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

TO:Wilmington Urban Area MPO Board MembersFROM:Mike Kozlosky, Executive DirectorDATE:November 14, 2024SUBJECT:November 20th meeting

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Board will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 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: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81037261554

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The following is the agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Conflict of Interest Statement
- 3) Approval of Board Member Excused Absences
- 4) Approval of the Agenda
- 5) Public Comment Period
- 6) Presentations
  - a. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority Update- Mark Hairr, WAVE
- 7) Consent Agenda
  - a. Approval of Board Regular Meeting Minutes- October 30, 2024 (pg. 3-11)
  - b. Resolution approving the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail Feasibility Study (pg. 12-13)
- 8) Regular Agenda
  - a. Resolution adopting the 2025 Meeting Schedule (pg. 14-15)
  - b. Resolution approving the Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Prioritization 7.0 Division Needs Local Input Point Assignment (pg. 16-29)

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- c. Resolution endorsing the Fiscally Constrained Roadway Project List for inclusion in Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 (pg. 30-35)
- 9) Discussion
  - a. 2024-2033 STIP/MPO Transportation Improvement Program Administrative Modifications #24-11 (pg. 36-38)
- 10) Updates
  - a. Wilmington Urban Area MPO (pg. 39-50)
  - b. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority (pg. 51)
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  - d. NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (pg. 64)
  - e. NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (pg. 65-66)
- 11) Announcements
  - a. WMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee- December 10, 2024
- 12) Next meeting December 17, 2024

#### Attachments

- MPO Board Regular Meeting Minutes- October 30, 2024
- <u>https://www.wmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Gullah-Geechee-Heritage-Trail-Feasibility-Study.pdf</u>
- Resolution approving the Gullah Geechee Heritage Corridor Feasibility Study
- Proposed 2025 Meeting Schedule
- Resolution adopting the 2025 Meeting Schedule
- Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Prioritization 7.0 Draft Division Needs Local Input Point Assignment
- Resolution approving the Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Prioritization 7.0 Division Needs Local Input Point Assignment
- Proposed Scenario 3 Roadway Project List and Map- Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050
- Resolution endorsing the Fiscally Constrained Roadway Project List for inclusion in Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050
- Proposed 2024-2033 STIP/MPO Transportation Improvement Program Administrative Modifications #24-11
- Wilmington Urban Area MPO Update (November)
- Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority Update (November)
- NCDOT Division Project Update (November)
- NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (November)
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division Project Update (November)



# WMPO Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 30, 2024 525 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street Wilmington, NC 28401

#### **Members Present**

Mike Allen, Town of Belville Deb LeCompte, Town of Carolina Beach Jonathan Barfield, Jr., New Hanover County Brenda Bozeman, Town of Leland Brad George, Pender County Mike Forte, Brunswick County Luke Waddell, Vice Chairman, City of Wilmington Eulis Willis, Town of Navassa Bill Saffo, City of Wilmington John Ellen, Town of Kure Beach Landon Zimmer, NC Board of Transportation Hank Miller, Chairman, Town of Wrightsville Beach

#### **Others Present**

Chad Kimes, Transystems Trevor Carroll, NCDOT Abby Lorenzo, WMPO Michelle Howes, NCDOT Tera Cline, WMPO Zach Bugg, Kittelson Adrianna Cox, NCDOT Jeff Bourk, ILM Carolyn Caggia, WMPO Adrienne Harrington, Belville Greer Templer, WMPO Mark Hairr, WAVE Zach Bugg, Kittelson Mike Kozlosky, WMPO Kristina Whitfield, Kimley Horn Allison Fluitt, Kimley Horn

#### **Members Absent**

Bill Rivenbark, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

### 1) Call to Order

Chairman Hank Miller called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. Mike Kozlosky, WMPO then called roll.

**Present:** Mike Allen, Bill Saffo, Deb LeCompte, Brenda Bozeman, John Ellen, Brad George, Mike Forte, Luke Waddell, Eulis Willis, Hank Miller, Landon Zimmer, and Jonathan Barfield Jr. **Absent**: Bill Rivenbark.

