member agency needs, covering policy development, planning, finance, investment, operations, and technology. Individuals with multi-modal, regional and multi-state experience are critical. Executive Board and Steering Committee members designate members of the Policy & Strategic Planning Committee.

<u>Steering Committee</u> - Membership consists of two representatives from each Full member organization and one from each Affiliate organization and all the chairs of the Program Track Committees.

<u>Executive Board</u> – Membership consists of the Chief Executive Officer of each Full member organization, usually a Commissioner, Executive Director, Secretary, or Administrator.

## I. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

#### CORE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Coalition's core structure includes the Executive Board, the Steering Committee, the Policy & Strategic Planning Committee, and the Program Track Committees. This section provides descriptions of each Committee and guidelines for leadership succession planning. Exhibit I-1 summarizes the roles of the key organizational parts. Other groups supporting the work of the Coalition and their roles are also described within this section.

#### Executive Board

The Executive Board is made up of Chief Executive Officers or their designee from each of the Coalition's Full member agencies. The Executive Board is the policy making body for the Coalition. It meets twice a year or as needed to provide policy guidance to the Coalition and to approve the Coalition's annual program. The Executive Board looks at the implication of long-term trends and frames the Coalition's long-term goals accordingly. It must also approve all strategic planning actions and any organizational restructuring. A chair and one or more vice-chairs lead the Executive Board. The chair and the vice-chairs form an Executive Leadership group which meets as necessary to consider policy level issues. The Executive Leadership decides what issues must go to the full Board for consideration, and may choose to take an action as the leadership without a full Board meeting. If a ballot process is used between meetings to gather input or direction, the majority response by the due date will be used.

<u>Decision Process</u> - The Executive Board operates by consensus to the extent possible. When votes are needed to set priorities or to take specific action, each Full member agency shall have one vote. Decisions will be made by a simple majority of those present at a meeting. However, in advance of Executive Board meetings, a specific input and ballot on action items will be sought from those unable to attend and those votes shall count toward the final vote count.

# Steering Committee

The Steering Committee is made up of the Program Track Committee chairs and the senior policy or technical representatives from each member of the Coalition. It meets as needed and deals with all aspects of the Coalition's activities including technical, institutional, organizational, program, funding, policy and internal and external relations. The Steering Committee is led by a chair and vice chair or two co-chairs. The Steering Committee coordinates and manages Coalition programs, gives guidance on activities that cut-across Program Track Committees, and oversees policy development. The leadership of the Steering Committee also participates in guiding the day-to-day management of the Coalition. The leadership decides what issues must go to the full Committee for consideration.

<u>Decision Process</u> - The Steering Committee operates by consensus to the extent possible. When votes are needed to set priorities or to take specific action, each Program Track Committee Chair and each full member agency shall have one vote. Decisions will be made by simple majority of those present at a meeting. However, in advance of Steering Committee meetings, a specific input and ballot on action items will be sought from those unable to attend and those votes shall count toward the final vote count.

#### Policy & Strategic Planning Committee

The Policy & Strategic Planning (PSP) Committee serves a dual role in the Coalition structure. First, the PSP provides policy analysis and strategic planning support to the Executive Leadership. Second, the PSP provides management mechanisms that ensure consistency with the long-term objectives of the Coalition and supports the Steering Committee's responsibility for defining the Coalition's Work Plan and Budget. The PSP also identifies and manages/coordinates projects of corridor-wide significance or those that cut across several Program Track Committees.

#### Program Track Committees

Program Track Committees have been established as the core structure through which the Coalition's program will be implemented. Program Track Committees are established for focus areas as determined by Executive Leadership. The role of a Program Track Committee is to guide the Coalition activity within that area of program emphasis and expertise. These committees meet on a frequency determined by need within the Committee. Membership is from the Coalition agencies, but participation is open to anyone with an interest in the goals of the committee, including representatives of private or corporate entities. The committee may have co-chairs, but at least half the leadership must be from a member agency. The leadership of the Steering Committee approves the selection of Program Track Committee Chairs. The Program Track Committees, and their respective goals, are:

- Travel Information Services:
  - To support the development of a corridor-wide, multimodal traveler information system that provides users with accurate and timely information.
- Coordinated Incident Management Safety:
  - To raise the visibility of safety in all Coalition activities, and facilitate, support, and enhance the coordination and implementation of interagency efforts in response to major incidents. Within this Committee are Regional HOGs groups -- an acronym from the previous committee name of "Highway Operations Group" -- which address regional geographies from Maine to Florida.
- Intermodal Freight and Passenger Movement
  - To promote reliable, efficient, and balanced intermodal transportation throughout the Coalition states by supporting policies, information technology, and operations that improve the intermodal movement of freight and passengers.

#### Committee Leadership Succession

The term for leadership of the Executive Board, Steering Committee, Policy & Strategic Planning Committee and Program Track Committees is two years, with a maximum of four years. As part of succession planning, all committees should conduct a leadership review every two years. Additional guidance is provided for Executive Board and Steering Committee leadership succession:

• <u>Executive Board</u> - The nominations/elections for Executive Board Leadership positions will take place at the Spring Board meeting or at the Board Meeting held in conjunction with the Coalition's Annual Meeting, with the term beginning January of the year immediately following.

The nominating committee will be selected by the current Chair and consist of members of the Board The nominating committee will meet prior to the Board Meeting at which elections will be held and make their recommendation at the Board Meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the Board Meeting. A majority of the Executive Board in attendance at the meeting shall decide on the new leadership.

Where circumstances do not permit normal succession guidelines to be implemented, the Executive Board leadership may institute special procedures to fill vacant positions.

<u>Mid-term Appointments</u> – In the case of a mid-term Executive Board leadership vacancy, for Chair or Vice-Chair, the remaining Executive Leadership will appoint another member of the Executive Board to fill the vacant position until the next regularly scheduled election. If the vacancy to be filled is the Chair position, one of the remaining Vice-Chairs will assume the Chair position and a new appointment will fill the Vice-Chair position until the next regularly scheduled election. The Executive Leadership will enact any required changes at the first opportunity following the vacancy, or in advance when prior notice is given. The new and/or revised Executive Leadership will be officially announced to the entire Executive Board in writing at the earliest opportunity after the appointment, and introduced at the next regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting.

 <u>Steering Committee</u> - The combined time in service for any of the leadership positions should not exceed four years. One of the two members of the leadership team will continue their term after the other has left to provide continuity. Either two Co-chairs or a Chair and Vice-chair could serve as the leadership.

Succession will take place at two-year intervals (offset from the Executive Board succession) with the changeover occurring during the first meeting of the Steering Committee in the calendar year. Nominations and elections will occur during the last meeting of the appropriate calendar year.

Any member of the Steering Committee may make nominations for Steering Committee leadership by submitting in writing to the Steering Committee leadership or the Executive Director. In all cases, recommendations will be forwarded to the Steering Committee for ratification.

<u>Mid-term Appointments</u> - Where circumstances do not permit normal succession guidelines to be implemented, the Executive Board, in conjunction with the remaining Steering Committee leadership, may institute special procedures to fill vacant positions. One such case is when one or both of the current Steering Committee leadership resign or are no longer able to serve.

# Exhibit I-1 ORGANIZATIONAL ROLES

Coalition	Program Track Committee	Policy & Strategic Planning Committee	Steering Committee	Executive Board	
Long Range and Strategic Planning	<ul> <li>Provide input to track-related strategies and long-range activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop long-range strategic vision for Coalition and Corridor</li> <li>Act in an advisory role on policy issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prioritize track recommendations</li> <li>Translate Executive Board direction and strategies into near-term policies and programs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identify long term strategic positions</li> <li>Position Coalition's long-range plans and strategies</li> </ul>	
Program and Operating Policies	<ul> <li>Identify policy issues, options for recommendation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure that the Work Plan and Budget reflect the established strategic objectives and priorities.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Decide/give guidance on direction of Coalition</li> <li>In coordination with PSP oversee business operations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Set overall direction of Coalition</li> <li>Provide input and direction</li> <li>Finalize and make decisions on policies</li> </ul>	
Programs & Projects	<ul> <li>Develop programs and recommend priorities within track areas</li> <li>Oversee technical and program activity</li> <li>Identify training, standards and other agency support needs in track areas</li> <li>Identify &amp; create links with related program tracks</li> <li>Identify emerging issues within track areas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identify and manage certain projects of corridor-wide significance or projects with significant policy considerations;</li> <li>Identify and manage major projects that cut across many Program Tracks.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Coordinate and guide programs/ resources;</li> <li>Determine overall program and coordinate across program tracks;</li> <li>Identify, prioritize, and agree on agency support needs and emerging issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide input and direction</li> <li>Finalize and make decisions on programs</li> </ul>	
Budgets	<ul> <li>Recommend and monitor budget expenditures within track area</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports the Steering Committee's responsibility for defining the Coalition's Work Plan and Budget.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Oversee Tracks</li> <li>Prioritize recommendations from Program Track Committees</li> <li>Monitor across tracks; recommend to Executive Board</li> </ul>	Approve	
Members	<ul> <li>Leaders/Co-chairs appointed by Steering Committee leadership</li> <li>Membership is from the Coalition Full, Affiliate, or Associate agencies; participation is open to anyone</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leaders/Co-chairs appointed by Steering Committee leadership</li> <li>Membership consists of individuals with a broad perspective on Coalition and member agency needs, covering policy development, planning, finance, investment, operations and technology.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Full or Affiliate Member agencies of the Coalition, and chairs of track committees</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Full Member agencies of the Coalition</li> </ul>	

NOTE: In addition, the Steering Committee has responsibilities similar to the other committees for activities that cut across the other program tracks or involve more than a single program track. This includes initiating and managing task forces to address crosscutting issues such as training, outreach and performance measures.

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#### **OTHER COMMITTEES/ROLES**

In addition to the core structure that guides and implements the Coalition program, other roles are important to the overall structure and functioning of the Coalition.

#### Task Forces

From time to time, the Executive Board, the Steering Committee, the Policy & Strategic Planning and Committee, or a Program Track Committee may create a task force to address a specific issue. A Task Force is normally established with a single mission and when complete is discharged or is absorbed into the existing organizational structure. The permanent staff and the program support consultant provide support to the task forces as needed.

#### Subcommittees

Program Track Committees may establish subcommittees as deemed appropriate to assist in managing program areas. For any subcommittee established, at least half the leadership must be from a member agency.

