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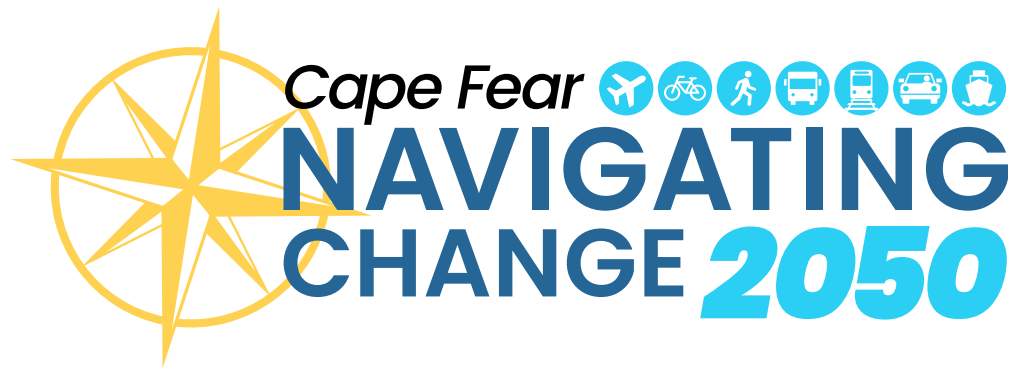
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List of Acronyms

3-C	Continuing, Cooperative, and Comprehensive Planning Process	MTIP	Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program
AADT	Average Annual Daily Traffic	NAA	Non-attainment Area
ADT	Annual Daily Traffic	NCDOT	North Carolina Department of Transportation
BIL	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law	NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
CAC	Citizens Advisory Committee	RPO	Rural Planning Organization
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Quality	SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users
CMP	Congestion Management Process	SHSP	Strategic Highway Safety Plan
CRP	Carbon Reduction Program	SIP	State Implementation Plan
CTP	Comprehensive Transportation Plan	SOV	Single-Occupancy Vehicle
DOT	Department of Transportation	STBG-DA	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program - Direct Attributable
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration	STRAHNET	Strategic Highway Network
FAST	Fixing America's Surface Transportation	TASA-DA	Transportation Alternatives Set Aside - Direct Attributable
FC	Functional Classification	TCC	Technical Coordinating Committee
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration	TDM	Transportation Demand Management
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration	TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century
FTA	Federal Transit Administration	TIA	Traffic Impact Analysis
FY	Fiscal Year	TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
GIS	Geographic Information Systems	TMA	Transportation Management Area
HOV	High-Occupancy Vehicle	TOD	Transit-Oriented Development
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Program	UA	Urbanized Area
IJA	Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act	UNCW	University of North Carolina at Wilmington
IHS	Interstate Highway System	UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991	VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems	VPD	Vehicles Per Day
L RTP	Long Range Transportation Plan	WRTDM	Wilmington Regional Travel Demand Model
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century		
M&O	Management and Operations		
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization		
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan		

