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**Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Board  
Meeting Agenda**

**TO:** Wilmington Urban Area MPO Board Members  
**FROM:** Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director  
**DATE:** November 14, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Board will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 3 pm. The meeting will be held in the WMPO Board Room located at 525 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Wilmington, NC. Members of the public, MPO Board Members and MPO Staff can attend the meeting in person and virtually through the Zoom platform. MPO Board member attendance will be subject to the adopted Remote Participation Policy. The meeting will be streamed live online so that simultaneous live audio, and video, if any, of the meeting is available at the following URL:

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Meeting ID: 811 0945 2014

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

The following is the agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Conflict of Interest Statement
- 4) Approval of Board Member Excused Absences
- 5) Approval of the Agenda
- 6) Public Comment Period
- 7) Presentations
  - a. Recognition of WMPO Board Members- Chairman Hank Miller and Mike Kozlosky, WMPO
  - b. Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Replacement Tolling Comparative Analysis- Trevor Carroll, North Carolina Department of Transportation and David Roy, North Carolina Turnpike Authority
  - c. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority Update- Mark Hairr, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

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County of New Hanover • Town of Belville • Town of Leland • Town of Navassa • County of Brunswick  
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- d. Wilmington Urban Area MPO Trail Etiquette Pilot Program- Carolyn Caggia and Tessa Jones, WMPO
  - 8) Consent Agenda
    - a. Approval of WMPO Board Regular Meeting Minutes- October 29, 2025 (pg. 4 - 11)
    - b. Opening of the 30-day public comment period for the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Amendment #25-7 (pg. 12 - 13)
    - c. Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-9 (pg. 14 - 15)
    - d. Resolution approving Amendment #1 to the FY 26 Unified Planning Work Program (pg. 16 - 26)
    - e. Resolution endorsing 2026 Targets of Safety Performance Measures Established by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (pg. 27 - 32)
    - f. Resolution adopting the 2026 WMPO Meeting Schedule (pg. 33 - 34)
  - 9) Regular Agenda
    - a. Resolution supporting the award of the FY 26-28 Direct Attributable Program Funds (pg. 35 - 38)
  - 10) Discussion
    - a. 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 STIP/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-10 (pg. 39 - 41)
    - b. WMPO WCAG 2.1 AA Compliance Accessibility Plan (pg. 42 - 43)
    - c. WMPO Compensation Study
    - d. December 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting
  - 11) Updates
    - a. Wilmington Urban Area MPO (pg. 44 - 54)
    - b. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (pg. 55)
    - c. NCDOT Division 3 (pg. 56 - 74)
    - d. NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division
    - e. NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (pg. 75 - 76)
    - f. WMPO Board Members
  - 12) Announcements
    - a. WMPO Go Coast Committee Meeting- November 20, 2025
  - 13) Next meeting – December 3, 2025
  - 14) Adjourn

**Attachments:**

- WMPO Board Regular Meeting Minutes- October 29, 2025
- Proposed 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Amendment #25-7
- Proposed 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-9
- Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-9
- Proposed FY 26 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment #1
- Resolution approving Amendment #1 to the FY 26 Unified Planning Work Program
- NCDOT Safety Performance Measures – FHWA Assessment and 2026 Targets Memorandum
- Resolution endorsing 2026 Targets of Safety Performance Measures Established by the North Carolina Department of Transportation
- Proposed 2026 WMPO Meeting Schedule
- Resolution adopting the 2026 WMPO Meeting Schedule
- Proposed FY 26-28 Direct Attributable Recommendations Memorandum

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- Resolution supporting the award of the FY 26-28 Direct Attributable Program Funds
  - Proposed 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 STIP/MPO Transportation Improvement Program Administrative Modifications #25-10
  - WMPO WCAG 2.1 AA Compliance Accessibility Plan Memorandum
  - Wilmington Urban Area MPO Update (November)
  - Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority Update (November)
  - NCDOT Division 3 Project Update (November)
  - NCDOT Transportation Planning Division Project Update (November)



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## **WMPO Board Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 29, 2025**

525 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Wilmington, NC 28401

### **Members Present, In person**

Hank Miller, Chairman, Town of  
Wrightsville Beach  
Luke Waddell, Vice Chairman, City of  
Wilmington  
Mike Forte, Brunswick County  
John Ellen, Town of Kure Beach  
Lynn Barbee, Town of Carolina Beach  
Brenda Bozeman, Town of Leland  
Bill Rivenbark, New Hanover County  
Chuck Bost, Town of Belville  
Landon Zimmer, NC Board of  
Transportation  
Dane Scalise, Cape Fear Public  
Transportation Authority  
Brad George, Pender County  
Eulis Willis, Town of Navassa  
Kevin Spears, City of Wilmington

### **Others Present, In Person**

Mike Kozlosky, WMPO  
Abby Lorenzo, WMPO  
Trevor Carroll, NCDOT  
Greer Templer, WMPO  
Tessa Jones, WMPO  
Krysdan Burden, WMPO  
Beth King, WMPO  
Ronda Hogan, WMPO  
Jeff Dale, Kimley-Horn  
Regina Hopkins, WMPO

Vivian Partin, Town of Wrightsville Beach  
Doug Pruden, Wilmington Resident  
Eric Plummer, Wilmington Resident  
MaryAnn Plummer, Wilmington Resident  
Gary Gischel, Wilmington Resident  
Colleen Issac  
Caitlin Melvin, Volkert, Inc.  
Chris Couprier, NHC  
Granseur Dick, ILM  
Jerod Patterson, BASE  
Michelle Howes, NCDOT  
Mark Hairr, WAVE  
Bijan Saleri, A Caring  
Larry Cleveland, CF Cyclist

### **Others Present, Remote**

Cheryl Hannah, HDR  
Katie Hite, NCDOT  
Nazia Sarder, NCDOT  
Greg Laughter, WMPO  
Chad Kimes, GFT  
Veronica Carter, Town of Leland  
Natasha Henderson, NCDOT TSMO  
Planning  
Caitlin Cerza, WMPO  
Steve Persico  
Eric Stewart  
Veronica Newsome, NCDOT Div. 3

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**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Hank Miller called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

Mike Kozlosky, WMPO Executive Director, called the roll.

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Chuck Bost, Lynn Barbee, Brenda Bozeman, John Ellen, Hank Miller, Bill Rivenbark, Luke Waddell, Mike Forte, Brad George, Dane Scalise, Keving Spears, Eulis Willis, and Landon Zimmer.

**3. Conflict of Interest Statement**

Chairman Miller read the conflict-of-interest statement as required by General Statute and requested any conflicts of interest be disclosed by the Board.

Landon Zimmer requested to recuse himself from item 8d. on the Consent Agenda (Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-8).

**4. Approval of Board Member Excused Absences**

There were no absent Board members.

**5. Approval of the Agenda**

Chairman Miller requested a motion to approve the agenda. Luke Waddell made the motion to approve the agenda recusing Landon Zimmer from item 8. d. Hank Miller seconded the amended agenda, the motion carried unanimously.

**6. Public Comment Period**

Chairman Miller opened the public comment period.

Eric Plummer, 1800 Eastwood Road, spoke about NCDOT Project U-5710. Mr. Plummer stated that he watched the NCDOT presentation last month at the WMPO Board meeting and he has some concerns about the scheduling of the U-5710 project and the impacts of the construction. Mr. Plummer's second concern was the re-routing of traffic, he questioned where the traffic numbers in NCDOT's presentation came from, and if they were current. Mr. Plummer's third concern was the "Texas U-turn", his concerns are based on people not being familiar, and the new traffic pattern could cause chaos. Mr. Plummer has concerns about the traffic signals and would like some details about how the signals will be addressed. Mr. Plummer's last concern was about the stormwater runoff. He stated that the culvert in place already overflows regularly and he believes these projects will increase the runoff, Mr. Plummer is wondering how it will be addressed.

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Gary Gischel, 901 Fox Ridge Place, spoke about NCDOT Project U-5710. Mr. Gischel reviewed the NCDOT Presentation, but he believes the comments concerning the Eastwood/Military Cutoff Overpass were misleading. Mr. Gischel also believes that the Economic Impact Study that was presented raises some questions. Mr. Gischel's opinion is that the money spent on U-5710 is unnecessary, he believes the Drysdale Extension offers a viable, less disruptive alternative. Mr. Gischel is encouraging the Board to request the NCDOT hold a public hearing, so the public can ask questions and have them answered, he would also like the Board to review the viability of the studies and the assumptions they make.

Doug Pruden, 1825 Vincennes Place, spoke about NCDOT Project U-5710. Mr. Pruden expressed his concerns that the U-5710 project has eliminated the 8-phase signal, when he sees a more viable option. Mr. Pruden would like Eastwood/Military Cutoff to be a 2-phase, red/green signal intersection and that combined with Drysdale Drive Extension, he believes, should cut the current wait time down considerably. Mr. Pruden questions whether the U-5710 Project is worth the \$81 million in taxpayers' dollars, just to cut a wait time at a traffic signal. Mr. Pruden would like the Board to reconsider how they are asking to have tax dollars spent.

Bijan Saleni, Wilmington Resident, spoke about upgrades he would like to see, including bike lanes, sidewalks, drainage systems, pedestrian crossings, planting of trees, widening of roads and repaving of existing roads.

Larry Cleveland, 4916 Trailing Vine Lane, spoke about the rumble strips being installed on bike routes. Mr. Cleveland is an avid biker and is very concerned about rumble strips being installed, he would like some explanation on how the rumble strips make things safer. Mr. Cleveland highlighted some bike safety issues throughout the City and would like to help, if possible, to make biking safer in Wilmington.

## **7. Presentations**

### **a. Wilmington International Airport Update- Granseur Dick, ILM**

Granseur Dick gave an update on the improvements being made to the Wilmington International Airport, beginning with the continuous growing number of non-stop routes to over 500 destinations and the continuous number of filled seats. Mr. Dick reviewed the forecasts for passenger demands and passenger capacity at parking, baggage handling systems, and ticket counters. Mr. Dick also highlighted the active capital projects at ILM and the schedules for completion or commitment. He then reviewed the conditions of the ramp and concourse and the expansions planned for the next three years and some long-range plans for expansion starting in 2028. Mr. Dick reviewed the curb and parking improvements with numerous renderings of what

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the improvements will look like, also including a video of the final results. Mr. Dick presented a brief overview of the estimated capital program cash flow and how ILM compares with other small hub airports. He concluded his presentation with an overview of the ILM Business Park, reviewing current and future tenants.

b. Wilmington Urban Area Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Strategic Deployment Plan- Jeff Dale, Kimley Horn & Associates

Jeff Dale from Kimley Horn & Associates gave a presentation on the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Strategic Deployment Plan beginning with the scope and overview of the plan. Mr. Dale discussed the regional boundaries of the plan, stating that they pretty much align with the WMPO boundaries, just extended a bit in a few areas. He also reviewed the Vision and Guiding Principles of the plan and how they arrived at the final guidelines. Mr. Dale highlighted the goals of the plan and the recent investments that are currently in place; then moved on to speak about the gap assessment and how they evaluated and identified gaps. Mr. Dale stated that once they had the gaps identified, they were able to craft project sheets. The project sheets give a project description, the goals addressed with the project, the benefits, and challenges of the project, the proposed technologies, potential funding opportunities, and the performance measures of the project. Mr. Dale explained the systems engineering process, the systems engineering “V”, which all federally funded ITS projects must follow. Mr. Dale concluded his presentation by showing the recommended projects and their priorities. Mr. Kozlosky stated adoption of the plan is on the consent agenda.

**8. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of WMPO Board Regular Meeting Minutes- September 24, 2025
  - b. Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Amendment #25-5
  - c. Opening of the 30-day public comment period for the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Amendment #25-6
  - d. Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-8
  - e. Resolution confirming that previous approvals of the 2024-2033 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs are valid for the 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs
  - f. Resolution adopting an amended Fiscal Constraint Statement, Performance Target Statement, and Updated List of Statewide Projects for the 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs
  - g. Resolution accepting donations for the Get There Greener Challenge
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- h. Resolution to dissolve the Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Committee (MTPC) and Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)
- i. Resolution adopting the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Strategic Deployment Plan

Landon Zimmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda except for item d., (Resolution approving the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-8). Luke Waddell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Dane Scalise made a motion to approve item d. on the Consent Agenda. Hank Miller seconded the motion, the motion passed 12-0, with Landon Zimmer recused.

**9. Regular Agenda**

- a. Resolution supporting the allocation of additional Direct Attributable funds to the Town of Kure Beach for the Fort Fisher Boulevard and K Avenue intersection improvements (BL-0059)

Mike Kozlosky gave an overview of the resolution stating that in October 2021 the Town of Kure Beach was awarded Coronavirus Response and Recovery Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funding in the amount of \$359,559 for the Fort Fisher Boulevard and K Avenue intersection improvement project. However, when the agreement was developed, the funding was modified to \$110,000 in CRRSAA funding and \$250,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant- Direct Attributable (STBG-DA) funding for a total of \$360,000. The Town committed funding in the amount of \$62,500 (20%) to match the STBG-DA allocation for this award. The negotiated right-of-way costs and anticipated construction costs both exceed the CRRSAA and STBG-DA allocations. The town is requesting an additional \$216,000 (80%) in Direct Attributable funding and will provide a local match in the amount of \$54,000 (20%) for right-of-way acquisition; and the Town is requesting an additional \$416,000 (80%) in Direct Attributable funding and will provide a local match in the amount of \$104,000 (20%) for construction of the intersection improvements.

John Ellen made a motion to approve the resolution. Brenda Bozman seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

- b. Resolution requesting a modification to the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs for the Carolina Beach Road/College Road intersection improvements (W-5703C)

Mike Kozlosky explained that the North Carolina Department of Transportation has a highway safety project (W-5703C) from US 117/NC 132 (College Road) to 200 feet north of Wiloughby Park to install curb and gutter, multi-use path, sidewalk,

pedestrian signals, crosswalks, and lighting. In September 2022, New Hanover County requested Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Direct Attributable funding in the amount of \$461,949 for 2,600 linear feet of multi-use path on the eastbound side of US 421/Carolina Beach Road as part of the Monkey Junction Pedestrian Improvement Project and committed the required local match in the amount of \$115,488. On October 26, 2022, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board approved allocating FY 23 Direct Attributable Funding in the amount of \$461,949 for the multi-use path as part of the Monkey Junction Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project (W-5703). Due to increasing project costs and lack of grant funds, the Monkey Junction Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project (W-5703C) has been value engineered with the multi-use trail being removed; and because the funds from the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization and New Hanover County were related to the multi-use path, there will not be a need for the cost share as it was originally agreed upon.

Mike Forte made a motion to approve the resolution. Kevin Spears seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

- c. Resolution adopting Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 and Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's 2050 Travel Demand Model.

Abby Lorenzo presented the final Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 and the WMPO 2050 Travel Demand Model reviewing how the final plan has come into effect. Ms. Lorenzo explained that if adopted, the Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 will replace the Cape Fear Moving Forward 2045.

Luke Waddell made a motion to approve the resolution. Landon Zimmer seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

## **10. Discussion**

- a. 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 STIP/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs Administrative Modifications #25-9

Mike Kozlosky stated that this item is for information only and it will be brought back at the next meeting for approval.

## **11. Updates**

- a. **Wilmington Urban Area MPO**

Mike Kozlosky reminded everyone that there are small group meetings scheduled to discuss Safe Streets for All, and if members are not signed up, to reach out so we can accommodate. Mr. Kozlosky also shared that the WMPO was awarded Honorable Mention for Marvin Collins Outstanding Planning Award for the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail Feasibility Study.

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b. **Cape Fear Public Transit Authority**

Updates are in the packet.

c. **NCDOT Division 3**

Updates are in the packet, however, Trevor Carroll gave a little preview, stating that for next month's meeting NC Turnpike Authority will be giving a presentation on the comparative analysis for tolling of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge replacement.

d. **NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division**

Updates are in the packet.

e. **NCDOT Transportation Planning Division**

Updates are in the packet.

f. **WMPO Board Members**

John Ellen gave a quick update about the 2025 Mountain to the Coast Ride being cancelled due to weather. Mr. Ellen also stated that he and approximately 600 others completed the ride in Wallace, 400 miles in six days.