#### Procurement Agencies

Coalition member agencies act as procurement agencies on behalf of the Coalition. This process allows the agency to receive federal funds and in turn gives them the responsibility to procure the services, and to provide general project administration for the resulting contractor. Section IV.3 describes the role of the contracting agency in the procurement process.

#### Project Management Team

For a specific project, the Program Track leaders and Coalition staff overseeing the project select a project management team. See Section III.1 for detailed explanation.

#### Operating Committees

The Coalition has established several "ad hoc" teams to expedite routine decision-making. One such team is the "*Core Team*" and consists of the leadership of the Steering Committee, the leadership of the Policy & Strategic Planning Committee, the permanent Coalition staff and the key Support Consultant program management staff. This team conducts regular conference calls to coordinate the day-to-day Coalition activities and meets as needed to define procedures and working relationships among team members, and to prepare for Executive or Steering Committee meetings.

In addition, the Executive Director and other Coalition Staff hold meetings with the program track consultant support staff as needed to ensure members and program needs are being met. When a formal action is required, the issue is referred to the appropriate decision-making part of the structure.

#### Federal Highway Administration

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is a funding partner for the Coalition program and has the responsibility to ensure that the program is being carried out consistent with federal policies, programs and regulations. This federal role is accomplished through a number of means, including membership and participation on the Executive Board, the Steering Committee, the Policy & Strategic Planning Committee and all Program Track Committees as well as direct involvement at the project level.

The FHWA has the responsibility of executing "Partnership Agreements" with those state agencies acting as, or on behalf of, the procurement agencies. These partnership agreements detail the Coalition's funding and the basic responsibilities of the state.

## The University of Maryland

The University of Maryland has been contracted by the I-95 Corridor Coalition to provide the following functions:

- Operate and Maintain the Coalition's web site
- Administer the Coalition's existing Consulting Services Contract
- Provide Coalition Administration Services: develop and coordinate Coalition files; develop and maintain a project database; disseminate, collect, and redistribute project quarterly report data; and collect, file, and track the Coalition's federal partnership agreements.
- Other duties as required.

#### Private Sector

A database of interested private sector companies is used to keep them informed of the Coalition's ongoing activities. Participation in Program Track Committees is welcome, and business partnerships are formed when appropriate.

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#### COALITION STAFF

The Coalition staff consists of an Executive Director and Program Coordinators. The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the leadership of the Steering Committee and Executive Leadership, establishes the staffing required to support the various program areas. The staff reports to the Executive Director. The staff serves the Executive Board, the Steering Committee, the Policy & Strategic Planning Committee, the Program Track Committees, and any project management teams and task forces. The staff directs the work of the Support Consultants.

#### **Recruitment and Selection**

Staff members are first recruited from member agencies on a loaned basis. If an experienced pool of candidates does not respond from the member agencies, recruitment may occur from private sector independent consultants. If recruitment results in candidates of equal capability from a member agency and from an outside source, the member agency candidates will receive preference.

For the Executive Director position, a selection committee is appointed by the Executive Leadership to evaluate and interview candidates. The selection committee conducts initial interviews and recommends one or more candidates to the Executive Leadership for final selection.

The Executive Director selects all other staff positions, based upon a competitive solicitation and interview process.

If the person selected for any of the staff positions is from a public agency, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is developed among the staff member, the staff member's parent organization and the Coalition. The MOU spells out the terms of engagement. The initial length of assignment is two years. The assignment may be renewed on an annual basis with the concurrence of each party. If the selection is from outside a member agency, a scope of work and contractual language is developed for execution with a member agency.

The Policy & Strategic Planning Committee leadership, the Steering Committee leadership and the Executive Leadership must approve the creation of any new positions before recruitment can begin.

The primary functions of each of the staff are described below.

#### **Executive Director**

The Coalition's Executive Director is responsible for managing the day-to-day implementation of the Coalition Annual Work Plans. The Executive Director reports to the Executive Board, consults regularly with the Steering Committee leadership, and directs the work of the support consultant for overall program support activities. The position functions as both the internal and external focus for communicating the policies, processes, and structure of the Coalition and for directing the implementation of the Coalition's program. Responsibilities of the Executive Director include overall direction for financial management/planning, organizational structure analysis, program development, outreach and communication strategies, program monitoring and evaluation, and business development. The permanent staff reports to the Executive Director. The Executive Director is responsible for bringing issues and proposed strategies to the attention of the coalition on all matters, within any limits outlined by the procedural manual and the decision-making structure of the Coalition.

#### Program Coordinators

The Coalition has program coordinators who provide overall staff support to all activities of the Coalition. The Coordinators work for the Executive Director and provide support to assigned Program Track Committees, as the representatives of the Coalition management processes. The Coordinators assist Program Track Committee Chairs to develop agendas for meetings, bring appropriate consultant resources to support meetings/activities as needed, and monitor Program Track activities for conformance with goals and objectives adopted by the Steering Committee. This role involves attending meetings, monitoring consultants, sub-consultants, and agencies participating in the projects. The Coordinators participate on project management teams, and support to Coalition Task Forces as assigned. Any budget changes, reallocation requests for Program Track activities or MOU's developed to support the activities of a Program Track must have the approval of the Program Coordinator. The Program Coordinators participate in all major activities of the Coalition, and represent the Coalition internally and externally about policies and the Coalition. For current position/staff information, programs of see http://www.i95coalition.org/contacts.html.

#### I. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

#### SUPPORT CONSULTANT STAFF

#### **Program Manager**

The Support Consultant's Program Manager has overall management responsibilities for the conduct of the work contracted to the Support Consultant firm, and supervises the work of the staff engaged in the basic Consultant Services Contract. The Program Manager reports to the Executive Director and works closely with the University of Maryland point of contact, Coalition staff, the Steering Committee and the Executive Board leadership and others as directed. The Support Consultant Program Manager also provides lead consultants from the contract team to each Program Track. These assigned consultants work through the Coalition staff to support the track leadership and the track projects and activities.

#### Program Management Team

A program management team from the support consultant includes the consultant program manager and those consultant staff whose areas of responsibility include the day-to-day operations of the Coalition support work. This includes budgeting, tracking performance and expenditures, payment processing and all other administrative support as assigned by the Coalition.

#### Project Management Team

An appropriate consultant from the support consultant team is assigned as lead consultant to each project management team when the Coalition initiates the project.

# II. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### ANNUAL WORK PLAN AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The cycle for developing the annual work plan and initiating new projects is a "top-down and bottom-up" process. Input for projects can come up from member agencies, from staff and even from other sources outside the Coalition. Those ideas are put into a process that is guided from the top Executive level of the Coalition, where broad policy, important focus and timely guidance is provided to shape the goals and objectives of the individual Program Track Committees. Projects, activities, and initiatives that work toward accomplishing the objectives are then prioritized and compiled into an annual plan according to available resources.

A chart depicting the basic steps and calendar of the cycle, effective with the Coalition's Year 16 Work Plan, is shown as Exhibit II -2.

Calendar Cycle	Current Year Program Planning				
April/May	Executive Board/Steering Committee issue guidance, setting broad program priorities				
Мау	<ul> <li>Program Track Committees review goals and objectives, adding or changing as appropriate; develop new project ideas with brief scopes, and prioritize them within objectives; assess readiness of new projects, identify project managers and secure match commitments for agency deployment projects</li> </ul>				
October	<ul> <li>Program Track Committees submit a comprehensive work plan request</li> </ul>				
October	<ul> <li>Program Track Committee requests are compiled and submitted to the Steering Committee for review.</li> </ul>				
November	Steering Committee reviews all submissions and develops a recommended work plan for the Executive Board				
December	• Executive Board adopts a work plan for that year and develops direction for the next work plan cycle.				
	Final work plan letter is submitted to FHWA				
January	FHWA formally approves the work plan				
January – April	Coalition itemizes the budget by project sponsor and amounts, working with FHWA				
	<ul> <li>FHWA begins the partnership agreement issuance, or interagency agreements if required for a specific project</li> </ul>				
April/May ▼	Next year's program planning cycle begins				

#### Exhibit II-2 PROGRAM PLANNING CYCLE

# II. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### MATCH CREDITS

FHWA requires a funding match for the Coalition's federal funds. The match is based on a percentage of the Coalition's total program cost, which is the sum of the federal funds earmarked for Coalition use and the match amount.

The following matching funds policy is in effect for Coalition efforts for Year 14 Projects (i.e., Federal Fiscal Year 2007) and beyond:

- Coalition Deployment and/or Integration Projects: Agencies and participants are required to satisfy the match requirements for any Coalition funding provided. This 20% "project specific" funding match can come from public and/or private sector sources and must meet the following guidelines:
  - 20% of the total project cost must be from non-federally derived funding sources and can consist of cash, substantial equipment contribution utilized for the project, or personnel services.
- General Support Activities: This category includes such efforts as administrative activities, training, studies, etc. Agencies and participants may use "pooled" match credits to satisfy matching requirements. "Pooled" match is the use of other related member ITS projects and other non-federal resources to satisfy a match requirement for a Coalition activity. This pooled "program-wide" approach recognizes that Federal ITS funds within a corridor should support an overall program of ITS initiatives rather than being strictly applied based on specific State-level expenditures.
  - Eligible Use of "Pooled" Match Credit: Member projects can be used as "pooled" match credits if they support, are consistent with, and/or are coordinated by the Coalition's projects and activities. They must also be implemented over the same comparable time period as Coalition projects. Non-federal resources, such as cash and staff time expended by Coalition members for ITS activity in the I-95 Corridor, can also be used as match credits. If member projects and non-federal resources are used as Coalition "pooled" match credit, members cannot use those same projects or resources to match other federal funds for their agency.

Annually, a comprehensive calendar-year summary of all match credit status is prepared and submitted with the annual work plan request.

# III. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Coalition Projects approved in the annual work plan are assigned to one of two categories:

- Consultant Contract Projects the work is completed by the Coalition through its competitively procured consultant contract.
- Agency Contract Projects the work is completed by a Member Agency using their existing contract mechanisms and Coalition funds transferred pursuant to a Partnership Agreement.

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAMS

A project management team is established for every approved project in the Coalition's work plan.

#### Consultant Contract Projects

There are four key personnel components of project management:

- Program Track Project Lead a member agency volunteer chosen by staff and PTC leaders based on project content. This person has overall responsibility to work on behalf of the PTC with Coalition Staff Contact to provide general oversight and guidance related to the project scope of work, work activity, review and acceptance of deliverables. The Program Track Project Lead may also serve as a chair of a project-level task force. The Program Track Project Lead, in conjunction with and with the support of the Coalition Staff Contact, provides reports to the Program Track Leadership regarding the status and activities of the project.
- Coalition Staff Contact designated by the Executive Director. The Coalition staff has responsibility for day-to-day project management activities with respect to coordinating the work of the Consultant team and providing support and coordination for the project to the PTC and the Program Track Project Leader.
- Program Track Committee Chairs Chair(s) of the Program Track Committee sponsoring the project.
- 4. Project Consultant Team The project consultant team is responsible for conducting the project work according to the approved scope of work.

The Program Track Chairs and the Coalition Staff Contact work together to identify the Program Track Project Lead for each of the Consultant Contract projects. The Program Track Project Lead is either a member of the Program Track or a representative of a member agency.

The Program Track Chairs, the Program Track Project Lead and the Coalition Staff work together to identify the best resource available from the Support Consultant team to perform the work. The Coalition's Support Consultant's Program Manager assists with the process of determining the appropriate consultant firm and individuals, and in finalizing the scope of services.

#### Agency Contracts Projects

There are four key personnel components of project management:

 Agency Project Manager – This person must be employed by the agency receiving the funds and is responsible for overall management of the project, insuring delivery of the milestones and tasks as cited in the agency project proposal submission as approved by the Coalition Executive Board. This person is designated by the agency receiving Coalition funds and works in coordination with the assigned Coalition Staff member to establish the Scope of Work for the project, and with the appropriate Federal agency representative to transfer funds and comply with the requirements of the Federal Partnership Agreement. The Agency Project Manager works with the Coalition Staff Contact to determine the appropriate level of detail required and is responsible for providing completed and timely Quarterly reports and project updates and reports to the Program Track, and attends Program Track Meetings, as appropriate. In addition, the Agency Project Manager is responsible for requesting and receiving written, approvals for scope of work changes (see Project Management Responsibilities, Item 5).

- Coalition Staff Contact designated by the Executive Director. The Coalition staff member has
  responsibility for overall project oversight activities and coordination with the Agency Project
  Manager on the status of the Coalition-funded task and deliverables of the project.
- 3. Program Track Committee Chairs Chair(s) of the Program Track Committee sponsoring the project.
- 4. Consultant Team For Agency Contract Projects, consulting teams will be selected and managed by the Agency receiving Coalition funds in accordance with agency and Coalition procedures. The Agency Project Manager must advise the selected consulting team of their responsibilities relative to Coalition procedures, including that changes in the Coalition's work scope and funding must be approved in writing by the Coalition according to the procedures set forth in Section III below.

#### Project Management Responsibilities

For either Consultant Contract or Agency Contract Projects the designated team has overall responsibilities for management of the assigned project. This includes:

- 1. Completing a detailed project scope In general, the level of detail will depend on the size and complexity of the project, and will include the following information:
  - Clear statement of objectives
  - Description of work to be performed (in the form of task statements for the larger, more complex projects)
  - Identification of the project team including where applicable the consultant project manager and key staff
  - Identification of work products
  - A project schedule showing key milestones
  - A budget breakdown (showing labor level of effort and cost, and other direct expenses, broken down by task for the larger projects).
  - A distribution plan for deliverables
  - A final report, including Executive Summary
  - Performance Measures
- 2. Developing a Marketing Plan for the project and its deliverables
- 3. Reporting quarterly progress using Coalition format and process
- 4. Completing match credit reports as requested
- 5. Reviewing the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms from the Support

Consultant team, if applicable

- 5. Assuring that any scope changes are documented and approved as part of the ongoing record of the project. Such changes must be requested in writing to the designated Coalition staff person and approval received, in writing prior to any change of work commencing or costs being incurred. In the case of Agency-direct projects, these changes must be received in writing from both the Coalition designated staff person and the appropriate Federal agency with oversight for the Partnership Agreement before actions are taken or expenses incurred
- 6. Monitoring and review of progress, expenditures and quality of the project
- 7. Assuring that incurred costs are appropriately charged.
- 8. Preparing materials related to the project to support Coalition Outreach activities.
- 9. Preparing and submitting a project close out form upon completion of the project.

# III. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

# **GUIDELINES FOR PROJECT CHANGES**

The Coalition has guidelines (Exhibit III-1) for four different types of project changes:

- Minor scope change no funding increase
- Minor scope change funding increase less than 15% of project or \$75,000, whichever is less.
- Major scope change no or minor funding increase
- Major scope change major funding increase (greater than \$75,000)

# Exhibit III-1 GUIDELINES FOR PROJECT CHANGES

Project Changes	PTC & Staff	Procurement Agency (for Agency Direct)	Executive Director	Steering Committee Leadership	Executive Leadership
MINOR – No Funding Increase	Approves & recommends	Approve			
MINOR – Minor Funding Increase	Approves & recommends	Approve	Approve	Advise	
MAJOR – No or Minor Funding Increase	Approves & recommends	Approve	Approve	Approve	
MAJOR - Major Funding Increase	Approves & recommends	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve

NOTE: The Coalition will coordinate any changes required with FHWA and gain FHWA approval for any amendments required in partnership agreements.

#### MULTI-YEAR SUPPORT CONSULTANT TEAM

The Coalition will periodically seek to procure a multi-year support consultant contract to support the Program Tracks in implementing Coalition projects and programs. The procurement process is a joint effort between the Coalition and a procurement host agency that has agreed to contract on behalf of the Coalition. This partnership assures that the procurement laws, regulations, and procedures of the host organization are followed, a competitive and open process is used, and the Coalition's programmatic and administrative needs are met.

To the extent allowed by the host agency's laws, regulations, and procedures, the Coalition staff will participate and assist the procurement host agency with the development of the Request for Proposals (RFP) and evaluation criteria; interviewing and selection; and contract negotiation.

#### Advertising

Once an RFP is ready to be issued by the host agency, it is the Coalition's intent to advertise widely in order to obtain the highest response rate. In addition to the legal advertising requirements of the host agency, a variety of actions may be taken:

- Notify the Coalition mailing list of interested parties about the availability of the formal request for proposals (RFP's).
- Advertise availability of RFP's in the Commerce Business Daily and ITS America bulletin board.
- Advertise in accordance with specific requirements of the procuring agency.
- Post on I-95 Corridor Coalition home page and any ITS and transportation web sites that post contracting opportunities.
- Post in the "What's New?" section of the Coalition website
- Submit to the AASHTO Newsletter and similar publications

#### CONTRACTING AGENCIES' ROLE

Since the Coalition cannot execute a contract on its own, it utilizes the services of one of its member agencies on its behalf. The Coalition will work with the procuring agency to ensure that any agency rules and regulations that may be in conflict with Coalition policies and procedures are resolved. The Coalition will work closely with the procuring agency to ensure that the proposal and selection process, contract negotiations, execution and project activities are in compliance with both Coalition and agency requirements. To the extent possible, Coalition staff and members will assist in the procurement and selection process. If a conflict occurs, the State's or agency's rules take precedence.

The procuring agency may either lead or participate in the following basic functions or tasks:

- Contract negotiations
- Obtain agency approvals necessary to execute the contract
- Execute the contract on behalf of the Coalition
- Participate in project activity to the extent desired
- Receive progress reports and contract deliverables.
- Review and approve in conjunction with Coalition staff
- Maintain a file of all contract-related materials including the contract and modifications, progress reports, invoices, deliverables, etc.
- Receive and process invoices after review for conformance to contract requirements.
- Make timely payments of approved invoices
- Process and execute contract modifications at request of the Coalition
- Conduct post-project audits consistent with agency policy and Coalition requests
- Coordinate with the Coalition on any contractual or financial matter.

The Coalition will strive to minimize the workload of the procuring agency and can provide support to the procuring agency upon their request.

## **MINORITY PARTICIPATION**

The Coalition complies with the DBE goal set by the University of Maryland for minority participation on its support consultant contract. DBE goals on other Coalition sponsored contracts will vary depending upon the goals of the host agency.

#### CONSULTANT RESTRICTIONS

The I-95 Corridor Coalition has adopted restrictions that apply to Consultants who are under contract to provide services to the Coalition. These restrictions prohibit consultants from proposing on certain Coalition projects. It should be noted that a Consultant's first priority must be to satisfy the terms of existing contracts with the Coalition.

Conditions that would exclude a consultant from eligibility to propose include:

- The Consultant assisted the Coalition in preparing the RFP for the project, developing evaluation criteria for the selection process, preparing project contract documents or reviewing bids upon their receipt;
- The Consultant prepared plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) or final design documents for the project being bid;
- Work on that project will give the Consultant a clear competitive edge. The Consultant will be notified in writing in advance if they are to be considered precluded. A determination will be made in advance of any work being done.

The Executive Director makes the determination of ineligibility on a case-by-case basis (as needed), based on these guidelines.

#### NON-COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT

In accordance with Federal and State regulations, the Coalition will seek to develop scopes of services, scopes of work, and other project requirements such that full and open competitive procurement processes may be used, and which will not result in substantial duplication of cost or unacceptable project delays. The Coalition recognizes, however, that there will be occasions when full and open competition is infeasible, and it is both prudent and in the public's best interest for a project procurement to use other than full and open competition. Therefore the following criteria will be used as guidelines to determine when such a non-competitive procurement process may be pursued:

- 1. Only One Responsible Source Exists: Is there a reasonable basis to conclude that the Coalition's minimum needs can only be satisfied by unique products or services available from only one source or only one supplier with unique capabilities? Are these unique capabilities derived from existing relationships, current relevant experience, unique products/services or skills needed for effective completion of the minimum project requirements? Would the use of full and open competition result in either duplication of costs to the Coalition, or unacceptable project delays resulting from the need for other sources to obtain these unique qualities thereby exceeding any savings derived from the competition?
- 2. Timeliness: Is there an urgency in the public's interest to initiate the project through a sole source procurement because of the relationship of its time frame for completion to other projects or circumstances? Is there a necessary flow of this project from another project that is required for consistency, continuity, and timeliness of the Coalition's overall effort to provide value-added services to the public? Will the procuring agency be able to process a sole source more quickly than a traditional competitive procurement?
- 3. Relationship to Ongoing Work: are the services or products to be procured a follow-on and so closely related to an ongoing effort (study, operational test, etc.) that a full and open competitive award would result in substantial duplication of costs to the Coalition, and/or unacceptable delays in fulfilling the requirement?
- 4. *Procuring Agency Authorizes Sole Source:* does the Coalition member serving as the procuring/awarding agency authorize the use of noncompetitive/sole source procurement?
- 5. *Inadequate Competition:* Has a full and open competitive process resulted in an inadequate number of responsible sources for either the current or similar procurement action? Would readvertising cause substantial delays and added costs that would not provide any benefit to the public or the Coalition?