**12. Announcements**

- a. WMPO Go Coast Committee Meeting- November 20, 2025

**13. Next Meeting – November 19, 2025**

**14. Closed Session**

The Board entered into closed session at 4:05pm and returned to the open meeting at 4:23pm

**15. Old Business**

- a. Resolution approving and authorizing the Chairman to execute the Lead Planning Agency Agreement between the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization and City of Wilmington

Luke Waddell made a motion to accept the resolution. John Ellen seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously

**16. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:27pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Kozlosky

Executive Director

Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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**THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS ARE RECORDED DIGITALLY AS PART OF THIS**  
**RECORD.**

# REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP

## HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Amendment #25-7

### STATEWIDE PROJECT

#### STIP ADDITIONS

\* BO-2426 - STATEWIDE PROJECT  
STATEWIDE  
**PROJ.CATEGORY**  
DIVISION

VARIOUS, LOCATIONS STATEWIDE. FUNDING FOR  
NATIONAL RECREATIONAL TRAILS.  
**ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE DIVISION OF  
PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING.**

CONSTRUCTION

FY 2026 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2027 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2028 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2029 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2030 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2031 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2032 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
FY 2033 -	\$1,600,000	(TA)
AFTER FY 2033 -	\$6,400,000	(TA)
	\$19,200,000	

\* M-0417 - STATEWIDE PROJECT  
STATEWIDE  
**PROJ.CATEGORY**  
EXEMPT

VARIOUS, LOCATIONS STATEWIDE. FUNDING FOR  
HIGHWAY USE TAX EVASION – INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
EFFORTS. FUNDING IS USED FOR WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT AND QUALITY MANAGEMENT, MOTOR  
FUEL EXAMINATIONS, INVESTIGATIONS OPERATIONS,  
CRITICAL SYSTEM UPGRADES AND PROGRAM  
MAINTENANCE.  
**ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST THE DIVISION OF  
PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING. DP REPRESENTS  
HIGHWAY USE TAX EVASION GRANT.**

IMPLEMENTATION

FY 2026 -	\$1,172,000	(DP)
	\$1,172,000	



REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP  
HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Amendment 25-7

WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
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STIP ADDITIONS

* HS-2403AY PENDER PROJ.CATEGORY REGIONAL	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	US 421, SR 1114 (BLUEBERRY ROAD) NORTH OF NC 210. INSTALL RUMBLE STRIPS.	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2026 -	<u>\$210,000</u> \$210,000	(HSIP)
	- CAPE FEAR RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION	<u>ADD PROJECT BREAK AT THE REQUEST OF TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>				

# REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP

## HIGHWAY PROGRAM

### Administrative Modifications #25-9

#### WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

#### STIP MODIFICATIONS

BL-0154 PENDER PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	COUNTRY CLUB MULTI-USE PATH, ADJACENT TO COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE AND JENKINS ROAD FROM SLOOP POINT LOOP ROAD TO NORTH ST. JOHNS CHURCH ROAD.. CONSTRUCT MULTI-USE PATH. <b><u>TO REFLECT THE LATEST DELIVERY SCHEDULE, DELAY PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FROM FY 25 TO FY 26.</u></b>	ENGINEERING	FY 2026 -	\$709,000	(BGDA)
				FY 2026 -	\$177,000	(L(M))
					\$886,000	
U-5534U NEW HANOVER PROJ.CATEGORY DIVISION	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	BROOKLYN STREET; NAVASSA PARK, VARIOUS LOCATIONS. ADD BIKE LANES ON BROOKLYN STREET. CONSTRUCT MULTI-USE PATH CONNECTING BROOKLYN STREET TO NAVASSA PARK. <b><u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 25 TO FY 26.</u></b>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2026 -	\$168,000	(BGANY)
				FY 2026 -	\$430,000	(BGDA)
				FY 2026 -	\$108,000	(L(M))
					\$706,000	

**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS #25-9 TO THE  
2024-2033 STATE /MPO 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 Board 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 2024-2033 State Transportation Improvement Program on June 6, 2023, and the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Board adopted the 2024-2033 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs on August 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Board of Transportation adopted the 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program on July 9, 2025, and the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Board adopted the 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs on July 29, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization desires to modify the adopted 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs for Administrative Modifications #25-9.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby approves modifying the 2024-2033 and 2026-2035 State/MPO Transportation Improvement Programs for Administrative Modifications #25-9.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 19, 2025.

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Henry E. Miller III, Chair

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Mike Kozlosky, Secretary



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**2025 - 2026 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment # 1**  
**PL-104(f) Funding Reallocation**  
**November 19, 2025**

**III-C-1 Title VI Compliance**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item decreased by \$13,000

Decrease in expenditure based on NC DOT's DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation Memo issued on October 6, 2025. These funds were reallocated to the Management Operations task.

**III-E Management Operations**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item increased by \$13,000

Increase in expenditure based on NC DOT's DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation Memo issued on October 6, 2025. In effort to not impact the total PL-104(f) funding allocation budgeted for FY26, the reduction in funding of the Title VI Compliance task was reallocated to the Management Operations task.

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**2025 - 2026 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment # 1**  
**STBG-DA Funding Reallocation**  
**November 19, 2025**

**II-B-3 Special Studies: Consultant - Compensation Analysis**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item decreased by \$1,500

Decrease in expenditure based on finalized contracted amount for a consultant to perform the Compensation Analysis Special Study. These STBG-DA funds will be shifted to the 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update Special Study task to help offset the increase in that contract's amount.

**III-E Management Operations**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item decreased by \$2,200

Decrease in expenditure needed to reallocate STBG-DA funds to the 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update Special Study task. This shift will offset the increase in that contract's amount without increasing the current total STBG-DA amount budgeted for FY26.

**II-B-3 Special Studies: Consultant - 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item increased by \$3,700

Increase in expenditure based on finalized contracted amount for a consultant to perform the 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update Special Study. These funds will be reallocated from the Special Studies: Consultant - Compensation Analysis and Management Operations tasks to the 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update Special Study task to offset the increase in that contract's amount without increasing the current STBG-DA budgeted amount.

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Anticipated Contracting Opportunities for FY 2026

Name of MPO: Wilmington Urban Area MPO

Person Completing Form: Mike Kozlosky

Telephone Number: 910-342-2781

<b>Task Code</b>	<b>Prospectus Description</b>	<b>Name of Agency Contracting Out</b>	<b>Type of Contracting Opportunity (Consultant, etc.)</b>	<b>Federal Funds to be Contracted Out</b>	<b>Total Funds to be Contracted Out</b>
II-B-3	FY 26: New Special Studies: Consultant 2027 – 2031 Strategic Plan Update	City of Wilmington	Consultant	\$14,960	\$18,700
II-B-3	FY 26: New Special Studies: Consultant Compensation Analysis	City of Wilmington	Consultant	\$3,840	\$4,800
II-B-3	FY 24: Continuance Special Studies: Consultant Safe Streets & Roads for All	City of Wilmington	Consultant	\$400,000	\$500,000

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**2025 - 2026 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment # 1**  
**5303 Funding Reallocation**  
**November 19, 2025**

**44.27.00      III-C-1   Title VI Compliance**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item decreased by \$1,400

Decrease in expenditure based on NC DOT's DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation Memo issued on October 6, 2025. The funding for this task is part of the 5303 Passthrough Agreement with WAVE Transit. Because the agreement was not executed prior to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, these funds were reallocated to the Management Operations task so as not to affect the total funding allocated to WAVE nor the 5303 funding awarded to the WMPO for FY26.

**44.27.00      III-C-3   Minority Business Enterprise Planning**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item decreased by \$600

Decrease in expenditure based on NC DOT's DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation Memo issued on October 6, 2025. The funding for this task is part of the 5303 Passthrough Agreement with WAVE Transit. Because the agreement was not executed prior to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, these funds were reallocated to the Management Operations task so as not to affect the total funding allocated to WAVE nor the 5303 funding awarded to the WMPO for FY26.

**44.27.00      III-E   Management Operations**

Based on anticipated expenditures, the line item increased by \$2,000

Increase in expenditure based on NC DOT's DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation Memo issued on October 6, 2025. In effort to not affect the overall 5303 funds budgeted for FY26, the reduction in funding allocated to the Title VI Compliance and Minority Business Enterprise Planning tasks were reallocated to the Management Operations task.

MPO	Wilmington
FTA Code	44.21.00 - Program Support Administration
Task Code	III-C-1
Title	Title VI Compliance
5303 Task Objective	Interpret and prepare Title VI documents and monitor Title VI efforts to ensure compliance with FTA approved Title VI program
Tangible Product Expected	Compliance with the Title VI circular and adopted Title VI program
Expected Completion Date of Products	June 2026 1 Year Contract
Previous Work	Title VI program development and compliance efforts
Relationship	This is a collaborative effort of the Wilmington MPO and the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (CFPTA) aka Wave Transit
Responsible Agency	CFPTA (WAVE)
SPR - Highway - NCDOT 20%	
SPR - Highway - F11WA 80%	
Section 104 (f) PL, Local 20%	
Section 104 (f) PL, FHWA 80%	
Section 5303 Local 10%	0
Section 5303 NCDOT 10%	0
Section 5303 FTA 80%	0
Section 5307 Transit - Local 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - NCDOT 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - FTA 80%	
Additional Funds - Local 100%	



MPO	Wilmington
FTA Code	44.21.00 - Program Support Administration
Task Code	III-C-1
Title	Title VI Compliance
5303 Task Objective	Interpret and prepare Title VI documents and monitor Title VI efforts to ensure compliance with FTA approved Title VI program
Tangible Product Expected	Compliance with the Title VI circular and adopted Title VI program
Expected Completion Date of Products	June 2026 1 Year Contract
Previous Work	Title VI program development and compliance efforts
Relationship	This is a collaborative effort of the Wilmington MPO and the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (CFPTA) aka Wave Transit
Responsible Agency	CFPTA (WAVE)
SPR - Highway - NCDOT 20%	
SPR - Highway - F11WA 80%	
Section 104 (f) PL, Local 20%	
Section 104 (f) PL, FHWA 80%	
Section 5303 Local 10%	0
Section 5303 NCDOT 10%	0
Section 5303 FTA 80%	0
Section 5307 Transit - Local 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - NCDOT 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - FTA 80%	
Additional Funds - Local 100%	

MPO	Wilmington
FTA Code	44.21.00 - Program Support Administration
Task Code	III-E
Title	Management & Operations
5303 Task Objective	Management & Operations - MPO and CFPTA staff will conduct required administrative and operational tasks to support Wave Transit. Periodical reviews of administrative agreements and procedures. Staff will perform daily operations to disseminate planning information to the TAC/TCC committee members, the public and/or other agencies.
Tangible Product Expected	Compliance with FTA and NCDOT requirements, well informed community and elected officials about the public transit program, and functional system that meets the needs of the community
Expected Completion Date of Products	June 2026 1 Year Contract
Previous Work	Collection of data and submission to NTD
Relationship	This is a collaborative effort of the Wilmington MPO and the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (CFPTA) aka Wave Transit
Responsible Agency	CFPTA (WAVE) & WMPO
SPR - Highway - NCDOT 20%	
SPR - Highway - F11WA 80%	
Section 104 (f) PL, Local 20%	
Section 104 (f) PL, FHWA 80%	
Section 5303 Local 10%	6,950
Section 5303 NCDOT 10%	6,949
Section 5303 FTA 80%	55,595
Section 5307 Transit - Local 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - NCDOT 10%	
Section 5307 Transit - FTA 80%	
Additional Funds - Local 100%	

WMPO 2025 - 2026 UPWP Administrative Table

WMPO FY26 Task and Cost Allocations			FHWA/TPD Planning - PL104(f)			FHWA/TPD Planning - PL-Y410	FHWA/TPD Planning - STBG-DA			FHWA - Safe Streets & Roads 4 All				FTA/IMD - 5303 - Planning				Additional	FY26 PROGRAM TOTALS				
			WBS #: TBD			WBS #: TBD	WBS #: TBD			State WBS # 51360 / Federal Award # 693JJ32540101				WBS #: TBD				Funds					
FTA CODE	TASK CODE	TASK DESCRIPTION	Local	Federal	Total	Federal Total	Local	Federal	Total	Local	State	Federal	Total	Local	State	Federal	Total	Local (100%)	Local Totals	State Totals	Federal Totals	Grand Totals	
			20%	80%	100%	100%	20%	80%	100%	10%	10%	80%	100%	10%	10%	80%	100%						
	II-A	Data and Planning Support	20,660	82,640	103,300	-	18,760	75,040	93,800	-	-	-	-	3,360	3,360	26,880	33,600	-	42,780	3,360	184,560	230,700	
44.24.00	II-A-1	Networks and Support Systems	20,160	80,640	100,800	-	18,760	75,040	93,800	-	-	-	-	2,610	2,610	20,880	26,100	-	41,530	2,610	176,560	220,700	
44.23.01	II-A-2	Travelers and Behavior	260	1,040	1,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	260	-	1,040	1,300	
44.23.02	II-A-3	Transportation Modeling	240	960	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	750	750	6,000	7,500	-	990	750	6,960	8,700	
44.23.02	II-B	Planning Process	12,700	50,800	63,500	7,913	5,700	22,800	28,500	-	-	-	-	470	470	3,760	4,700	100,000	118,870	470	85,273	204,613	
44.23.02	II-B-1	Target Planning	1,400	5,600	7,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	-	5,600	7,000	
44.23.01	II-B-2	Regional Planning	9,300	37,200	46,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	470	470	3,760	4,700	-	9,770	470	40,960	51,200	
	Y-410 SATO	Safe and Accessable Transportation Options - Y-410 Set Aside	-	-	-	7,913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,913	7,913	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Total	2,000	8,000	10,000	-	5,700	22,800	28,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	107,700	-	30,800	138,500	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Staff Time - 2027-2031 Strategic Plan & 2050 MTP	2,000	8,000	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	8,000	10,000	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Staff Time - Safe Streets & Roads for All	-	-	-	-	1,000	4,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	4,000	5,000	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Consultant - 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Update	-	-	-	-	3,740	14,960	18,700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,740	-	14,960	18,700	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Consultant - Compensation Analysis	-	-	-	-	960	3,840	4,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	960	-	3,840	4,800	
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Local Only - Grant Assistance Pilot Program	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	100,000	
	III-A	Planning Work Program	400	1,600	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	1,600	2,000	
44.21.00	III-A-1	Planning Work Program	200	800	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	800	1,000	
44.24.00	III-A-2	Metrics and Performance Measures	200	800	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	800	1,000	
44.25.00	III-B	Transp. Improvement Plan	2,500	10,000	12,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,500	-	10,000	12,500	
44.25.00	III-B-1	Prioritization	1,000	4,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	4,000	5,000	
44.25.00	III-B-2	Metropolitan TIP	500	2,000	2,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	2,000	2,500	
44.25.00	III-B-3	Merger/Project Development	1,000	4,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	4,000	5,000	
44.27.00	III-C	Cvt Rgts. Cmp./Otr. Reg. Reqs.	2,200	8,800	11,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	390	390	3,120	3,900	-	2,590	390	11,920	14,900	
44.27.00	III-C-1	Title VI Compliance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
44.27.00	III-C-2	Environmental Justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
44.27.00	III-C-3	Minority Business Enterprise Planning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
44.27.00	III-C-4	Planning for the Elderly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
44.27.00	III-C-5	Safety/Drug Control Planning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
44.27.00	III-C-6	Public Involvement	2,000	8,000	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	390	390	3,120	3,900	-	2,390	390	11,120	13,900	
44.27.00	III-C-7	Private Sector Participation	200	800	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	800	1,000	
44.27.00	III-D	Statewide & Extra-Regional Planning	1,400	5,600	7,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	-	5,600	7,000	
44.27.00	III-D	Statewide & Extra-Regional Planning	1,400	5,600	7,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	-	5,600	7,000	
44.27.00	III-E	Management Ops. Program Suppt Admin	52,540	210,160	262,700	287	270,312	1,081,249	1,351,561	-	-	-	-	7,246	7,244	57,958	72,448	79,000	409,098	7,244	1,349,654	1,765,996	
44.27.00	III-E	Management Operations	49,306	197,224	246,530	-	259,988	1,039,951	1,299,939	-	-	-	-	6,950	6,949	55,595	69,494	79,000	395,244	6,949	1,292,770	1,694,963	
44.27.00	III-E	Indirect Costs 3.5% of MTDC	3,234	12,936	16,170	287	10,324	41,298	51,622	-	-	-	-	296	295	2,363	2,954	-	13,854	295	56,884	71,033	
FY26 TOTALS:			92,400	369,600	462,000	8,200	294,772	1,179,089	1,473,861	-	-	-	-	11,466	11,464	91,718	114,648	179,000	577,638	11,464	1,648,607	2,237,709	
			Local	Federal	Total	Total / Federal	Local	Federal	Total	Local	Federal	Federal	Total	Local	State	Federal	Total	Local	Local	State	Federal	Grand Total	
			PL 104(f)			PL Y410 SATO	STBG-DA			Safe Streets for All				5303 - Normal Planning				Additional	Totals				

WMPO FY24 Task and Cost Allocations - Carry Forward			FHWA/TPD Planning - PL104(f)			FHWA/TPD Planning - PL-Y410	FHWA/TPD Planning - STBG-DA			FHWA - Safe Streets 4 All				FTA/IMD - 5303 - Normal Planning				Additional	FY24 CARRY FORWARD TOTALS			
			N/A - Does Not Carry Forward			N/A - Does Not Carry Forward	WBS #: 44094.1.5			State WBS # 51360 / Federal Award # 693JJ32540101				N/A - Does Not Carry Forward				Funds				
FTA CODE	TASK CODE	TASK DESCRIPTION	Local 20%	Federal 80%	Total 100%	Total 100%	Local 20%	Federal 80%	Total 100%	Local 10%	State 10%	Federal 80%	Total 100%	Local 10%	State 10%	Federal 80%	Total 100%	Local (100%)	Local Totals	State Totals	Federal Totals	Grand Totals
	II-B	Planning Process	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000
44.27.00	II-B-3	Special Studies: Consultant - Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000
FY 24 CONTINUANCE TOTALS:			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000
			Local	Federal	Total	Total	Local	Federal	Total	Local	Federal	Federal	Total	Local	State	Federal	Total	Local	Local	State	Federal	Grand Total
			PL 104(f)			PL Y410 SATO	STBG-DA			Safe Streets for All				5303 - Normal Planning				Additional	Totals			

Combined Total of FY26 and FY24 Continuance			PL 104(f)			PL Y410 SATO	STBG-DA			Safe Streets for All				5303 - Normal Planning				Additional	FY26 & FY24 Combined Total			
			Local	Federal	Total	Total / 100% Federal	Local	Federal	Total	Local	Federal	Federal	Total	Local	State	Federal	Total	Local	Local	State	Federal	Grand Total
TOTALS:			92,400	369,600	462,000	8,200	294,772	1,179,089	1,473,861	50,000	50,000	400,000	500,000	11,466	11,464	91,718	114,648	179,000	627,638	61,464	2,048,607	2,737,709



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

JOSH STEIN  
GOVERNOR

DANIEL H. JOHNSON  
SECRETARY

DATE: October 6, 2025

TO: NCDOT Divisions and All Federal-Aid Subrecipients (Transit, Aviation, and Local Governments)

FROM: Chief Operating Officer, Christopher A. Peoples

SUBJECT: DBE Interim Final Rule Implementation

On September 30, 2025, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) issued guidance on the Interim Final Rule (Rule) modifying the certification, compliance and reporting requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program. The Rule was published in the federal register and took effect on October 3, 2025. The Rule can be found here: <https://www.transportation.gov/mission/civil-rights/disadvantaged-business-enterprise/DBE-IFR-10-03-2025>.