#### GUIDELINES FOR SPEAKING ABOUT OR ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COALITION

These guidelines concern presentations, written papers or formal discussions related to the projects that Consultants, Coalition members, and Coalition staff are conducting on behalf of the I-95 Corridor Coalition.

Presentations about the Coalition and its program should be made by member agency representatives whenever possible. When that is not feasible, a Coalition staff member (as appropriate to the subject) is preferred. When neither of these approaches is feasible, a consultant knowledgeable in the subject area may make the presentation if assigned by Coalition staff.

Incoming requests for Coalition-related presentations, inquiries about the status of a project, or interview requests should be brought to the attention of the appropriate staff person first for review. Any <u>formal</u> presentation, written paper or interview (especially with the press) based upon the work developed by a project is limited to scheduled Coalition meetings without the recommendation of the appropriate staff person and written approval of the Coalition's Executive Director. This policy has been endorsed to ensure consistent messages to target audiences and to prevent possible release of information before the full Coalition has had the opportunity to learn about it or to make decisions about direction for a project or program.

In any marketing or advertising materials prepared by the Consultant concerning work performed on behalf of the Coalition, statements should be limited to the facts that the work was conducted for the Coalition and not that the Coalition endorsed or approved the product or services that were performed. In no cases will the Coalition logo be used in any marketing material without written permission.

#### ELIGIBLE COSTS RELATED TO MEETINGS

When ITS funds go on to State and local agencies, costs standards/principles in OMB Circular A-87 apply. Cost-type contract means a contract or subcontract under a grant which the contractor or subcontractor is paid on the basis of the costs it incurs, with or without a fee. When ITS funds go on to for-profit organizations, cost standards/principles in the FARs apply.

#### Eligible Costs

Under **OMB Circular A-87** cost item 30.c, *Memberships, subscriptions, and professional activities,* costs of meetings and conferences where the primary purpose is the dissemination of technical information are allowable. This includes meals, transportation, rental of meeting facilities, and other incidental costs. Please note, under cost item 18 of A-87, *Entertainment,* costs of entertainment, including amusement, diversion, and social activities and any cost directly associated with such costs (such as meals, lodging, transportation and gratuities) are unallowable.

Under **FARs** section 31-205-43(c), the following types of costs <u>are allowable</u>: "When the principal purpose of a meeting, conference, symposium, or seminar is the dissemination of trade, business, technical or professional information or the stimulation of production or improved productivity:

- (1) Costs of organizing, setting up, and sponsoring the meetings, symposia, etc., including rental of meeting facilities, transportation, subsistence, and incidental costs;
- (2) Costs of attendance by contractor employees, including travel costs; and
- (3) Costs of attendance by individuals who are not employees of the contractor, provided:
  - (i) Such costs are not also reimbursed to the individual by the employing company or organization, and
  - (ii) The individual's attendance is essential to achieve the purpose of the conference, meeting, symposium, etc.

#### Guidelines for Meetings

Because of the large number of meetings sponsored by the I-95 Corridor Coalition, reimbursement for meals, transportation, rental of meeting facilities, and other incidental costs at every meeting would <u>not</u> be in the Coalition's best interest. The following cases are provided for additional clarification:

- <u>Conferences</u>, forums, workshops: The primary purpose of the meeting is to disseminate technical information in support of or to promote I-95 Corridor Coalition activities. These are <u>one-time</u> events where attendance of I-95 Corridor Coalition non-members is essential to achieve the purpose of the meeting. <u>Reasonable</u> costs for meals, transportation, rental of meeting facilities, and other incidental costs are allowable when an essential and appropriate part of the meeting.
- <u>Regular meetings of committees, work groups, project teams:</u> Costs for renting conference facilities, bringing in guest speakers or technical experts, both federal and non-federal, and preparing and disseminating literature would be considered allowable. Costs for travel, transportation, or subsistence expenses are not allowable.

A precise definition covering all cases would be difficult. The determination should be made on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Director and coordinated with the appropriate FHWA Office.

#### PROJECT REPORTS AND DELIVERABLE DISSEMINATION

It is the Coalition's intent to disseminate products from Coalition projects in a manner that most efficiently provides the widest availability for their use by member agencies, other government agencies or interested private sector companies and the public. During development of each project's scope of work, a marketing plan will be written to detail the target audience and dissemination methods for information and reports throughout the life and at completion of the project. Post-completion follow-up will also be conducted to determine the project's effectiveness and the need for additional delivery of materials and information. Suggested methods of dissemination include:

#### The Coalition Connection

The Coalition's website, the Coalition Connection (<u>www.i95coalition.org</u>) is the primary library for all products or deliverables from Coalition projects. Coalition staff and the Coalition Connection administrator will determine the appropriateness, the format and location of all final material that becomes available for placement and reference on the Coalition Connection.

#### Distribution of Hard Copies

Member agencies may request hard copies of Coalition deliverables and project reports. For all projects, the Project Team will establish a distribution list and plan for any recommended hard copies of deliverables and reports. Private organizations or individuals may request and be provided with copies of specific Coalition deliverables if available.

#### E-mail Notification

Member agencies will be notified of the completion and availability of Coalition project and other reports. Notifications will be sent to the agency designee for the sponsoring program track along with the agency's Steering Committee representative.

# **CRITERIA FOR JOINING OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

Requests for the Coalition to join another organization will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The staff will consider any request for its benefit, purpose and relevance. Staff will make a recommendation about joining to the Executive Director who will coordinate with leadership of the Steering Committee and/or Executive Board, as appropriate.

# V. OTHER OPERATING POLICIES

#### **CRITERIA FOR CO-SPONSORING EVENTS**

The Coalition has been asked on several occasions to co-sponsor an event. Since each event is unique, any review is on a case-by-case basis. The staff first considers any request for its purpose, benefit, and relevance. If an expenditure of funds is required, the staff makes a recommendation to the Executive Director about how to fund the activity. If no expenditure is required, the Executive Director makes the decision or, as appropriate, recommends acceptance or rejection of the co-sponsorship to the appropriate Program Track Committee, FHWA, Core Team or Steering Committee as needed.

# V. OTHER OPERATING POLICIES

### SALE OF INFORMATION POLICY GUIDELINES

These policy guidelines represent the framework for the Coalition for the Sale of Information.

- Non-Exclusivity The Coalition will not agree to any exclusive business relationships.
- Sale of Value Added Products For value added products, the Coalition can sell the product through one or more third party distributors. Any revenue or the barter of services will be negotiated through the Coalition's support consultant as approved by the Executive Director and contracting agency in consultation with the Steering Committee.

# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **RESOLUTION SEEKING AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE I-95 CORRIDOR COALITION**

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the North Carolina Board of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS,** an I-95 Corridor Coalition is an alliance of transportation agencies, toll authorities, and related organizations, including public safety, from the State of Maine to the State of Florida, with affiliate members in Canada with the purpose of providing a forum for key decision and policy makers to address transportation management and operations issues of common interest; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-95 Corridor Coalition strives to provide organizational and technical support to foster learning and information sharing among Coalition member organizations; and

**WHEREAS,** Affiliate-level membership is open to all MPO's within the State of North Carolina and allows access to technical support, updates on activities of the coalition, representation on the Steering Committee, Program Track Committees, and/or any special task forces; and

**WHEREAS,** the process for seeking Affiliate membership is the submission of a written request for membership delivered to the Steering Committee of the I-95 Corridor Coalition.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee seeks Affiliate Membership from the I-95 Corridor Coalition.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee on October 31, 2012.

Laura Padgett, Chair Transportation Advisory Committee

Mike Kozlosky, Secretary

**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 2012-2018 STIP** 

### PROGRAM

### **STIP/MTIP ADDITIONS**

<b>DIVISION 3</b>			
*EB-5544	GARY SHELL CROSS-CITY TRAIL. WILMINGTON.	\$250,000	(STPEB)
New Hanover	CONSTRUCT BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCOMODATIONS ON SOUTH 17TH STREET, WALTMORE ROAD, AND BETHEL ROAD.	\$600,000 \$ <u>487,000</u> \$1,337,500	(O) (C)
	ADD CONSTRUCTION IN FY 13 NOT PREVIOUSLY PROGRAMMED.	ψ1,007,000	

\*EB-5543 SR 1403 (MIDDLE SOUND LOOP ROAD) New Hanover OGDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO SR 1986 (OYSTER DRIVE) CONSTRUCT MULTI-USE PATH. <u>ADD RIGHT OF WAY IN FY 13 AND</u> <u>CONSTRUCTION IN FY 14 NOT PREVIOUSLY</u> <u>PROGRAMMED USING TCSP FEDERAL</u> <u>DISCRETIONARY GRANT.</u> RIGHT-OF-WAY FY 2013 - \$16,000 (DP) FY 2013 - \$4,000 (C) CONSTRUCTION FY 2014 -\$165,000 (DP) FY 2014 - <u>\$41,000</u> (C) \$226,000

#### Public Transportation

\*TD-4942Facility- Maintenance and Ops Center- Design,<br/>Engineer and Construct\$6,000,000 FBUS US (49 CFR 5309)<br/>\$4,093,095 FUZ US (49 CFR 5307)\*TD-4942Facility- Maintenance and Ops Center- Design,<br/>Engineer and Construct\$6,000,000 FBUS US (49 CFR 5309)<br/>\$4,093,095 FUZ US (49 CFR 5307)

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PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM					IAI	NOVER	COUNTY
ACTION	ID. NO.	SCHEDULE	DESCRIPTION	SYSTEM	C	URRENT	FUNDING
		(FISCAL YRS.)		NAME		AMOUNT	SOURCE
ADDED	TBD	FFY 13	FORDEN STATION PARK & RIDE - LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN	CAPE FEAR	\$	400,000	FUZ
			AND CONSTRUCTION	PUBLIC TRANS.	\$	50,000	STATE
				AUTHORITY	\$	50,000	LOCAL

#### WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE AMENDMENT OF THE** 2012-2018 STATE /METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the North Carolina Board of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Advisory Committee has found that the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is conducting transportation planning in a continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive manner; and

**WHEREAS,** the North Carolina Board of Transportation adopted the 2012-2018 State Transportation Improvement Program on July 7, 2011 and the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization adopted the Statewide/Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program on August 11, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington MPO desires to amend the State/Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program for the Gary Shell Cross-City Trail bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, Middle Sound Loop Road multi-use trail, Facility Maintenance and Operations Center and Forden Station Park & Ride; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization has conducted a 30-day public comment period to receive citizen input on these transportation projects.

**NOW THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee supports amending the 2012-2018 State/Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs for the Gary Shell Cross-City Trail bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, Middle Sound Loop Road multi-use trail, Facility Maintenance and Operations Center and Forden Station Park & Ride.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee on October 31, 2012.

Laura Padgett, Chair Transportation Advisory Committee

Mike Kozlosky, Secretary

#### WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION SUPPORTING US 74 AS A PRIORITY HIGHWAY FOR THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA MPO/RPO COALITION

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the North Carolina Board of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs) to the east of I-95 are forming a coalition to, in part, support projects of mutual interest to the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the coalition has already endorsed seven highway projects as having regional significance, and US 74 is not one of those projects; and

**WHEREAS,** US 74 has been designated by the North Carolina Board of Transportation as a Strategic Highway Corridor; and

WHEREAS, US 74 provides important access for tourists visiting our beaches and other recreational features; and

**WHEREAS**, US 74 allows connectivity between the lower Cape Fear region and major inland points of commerce, is designated on the National Truck Route System, and ties directly to I-95; and

WHEREAS, US 74 is a critical connection between the State Port at Wilmington and its inland customers, and

**WHEREAS**, US 74 traverses areas served by the Wilmington Urban Area MPO, the Cape Fear Area RPO and the Lumber River RPO, as well as the North Carolina Department of Transportation's Divisions 3 and 6; and

WHEREAS, US 74 is a vital evacuation route; and

**WHEREAS**, there is 1) an unfunded TIP project (R-4462) to upgrade the highway to interstate standards from I-140 to near Whiteville, and 2) a study under way examining the feasibility of upgrading that part of US 74 from NC 41 in Robeson County to near Whiteville.

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee supports the addition of that section of US 74 with an eastern terminus at I-140 in Brunswick County to its western terminus near its intersection with NC 41 as a regionally significant highway project for the Eastern NC MPO/RPO Coalition.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee on October 31, 2012.

Laura Padgett, Chair Transportation Advisory Committee

Mike Kozlosky, Secretary



# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Members: City of WILMINGTON Lead Planning Agency	TO: FROM: DATE: SUBJECT:	Suraiya Rashid, WMF October 31, 2012	on Advisory Committee PO Associate Transportation Planner Roadway Investment Target n Criteria
Town of CAROLINA BEACH		g is a description of the arget for STP-DA Fund	e proposed evaluation criteria for the Roadway
Town of KURE BEACH		J	
Town of WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH	1. V	olume to Capacity Rati a. V/C < 0.2	io 5 points maximum 0 points
NEW HANOVER County		b. V/C< 0.4	2 points
Town of BELVILLE		c. V/C< 0.6	3 points
Town of		d. V/C< 0.8	4 points
LELAND Town of		e. V/C> 0.8	5 points
NAVASSA	2. Cı	rash Reduction Factors	s 5 points maximum
BRUNSWICK County		a. CRF< 10%	0 points
PENDER		b. CRF> 10%	1 points
County		c. CRF> 20%	2 points
CAPE FEAR PUBLIC Transportation Authority		d. CRF> 30%	3 points
North Carolina		e. CRF> 40%	4 points
BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION		f. CRF> 50%	5 points
	3. LF	RTP horizon year	5 points maximum
		a. Post-Year	0 points
		b. 2026-2035	1.5 points
		c. 2016-2025	2.5 points
		d. 2010-2015	5 points
	4. Lo	ocal Match	15 points maximum
		a. 30% or more	5 points
		b. 40% or more	10 points
		c. 50% or more	15 points

# 5. Project Phase

# 10 points maximum

- a. NEPA/Design 3 points
- b. Right-of-Way 5 points
- c. Construction 10 points

# 6. Cost Effectiveness 13 points maximum

The following formula will be used to calculate the cost-effectiveness score. These points will be scaled based on all candidate projects' cost effectiveness scores, with the highest project earning 13 points and the lowest project scoring 0 points

(Total Points – Local Match Points)

WMPO STP-DA Local Prioritization Process Cost Share



# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Members:	TO: FROM: DATE:	Sur Oct	MPO Transportation Advisory Committee Iraiya Rashid, WMPO Associate Transportation Planner Intober 31, 2012
City of WILMINGTON Lead Planning Agency	SUBJECT:		P-DA Workgroup Intersections Investment Target oposed Evaluation Criteria
Town of CAROLINA BEACH	-		a description of the proposed evaluation criteria for the estment Target for STP-DA Funds:
Town of KURE BEACH	1 6-	C	10
Town of WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH	<b>1. Sa</b> t	<b>τеτy</b> a.	
NEW HANOVER County			10 points
Town of BELVILLE		b.	5-14 accidents
Town of LELAND			5 points
Town of		c.	Less than 5 accidents
NAVASSA			3 points
BRUNSWICK County		d.	No accidents
PENDER County			0 points
CAPE FEAR PUBLIC Transportation Authority	2. Ri <sub>{</sub>	ght-o	of-Way/Easement 5 points maximum
North Carolina		a.	No additional ROW needed
BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION			5 points
		b.	Additional ROW needed, minimal amount
			3 points
		c.	Significant additional ROW needed
			1 point

3.	Consti	ructability	5 points maximum
	a.	No stop-work pro	ocesses (additional permitting, historical
		properties, etc.)	5 points
	b.	Widening of pave	ement, minimal utility relocation
			3 points
	с.	Total rebuild of e	xisting conditions, substantial utility
		relocation	1 point
	d.	Stop-work proces	sses involved (additional permitting, historical
		properties, difficu	ulty relocating utilities, etc.)
			0 points
4.	Supple	emental Funding S	ources 3 points maximum
	a.	Yes	3 points
	b.	No	0 points
5.	Projec	t Phase	5 points maximum
	a.	NEPA/Design	1 points
	b.	Right-of-Way	3 points
	с.	Construction	5 points
6.	Volum	e to Capacity Rati	o 10 points maximum

a.	V/C > 1	10 points

- b. 0.5 < V/C < 1 5 points
- c. 0 < V/C < 0.5 3 points



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Members: City of WILMINGTON Lead Planning Agency	TO: FROM: DATE: SUBJECT:	October 31, 2012	Associate Transportation Planner /Ped Investment Target
Town of CAROLINA BEACH	-	; is a description of the pr arget for STP-DA Funds:	oposed evaluation criteria for the Bike/Ped
Town of KURE BEACH		issing Link	5 points maximum
Town of WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH		-	s on both sides to an existing bicycle or
NEW HANOVER County			allow for a total length of facility via the
Town of BELVILLE		completed project o	ver 2 miles
Town of LELAND		5	points
Town of		b. The project connect	s on both sides to an existing bicycle or
NAVASSA		pedestrian facility to	allow for a total length of facility via the
BRUNSWICK County		completed project o	ver 0.5 miles OR the project connect to an
PENDER		existing facility at or	e end for a total length of facility via the
County		completed project o	ver 2 miles
CAPE FEAR PUBLIC Transportation Authority		3	points
North Carolina BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION	2. M	ajor Obstacle	5 points maximum
		a. New connection cre	ated across a river, railroad, or limited-
		access multi-lane fre	eeway

# 5 points

 New connection created across a roadway containing four or more lanes

3 points

### 3. Safety Concern

### 5 points maximum

a. Documented bicycle or pedestrian crash history related to inadequate facility design

5 points

# 4. Goat Path 5 points maximum

a. Existing use without a facility is documented through showing that a worn path has been created

# 5 points

# 5. Adopted in Plan/Policy 5 points maximum

a. Specific project adopted in a plan or policy by resolution

# 5 points

6.	Local Match		15 points maximum
	a.	30% or more	5 points
	b.	40% or more	10 points
	с.	50% or more	15 points
7.	Projec	t Phase	10 points maximum
	a.	NEPA/Design	3 points
	b.	Right-of-Way	5 points
	с.	Construction	10 points
8.	Proxin	nity of a School	28 points maximum
	Ро	ints allocated sepa	rately for each school type: Elementary
	Sc	hool, Middle Schoo	ol, High School, College/University
	a.	½ mile	7 points
	b.	1 mile	5 points

c. 1 ½ mile 3 points

# 9. Bicycle/Pedestrian Generators 25 points maximum

5 points each within ½ mile radius for each type: Residential Areas, Park/Playground/Recreation Center, Shopping/Retail & Services, Library, Business Park/Office/Hospital

# 10. Connection to Transit 10 points maximum

- a. Bus Stop 10 points
- b. Park & Ride Lot 5 points

# 11. WMPO parallel Functional Class 7 points maximum

- a. Primary Arterial 7 points
- b. Minor Arterial 5 points
- c. Collector Street 3 points
- d. Local Street 2 points
- e. Cul-de-Sac/Dead-end

# 12. Right-of-Way/Easement 5 points maximum

a. No additional ROW needed

### 5 points

b. Additional ROW needed, minimal amount

# 3 points

c. Significant additional ROW needed

1 point

# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTING FY2013 MODAL INVESTMENT TARGETS FOR STP-DA FUNDS**

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization provides transportation planning services for the City of Wilmington, Town of Carolina Beach, Town of Kure Beach, Town of Wrightsville Beach, Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Town of Navassa, New Hanover County, Brunswick County, Pender County, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority and the North Carolina Board of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS,** on July 18, 2012 the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) designated the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization as a Transportation Management Area (TMA); and

**WHEREAS,** Surface Transportation Direct Attributable (STP-DA) funds are available for all designated TMAs; and

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee has the ability to directly program all or a portion of STP-DA funds for the locally administered projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization has developed the STP-DA Local Prioritization Process for the distribution of the STP-DA funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the STP-DA Local Prioritization Process distribution includes an initial 15% of STP-DA funds be set-aside for a reserve and supplement to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP); and

**WHEREAS,** the STP-DA Local Prioritization Process further includes Fiscal Year 2013 Modal Investment Targets for the remainder of the STP-DA funds by 15% Roadway Projects, 15% Intersection Improvement Projects, 20% Transit Projects, 50% Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Advisory Committee hereby adopts the Fiscal Year 2013 Modal Investment Targets for STP-DA Funds.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee on October 31, 2012.