The North Carolina Unified Certification Program (UCP), administered by the N. C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) provides “one-stop shopping” for applicants to apply for DBE certification within the state. The Rule requires the eligibility of all DBE certified firms to be reevaluated on an individualized basis, without reliance on race- or sex-based presumptions of disadvantage. Until the reevaluation process is completed by the UCP, recipients of federal transportation funds — *including NCDOT and all subrecipients such as transit agencies, airports, and local governments* — may not update their overall goal, set any contract DBE goals on federally funded projects or count any DBE participation toward DBE goals. By extension, for State-funded projects governed by N.C.G.S. § 136-28.4, no new Minority Business/Women Business Enterprise (MB/WBE) contract goals may be set.

**Effective immediately:**

- Contracts Executed prior to October 3, 2025; Active
  - DBE contract provisions on **executed** federally funded contracts **must continue to be enforced** as written.
  - MB/WBE contract provisions on **executed** State-funded funded contracts **must continue to be enforced** as written.
- Contracts Awarded prior to October 3, 2025; Not Executed
  - DBE contract provisions on federally funded projects **awarded, but not yet executed**, remain in effect as stated in the procurement documents.

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- MB/WBE contract provisions on State-funded projects **awarded, but not yet executed**, remain in effect as stated in the procurement documents.
- Contracts Advertised prior to October 3, 2025; Not Awarded
  - DBE goals must be removed from federally funded projects currently advertised for letting. Divisions and subrecipients should coordinate with their respective procurement offices to issue addenda or bidder notifications as needed.
  - MB/WBE goals must be removed from State-funded projects currently advertised for letting. Divisions and subrecipients should coordinate with their respective procurement offices to issue addenda or bidder notifications as needed.
- Future Projects; Not Advertised
  - No DBE goals may be established for future federally funded contracts until further guidance is provided.
  - No MB/WBE goals may be established for future State-funded contracts until further guidance is provided.
- DBE Supportive Services
  - Existing DBE certified and small firms may continue to access supportive service resources available through the Office of Civil Rights.

For questions, please contact:

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We will continue to monitor federal guidance closely and provide timely updates for NCDOT divisions, transit providers, airports, and local governments.

Sincerely,

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Christopher A. Peoples P.E.

cc: Secretary Daniel Johnson

Yolanda Jordan, Division Administrator (FHWA- NC)

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**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT # 1 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2026  
UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

**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 Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Unified Planning Work Program documenting the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning program in the Wilmington Urban Area was adopted by the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on March 26, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the need for amendments to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program has been evaluated and justified in order to effectively advance transportation planning for FY 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization can amend the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program to cover any anticipated expenditures for the fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization proposes amendments to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program to reflect current and anticipated expenditures.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby approves Amendment # 1 to the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 19, 2025.

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Henry E. Miller III, Chair

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Mike Kozlosky, Secretary



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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GOVERNOR

J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS  
SECRETARY

DATE: September 30, 2025

TO: Mike Kozlosky  
Executive Director, Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning  
Organization

FROM: Shawn A. Troy, PE  
State Traffic Safety Engineer  
Transportation Mobility & Safety Division

SUBJECT: Safety Performance Measures – FHWA Assessment and 2026 Targets

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**Background**

Effective April 14, 2016, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) established five highway safety performance measures in accord with regulations set forth in the Federal MAP-21 and FAST Act transportation funding bills. These performance measures are:

1. Number of fatalities;
2. Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled;
3. Number of serious injuries;
4. Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled; and
5. Number of combined non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries.

These targets are established annually, are based on 5-year rolling averages, and are for calendar years. North Carolina state targets are set in agreement with our [Strategic Highway Safety Plan \(SHSP\)](#) goals. The SHSP goals are developed through collaborative efforts of a diverse group of stakeholders including state, regional, and local partners (including MPOs). The goal of the most recent (2024) SHSP is to reduce fatalities and serious injuries by half by 2035, moving towards zero by 2050.

## North Carolina Safety Performance Target Achievement Determination

Earlier this year, FHWA completed an assessment of target achievement for NCDOT's calendar year (CY) 2023 safety targets, based on the 5-year averages for 2019-2023 for each measure. As per 23 CFR 490.211(c)(2), a State Department of Transportation (DOT) has met or made significant progress towards meeting its safety performance targets when at least four of the safety performance targets established under 23 CFR 490.209(a) have been met or the actual outcome is better than the baseline performance. **Based on FHWA's review, North Carolina has not met or made significant progress toward achieving its safety performance targets.** As a result, NCDOT must ensure that all HSIP safety funds are obligated and must develop an HSIP Implementation Plan that describes actions the State will take to meet or make significant progress toward achieving its targets. Table 1 below provides a summary of the target achievement determination at the state level.

*Table 1: North Carolina Safety Performance Target Achievement Determination Summary for CY 2023.*

Performance Measures	Target	Actual	Baseline	Target Achieved?	(Actual) Better than Baseline?	Met or Made Significant Progress?
	2019 - 2023	2019 - 2023	2017 - 2021			
Number of Fatalities	1,202.2	1,576.0	1,507.2	No	No	No
Rate of Fatalities	1.011	1.346	1.290	No	No	
Number of Serious Injuries	3,423.0	5,217.0	4,898.4	No	No	
Rate of Serious Injury	2.863	4.442	4.186	No	No	
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	468.2	691.8	625.2	No	No	

Table 2 below shows what this determination would look like if the state's methodology for establishing the CY 2023 goal was applied to crash data specific to Wilmington Urban Area MPO.

*Table 2: Wilmington Urban Area MPO Safety Performance Target Achievement Determination Summary for CY 2023.*

Performance Measures	5-Year Rolling Averages			Target Achieved?	(Actual) Better than Baseline?	Met or Made Significant Progress?
	Target	Actual	Baseline			
	2019 - 2023	2019 - 2023	2017 - 2021			
Fatalities (5 Year Average)	24.3	35.2	33.2	No	No	No
Fatality Rate (5 Year Average)	0.905	1.288	1.273	No	No	
Serious Injuries (5 Year Average)	63.4	89.6	86.8	No	No	
Serious Injury Rate (5 Year Average)	2.356	3.291	3.355	No	Yes	
Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries (5 Year Average)	17.1	20.6	21.4	No	Yes	



## **2026 State Safety Performance Targets**

2026 state safety performance targets were submitted to FHWA on August 31<sup>st</sup>, as required, with the submission of the annual Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) report. These targets reflect the 2024 SHSP goal to reduce fatalities and serious injuries by half by 2035, moving towards zero by 2050. The calculated targets are shown in Table 3 below. More detailed information about each target can be found at this [link](#).

*Table 3: North Carolina Calendar Year 2026 Safety Performance Targets.*

Performance Measure	CY 2026
Number of Fatalities	1,057.0
Rate of Fatalities	0.885
Number of Serious Injuries	3,101.0
Rate of Serious Injuries	2.585
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	418.7

## **2026 Wilmington Urban Area MPO Safety Performance Targets**

Table 4 below provides crash data specific to your MPO and shows what the safety performance targets would look like if you applied the state's methodology (reducing fatalities and serious injuries by half by 2035). More detailed information specific to your MPO can be found at this [link](#).

*Table 4: Wilmington Urban Area MPO Specific Safety Performance Targets.*

Year	Fatalities (5 Year Average)	Fatality Rate (5 Year Average)	Serious Injuries (5 Year Average)	Serious Injury Rate (5 Year Average)	Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries (5 Year Average)
2015 – 2019	30.8	1.186	76.0	2.944	21.6
2016 – 2020	30.8	1.186	80.2	3.114	19.8
2017 – 2021	33.2	1.273	86.8	3.355	21.4
2018 – 2022	33.8	1.276	88.8	3.376	20.4
2019 - 2023	35.2	1.288	89.6	3.291	20.6
2020 - 2024	35.0	1.251	88.2	3.182	21.0
<b>2026 Target</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>0.813</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>2.232</b>	<b>14.4</b>

## **Next Steps**

MPOs are not directly assessed by FHWA on their progress towards meeting safety performance targets. However, coordination and deliberate action will be needed to achieve the fatal and serious injury crash reduction goals outlined in the NC Strategic Highway Safety Plan and as communicated through the safety performance targets. We encourage additional coordination between MPO's and NCDOT Traffic Safety Unit in all areas of safety, but specifically in data sharing, safety tools development, safety need identification and shared safety project implementation. The Traffic Safety Unit is available to meet with your MPO for additional discussion and partnership.

FHWA guidance allows each MPO to establish safety performance targets by either agreeing to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishments of the State DOT performance targets or committing to quantifiable HSIP targets for their specific MPO area. If an MPO establishes its own targets, it will need to do so in coordination with the State per FHWA guidelines. The Traffic Safety Unit is available to facilitate this coordination. As a reminder, MPOs must establish safety performance targets no later than February 27 of each year per FHWA guidance. If you have not already done so, please transmit a signed adoption resolution indicating the establishment of safety targets for your MPO or supporting the state's targets to Daryl Vreeland ([dvreeland@ncdot.gov](mailto:dvreeland@ncdot.gov)) in the Transportation Planning Division just as you have in previous years. An adoption resolution template can be found at this [link](#).

Finally, a NCDOT Traffic Safety website has been established to communicate safety information to the public. A few direct links that may be of specific interest to MPOs can be found below:

- Main NCDOT Traffic Safety Unit website: [link](#)
- Mapped safety data: [link](#)
  - Here you can find a variety of spatial datasets related to traffic safety, including: fatal and serious injury crashes, pedestrian and bicycle crashes, safety projects (completed and funded), and several interactive map-based dashboards that allows the user to select an area of interest for more specific crash statistics.
- Pedestrian Safety Improvements: [link](#)
  - Here you will find information related to NCDOT's pedestrian safety programs, as well as several new guidance documents related to pedestrian safety.

Please contact me directly at (919) 814-5010 or [stroy@ncdot.gov](mailto:stroy@ncdot.gov), or Brian Murphy at (919) 814-4948 or [bgmurphy@ncdot.gov](mailto:bgmurphy@ncdot.gov) for further questions or discussion.

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**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING TARGETS FOR SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES  
ESTABLISHED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION**

**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 Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization has been designated by the Governor of the State of North Carolina as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for the MPO's metropolitan planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) requires States to set targets for five safety performance measures annually, by August 31; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has established targets for five performance measures based on five year rolling averages for: (1) Number of Fatalities, (2) Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), (3) Number of Serious Injuries, (4) Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT, and (5) Number of Non-Motorized (bicycle and pedestrian) Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, the NCDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the 20 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in North Carolina continually through outreach conducted by NCDOT's Mobility and Safety Group; and

**WHEREAS**, the NCDOT officially establishes and reports the safety targets in the Highway Safety Improvement Program annual report by August 31, of each year; and

**WHEREAS** the MPO's may establish safety targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the State's targets for each measure or establish its own target within 180 days of the State establishing and reporting its safety targets in the HSIP annual report.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby agrees to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the State's targets as noted below for each of the aforementioned performance measures:

1. For the 2026 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the goal is to reduce total fatalities by 33 percent from 1,585.2 (2020-2024 average) to 1,057.0 (2022-2026 average) by December 31, 2026.
2. For the 2026 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the goal is to reduce the fatality rate by 35 percent from 1.353 (2020-2024 average) to 0.885 (2022-2026 average) by December 31, 2026.
3. For the 2026 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the goal is to reduce total serious injuries by 41 percent from 5,236.8 (2020-2024 average) to 3,101.0 (2022-2026 average) by December 31, 2026.
4. For the 2026 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the goal is to reduce the serious injury rate by 42 percent from 4.467 (2020-2024 average) to 2.585 (2022-2026 average) by December 31, 2026.

5. For the 2026 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the goal is to reduce the total nonmotorized fatalities and serious injuries by 41 percent from 712.6 (2020-2024 average) to 418.7 (2022-2026 average) by December 31, 2026.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 19, 2025.

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Henry E. Miller III, Chair

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Mike Kozlosky, Secretary



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## MEMORANDUM

TO: TCC/Board members

FROM: Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director

DATE: November 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Wilmington Urban Area MPO Proposed 2026 Meeting Schedule

Technical Coordinating Committee	Board
January 14	January 28
February 11	February 25
March 11	March 25
April 15	April 29
May 13	May 27
June 10	June 24
July 15	July 29
August 12	August 26
September 16	September 30
October 14	October 28
November 4	November 18
December –no meeting scheduled	December 9*

The TCC meetings will begin at 10 am on the date of the meetings.

The Board meetings will begin at 3 pm on the date of the meetings.

\*Board meeting begins at 10 am.

All TCC and WMPO Board meetings will be held in the WMPO Board Room located at 525 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Wilmington unless otherwise publicly noticed.

## Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN  
PLANNING ORGANIZATION’S 2026 MEETING CALENDAR**

**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 Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization’s Board adopts the meeting calendar on an annual basis.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby adopts the 2026 meeting calendar.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization’s Board on November 19, 2025.

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** MPO Board Members  
**From:** Krysden Burden, Grants Coordinator  
**Date:** November 5, 2025  
**Subject:** WMPO Locally Administered Project Program Recommended FY2026-2030 Project Program

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update on the status of the call for projects for the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's (WMPO) Locally Administered Project Program (LAPP) FY2026-2030 Project Program.

### **Background**

On June 25, 2025, the WMPO Board endorsed the submittal guide and scoring criteria for the Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP). The LAPP is a competitive application process through which the WMPO solicits qualified project applications from its member jurisdictions to award direct attributable funds for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG-DA), Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside, and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP).

The WMPO LAPP call for projects for the FY2026-2030 Project Program was announced on July 7, 2025. A pre-submittal informational meeting was held on July 16, 2025, followed by a pre-application submittal deadline of August 15, 2025. The final application submittal deadline was September 19, 2025.

### **Results of the FY2026-2030 Call for Projects**

The WMPO received ten applications from five member jurisdictions, totaling \$14,465,630 in funding requests. Staff reviewed and scored these applications according to the adopted LAPP criteria. Based on this review, WMPO staff recommends that the Board approve funding for five of the ten projects. Funding for these projects will be allocated from FY2026 to FY2028.

The recommended projects and their respective scores are included in the table on the following page. Scores are out of a total of 100 points.

Project Name	Member Jurisdiction	Recommended WMPO DA Allocation	Proposed Local Match Amount	Funding Fiscal Year	Project Score
Kerr Avenue Trail	City of Wilmington	\$2,681,347	\$670,337	CON: 2027	65
S. College Road/17th Street to Piner Road Multi-use Path	New Hanover County	\$2,628,755	\$698,783	CON: 2026	69
Signal Installation at SR 1438 (Lanvale Road) & SR 1472 (Fletcher Road NE/Village Rd)	NCDOT	\$1,500,000	\$3,875,100	PE: 2026 CON: 2028	63
Signal Installation at SR 1563 (Sloop Point Road) & SR 1565 (Country Club Road)	NCDOT	\$1,508,119	\$377,030	PE: 2027 ROW/CON: 2028	70
Signal Installation at US 421 (Lake Park Blvd) & Federal Point Driveway	NCDOT	\$191,204	\$47,801	PE: 2027 CON: 2028	63
*PE = Preliminary Engineering/Design *ROW = Right of Way *CON = Construction					

The five projects that are not recommended for funding, along with the reasons staff do not recommend them, are summarized in the table below.

Project Name	Member Jurisdiction	Project Score	Explanation
Broadway & Main Streets Sidewalk Project	Navassa	59	Incomplete application: missing Inflation and Contingency Calculator
Lake Park Boulevard South Sidewalk Project	Carolina Beach	50	Incomplete application: The narrative does not include supporting data for the applicant's scores, and there are schedule and funding discrepancies throughout the application. Committed match funding does not match the output of the Inflation and Contingency Calculator
Signal Installation at SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) & Mabee Way	NCDOT	33	Low score: indicative of the project not aligning with the established goals of the WMPO's LAPP
Signal Installation at SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) & SR 2234 (Brittany Road)	NCDOT	36	Low score: indicative of the project not aligning with the established goals of the WMPO's LAPP
Trail Signage Pilot	City of Wilmington	60	Project not eligible for STBG-DA, TA, or CRP funding per FHWA

### Next Steps

The newly adopted LAPP process included a biennial call for projects and the programming of funds across five federal fiscal years. As funds are not recommended for allocation in FY2029 or FY2030 for the 2026 – 2030 Project Program, the WMPO staff recommend that a special call for projects be held in summer 2026 to consider additional projects.



**WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION AWARDING THE FY2026-2028 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION  
BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE,  
AND CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM – DIRECT ATTRIBUTABLE PROGRAM  
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 Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization was designated as a Transportation Management Area (TMA); and

**WHEREAS**, on November 15, 2021, the Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) infrastructure package was signed into law, revising and expanding the funds available for qualifying projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is the recipient of allocated direct attributable funds for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG-DA), Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside, and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP); and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization can allocate STBG-DA, TA, and CRP funds to projects submitted by eligible entities through a competitive process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization has developed the submittal guide and scoring criteria known as the Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP) for the distribution of these funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Board endorsed the FY2026-2030 LAPP scoring criteria and competitive process on June 25, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 7, 2025, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization solicited qualified project applications from our member jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 19, 2025, ten eligible submittals were received and subsequently scored according to the adopted process.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby awards the following sums from the STBG-DA, TA, and CRP allocations in accordance with the FY2026-2030 LAPP Submittal Guide and competitive process:

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Member Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Recommended WMPO DA Allocation</b>	<b>Proposed Local Match Amount</b>	<b>Funding Fiscal Year</b>
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**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 19, 2025.