Laura Padgett, Chair Transportation Advisory Committee

Mike Kozlosky, Secretary

# **PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 2012-2018 STIP**

### PROGRAM

### STIP/MTIP Administrative Modification October 2012

DIVISION 3 W-5306 New Hanover

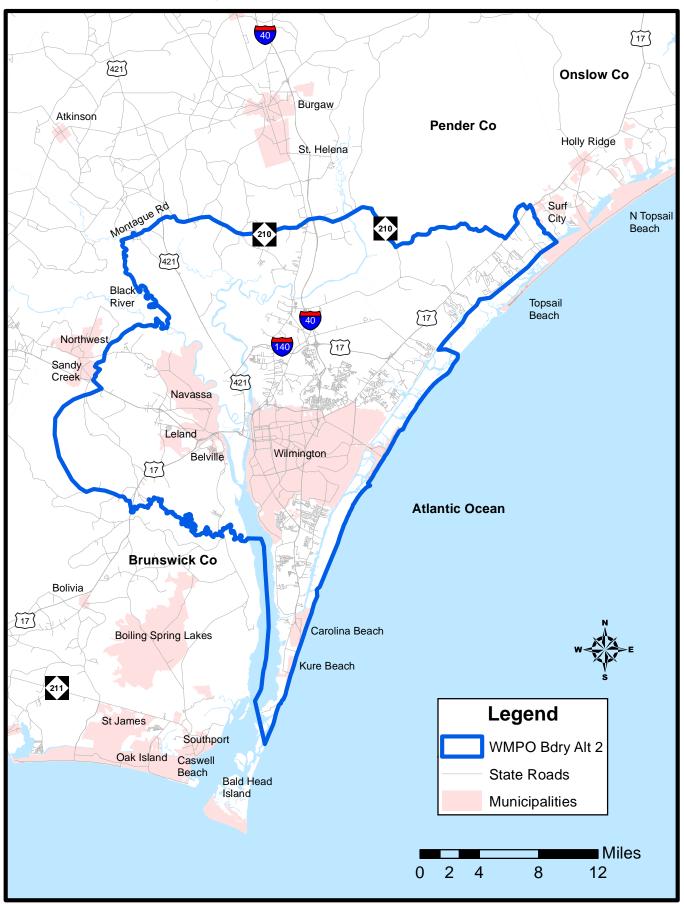
NC 133, US 117/NC 132 IN CASTLE HAYNE. CONSTRUCT A ROUNDABOUT. DELAY RIGHT OF WAY FROM FY 12 TO FY 13 AND CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 12 TO FY 13 TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR DESIGN. W-5306

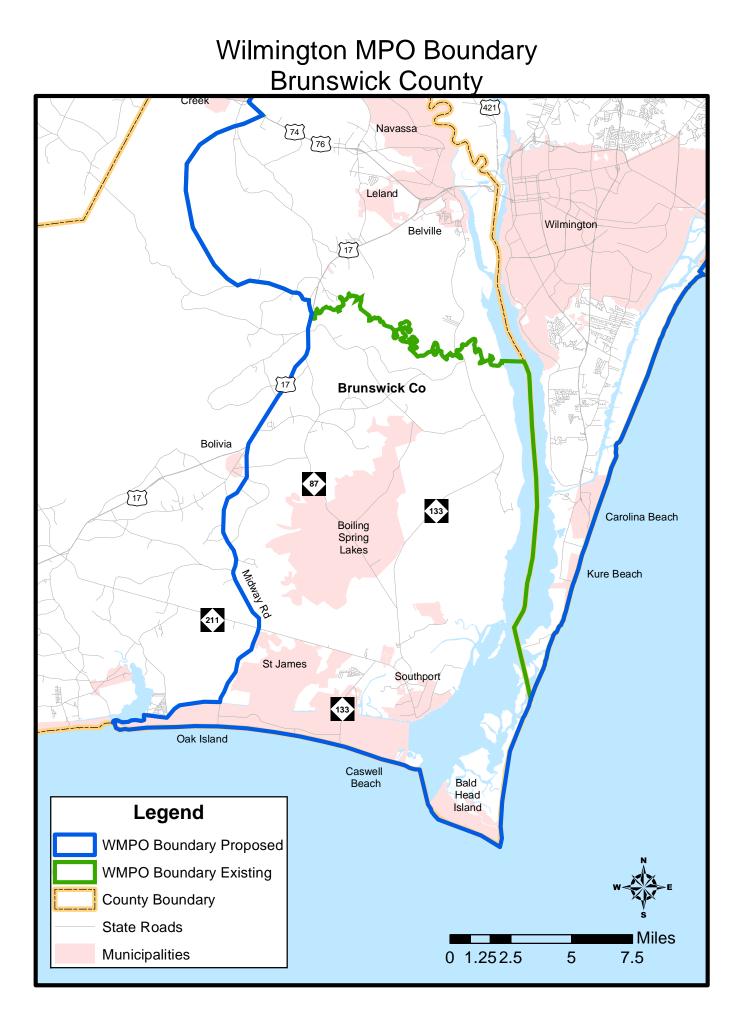
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# Wilmington MPO Boundary Alt 1

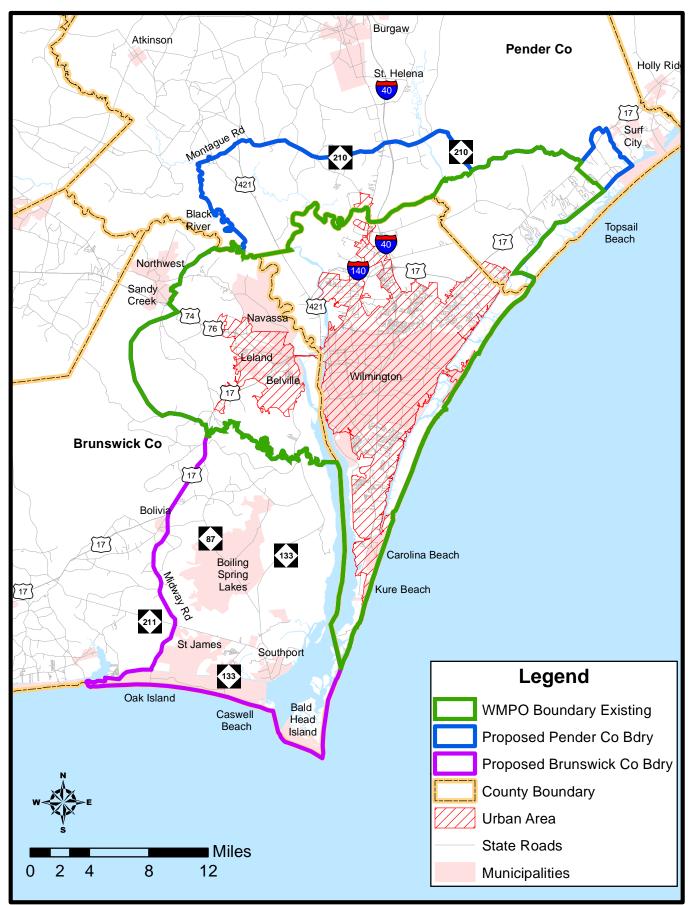


# Wilmington MPO Boundary Alt 2





# Wilmington MPO Boundary



# A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE WILMINGTON TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA

WHEREAS the Federal Highway Administration designates urban transportation planning areas and provides significant funding to support transportation planning within those areas; and

WHEREAS the 2010 Census will result in the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization being upgraded to a Transportation Management Area and will significantly increase its resources; and

WHEREAS Southport and several other southeastern Brunswick County municipalities are located within an "urban cluster" that lies in very close proximity to the boundaries of the Wilmington Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS Southport and its neighboring municipalities have close economic, cultural, and transportation connections to the Wilmington area; and

WHEREAS the Wilmington Transportation Management Area must resolve, in the near future, the boundaries of its planning area; and

WHEREAS the Southport Traffic and Transportation Committee has recommended that the City of Southport pursue inclusion in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS participation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area is appropriate only if the two principal transportation arteries – NC 87 and NC 133 – that connect southeastern Brunswick County to the Wilmington area are included within the planning area;

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Southport that the City should request inclusion and appropriate representation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area, provided that the boundary of the transportation planning area includes NC 87 and NC 133.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Southport invites and encourages the City of Boiling Spring Lakes, the Town of Oak Island, the Town of Caswell Beach, the Village of St. James, and the Village of Bald Head Island to join Southport in requesting affiliation with the Wilmington Transportation Management Area.

Adopted by the Southport Board of Aldermen in regular session, September 13, 2012.

Allowed

Robert D. Howard, Mayor

legina Alexander, City Clerk



# A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE WILMINGTON TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA

WHEREAS the Federal Highway Administration designates urban transportation planning areas and provides significant funding to support transportation planning within those areas; and

WHEREAS the 2010 Census will result in the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization being upgraded to a Transportation Management Area and will significantly increase its resources; and

WHEREAS Oak Island and several other southeastern Brunswick County municipalities are located within an "urban cluster" that lies in very close proximity to the boundaries of the Wilmington Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS Oak Island and its neighboring municipalities have close economic, cultural, and transportation connections to the Wilmington area; and

WHEREAS the Wilmington Transportation Management Area must resolve, in the near future, the boundaries of its planning area; and

WHEREAS the City of Southport has already adopted a Resolution seeking inclusion in the Wilmington MPO and other area municipalities are expected to do likewise; and

WHEREAS participation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area is appropriate only if the two principal transportation arteries — NC 87 and NC 133 — that connect southeastern Brunswick County to the Wilmington area are included within the planning area; and

WHEREAS the Town of Oak Island would also further encourage the Wilmington Transportation Management Area to also include Midway Road and U.S. 17 South to N.C. 211 in the planning area.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Oak Island Town Council that the Town should request inclusion and appropriate representation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area, provided that the boundary of the transportation planning area includes NC 87 and NC 133.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town of Oak Island invites and encourages the City of Boiling Spring Lakes, the Town of Caswell Beach, the Town of St. James, and the Village of Bald Head Island to join Southport and Oak Island in requesting affiliation with the Wilmington Transportation Management Area.

Adopted this the 9th day of October, 2012 Hallow W. Wallace, Mayor Attested: CHARTERE Lisa P. Stites, Town Clerk 1999

# A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE WILMINIGTON TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA

WHEREAS the Federal Highway Administration designates urban transportation planning areas and provide significant funding to support transportation planning within those areas; and

WHEREAS the 2010 Census will result in the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization being upgraded to a Transportation Management Area and will significantly increase its resources; and

WHEREAS Boiling Spring Lakes and several other southeastern Brunswick County municipalities area located within an "urban cluster" that lies in very close proximity to the boundaries of the Wilmington Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS Boiling Spring Lakes and its neighboring municipalities have close economic, cultural, and transportation connections to the Wilmington area; and

WHEREAS the Wilmington Transportation Management Area must resolve, in the very near future, the boundaries of its planning area; and

WHEREAS participation in the Wilmington Transportation Area is appropriate only if the two principal arteries – NC 87 and NC 133 – that connect southeastern Brunswick County to the Wilmington area are included in the planning area;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Boiling Spring Lakes that the City should request inclusion and appropriate representation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area, provided that the boundary of the transportation planning area includes NC 87 and NC 1333.

Adopted by the Boiling Spring Lakes Board of Commissioners in regular session, October 2, 2012.

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Susan Hartman, City Clerk

Richard White, Mayor

# A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE WILMINGTON TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA

WHEREAS the Federal Highway Administration designates urban transportation planning areas and provides significant funding to support transportation planning within those areas; and

WHEREAS the 2010 Census will result in the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization being upgraded to a Transportation Management Area and will significantly increase its resources; and

WHEREAS Bald Head Island and several other southeastern Brunswick County municipalities are located within an "urban cluster" that lies in very close proximity to the boundaries of the Wilmington Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS Bald Head Island and its neighboring municipalities have close economic, cultural, and transportation connections to the Wilmington area; and

WHEREAS the Wilmington Transportation Management Area must resolve, in the near future, the boundaries of its planning area; and

WHEREAS participation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area is appropriate only if the two principal transportation arteries – NC 87 and NC 133 – that connect southeastern Brunswick County to the Wilmington area are included within the planning area;

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Council that the Village of Bald Head Island should request inclusion and appropriate representation in the Wilmington Transportation Management Area, provided that the boundary of the transportation planning area includes NC 87 and NC 133.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Village of Bald Head Island invites and encourages the City of Boiling Spring Lakes, the Town of Oak Island, the Town of Caswell Beach, the Village of St. James, and the City of Southport to join the Village of Bald Head Island in requesting affiliation with the Wilmington Transportation Management Area.

Adopted by the Village of Bald Head Island in regular session, October 19, 2012.

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# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA Metropolitan Planning Organization

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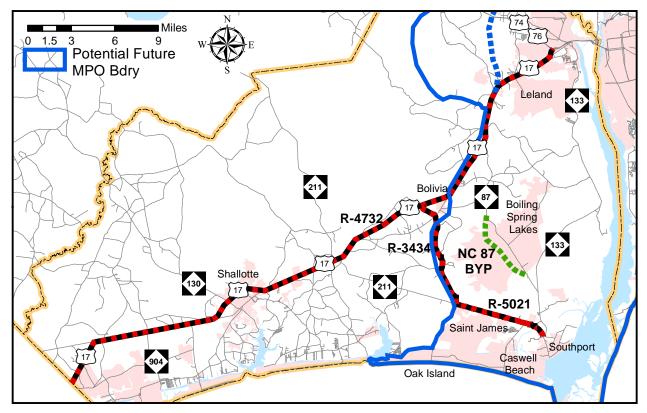
# MEMORANDUM

	то:	TAC Members			
Members:	FROM:	Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director			
City of WILMINGTON Lead Planning Agency	DATE: SUBJECT:	October 26, 2012 Wilmington MPO Possible Boundary Expansion- Brunswick County			
Town of CAROLINA BEACH Town of KURE BEACH Town of WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH NEW HANOVER	At the September 26, 2012 Transportation Advisory Committee meeting, the Committee directed staff to prepare a list of Pros and Cons related to the possible expansion of the Wilmington MPO planning area boundary to include the City of Southport, City of Boiling Springs, Lakes, Town of Oak Island, Town of Caswell Beach, Village of Saint James and Village of Bald Head Island. Below please find a list of Pros and Cons related to the possible expansion.				
County Town of BELVILLE Town of LELAND Town of NAVASSA	<ul> <li>Pros</li> <li>Provides federal transportation planning services to an area that is growing and some locations meet the US Census definition of Urban Clusters</li> <li>Creates additional relationships with communities in southern Brunswick County</li> <li>Enables greater regional coordination and collaboration</li> <li>Expanded opportunity to provide planning on southern Brunswick County, including the NC Highway 133 and NC Highway 87 corridors</li> <li>May impact the distribution of federal and state funds</li> <li>Potential impact on projects in the SPOT Prioritization process</li> <li>The Willmington MPO has not received resolutions of support from the all of the affected municipalities</li> <li>May dilute the voting membership of the existing MPO (weighted voting could be</li> </ul>				
BRUNSWICK County PENDER County CAPE FEAR					

- May dilute the voting membership of the existing MPO (weighted voting could be used to offset this issue)
- May create a situation where it is harder to maintain quorum with added membership

CAPE FEAR Public Transportation Authority

North Carolina BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION



R-3434 - SR 1500 (Midway Road) widen to multi-lanes from NC 211 to US 17.

R-4732 - US 17, South Carolina state line to US 74-76. Access Management improvements at various locations.

R-5021 - NC 211, Widen to multi-lanes from SR 1500 (Midway Rd) to NC 87.

Boiling Spring Lakes Bypass - 2 Lane Expressway from NC 87 just north of town limits to NC 87 just south of town limits.

### TRANSPORTATION PLANNING OCTOBER 2012

### **CROSSING OVER THE CAPE FEAR RIVER**

**Project Description/Scope:** Construct a new crossing over the Cape Fear River that will link from in the vicinity of US 17 to Independence Boulevard and Carolina Beach Road.

### Next Steps:

- November Workshop with the Transportation Advisory Committee
- The NCTA continues to work through the environmental review process.

### CITY OF WILMINGTON COLLECTOR STREET PLAN

Project Description/Scope: Complete a city-wide area collector street plan including Monkey Junction.

### Next Steps:

- October Public Information Sessions with three neighborhoods who have provided the most input:
  - o Monday 10.08.12: Glen Meade at First Baptist Activity Center 6:00-7:30
  - Wednesday 10.10.12: Sunset Park at City Council Chambers 6:00-7:30
  - o Thursday 10.18.12: College Acre at NHCo Training Room 6:00-7:30

### **COMPREHENSIVE GREENWAY PLAN**

**Project Description/Scope:** Complete a Comprehensive Greenway Plan for the City of Wilmington and New Hanover County. The greenway plan would lay the foundation for a comprehensive greenway network throughout the community.

### Next Steps:

- October Final Draft
- December/January adoption by local municipalities and New Hanover County

### CONNECTING NORTHERN BRUNSWICK COUNTY

**Project Description/Scope:** Create a Collector Street Plan for the Towns of Leland, Belville, Navassa and a portion of northern unincorporated Brunswick County.

### Next Steps:

- October Steering Committee Meeting #3 with release of Technical Memo #1
- First draft of plan released December 2012
- Second Public Workshop to be scheduled January 2012
- Final Plan Presented to jurisdictional boards February 2013
- Final deliverables and adoption by local entities March 2013

# MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION CENTER (No significant change)

**Project Description/Scope:** Purchase right-of-way, develop design plans and construct the Wilmington Multi-modal Transportation Center between N. 3<sup>rd</sup>, N. 4<sup>th</sup>, Hanover and Red Cross streets.

### Next Steps:

- NCDOT indentify the necessary funding for construction and amend the STIP/MTIP to appropriate the construction funding
- Completion of the Environmental Document

# N. 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET CORRIDOR STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

**Project Description/Scope:** The North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Streetscape Improvement project will upgrade North 3rd Street between Market Street and Davis Street. The project could include decorative mast-arm traffic signals and street lighting, underground utilities, pedestrian improvements, a landscaped median, street trees, and other aesthetic improvements. **The water and sewer work has been completed.** 

### Next Steps

- Continue the sidewalk, conduit installation, tree pits, brick pavers, street light foundations, etc. on both sides between Grace and Front Streets.
- Mill and resurface between Market Street and Front Street
- The project is expected to be completed by January 2013.

# 2ND ANNUAL GARY SHELL CROSS-CITY TRAIL RUN, RIDE & ROLL

**Project Description/Scope:** Blue Cross Blue Shield is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Cross-City Trail Run, Ride & Roll. We invite the community to come walk, bike, run, and skate on the Cross-City Trail. Event will begin at Halyburton Park, continue to Empie Park and return to Halyburton Park followed by a reception. Registration begins at 9:00 am, trail blazing begins at 10:00am on Saturday October 27th.

### Next Steps:

- Finalize additional sub-sponsors
- Implement communications plan to promote event
- Purchase materials
- Identify additional staff and volunteers needed

### SEE, SHARE AND BE AWARE

**Project Description/Scope:** Several community and government organizations including the City of Wilmington and Wilmington MPO have come together to create a safety and awareness campaign called "See Share Be Aware." The website has been updated, three additional educational videos are in production, and four audience-specific distribution plans have been created.

# Next Steps:

- Distribute 8 safety campaign videos to local media, local government websites, local interest groups, etc.
- Secure funding for supplies and materials identified in four distribution plans and event opportunities
- Promote See Share Be Aware at 2nd Annual Gary Shell Cross-City Trail Run, Ride & Roll event

### SITE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** The Wilmington MPO assists with site development and transportation impact analysis review for the MPO's member jurisdictions. During the last month, staff has reviewed the following development proposals:

- Development Plan Reviews: 22
- Concept Plan Reviews: 3
- TIA Scoping's/Due Diligence: 4
- TIA Reviews: 0
- Development Inquiries: 4
- Projects Released for Construction: 7

### TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

**Project Description/Scope**: UNCW is taking the role as lead employer for the Cape Fear region. The WMPO will coordinate with UNCW to work with other major employers in the region to identify opportunities for ride sharing.