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Henry E. Miller III, Chair

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# REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP

## HIGHWAY PROGRAM

### Administrative Modification #25-10

#### WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

#### STIP MODIFICATIONS

HB-0039 NEW HANOVER PROJ.CATEGORY STATEWIDE	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	US 17 / US 76 / US 421, BRIDGE 640013 (CAPE FEAR MEMORIAL BRIDGE) OVER CAPE FEAR RIVER. . REPLACE BRIDGE. THIS IS A TOLL PROJECT. WILMINGTON MPO APPROVED TOLL PROJECT IN MAY 2025. TOLL STATUS DEPENDENT ON STATUTORY AMENDMENT. <u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN, DELAY RIGHT-OF-WAY AND CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 26 TO FY 27.</u>	RIGHT-OF-WAY	FY 2027 -	\$410,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2028 -	\$10,250,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2029 -	\$10,250,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2030 -	\$10,250,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2031 -	\$9,840,000	(BOND R)
			UTILITIES	FY 2027 -	\$33,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2028 -	\$3,267,000	(BOND R)
			GARVEE CON	FY 2031 -	\$7,367,000	(NHP)
				FY 2032 -	\$7,367,000	(NHP)
				FY 2033 -	\$7,367,000	(NHP)
				AFTER	FY 2033 -	\$88,404,000 (NHP)
			CONSTRUCTION	FY 2027 -	\$7,815,000	(DP)
				FY 2027 -	\$1,953,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2028 -	\$195,360,000	(DP)
				FY 2028 -	\$48,840,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2029 -	\$38,975,000	(DP)
				FY 2029 -	\$205,225,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2030 -	\$244,200,000	(BOND R)
				FY 2031 -	\$149,432,000	(BOND R)
					\$1,046,605,000	

**REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP  
HIGHWAY PROGRAM**

Administrative Modification #25-10

WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**STIP MODIFICATIONS**

HB-0040 NEW HANOVER <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> REGIONAL	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	US 76 / US 74, BRIDGES 640021, 640022, AND 64024 IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY. REPLACE BRIDGES.  <b><u>ACCELERATE PROJECT FROM FY 28 TO FY 26 AT THE REQUEST OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT.</u></b>	RIGHT-OF-WAY UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION	FY 2026 -	\$32,200,000	(HFB)
				FY 2026 -	\$2,000,000	(HFB)
				FY 2026 -	\$48,100,000	(HFB)
					\$82,300,000	
HE-0018 NEW HANOVER <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> DIVISION	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	SR 1302 (NORTH 23RD STREET), US 74 (MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARKWAY) TO AIRPORT BOULEVARD. WIDEN NORTHBOUND LANE.  <b><u>TO REFLECT LATEST DELIVERY SCHEDULE, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 26 TO FY 27.</u></b>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2027 -	\$1,900,000	(T)
					\$1,900,000	
* HS-2403B DUPLIN NEW HANOVER ONslow PENDER SAMPSON <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> REGIONAL	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION - JACKSONVILLE URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION - EASTERN CAROLINA RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION - CAPE FEAR RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION	NC 53; US 117 (FUTURE I-795); US 701, VARIOUS LOCATIONS ALONG ROUTES. INSTALL CENTER AND EDGE LINE SINUSOIDAL RUMBLE STRIPES.  <b><u>MODIFY PROJECT SCOPE TO INCLUDE US 701 AT THE REQUEST OF THE DIVISION.</u></b>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2026 -	\$4,400,000	(HSIP)
					\$4,400,000	

**REVISIONS TO THE 2024-2033 STIP AND 2026-2035 STIP  
HIGHWAY PROGRAM**

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WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**STIP MODIFICATIONS**

U-5734	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA	US 421 (SOUTH FRONT STREET), US 17 BUSINESS / US	RIGHT-OF-WAY	FY 2026 -	\$6,137,000	(NHP)
NEW HANOVER	METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	76 / US 421 (CAPE FEAR MEMORIAL BRIDGE) TO US 421		FY 2027 -	\$8,183,000	(NHP)
<b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b>		(BURNETT BOULEVARD) IN WILMINGTON. . WIDEN TO		FY 2028 -	\$8,183,000	(NHP)
REGIONAL		MULTI-LANES.		FY 2029 -	\$6,137,000	(NHP)
		<b><u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND</u></b>		FY 2030 -	\$7,160,000	(NHP)
		<b><u>DESIGN, DELAY RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM FY 25 TO FY 26.</u></b>	UTILITIES	FY 2026 -	\$1,600,000	(NHP)
				FY 2027 -	\$1,600,000	(NHP)
			CONSTRUCTION	FY 2029 -	\$3,000,000	(NHP)
				FY 2030 -	\$11,625,000	(NHP)
				FY 2031 -	\$10,125,000	(NHP)
				FY 2032 -	\$7,500,000	(NHP)
				FY 2033 -	\$5,250,000	(NHP)
					\$76,500,000	
U-6235	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA	VARIOUS, ROUTES IN WILMINGTON. TRAFFIC SIGNAL	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2026 -	\$965,000	(BGDA)
NEW HANOVER	METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION	PRE-EMPTION FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES PROJECT.		FY 2026 -	\$241,000	(L(M))
<b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b>		<b><u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND</u></b>			\$1,206,000	
DIVISION		<b><u>DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 25 TO FY 26.</u></b>				



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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** MPO Board Members  
**From:** Tessa Jones, Public Information Officer  
**Date:** November 12, 2025  
**Subject:** Update on WMPO Efforts Toward WCAG 2.1 AA Compliance

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update on the steps the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WMPO) is taking to ensure accessibility for all content as required by federal standards.

### **Background**

The federal government established April 24, 2026, as the compliance deadline for public agencies serving populations over 50,000 to meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 AA standards. These standards are designed to ensure that all digital content, including websites, documents, and online communications, is accessible to individuals with disabilities, including those using assistive technology. Existing content, such as archived materials, pre-existing electronic documents, and social media posts, is generally exempt from this requirement unless it is used to access or apply for WMPO services or programs.

### **Actions To Date**

WMPO has initiated a phased approach to achieve full compliance, focusing on accessibility improvements, staff capacity building, and long-term governance. Key steps include:

1. Website Accessibility Audit:
  - a. Conducted an internal review of the WMPO's website to identify areas not currently meeting WCAG 2.1 AA standards.
  - b. Partnered with Wilmington Design Co., WMPO's web development team on retainer, to perform a comprehensive audit and provide technical recommendations for remediation.
2. Citywide Coordination

## Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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- a. The City of Wilmington's Information Technology Department and Corporate Affairs Department have established a City Accessibility Working Group to guide organization-wide accessibility efforts, which include WMPO staff.
3. Digital Document Review
    - a. Initiated an inventory of all publicly posted PDFs, meeting materials, and planning documents.
    - b. Prioritizing updates to frequently accessed documents such as the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and TCC/Board meeting packets.

#### Next Steps

Over the coming months, the WMPO will:

- Staff will also attend the *We Are NC Gov Conference* in Raleigh on November 19th to further strengthen knowledge and implementation strategies.
- Finalize and adopt a Digital Accessibility Policy to formalize the organization's commitment to compliance and outline internal procedures for maintaining accessibility, in conjunction with the Public Participation Plan.
- Begin implementation of recommended website and document accessibility improvements based on audit findings. Establish a quarterly review process to ensure ongoing compliance and address accessibility issues as content evolves.
- Continue collaboration with the City of Wilmington's Accessibility Working Group and regional partners to share best practices and ensure consistent compliance across all public-facing platforms.
- Provide updates as necessary to the TCC and WMPO Board regarding ongoing or future Accessibility Compliance.

## WMPO Planning and Project Updates November 2025

### Long-Range Planning Activities:

#### **CAPE FEAR NAVIGATING CHANGE 2050**

**Project Description/Scope:** The WMPO is progressing through the planning process for our region's 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), *Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050*. A long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the region is federally required and must be developed, updated, and adopted by the WMPO every five years. The final plan will be used by federal, state, and local governments to guide decision-making for transportation projects in our region over the next 25 years, including which projects receive state or federal funding, the design and location of local roadways, coordinating land use and development, and identifying projects for further plans and studies. Planning activities began in April of 2023 and official plan adoption occurred on October 29, 2025.

#### **2050 MTP Final Document**

WMPO staff have finalized the Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 plan, incorporating revisions informed by feedback gathered through Phase II of public outreach on the draft plan. With these updates complete, the plan is ready for presentation to the WMPO's TCC and Board for adoption consideration.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The final Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 plan was completed at the end of August, published on the WMPO website, and provided in print to Board members at the September meetings.
- The final plan was presented to the WMPO TCC in September and to the WMPO Board in October, resulting in formal adoption of *Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050* on October 29, 2025. *Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050* is now the WMPO's guiding MTP, replacing *Cape Fear Moving Forward 2045*.
- Following WMPO plan adoption, preparations for professional printing are underway to produce the final printed document. The final printed document is anticipated to be completed by the end of November 2025.
- WMPO staff will be presenting the final plan to the governing bodies of each member jurisdiction throughout November 2025.

#### **SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL SAFETY ACTION PLAN**

**Project Description/Scope:** The WMPO has begun work on its Safety Action Plan with the help of consultants Kittelson and Associates. Safety Action Plans are comprehensive safety plans aimed at reducing and eliminating serious-injury and fatal crashes affecting all roadway users. They are developed through data analysis and community input to identify significant safety risks which inform recommended countermeasures, strategies, and policies which aim to reduce crash severity and save lives. Planning activities for this effort began in April 2025 with plan adoption expected in Fall 2026.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**



- Round 1 of public outreach ended on September 30, with over 540 survey responses and nearly 400 map comments.
- A memo of existing conditions and plan review has been finalized and sent to the Steering Committee in October and will be posted publicly in November 2025.
- Small group meetings with emergency response staff, elected officials, and other agency groups began in October 2025 and will continue into November 2025.
- The next Steering Committee meeting will be held in early December 2025.
- The next round of public outreach will begin in December 2025 and will focus on draft countermeasures and safety improvements.
- A draft of the Safety Action plan is expected in early 2026.

### **INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN**

**Project Description/Scope:** The WMPO has begun work on the development of an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Plan to guide the coordinated deployment and integration of technology-based transportation solutions across the region. The plan will assess existing ITS infrastructure, identify gaps and opportunities, and establish a regional architecture that aligns with state and federal standards. Its scope includes strategies to improve traffic signal coordination, incident management, traveler information systems, transit technology integration, and data sharing among agencies. The ITS Plan will serve as a strategic framework to enhance system efficiency, safety, and real-time responsiveness, supporting the WMPO's broader goals of improving mobility, reducing congestion, and fostering regional collaboration.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- WMPO staff initiated the project with consultants Kimley-Horn in December 2024 to outline the development process and next steps.
- The first core team meeting was held at the WMPO office on January 27, 2025.
- Subsequent core team meetings took place on March 10 and March 31.
- Stakeholder workshops 1 and 2 were held at the WMPO office on February 18 and April 29.
- One-on-one core team stakeholder meetings have been completed and the first stage of revision following core team input has been ongoing.
- The Core Team received the draft Regional ITS Plan for review the week of August 4. Comments provided by the Core Team were addressed.
- The final core team meeting was held virtually on August 20.
- The final planning document and architecture content was provided to Core Team at the end of September, with comments provided on the draft plan being addressed and incorporated.
- Presentations to the WMPO TCC and Board were conducted in October 2025, resulting in formal adoption of the Wilmington Regional ITS Strategic Deployment Plan.

#### **Development Review Activities:**

The WMPO assists with site development and Transportation Impact Analysis coordination and review for the MPO's member jurisdictions. During the last month, staff have reviewed the following development proposals:

### **SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW**

**34 total plan reviews (30 formal; 3 informal; 1 concept)**

- City of Wilmington Formal Reviews: 15
- City of Wilmington Informal Reviews: 0

- City of Wilmington Concept Reviews: 0
- City of Wilmington Full Releases: 3
- Town of Leland Formal Reviews: 5
- Town of Leland Informal Reviews: 0
- New Hanover County Formal Reviews: 9
- New Hanover County Informal Reviews: 1
- New Hanover County Sketch Plan Reviews: 1
- Pender County Formal Reviews: 0
- Pender County Informal Reviews: 2
- Town of Belville Reviews: 0
- Town of Navassa Reviews: 0
- Town of Carolina Beach Reviews: 0
- Town of Kure Beach Reviews: 0
- Town of Wrightsville Beach Reviews: 0
- Brunswick County Reviews: 0

### **TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS (TIA) REVIEW**

**23 total active (3 new; 18 under review, 2 approved)**

- New Hanover County 6 (1 new, 6 under review, 0 approved)
- City of Wilmington 4 (1 new, 3 under review, 0 approved)
- Carolina Beach 1, (0 new, 1 under review, 0 approved)
- Town of Belville 0
- Town of Leland 3 (1 new, 1 under review, 1 approved) Jackey's Creek Mixed Use – approved.
- Town of Navassa 1 (0 new, 1 under review, 0 approved).
- Pender County 4 (0 new, 3 under review, 1 approved) Renovation Church Phase 2 Interim Study/Revision – approved.
- Brunswick County 3 (0 new, 3 under review, 0 approved)

### **Locally Administered Project Program (LAPP)**

The WMPO was designated as a Transportation Management Area (TMA) in 2012 following the 2010 decennial census, when the urban area was found to have exceeded 200,000 in population. As a TMA, the WMPO receives an annual direct allocation of approximately \$6 million in federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA), and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funding. Through a WMPO-developed and adopted competitive process, the funding is awarded to member jurisdictions and planning partners for developing and implementing local transportation projects. The current statuses of these ongoing projects are as follows:

#### **BL – 0059 TOWN OF KURE BEACH - FORT FISHER BOULEVARD/K AVENUE AND NORTH 3RD STREET PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

**Project Description/Scope:** This project entails intersection improvements at Ft. Fisher Boulevard and K Avenue to include high visibility crosswalks, ADA ramps, and pedestrian signals; and filling gaps in the sidewalk network on Ft. Fisher Boulevard and N. 3rd Street that will create a pedestrian network connected to the Ft. Fisher Boulevard and K Avenue intersection.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Project kick-off meeting in March 2023
- Contract approved by Kure Beach Town Council in June 2023
- Meeting with NCDOT, WMPO, WithersRavenel, and Town of Kure Beach was held on August 8, 2023
- Survey started in September 2023
- 90% plans will be completed by November 2024
- ROW discussions in October/November 2024
- 100% final design and signal plans are complete; currently under review by NCDOT
- Contract underway for construction inspection

**EB-6025- TOWN OF BELVILLE- RICE HOPE MULTI-USE PATH**

**Project Description:** The project consists of the construction of a multi-use path of eight feet (8') wide located at the western side of NC 133 between Morecamble Blvd and Rice Hope Run.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Approaching project close out, a ribbon cutting ceremony will be announced at a later date.

**EB- 6026- TOWN OF BELVILLE- BELVILLE ELEMENTARY- MULTI-USE PATH**

**Project Description:** The project consists of the construction of a multi-use path of eight feet (8') wide located along NC 133 connecting north and south entrances of Hawks Water Development to Belville Elementary School.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Approaching project close out, a ribbon cutting ceremony will be announced at a later date.

**TC – 0021 WAVE PASSENGER AMENITIES AND UPGRADES**

**Project Description/Scope:** Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (WAVE transit) currently has a total of 440 bus stops, 24 benches and 27 shelters. Shelters only represent 6% of our passenger amenities, while other NC agencies average 14%. To meet the peer average for statewide systems, CFPTA needs to install an additional twenty-six (26) benches and twenty (20) shelters. This project will support the installation of a total of nine (9) bus stop benches and ten (10) bus stop shelters along eight (8) transit routes located within the City of Wilmington. The project includes engineering and design, construction of concrete pads, ADA ramps, ADA access, and purchase and installation of durable bench and/or shelter, waste receptacle, and solar lighting, where applicable.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The project was awarded funds in November 2021
- NC Board of Transportation approved the flex request in January 2023
- Flex request confirmed end of April 2023
- Letters from NCDOT transmitted May 23, 2023
- STIP amendment in process and anticipated to be completed in January 2026. Bid pricing from Tolar Shelter Manufacturing Company updated so ordering can take place in the first quarter of the calendar year 2026.

### **TC-0027 WAVE PASSENGER AMENITIES AND UPGRADES**

**Project Description:** Passenger Facilities and amenities replacement, security, and improvement: acquire, construct, or replace structures, equipment, and systems that provide passenger facilities and amenities for fixed route bus service in the Wilmington, NC UZA. Projects include acquisition and installation of bus shelters, lighting and landing platforms along existing routes; evaluation of a new customer service enclosure at Forden Transfer Station; and extension of fencing at Padgett Transfer Station.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The fencing at Padgett was completed in May 2023 (132 linear feet at Padgett for \$3,565.00)
- Proposals were received as part of an Invitation to Bid for the shelters and benches in Spring 2023. Tolar Shelter Manufacturing Company was selected; however, Tolar's bid submission and pricing has expired. A new Invitation to Bid for shelters to be issued Q2 FY26
- The Forden Station Customer Service Desk Project has been completed resulting in a fully enclosed and secure area for Wave Customer Service Representatives while maintaining a high level of convenience for passengers.
- Phase I completed the week of August 11, 2025, with bus shelter installations completed at Independence Mall, Greenfield St at 16th St across from New Hanover County Health and Human Services Facility and on Nixon St at 5th Ave next to The Pointe at Taylor Estates

### **BL-0074 – TOWN OF LELAND- US 17 Pedestrian crossing at Olde Waterford Way/Ploof Road**

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** Installation of signalized pedestrian crossing at the intersection of US 17/Olde Waterford Way/Ploof Road in Leland, NC

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- NCDOT Agreement executed Aug 24, 2023
- PE funds authorized Sep 14, 2023
- Exult Engineering contract fully executed Aug 19, 2024
- Categorical Exclusion (CE) Environmental Documents approved Jan 6, 2025
- Preliminary Design/Right of Way (75%) plans approved Mar 10, 2025
- ROW Funding Authorization approved on Jun 10, 2025
- NCDOT LAP Agreement Change Request submitted in EBS Sep 2, 2025
- Final Design (100%) plans & specifications submitted in EBS Nov 2025
- Right of Way Certification TBD
- Project Completion September 14, 2028

### **HL-0109 – CITY OF WILMINGTON - 3rd Street/Ann Street Traffic Signal**

**Project Description/Scope:** Project consists of the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Ann Street in downtown Wilmington. The signal will be a black coated metal mast arm signal, along with black coated pedestrian signal pedestals.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Private Engineering Firm has completed final signal design plans
- Metal pole purchase order to be complete by early November. Lead time for metal pole

manufacturing and delivery is expected to be up to 250 days.

- Tentatively planning to install this new signal and 3rd/Orange projects together in October 2026 when materials are available.

#### **HL-0110 - CITY OF WILMINGTON - 3rd Street/Orange Street Traffic Signal**

**Project Description/Scope:** Project consists of the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Orange Street in downtown Wilmington. The signal will be a black coated metal mast arm signal, along with black coated pedestrian signal pedestals.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Private Engineering Firm has completed final signal design plans
- Metal pole purchase order to be complete by early November. Lead time for metal pole manufacturing and delivery is expected to be up to 250 days
- Tentatively planning to install this new signal and 3rd/Ann together in October 2026 when materials are available.

#### **U-6039 – CAROLINA BEACH – St. Joseph Bike Lanes**

**Project Description/Scope:** Construct Bike Lanes along St. Joseph Avenue and Lewis Drive from Lake Park Boulevard to Access Drive in Carolina Beach

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- • 75 % Plans have been uploaded to EBS
- • On April 29, 2025, the Town and Kimley Horne held a community meeting to discuss the plans and specifically Temporary Construction Easements (TCE) for property owners who will be directly impacted by the project.
- Categorical Exclusion documents revised, fully executed and submitted.
- Met with Kimley Horn and PPS to discuss TCE progress.

#### **U-5534C - WRIGHTSVILLE AVENUE/GREENVILLE AVENUE TO HINTON AVENUE**

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** The project is for construction of intersection re-alignment improvements at the intersection of Wrightsville Avenue/Greenville Avenue and bike lanes and sidewalks along Greenville Avenue from Wrightsville Avenue to Hinton Avenue.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- NCDOT ROW Certification obtained November 23, 2023
- Utility Authorization obtained January 4, 2024
- Duke Energy Utility Relocations – Completed April 2025
- Construction Authorization obtained December 19, 2024
- Advertise for Bid – January 30, 2025
- Reject Bids (over budget) – May 6, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – June 3, 2025
- Reject Bids (City administrative error) – August 5, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – August 6, 2025
- Bid Opening held on August 28, 2025
- Construction Contract Awarded on September 23, 2025
- NCDOT Concurrence in Award Letter received on October 3, 2025
- Begin Construction – Late November/Early December 2025

- Construction Complete – Late Fall 2026

#### **U-5534G –CITY OF WILMINGTON- HOOKER ROAD MULTI-USE PATH**

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** The project consists of the construction of a 8' wide multi-use path along Hooker Road from Wrightsville Avenue to Mallard Drive/Rose Ave intersection

##### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- NCDOT ROW Certification obtained November 23, 2023
- Construction Authorization obtained December 19, 2024
- Advertise for Bid – January 30, 2025
- Reject Bids (over budget) – May 6, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – June 3, 2025
- Reject Bids (City administrative error) – August 5, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – August 6, 2025
- Bid Opening held on August 28, 2025
- Construction Contract Awarded on September 23, 2025
- NCDOT Concurrence in Award Letter received on October 3, 2025
- Begin Construction – Late November/Early December 2025
- Construction Complete – Late Fall 2026

#### **U-5534H –CITY OF WILMINGTON- HINTON AVE MULTI-USE PATH**

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** This project consists of the construction of an 8' wide multi-use path along Hinton Avenue from Park Avenue to Greenville Avenue.

##### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- NCDOT ROW Certification obtained November 23, 2023
- Utility Authorization obtained January 4, 2024
- Duke Energy Utility Relocations – Completed April 2025
- Construction Authorization obtained December 19, 2024
- Advertise for Bid – January 30, 2025
- Reject Bids (over budget) – May 6, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – June 3, 2025
- Reject Bids (City administrative error) – August 5, 2025
- Re-Advertise for Bid – August 6, 2025
- Bid Opening held on August 28, 2025
- Construction Contract Awarded on September 23, 2025
- NCDOT Concurrence in Award Letter received on October 3, 2025
- Begin Construction – Late November/Early December 2025
- Construction Complete – Late Fall 2026

#### **EB-5600 – S. 17th Street Multi-use Path**

**Project Description/Scope:** This project consists of the construction of a 10' multiuse path along South 17th Street from Harbour Drive to Shipyard Boulevard and the installation of crosswalks and pedestrian signal heads at the intersection of South 17th Street and Shipyard Boulevard.

##### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Agreement executed with NCDOT on May 24, 2022

- PE Authorization obtained on January 20, 2023
- Design kick-off meeting between City and RS&H staff held on January 31, 2023
- 25% Plans approved by NCDOT on February 12, 2024
- Redline Drainage Plans approved by NCDOT on April 22, 2024
- Environmental Document approved on May 7, 2024
- Design put on hold in May 2024 due to insufficient funds for Construction
- Additional funds through the MPO's DA program awarded on October 30, 2024
- Design re-start meeting held on January 8, 2025
- Revised redline drainage plans approved by NCDOT on June 9, 2025
- Utility Coordination and ROW Plans in progress

**BL-0040 NEW HANOVER COUNTY - Middle Sound Loop Extension/Connector Construction & Porters Neck Walmart Connector Construction**

**Project Description/Scope:** Construction of bicycle/pedestrian trails along Middle Sound Loop Road from Red Cedar Road to Publix commercial lot. Also construct trails along US 17 Business (Market Street) from Mendenhall Drive to Porter's Neck Wal-Mart commercial lot.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Began construction along Market st portion on Sept. 22
- Held wet utility meeting with Cape Fear Public Utility Authority on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>
- On-Site construction meeting scheduled for Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at MSLR; Intent to Proceed with Construction will be issued following this meeting
- Held Pre-Construction meeting August 20th
- Received our Concurrence to Award Construction Authorization to begin construction
- Construction Bid Accepted and contract is in approval process with NCDOT
- Construction oversight contractor accepted in approval process with NCDOT
- NCDOT has approved the encroachment agreement presented by NHC
- Local Programs Management Office has reviewed and approved change request allocating funds for construction.
- 100% construction plans have been reviewed and approved by NCDOT.
- Pre-construction Railroad and Utility certification was presented to and approved by NCDOT
- Funding request to FHWA has been approved.
- New Hanover County updated the categorical exclusion documentation for another year
- General Stormwater Discharge Permit for Construction Activities has been renewed and reissued for another year
- New Hanover County is preparing to send bidding documents out to contractors but need final approval from NCDOT to proceed
- Construction is underway.

**BL-0118 North College Road Pedestrian Improvements**

**Project Description/Scope:** Project consists of the construction of a ten-foot wide, two-plus mile MUP along N. College from Gordon Road to Northchase Parkway West. In addition, it includes a sidewalk on the east side of N. College from Sirius Drive to Murrayville Road and New Village Way to the signalized intersection at Danny Pence Drive.

**Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Waiting on Nationwide 14 approval for 100% plan approval

- Received Right of Way Certification from NCDOT
- Received final TCE from new owner (previous TCE was not recorded at time of sale so new TCE had to be agreed to)
- Had 100% plan review with design engineers and made several notes
- Received updated signal plans from DOT regarding the switch to their new software system
- Need to file paperwork to acquire our water quality certification. Design engineer has filed paperwork with Dept of Environmental Quality - Division of Water Resources.
- Right of way acquisition- 15/15 properties signed and completed (all 15 property owners have been contacted)
- 100% design plans submitted to NCDOT for review and comment
- Level A SUE completed - identified potential utility conflicts (those have been ratified and a fix has been formulated)
- New design will eliminate the need for a PDE at one location
- Design completion anticipated by November 2025

#### **EB-6027 – NEW HANOVER COUNTY -MIDDLE SOUND GREENWAY**

**Project Description:** Design only of the Middle Sound Greenway connection to Publix

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Project has been completed.
- Project close out is in progress.

#### **U-5534U – TOWN OF NAVASSA – Navassa Park Multi-Use Path**

**Project Description/Scope:** This project will construct bike lanes on both sides of Brooklyn Street, a multi-use path connecting Brooklyn Street to the Navassa Park, and a multi-use path through the Navassa Park forming a loop within the park. Upon completion, the Navassa Park Multi-Use Path will provide a safe and accessible pedestrian and bicycle route connecting Navassa Park, surrounding neighborhoods, and key civic destinations, supporting local and regional goals for active transportation, connectivity, and equitable access.

#### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Final plans & contract documents are being prepared for NCDOT review & approval
- CE Document has been approved - Based on recent meeting with NCDOT, an updated form will be needed. Consultant has been instructed to provide to the Town for upload to EBS.
- Right-of-way Certification has been received from NCDOT.
- Plans have been requested to be updated to current standards. The Town's consultant will be following up to meet this request. Encroachment agreement will be addressed as part of this.
- Town is still awaiting updated CE document, estimate, and plans from the consultant
- Request for construction funds authorization will be coming once the updated form for the CE document, plans have been revised, and updated estimate submitted and approved by NCDOT.
- The WMPO Board voted to approve request for addition funding at the July 30, 2025 Board meeting.
- Project construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in early 2026.



## **U-6235 – CITY OF WILMINGTON/NEW HANOVER COUNTY – Signal Pre-emption Phase 2**

**Project Description/Scope:** The project will install traffic pre-emption equipment at 50 locations throughout the City of Wilmington and New Hanover County and GPS equipment on emergency response vehicles. Project Status and Next Steps:

- Project has received Supplemental Funding for construction. Agreement was approved by WMPO, NCDOT and City Council. Contracts are executed.
- Project has received a 2-year extension to April 30, 2027, from NCDOT to allow additional funding requests, bidding, construction, and closeout.
- Plans, Specifications & Estimate review thru NCDOT sent to FHWA for final review prior to Construction Authorization.
- Expected project bid date is November 2025 and construction start is March 2026.

## **BL-0045 – CITY OF WILMINGTON - Downtown Trail Ph. 1 Design**

**Project Description/Scope:** design and engineering for an approximately 2.2 mile long, 10' to 12' in width portion of the trail beginning at 3rd street in the Downtown within the NCDOT owned rail corridor to McRae St (defined in the Wilmington Rail Trail Master Plan); abutting the Dorothy B. Johnson Elementary School western parcel line; traversing east along CSX right-of-way to Archie Blue Park; and continuing north through Archie Blue Park, parallel to the creek and terminating at the Love Grove Bridge multi-use path facility.

### **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The WMPO Board approved the City of Wilmington's request and awarded an additional \$431,200 in federal funding to complete the design for Phase 1 on March 26, 2025.
- Scope change request to utilize remaining originally awarded funds and bring design to 60% plans approved by NCDOT on July 22, 2025.
- Supplemental agreement for additional \$431,200 in Direct Attributable funding executed on July 23, 2025.
- WSP Supplemental Scope 3 (60%-100% design) submitted to NCDOT for review on August 25, 2025.
- 25% plan set submitted for review by the City on October 17, 2025. Comments will be returned by November 7 and addressed in the 60% plan set.

## **TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

**Project Description/Scope:** The TDM "Go Coast" program works to increase the use of alternative transportation by WMPO residents and decrease Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT). In October 2025, the WMPO board adopted *Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050*, the latest update to the region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Appendix L of the plan includes a short-range Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan outlining activities for 2026 through 2030. Action items for the Go Coast program included in the short-range plan are informed by the MTP's five goals of safe, fair, connected, resilient, and proactive.

### **Go Coast current initiatives and project status:**

- Go Coast Committee - The next regular Go Coast committee meeting is scheduled to occur virtually on Thursday, November 20, from 3-5 p.m.

- Bicycle Helmet Initiative –WMPO staff applied for and received 100 more children’s bicycle helmets through NCDOT’s 2025 grant cycle for the Bicycle Helmet Initiative. Helmets are being distributed throughout spring, summer, and fall 2025 outreach.
- Get There Greener and Bike to Work Day – Go Coast’s annual sustainable transportation challenge spans October 2025 and encourages Wilmington area residents to bike, walk, carpool, use public transportation, or telework in place of driving alone for daily transportation trips when possible. Participants are incentivized and rewarded with prizes donated by local businesses. This year there were over \$1,200 of prizes donated to award participants. Results will be tallied and prizes will be awarded in early November. Bike to Work Day was also held again this fall with six pit stops throughout Wilmington to support cyclists commuting to work on Friday, October 17, with snacks, water, repair services, and local discounts.



## **TCC Update November 2025**

### **Wave Extends Service to New Salvation Army Center of Hope**

Wave began RideMicro service to the new Salvation Army Center of Hope facility at 1410 William Booth Dr on September 15, 2025. This type of service was provided due to lower demand initially at the facility as their occupancy is increasing slowly over time. The Salvation Army has requested that fixed-route bus service be provided once their 75-resident facility is fully occupied the first part of November. This route change would involve extending existing Route 101 Princess Place to serve the facility and the Creekwood North neighborhood currently not served. Since the fixed-route service is not needed throughout the day, but primarily only during morning and afternoon peak times, Wave is working with the Salvation Army staff on developing service that is targeted to meet their residents' needs while maintaining a high level of service to existing passengers of Route 101 in the Creekwood neighborhood.

### **Ridership**

Ridership for October 2025 has not been finalized by the deadline for this update; however, FY2026 first quarter ridership shows significant ridership increases across several services. Specifically, fixed-route ridership has increased 13,586, or 11%, UNCW shuttle ridership is up 28,337 passengers and RideMicro has increased 2,353 passengers, or 49%. These increases are the result of the recent Reimagine Wave bus service improvements, expanded RideMICRO services and continued increases in UNCW student enrollment.

# Division 3 Project Update November 2025



WILMINGTON URBAN AREA  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

WMPO NOVEMBER PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003Y	US 117/NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) FROM US 117/NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) AND SR 2313 (WILSHIRE BOULEVARD). INSTALL PEDESTRIAN COUNTDOWN HEADS.	NEW HANOVER	2025.11.20
Stoney Mathis	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003L	US 17-76 (OLEANDER DRIVE) AND SR 1421 (GREENVILLE LOOP ROAD/GREENVILLE AVENUE. REVISE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.15
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003J	US 17/76 (OLEANDER DRIVE) FROM SR 1209 (INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD). UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL WITH PEDESTRIAN ACCOMMODATIONS.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.18
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003Q	US 17 (DAWSON STREET) FROM US 421 (3RD STREET). UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS, AND ADD PEDESTRIAN ACCOMODATIONS.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.18
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003R	US 421 AT SR 1573 (DOW ROAD). UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.18
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003T	US 17 BUSINESS (MARKET STREET) FROM SR 2219 (GREEN MEADOWS DRIVE). UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.18

WMPO NOVEMBER PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	HS-2003Z	US 17-76 (WOOSTER STREET) FROM US 17-76 (WOOSTER STREET) AND SR 1217 (17th Street). REVISE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND INSTALL PEDESTRIAN COUNTDOWN HEADS.	NEW HANOVER	2025.12.18
Derek Pielech	Division POC Let (DPOC)	HB-0040	REPLACE BRIDGE 21 OVER BANKS CHANNEL ON US 76 (CAUSWAY DRIVE); REPLACE BRIDGE 22 OVER LEES CUT ON US 74 (W SALISBURY STREET); AND REPLACE BRIDGE 24 OVER BANKS CHANNEL ON US 74 (W SALISBURY STREET) IN WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH.	NEW HANOVER	2026.04.21
Derek Pielech	Division POC Let (DPOC)	BP3-R004A	INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ LANVALE AND VILLAGE.	BRUNSWICK	2027.05.20
Eric Murray	Division POC Let (DPOC)	BP3-R004	BRIDGE 181 OVER STURGEON CREEK ON SR 1437 (OLD FAYETTEVILLE ROAD).	BRUNSWICK	2027.05.20
Aaron LeBeau	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRRL)	U-5710	US 74 (EASTWOOD ROAD) AND SR 1409 (MILITARY CUTOFF ROAD) INTERSECTION - CONVERT AT-GRADE INTERSECTION TO AN INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2027.09.21
Derek Pielech	Division POC Let (DPOC)	BP3-R012	BRIDGE 208 OVER STURGEON CREEK ON SR 1472 (VILLAGE ROAD).	BRUNSWICK	2028.04.20