### Next Steps:

- Present UNCW and WMPO TDM efforts at North Carolina Department of Transportation Public Transportation Division conference (October 22-24)
- Formally meet with additional employers to identify TDM opportunities New Hanover Regional Medical Center, PPD, and Cape Fear Community College
- Continue data collection for current TDM participants UNCW, Corning, New Hanover County and City of Wilmington
- Continue coordination with consultants to work through geocoding issues
- Attend monthly meetings with consultant and lead employer

# WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PLAN

**Project Description/Scope:** Complete a Community Transportation Plan for the Town of Wrightsville Beach and Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, which includes all modes of Transportation (Biking, Walking, and Driving), and considers the Town's Critical Intersections and develops plans for Access, Safety and Congestion. The WB CTP plan would lay the foundation for a comprehensive transportation plan throughout the town, create a vision for the future and identify incremental steps to achieve it.

### Next Steps:

- Hold conference call with staff of Kimley-Horn, WMPO and WB during week of Oct 8.
- Close WB CTP questionnaire and tabulate responses to on-line and written survey.
- Complete Conceptual Designs and Review Technical Memorandum 1.
- Schedule Steering Committee Meeting #2 and Review response from Stakeholders Interviews and Public Workshop #1.



# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE GOVERNOR EUGENE A. CONTI, JR. Secretary

October 25, 2012

# **TIP Projects:**

**R-2633 AA & AB:** Construction of I-140 (Wilmington Bypass) from US 17 to US 74/76. Estimated Contract Completion Date July 2013

**R-3324 – Long Beach Road Extension** construct a 2-lane, 2-way roadway on new location from NC 211 to NC 87. Let Date of February 2013

**R-3432** – **SR 1163 (Georgetown Road)** extend from SR 1184 (Ocean Isle Beach Road) to NC 179. Start Date June 2013

**R-2633 B:** Construction of I-140 (Wilmington Bypass)
<u>R-2633 BA</u> construct I-140 from US 74/76 to SR 1430 (Cedar Hill Road).
Start Date September 2013
<u>R-2633 BB</u> construct I-140 from SR 1430 (Cedar Hill Road) to US 421.
Start Date September 2013

**R-3601 US 17/74/76:** Widening across the "causeway", between Leland and Wilmington. Start Date February 2014

**U-3338 B:** Widening of Kerr Ave. from Randall Parkway to Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway. Start Date March 2014

**Military Cutoff Road Extension (U-4751):** extending Military Cutoff Road from Market Street to the Wilmington Bypass, with an interchange at the Bypass. Start Date December 2016

**R-5021:** NC 211 widening, from NC 87 to SR 1500 (Midway Road). Post Year

**U-4434:** Independence Blvd. Extension from Randall Parkway to MLK Parkway. Post Year

R-3434 – SR 1500 (Midway Road) and SR 1401 (Galloway Road) widening Midway Road from NC 211 to US 17 Bypass. Post Year

**R-4063:** widen SR 1472 (Village Road) from SR 1435 (South Navassa Road) to SR 1438 (Lanvale Road). Post Year

**R-3300 Hampstead Bypass:** extending from Wilmington Bypass to US 17 north of Hampstead. Post Year

**U-5300:** NC 132 (College Road) from SR 1272 (New Center Drive) to SR 2048 (Gordon Road) widen to multi-lanes. Post Year

# **Division Project:**

**Dow Road: SR 1573 (Dow Road)** widen roadway for pave shoulders and left turn lanes at three locations, from US 421 to curb & gutter located on K Avenue. <u>Let Date October 16, 2012</u> <u>Estimated Contract Completion Date May 1, 2013</u>

**Wrightsville Beach Draw Bridge:** Replacing the grates, bridge tender's house and other internal mechanical and electrical upgrades.

March 15, 2012 to October 1, 2012 (SUMMER) contractor will not be allowed to close a lane of traffic, during the following times: from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM & from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM & from 7:00 AM Friday to 6:00 PM Sunday October 2012 to March 2013 (WINTER), Traffic will be in a two-lane, two-way pattern (on the bridge) for the replacement of the grates. Contractor will not be allowed to close a lane of traffic: from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM & from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Sunday Dettern (on the bridge) for the replacement of the grates. Contractor will not be allowed to close a lane of traffic: from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM & from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Sunday & from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM & from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Sunday Estimated Contract Completion Date July 2013

**Memorial & Isabel Holmes Bridges:** Mechanical (replacement of lock assemblies, auxiliary drive, brakes & gears) and electrical repairs (terminal cabinets, auxiliary drives and switches)

Contractor should be complete with all the work on both bridges, by May 2012, <u>except</u> for replacing cables, in the Memorial Bridge towers. This work will be completed in the Fall of 2012. This work will require shutting down the entire bridge for 3 consecutive days, on two occasions. At that time, the Department will issue a media release prior to the closure.

Estimated Contract Completion Date Fall 2012

# **Resurfacing Contracts:**

Brunswick, New Hanover & Pender contract: C202680

**Brunswick County:** 

NC 904 milling & resurfacing from NC 179 to East/West Second Street at Ocean Isle Beach

**SR 1331 (Mill Branch Rd)** resurfacing from NC 130 to SR 1335 (Big Neck Rd) **SR 1143 (Brick Landing Rd)** resurfacing from NC 179 to end of system

# **New Hanover County:**

US 17 Business (Market Street) milling & resurfacing from 0.206 miles south of SR 2251 (Barclay Hills Drive) at CSX RR tracks to 0.223 miles north of US 74 (MLK Parkway) intersection at the end of the curb & gutter

**US 17/US 421** milling & resurfacing from 0.091 miles south of US 74/NC 133 intersection at new pavement joint to 0.208 miles north of I-140 overpass at "new" pavement joint

**Wilmington Bypass** leveling courses, at various locations: @ bridge approaches, @ CSX RR fly-over, & @ low areas around interchange of US 17 and US 17 Bus.

SR 1175 (Kerr Ave.) resurfacing from NC 132 to 0.14 mile south of Randall Pkwy

SR 1402 (Edgewater Club Rd) resurfacing from SR 1491 (Porter's Neck Rd) to end of system

SR 2127 (Judges Rd) resurfacing from US 17 Bus. to SR 2213 (Albemarle Rd) SR 2219 (Green Meadows Rd) resurfacing from US 117 Bus. to SR 2281 (Spicewood St)

SR 1002 (Holly Shelter Rd) mill patch from US 117 to Pender Co. line

# **Pender County:**

**US 117** resurfacing from New Hanover County line at Northeast Cape Fear River Bridge to 0.30 mile north of NC 210

NC 53 milling & resurfacing from 0.53 miles west of SR 1400 (North/South Smith Street) to 0.03 miles east of US 117Business in Burgaw Estimated Completion Date Fall 2012

Brunswick & New Hanover Counties: C202916

# **Brunswick County:**

**US 17 NBL & SBL** from US 17 Business (south end of Bolivia) to US 17 Business (north end of Shallotte)

NC 211 from US 17 to Lockwood Folly River Bridge.

US 17 Bus. (Shallotte) from US 17 to NC 179.

**SR 1402 (Randolphville Road)** from US 17 Bus. to SR 1401 (Galloway Road). **SR 1137 (Boones Neck Road)** from NC 130 to end of system.

SR 1345 (Royal Oak Road) from US 17 to SR 1342 (Big Macedonia Road).

SR 1141 (Kirby Road) from SR 1139 (Seashore Road) to NC 130, 2' widening.

# **New Hanover County:**

US 74/US 76 from 0.04 mile east of Summer Rest Road to US 76.

US 74 from US 76 to westside of Banks Channel Bridge #24.

SR 1002 (Holly Shelter Road) 2' widening, mill & resurface from US 117 (Castle

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Road) to Pender County line.

**SR 1521 (Piner Road)** patching & resurface from 0.13 mile east of US 421 to SR 1492 (Masonboro Loop Road).

SR 1520 (Grissom Road) patching & resurfacing from SR 1521 to SR 1492.

SR 1492 patching & resurface from SR 1520 to Whiskey Creek bridge (Wilmington City Limits).

**SR 1695 (Shannon Road)** patching & resurface from SR 1492 (Myrtle Grove Road) to end of system.

**SR 1336 (Sidbury Road)** mill & resurface from SR 1318 (Blue Clay Road) to SR 2181 (Dairy Farm Road).

SR 1336 2' widening, patching & resurface from SR 2181 to Pender County line. Estimated Contract Completion Date November 2012

Pender County: C202927

SR 1572 (Sidbury Road) mill patch, widen & resurface from US 17 to New Hanover County line.

**Estimated Contract Completion Date November 2012** 

# **Patching Contract:**

# **Patching in Brunswick County:**

US 74/US 76 (Joint Repairs) from Columbus County line to 0.36 mile east of SR 1417 (Malmo Loop Rd.).

NC 211 (Two bridge approaches) from 0.62 mile west of SR 1340 (Camp Branch Road) to 0.79 mile west of SR 1340.

US 74/US 76 EBL & WBL from US 17 to 0.10 mile west of SR 1722 (Mercantile Drive).

US 17 NBL & SBL from the New Hanover County line to SR 1414 (Goodman Road). NC 130 from SR 1116 (Ocean Blvd.) to ICWW Bridge.

NC 130\_from SR 1130 (Mt. Pisgah Road) to 0.18 mile east of Edgewater Drive (eastern limits of Smith Avenue).

NC 179 from NC 904 to SR 1143 (Bricklanding Road). NC 87/NC 133\_from NC 211 to NC 133.

# **Patching in New Hanover County:**

US 17 Business from 0.142 mile north of SR 1409 (Military Cut-Off) to SR 1455 (Porters Neck Road). US 117/NC 133 from Pender County line to NC 133. NC 133 from US 117 to SR 1310 (Division Drive). US 117/NC 132 NBL & SBL from US 74 (MLK Parkway) to I-40.

# **Patching in Pender County:**

US 421 from where the divided highway begins/ends just north of NC 210 to the New Hanover County line.

**Estimated Completion Date Fall 2012** 

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