WMPO NOVEMBER PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5790	US 421 (CAROLINA BEACH ROAD) FROM NC 132 (SOUTH COLLEGE ROAD) TO SANDERS ROAD IN WILMINGTON. WIDEN EXISTING ROADWAY AND CONTRUCT FLYOVERS AT US 421 AND NC 132. INCLUDES U-5859.	NEW HANOVER	2029.03.20
Brian Harding	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5734	US 421 (SOUTH FRONT STREET) FROM US 17 BUSINESS/US 76/US 421 (CAPE FEAR MEMORIAL BRIDGE) TO US 421 (BURNETT BOULEVARD) WIDEN TO MULTI-LANES.	NEW HANOVER	2029.06.19
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5792	US 74 (MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARKWAY) AT US 117/NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD). CONVERT AT-GRADE INTERSECTION TO INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2029.06.19
David Stutts	Division POC Let (DPOC)	BR-0008	BRIDGE PRESERVATION. BRIDGE 7 ON US 17 OVER US 76. THIS IS PART OF THE INTERCHANGE WEST OF THE CFMB.	BRUNSWICK	2029.09.18
David Leonard	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-6199	VARIOUS, WILMINGTON CITYWIDE SIGNAL SYSTEM.	NEW HANOVER	2030.01.15
Derek Pielech	Division POC Let (DPOC)	B-5653	REPLACE BRIDGE 14 OVER TURKEY CREEK ON NC 133.	PENDER	2030.01.17

WMPO NOVEMBER PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT					
Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-3338C	SR 1175 (KERR AVENUE) INTERCHANGE AT US 74 (MARTIN LUTHER KING JR PARKWAY).	NEW HANOVER	2030.06.18
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5731	US 74 AT US 17/US 421, CONSTRUCT A FLY-OVER AND FREE FLOW RAMP AT INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2030.06.18
Alex Stewart	Division POC Let (DPOC)	U-6128	US 76 (OLEANDER DRIVE) NEW HANOVER COUNTY AT GREENVILLE LOOP ROAD AND GREENVILLE AVENUE. UPGRADE INTERSECTION.	NEW HANOVER	2030.06.20
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5732	US 17 FROM SR 1582 (WASHINGTON ACRES ROAD) TO VISTA LANE. ACCESS MANAGEMENT.	PENDER	2032.01.20



WMPO NOVEMBER PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT					
Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Brandon Powers	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-4902C	US 17 BUSINESS (MARKET STREET) FROM NORTH OF US 117/NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) TO STATION ROAD. CONVERT AT-GRADE INTERSECTION TO INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2032.08.17
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5702A	NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) FROM SR 1272 (NEW CENTRE DRIVE) TO US 117 (SHIPYARD BOULEVARD).	NEW HANOVER	2033.02.15
Alex Stewart	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-4434	WILMINGTON, INDEPENDENCE BLVD EXT FROM RANDALL PARKWAY TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARKWAY	NEW HANOVER	2040.01.01
Brian Harding	Division Design Raleigh Let (DDRL)	U-5729	US 421 (CAROLINA BEACH ROAD) FROM US 421 (BURNETT AVENUE) TO US 117 (SHIPYARD BOULEVARD) IN WILMINGTON UPGRADE ROADWAY.	NEW HANOVER	2040.01.01
Brian Harding	On Call Contract (OCC)	50898	50898 Carolina Beach Sidewalk US421	NEW HANOVER	2026.01.16

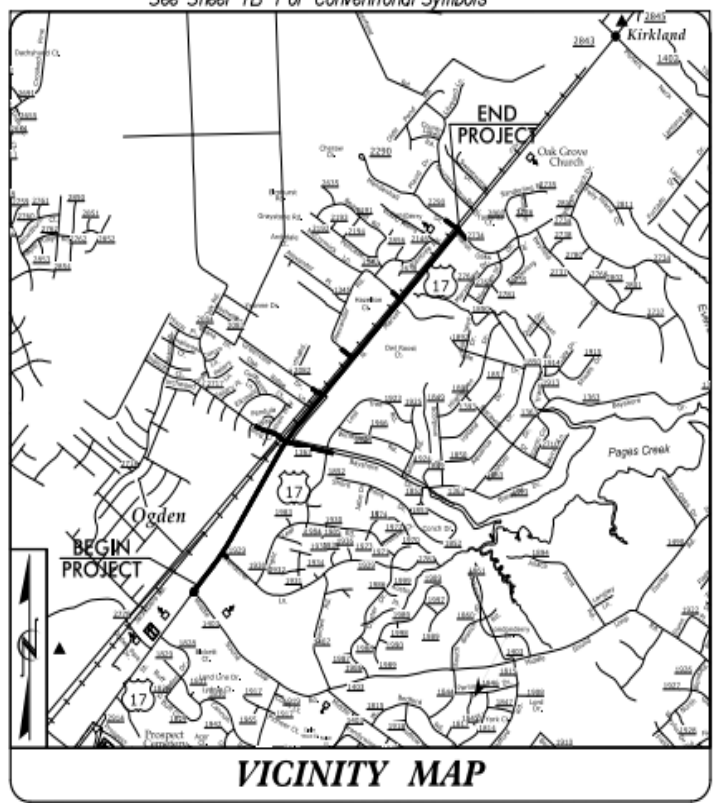
WMPO NOVEMBER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS						
Contract Number	Resident Eng	TIP/WBS /Program	County	Description	*Estimated Completion (year.month.date)	Percent Complete
C204319	Joshua Pratt	U-4902D	NEW HANOVER	SUPERSTREET MEDIAN ON MARKET STREET (US 17 BUS) FROM MARSH OAKS DRIVE TO LENDIRE DRIVE.	2025.12.30	85.43%
C204553	Brad Haste	R-3300B	PENDER	NC 417 (HAMPSTEAD BYPASS) FROM SOUTH OF NC 210 TO NORTH OF SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT ROAD).	2027.12.11	63.09%
C204942	Joshua Pratt	U-6202	NEW HANOVER	SR 2048 (GORDON ROAD) FROM US 17 (MARKET STREET) TO I-40. WIDEN ROADWAY.	2029.12.12	12.55%
C205072	Joshua Pratt	R-3300A	PENDER	US 17 HAMPSTEAD BYPASS FROM US 17 BYPASS SOUTH OF HAMPSTEAD TO NC 210	2030.03.30	2.83%
N/A	Ross Kimbro	HL-0109	NEW HANOVER	SOUTH 3RD STREET INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS WITH PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEADS AT INTERSECTION OF SOUTH 3RD STREET AND ANN STREET IN WILMINGTON.	2025.09.18* (SCH. LETTING)	0.00%

WMPO NOVEMBER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Contract Number	Resident Eng	TIP/WBS /Program	County	Description	*Estimated Completion (year.month.date)	Percent Complete
N/A	Ross Kimbro	HL-0110	NEW HANOVER	SOUTH 3RD STREET INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS WITH PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEADS AT INTERSECTION OF SOUTH 3RD STREET AND ORANGE STREET IN WILMINGTON.	2025.09.18* (SCH. LETTING)	0.00%
N/A	Ross Kimbro	HS-2003H	NEW HANOVER	US 117-NC132 (COLLEGE ROAD) AT LAKE AVENUE-HUGH MCRAE PARK.REVISE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.	2025.09.18* (SCH. LETTING)	0.00%
N/A	Ross Kimbro	HS-2003A	NEW HANOVER	SR 1217 (SOUTH 17TH STREET) AND DOCK STREET IN WILMINGTON. SIGNALIZE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS.	2025.09.30* (SCH. LETTING)	0.00%
N/A	Ross Kimbro	HS-2003AQ	NEW HANOVER	SR 2817 (17TH STREET) AT CASTLE STREET IN WILMINGTON. UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND SIGNS, AND INSTALL PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS AND CURB BUMP OUTS.	2025.09.30* (SCH. LETTING)	0.00%

09/08/19  
TIP PROJECT: U-4902D  
CONTRACT: C204319

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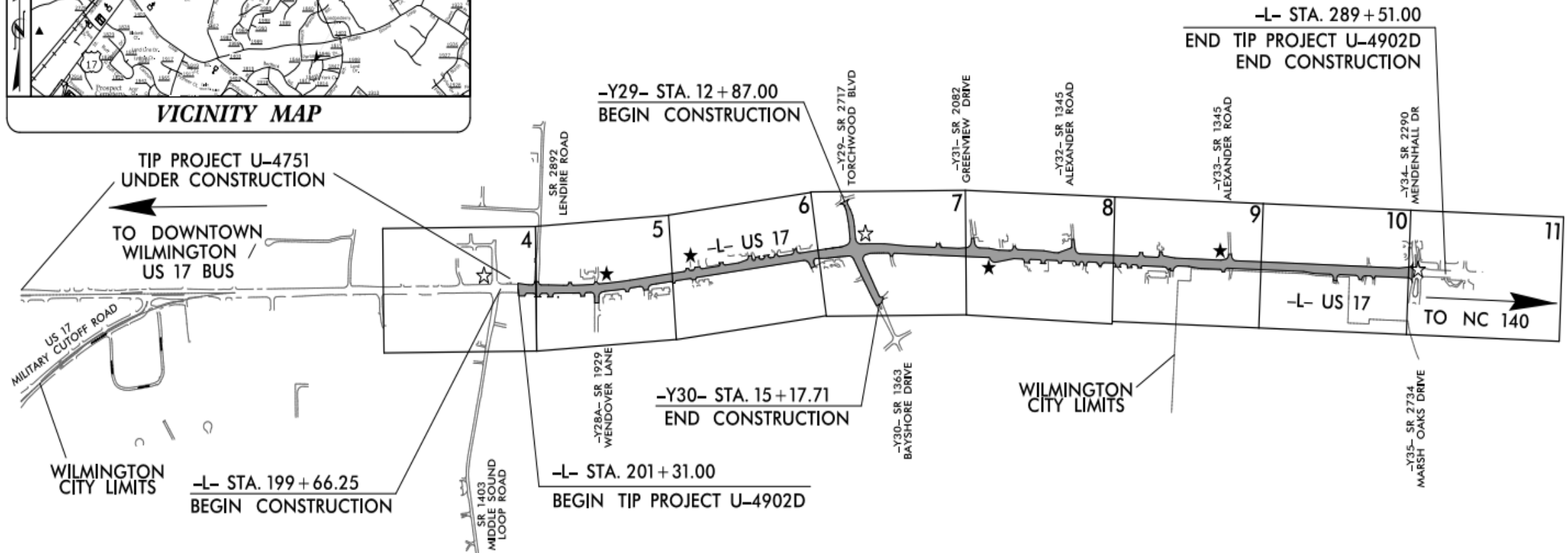
VICINITY MAP

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DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS  
**NEW HANOVER COUNTY**

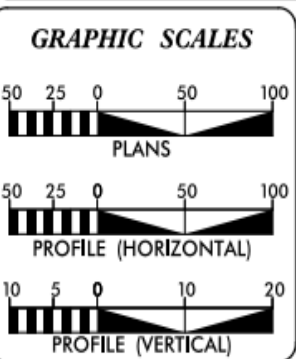
LOCATION: US 17 (MARKET STREET) FROM  
SR 1403 (MIDDLE SOUND LOOP ROAD)  
TO SR 2290 (MENDENHALL DRIVE)  
SR 2734 (MARSH OAKS DRIVE)

TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, PAVING, DRAINAGE, SIGNALS,  
AND RETAINING WALL

STATE	STATE PROJECT REFERENCE NO.	SHEET NO.	TOTAL SHEETS
N.C.	U-4902D	1	
STATE PROJ. NO.	P.A. PROJ. NO.	DESCRIPTION	
40238.1.4		P.E.	
40238.2.4		R/W/UTIL	
40238.3.5		CONST	



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DESIGN DATA	
ADT 2018	= 52,130
ADT 2038	= 65,390
K	= 11 %
D	= 55 %
T	= 6 % *
V	= 50 MPH
* TTST = 2% DUAL 4%	
FUNC CLASS = PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL	
STATEWIDE TIER	

PROJECT LENGTH	
LENGTH OF ROADWAY T.I.P. PROJECT U-4902D	= 1.670 MILES
TOTAL LENGTH OF T.I.P. PROJECT U-4902D	= 1.670 MILES
LENGTH BASED ON -L- CENTERLINE	

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FOR DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS	
2018 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS	
RIGHT OF WAY DATE: JANUARY 30, 2017	<b>DOUGLAS M. WHEATley, PE</b> PROJECT ENGINEER
LETTING DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2019	<b>ROY TELLIER, PE</b> PROJECT DESIGN ENGINEER
	<b>KRISTA KIMMEL, PE</b> NCDOT CONTACT

HYDRAULICS ENGINEER	
Designed by: <b>James A. Byrd</b> 1/7/2019	
SIGNATURE:	
ROADWAY DESIGN ENGINEER	
Designed by: <b>Roy Tellier</b> 1/4/2019	
SIGNATURE:	



**Project Details:**

Work Begin: 04/2019

Est. Completion: 11/2022

Rev. Completion: 12/2025

Contractor: Sealand Contractors

NCDOT Contact: Joshua Pratt

Contract: \$24,654,091

**Project Comments:**

**U-4902D**

**US 17 (MARKET STREET)**

FROM SR 1403 TO SR 2734 IN WILMINGTON.

- Recent work: asphalt wedging, storm drain, curb and gutter, signals, islands, and sidewalk/multi-use path construction.
- Minor revisions completed, including bulb-out near Burger King.
- Active items: driveway and parking lot repairs, right-of-entry coordination, and signal revisions.

**CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS**

**85%**

11/2025

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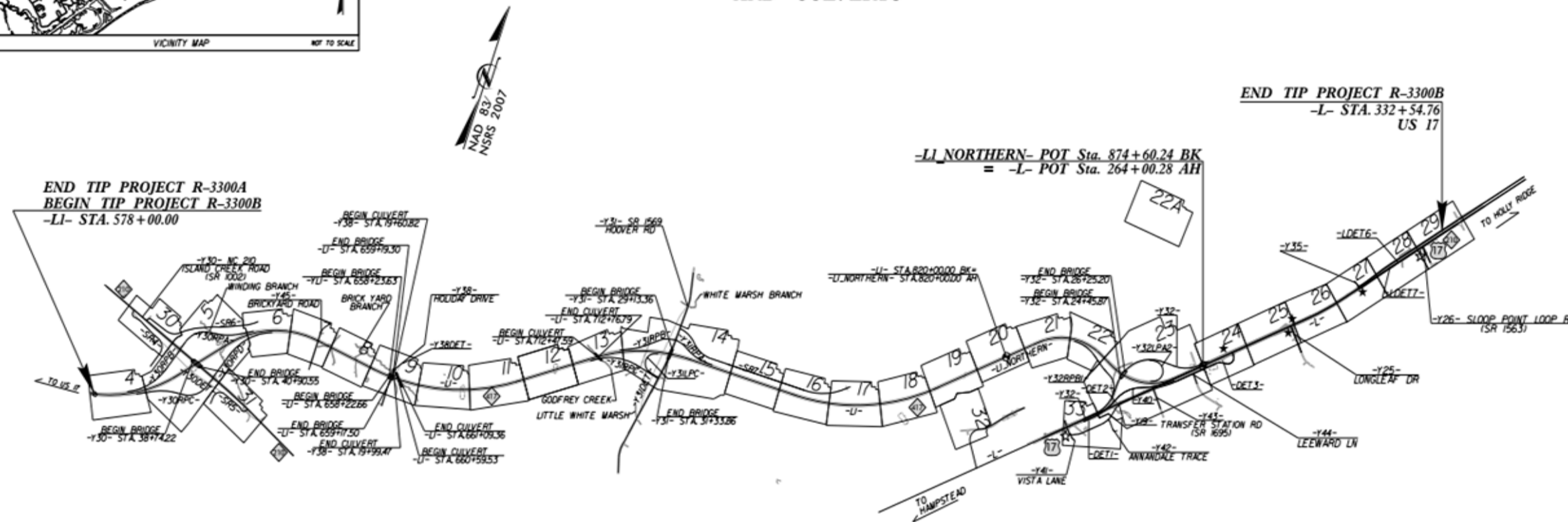
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DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

**PENDER COUNTY**

LOCATION: NC 417 (HAMPSTEAD BYPASS) FROM SOUTH OF NC 210  
TO NORTH OF SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT LOOP ROAD).

TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, STRUCTURES,  
SIGNALS, ITS, NOISE WALLS, RETAINING WALLS,  
AND CULVERTS

STATE	STATE PROJECT IMPROVEMENT NO.	SHEET NO.	TOTAL SHEETS
N.C.	R-3300B	1	
STATE FUNDING	F.A.P. FUNDING	DESCRIPTION	
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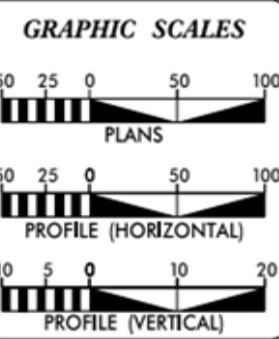


SAID WHITE CLIFF ROAD  
DURHAM, NC 27605  
TEL: 919.486.1100  
FAX: 919.486.1101  
NC COA NO. C-0880

☆ UPDATE EXISTING SIGNAL  
★ PROPOSED SIGNAL

-THIS IS A CONTROLLED-ACCESS PROJECT WITH ACCESS BEING LIMITED TO INTERCHANGES.

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ADT 2016 =	N/A
ADT 2040 =	55,400
K =	8 %
D =	60 %
T =	6 % *
V =	70 MPH
*(TTST 2% + DUALS 4%)	
FUNC CLASS = FREEWAY	
REGIONAL TIER	

PROJECT LENGTH	
LENGTH ROADWAY TIP PROJECT R-3300B	= 6.898 MILES
LENGTH STRUCTURE TIP PROJECT R-3300B	= 0.018 MILES
TOTAL LENGTH TIP PROJECT R-3300B	= 6.916 MILES

PREPARED IN THE OFFICE OF: STANTEC CONSULTING 400 Jones Franklin Road [Suite 200] Raleigh, NC 27609 Tel: (919) 851-6866   Fax: (919) 851-7624   www.stantec.com License No. P-8872	
FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2018 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS	
RIGHT OF WAY DATE: MARCH 16, 2018	MICHAEL D. LINDGREN, P.E. PROJECT ENGINEER
LETTING DATE: JANUARY 18, 2022	TRACE HOWELL, P.E. NCDOT DIVISION 3 CONTACT

HYDRAULICS ENGINEERS	
 John G. Datta, P.E. SIGNATURE: 11/22/2025	 Steve Bowler, P.E. SIGNATURE: 11/22/2025
ROADWAY DESIGN ENGINEER	
 Mike Lindgren, P.E. SIGNATURE: 11/22/2025	



**Project Details:**

Work Begin: 03/2022

Est. Completion: 03/2027

Rev. Completion: 12/2027

Contractor: CONTI CIVIL

NCDOT Contact: Brad Haste

Contract: \$185,680,442

**Project Comments:**

**R-3300B**  
HAMPSTEAD BYPASS

FROM SOUTH OF NC 210 TO NORTH OF SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT ROAD)

- **Facilities:** Offices updates for ongoing work progress.
- **Culvert 15 (Sloop Point):** Widening and TMP phasing reviewed; revisions approved by Engineers.
- **US 17 Widening:** Caisson North section complete.
- **Roundabout (Island Creek/NC 210 Split):** Awaiting final construction plans from central office.
- **Culverts 9 & 10:** Stream restoration pricing being reviewed.
- **Sloop Point Intersection:** Revision request in progress.
- **Joint Sealing:** Non-conformance letter issued; work proceeding.
- **Noise Wall:** Pay reduction applied due to low grout samples — issue complete.
- **Signal Software:** Maxtime coordination underway with Traffic Services.

**CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS**

**63%**

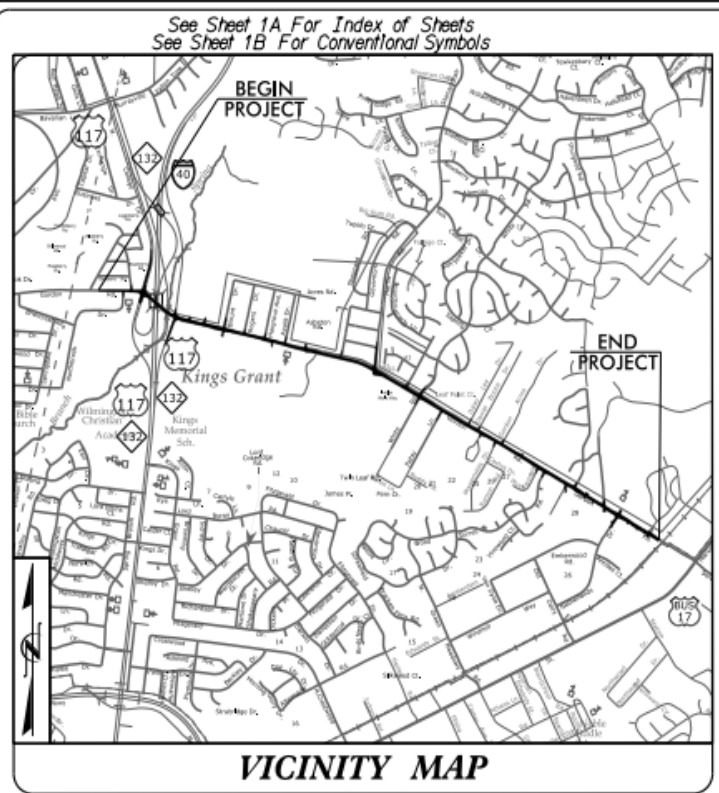
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TIP PROJECT: U-6202

CONTRACT: C204942



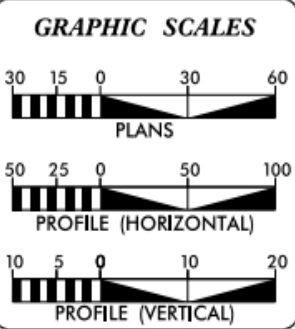
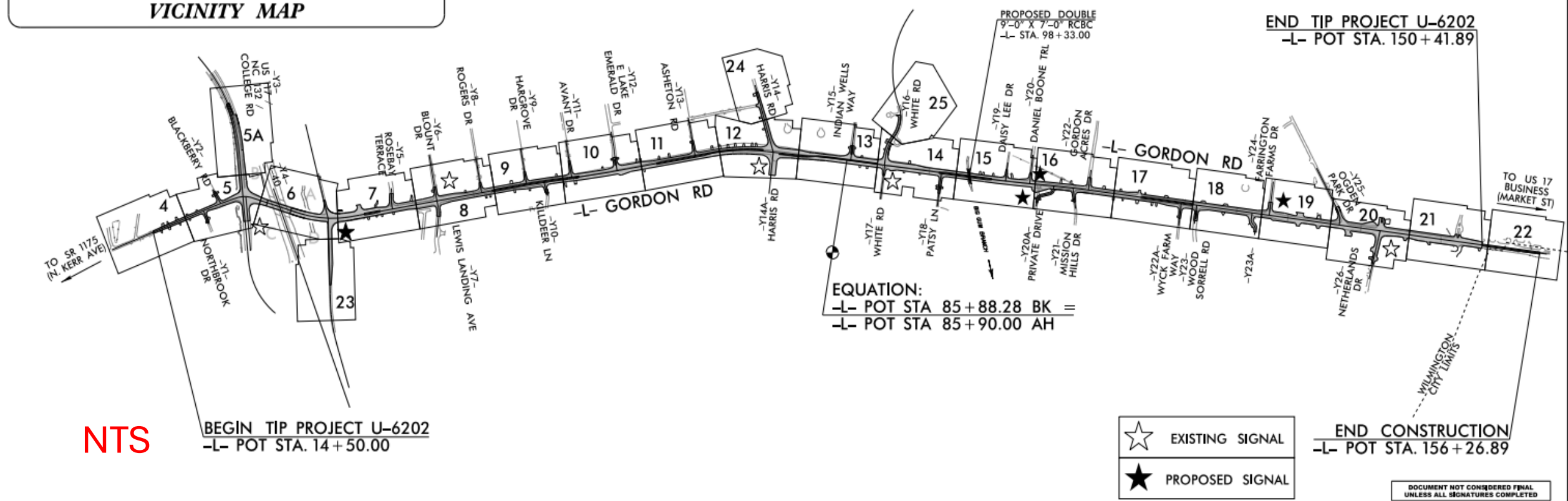
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# NEW HANOVER COUNTY

LOCATION: SR 2048 (GORDON ROAD) FROM  
WEST OF INTERSTATE-40 TO  
WEST OF US 17 BUS (MARKET STREET)

TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, CULVERT, AND SIGNALS

STATE	STATE PROJECT REFERENCE NO.	SHEET NO.	TOTAL SHEETS
N.C.	U-6202	1	
STATE PROJ. NO.	F.A. PROJ. NO.	DESCRIPTION	
48662.1.1		PE	
48662.2.1		ROW	
48662.2.2		UTILITY	
48662.3.1		CONSTRUCTION	



**DESIGN DATA**

ADT 2024 =	27,600
ADT 2044 =	35,300
K =	8 %
D =	55 %
T =	4 % *
V =	50 MPH
* TTST = 1% DUAL 3%	
FUNC CLASS =	
URBAN ARTERIAL	
REGIONAL TIER	

**PROJECT LENGTH**

LENGTH OF ROADWAY T.I.P. PROJECT U-6202 =	2.574 MILES
TOTAL LENGTH OF T.I.P. PROJECT U-6202 =	2.574 MILES
LENGTH BASED ON -L- CENTERLINE	

PREPARED IN THE OFFICE OF:  
**HNTB**  
HNTB NORTH CAROLINA, P.C.  
343 E. SIX FORKS ROAD, SUITE 200  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA 27609  
NC LICENSE NO: C-1554  
FOR NCDOT DIVISION 3

2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

RIGHT OF WAY DATE:  
JUNE 17, 2022

LETTING DATE:  
NOVEMBER 19, 2024

**HYDRAULICS ENGINEER**

8/23/2024  
SIGNATURE: *[Signature]* P.E.

**ROADWAY DESIGN ENGINEER**

8/23/2024  
SIGNATURE: *[Signature]* P.E.



**Project Details:**

Work Begin: 03/2025

Est. Completion: 12/2029

Contractor: ST WOOTEN

NCDOT Contact: Josh Pratt

Contract: \$50,843,005

**Project Comments:**

**U-6202**  
GORDON ROAD WIDENING

SR 2048 (GORDON ROAD) FROM US 17 (MARKET STREET) TO I-40. WIDEN ROADWAY.

Site prep and construction: clearing and grubbing on -L-, EC installation near elementary school, and seeding/mulching

Utilities: waterline (16" at north end) and RCP (15" and 18" on -L- and -Y3-) installations

Signal work: microwave detector installation on -Y4- and -Y3-

Stream diversion: redirected JS stream at Y3

HNTB revising plans to incorporate fire station entrance at Harris Rd

Private driveway and water service line revisions in progress

**CONSTRUCTION  
PROGRESS**

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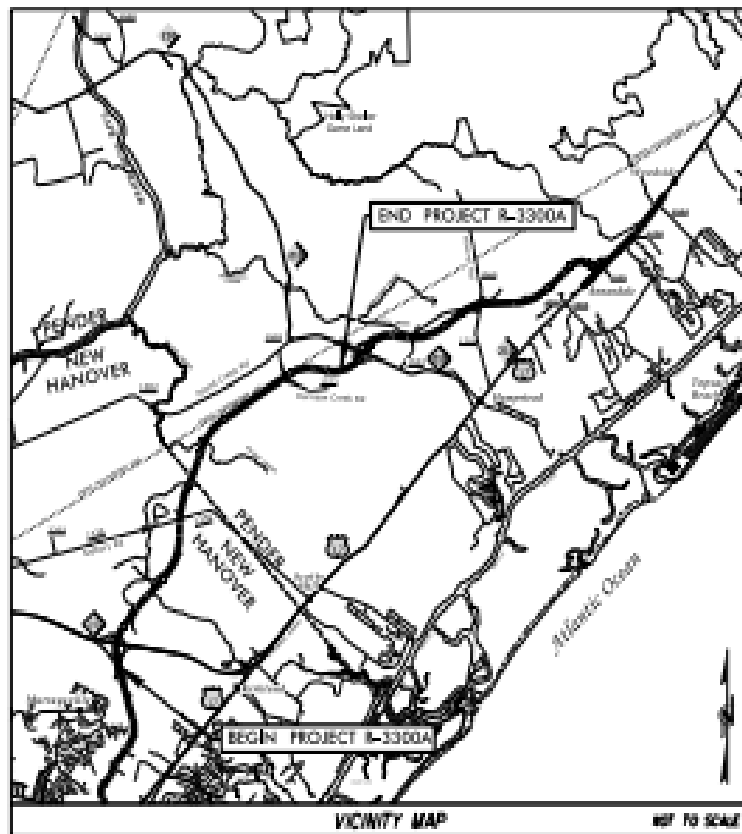
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TIP PROJECT: R-3300A

CONTRACT: C205072

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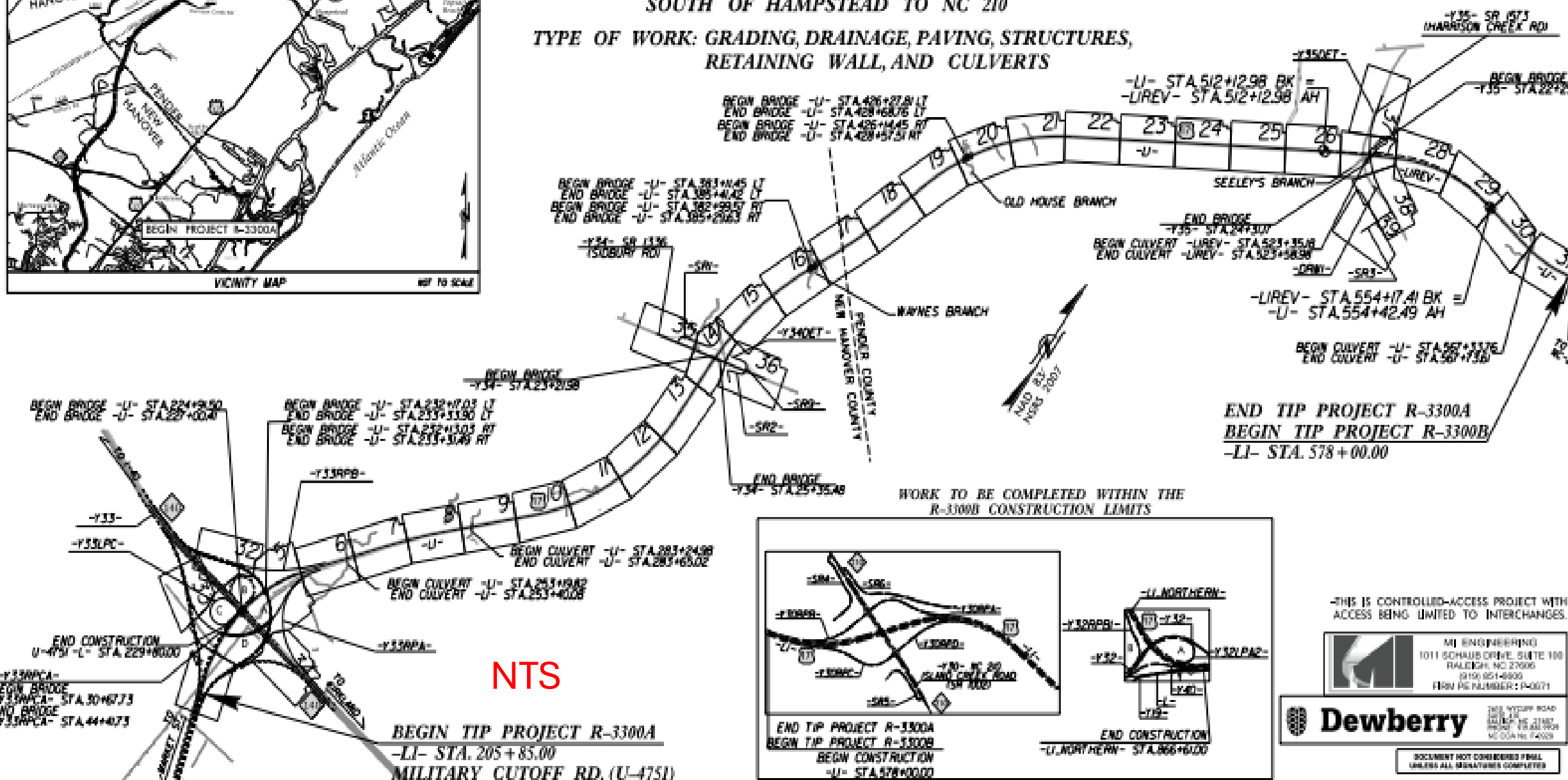


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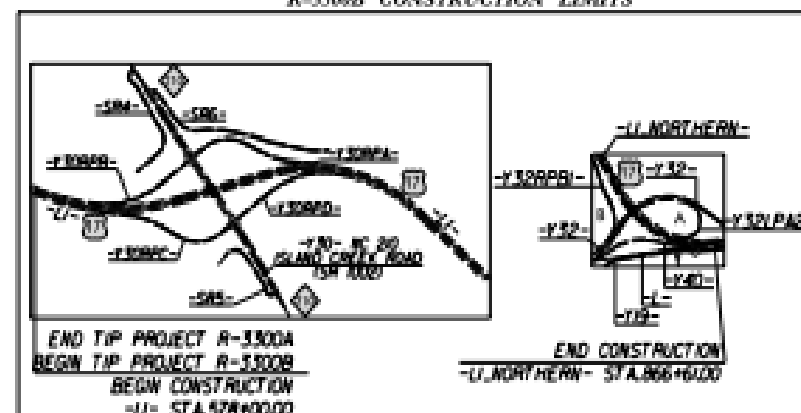
LOCATION: US 17 HAMPSTEAD BYPASS FROM US 17 BYPASS  
SOUTH OF HAMPSTEAD TO NC 210

TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, STRUCTURES,  
RETAINING WALL, AND CULVERTS

DATE	STATE PROJECT OFFICE NO.	TR	BL
N.C.	R-3300A	1	
DATE	REVISION	BY	CHK
4/23/17	1.1	N/A	PE
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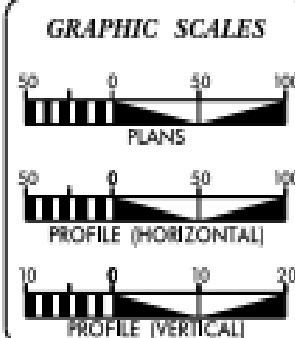
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MI END FREEING  
1011 SCHUBS DRIVE, SUITE 100  
RALEIGH, NC 27603  
(919) 851-4500  
FIRM # NUMBER: P-0071

**Dewberry**

200 W. HARRIS ROAD  
SUITE 100  
RALEIGH, NC 27603  
(919) 851-4500  
FIRM # NUMBER: P-0071

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DESIGN DATA	
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ADT 2040	= 54,800
K	= 8 %
D	= 60 %
T	= 6 % *
V	= 70 MPH
* (TTST 2% + DUALS 4%)	
FUNC CLASS = FREEWAY	
REGIONAL TIER	

PROJECT LENGTH	
LENGTH ROADWAY TIP PROJECT R-3300A	= 6.869 MILES
LENGTH STRUCTURE TIP PROJECT R-3300A	= 0.175 MILES
[NORTHBOUND LANES STATIONS USED]	
TOTAL LENGTH TIP PROJECT R-3300A	= 7.044 MILES

FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
RIGHT OF WAY DATE: APRIL 1, 2019	
LETTING DATE: JULY 15, 2025	
KATRINA N. HAZEL, P.E. PROJECT DESIGN ENGINEER	
TRACE HOWELL, P.E. SCOTT ARCHER, J. CONTRACT	

HYDRAULICS ENGINEERS	
ROADWAY DESIGN ENGINEER	
KATRINA N. HAZEL	



## Project Details:

Work Begin: 07/2025

Est. Completion: 10/2029

Rev. Completion: 03/2030

Contractor: S.T. Wooten

NCDOT Contact: Joshua Pratt

Contract: \$182,389,503

## Project Comments:

### R-3300A

HAMPSTEAD BYPASS

- Clearing, grubbing, and hauling fill material on site
- Parecon has set the stage for initial construction
- Additional equipment is being mobilized to support upcoming work
- Project is in the early mobilization and site preparation phase
- Interim completion date is set for October 1, 2029.

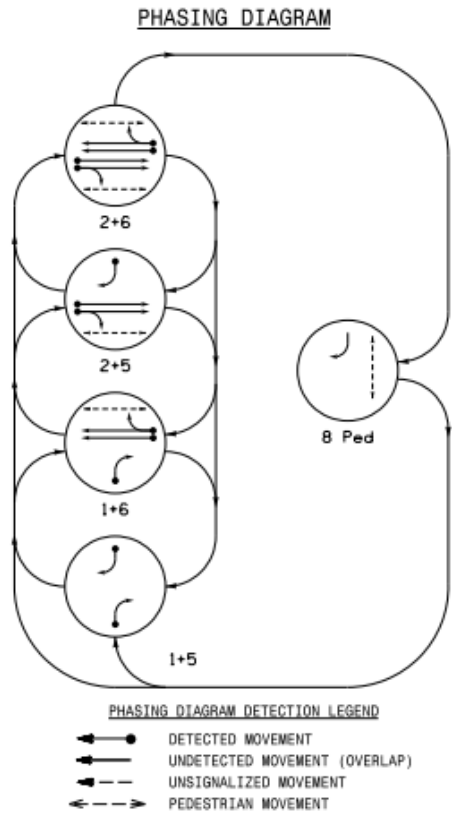
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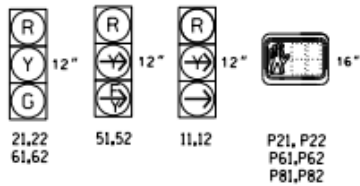
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**SIGNAL FACE I.D.**  
All Heads L.E.D.



SIGNAL FACE	PHASE				
	1 5	2 6	3 7	4 8	5 9
11,12	—	—	R	R	R
21,22	R	R	G	G	R
51,52	—	—	R	R	—
61,62	R	G	R	G	R
P21,P22	DW	DW	W	W	DW
P61,P62	DW	W	DW	W	DW
P81,P82	DW	DW	DW	W	DW
SIGN "B"	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON

OASIS 2070 LOOP & DETECTOR INSTALLATION CHART									
INDUCTIVE LOOPS					DETECTOR PROGRAMMING				
LOOP	SIZE (FT)	DISTANCE FROM STOPBAR (FT)	URNS	NEW LOOP	PHASE	CALLING	EXTENSION	STRETCH TIME	DELAY TIME
1A	6X25	0	*	*	1	Y	Y	-	10
5A	6X25	0	*	*	5	Y	Y	-	10

\* Multizone Microwave Detection

ADVANCED MICROWAVE EXTENDED RANGE DETECTION				
FUNCTION	Sensor 1 (2)	Sensor 2 (6)	Sensor 3 (6)	Sensor 4 (6)
Channel	1	1	1	1
Phase	2	6	6	6
Direction of Travel	NB	NB	NB	NB
Type	PRIORITY	PRIORITY	PRIORITY	PRIORITY
Level	2	2	2	2
Discovery Zone(ft)	<750	N/A	<750	N/A
Detection Zone(ft)	600-100	150-100	600-100	150-100
Enable Speed	Y	Y	Y	Y
Speed Range (mph)	25-100	1-25	25-100	1-25
Enable Estimated Time of Arrival	Y	N	Y	N
Estimated Time of Arrival (sec)	2.5-5.5	-	2.5-5.5	-

5 Phase  
Fully Actuated  
(Wilmington Signal System)

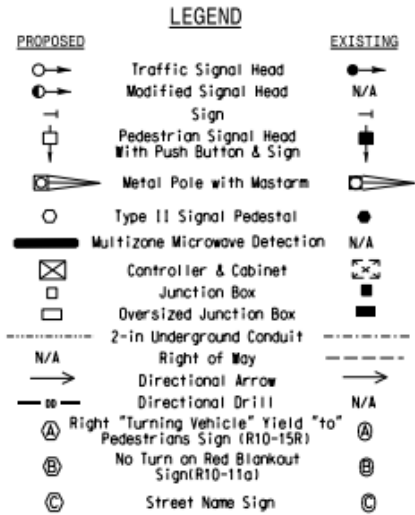
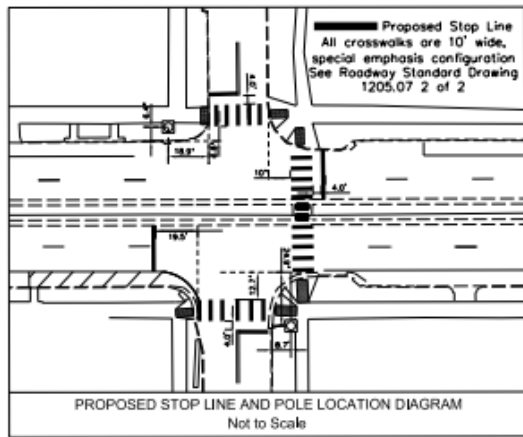
**NOTES**

- Refer to "Roadway Standard Drawings NCDOT" dated January 2024 and "Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures" dated January 2024, and all applicable sections of the latest version of the generic Project Special Provisions.
- Do not program signal for late night flashing operation unless otherwise directed by the Engineer.
- Set all detector units to presence mode.
- Locate new cabinet so as not to obstruct sight distance of vehicles turning right on red.
- Omit "WALK" and flashing "DON'T WALK" with no pedestrian calls.
- Program pedestrian heads to countdown the flashing "Don't Walk" time only.
- Enable Ped Yellow Clear for Phase 8.
- Repaint existing crosswalks per Roadway Standard Drawing 1205.07 sheet 2 of 2
- This intersection uses multi-zone microwave detection. Install detectors according to manufacturer's instructions to achieve the desired detection.
- Maximum time shown in timing chart are for free-run operation only. Coordinated signal system timing values supersede these values.
- Closed loop system data: Controller Asset#1222

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OASIS 2070 TIMING CHART						
FEATURE	PHASE					
	1	2	5	6	8	
Min Green 1"	5	10	5	10	5	
Extension 1"	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.0	0.0	
Max Green 1"	20	75	20	75	32	
Yellow Clearance	3.0	3.9	3.0	3.9	3.0	
Red Clearance	1.6	1.3	1.6	1.3	2.0	
Walk 1"	-	14	-	12	7	
Don't Walk 1	-	7	-	5	19	
Advanced Walk "	-	7	-	5	-	
Seconds Per Actuation "	-	-	-	-	-	
Max Variable Initial "	-	-	-	-	-	
Time Before Reduction "	-	-	-	-	-	
Time To Reduce "	-	-	-	-	-	
Minimum Gap	-	-	-	-	-	
Recall Mode	-	MIN RECALL	-	MIN RECALL	-	
Vehicle Call Memory	-	YELLOW	-	YELLOW	-	
Dual Entry	-	-	-	-	-	
Simultaneous Gap	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	

\* These values may be field adjusted. Do not adjust Min Green and Extension times for phases 2 and 6 lower than what is shown. Min Green for all other phases should not be lower than 4 seconds.



**NEW INSTALLATION**

	<b>US 17 Business(S. Third St.) at Ann Street</b>		
	Division 3 - New Hanover County - Wilmington		
PLN DATE: September 2025	REVIEWED BY: D. Bennett	PREPARED BY: F. Al Alshaiik	REVIEWED BY:
REVISIONS		INIT.	DATE
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SIG. INVENTORY NO.		03-1222	

**Project Details:**

Work Begin: TBD

Est. Completion: TBD

Rev. Completion: N/A.

Contractor: TBD

NCDOT Contact: Ross Kimbro

Contract: TBD

**Project Comments:**

**HL-0109**

**S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street & Ann Street**

-Final plans and Funds released.

-Managed by NCDOT Division Traffic, they will be ordering materials and continue as on-call signal contractor.

**CONSTRUCTION  
PROGRESS**

**0%**



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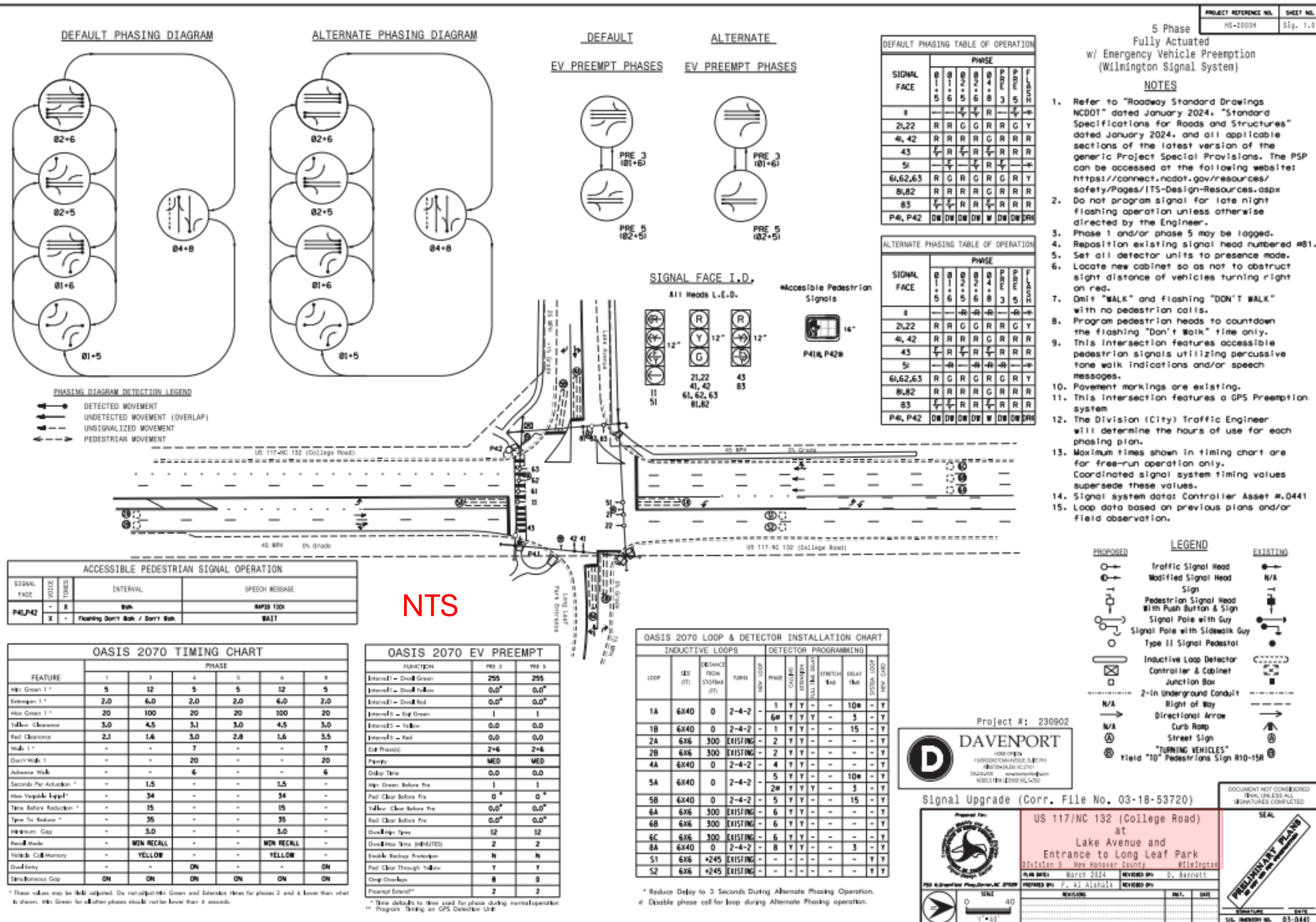
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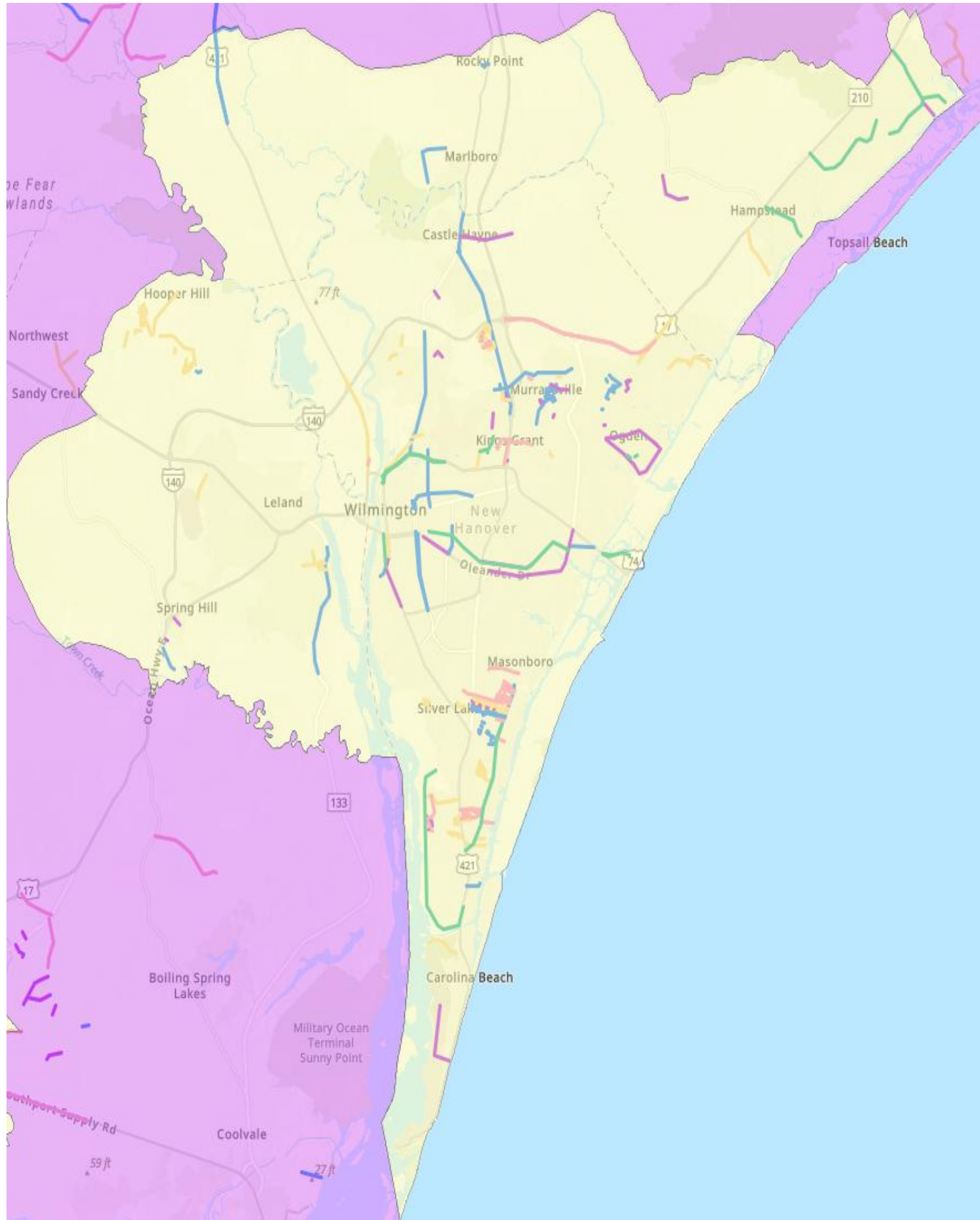






WMPO NOVEMBER RESURFACING/PRESERVATION PROJECTS					
Contract Number	Contract Year	County	Routes	*Estimated Completion (year.month.date )	Percent Complete
C204833	2023	NEW HANOVER, PENDER	I-40 RESURFACING FROM MM-420 TO MM-408 AT NC-210 (I-6039)	2025.11.23	77.01%
C204964	2024	BRUNSWICK	1 SECTION OF NC-87, AND 8 SECTIONS OF SECONDARY ROADS.	2026.05.06	50.72%
DC00457	2024	NEW HANOVER	VARIOUS ROUTES IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY	2025.11.21	49.78%
DC00464	2024	NEW HANOVER, PENDER	NC 210 AND 5 SECONDARY ROUTES	2026.05.29	26.69%
C204866	2023	BRUNSWICK	I-140 RESURFACING FROM US-17 TO NORTH OF US-74 (I-6036)	2026.04.22	30.83%
DC00473	2025	NEW HANOVER	VARIOUS ROUTES IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY	2026.05.16	44.89%
C205101	2025	PENDER	A SECTION OF US-421, AND 2 SECTIONS OF SECONDARY ROADS	2026.12.15	0.00%
DC00467	2024	BRUNSWICK	VARIOUS ROUTES IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY	2026.06.26	75.13%



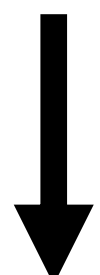


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NOVEMBER TPD UPDATES WILMINGTON MPO

NOVEMBER 2025

**Wilmington Model:** the TDM is now complete and waiting for adoption by the MPO in fall of this year. The TDM was adopted by the Wilmington MPO Board during their October 2025 meeting.

**Pender County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP):** The Pender County CTP is still ongoing. The committee met on October 6<sup>th</sup> to finalize draft transit and rail projects. The next steps will be to finalize all documents, do an internal review (management and committee), and start preparing for public involvement early 2026.

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