### 2) Conflict of Interest Statement

Chairman Miller read the conflict-of-interest statement and asked if any Board member has a conflict of interest. Landon Zimmer requested to be recused from voting on Consent Agenda item 7C.

#### 3) Approval of Board Member Excused Absences

Bill Rivenbark was excused on a motion by John Ellen, seconded by Brenda Bozeman. The motion carried unanimously.

### 4) Approval of the Agenda

John Ellen motioned to approve the agenda, adding Item 9D, a revised resolution for the Pine Grove Bridge, with a second by Landon Zimmer. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### 5) Public Comment Period

No sign-ups for public comment

### 6) Presentations

#### a. Gullah Geechee Feasibility Study-Zach Bugg, Kittleson

Mr. Zach Bugg stated that the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor runs from Jacksonville, North Carolina, to Jacksonville, Florida. It was created to celebrate the historical and cultural contributions of the Gullah Geechee people and associated activities, especially agriculture. The National Park Service also recognizes it.

The leadership of this study was run through NCDOT's Integrated Mobility Division on behalf of the WMPO, which applied for the feasibility study for the trail. However, it was also completed in close partnership with local agencies like Brunswick County, Town of Bellville, Town of Leland, and Town of Navassa.

The agencies worked closely with a project steering committee formed with historians, (some of whom were located outside the State in academic institutions) and local cycling interest groups.

He stated the study's objectives were to assess the feasibility of constructing the trail through Brunswick County, from Phoenix Park in Navassa down to the Brunswick Nature Park in Brunswick County. An additional goal was to determine a preferred alignment that could be moved forward to the design phase. He was pleased to share that parts of the trail are already under construction or very close to it, and the goal is to identify applicable funding sources and a path toward implementation.

Mr. Bugg stated that this study is unique and special to this area, given the cultural significance of the Gullah Geechee people within Brunswick County and the region. Some of the specialized goals are to provide a way to make this trail a destination and support ecotourism and economic development. He noted there are many other goals for the feasibility study.

He noted the project kickoff meeting was in June 2023. The draft report was submitted in June 2024, and the revised study was submitted in July 2024.

Mr. Bugg stated the first round of public engagement was in the fall of 2023, then the alternative development, and assessment over the winter, and then this past spring the second round of public engagement was held before getting into the preferred alignment and project recommendations. The preliminary alignments generally stayed within the right of way of existing roadways, the major ones being Cedar Hill Road and Navassa Road in Navassa, as well as Navassa Road and Village Road in the Town of Leland. The other portion is River Road in the Town of Belville, another portion in the Town of Leland, and into unincorporated Brunswick County. The nine segments were split to develop and evaluate alternative alignments. In addition to these preliminary alignments, some off-road options and the utility easement extending from near the start to the end of the feasibility study limits were examined.

Mr. Bugg noted that the community engagement events had a good number of people attended both in person and online. There was vast excitement and support for the trial, and it didn't get much dissension or folks bringing up controversial elements regarding impacts. The public engagement was completed in 2 phases. The first was in the fall when we gathered preliminary alternative information. Then, feedback on two alternatives for each trail segment was requested in the spring.

He stated that four in-person events per phase were conducted: a more traditional open house, a drop-in-style events in Navassa and Leland, and an outdoor pop-up event in Belville. The first was the Heritage Bike Ride in the fall of 2023, and the second one, in advance of the second round of public engagement, was the NC Rice festival in Brunswick Town in March.

He noted various means of online data collection and public engagement through the project website hosted by WMPO. These included an online comment map prepared by Kittleson and online surveys prepared by WMPO. The numbers were in the hundreds with the online surveys and between 90 and 120 in-person conversations.

Mr. Bugg shared some of the unique features of the area were the multiple historic sites that the trail had the objective of connecting to and fostering a lot of excitement around providing connections, whether it was running the trail up to the historic Reef Chapel historic site or providing a spur alignment so that folks could go from the trail to each of the sites. He noted that private funding allocation is also being considered in all the developments. He said there are a lot of existing parks, trails, schools, and other destinations that this trail would serve both from a recreational and a transportation and commuting standpoint.

He stated that several in-process transportation projects, including the trail, are under construction. The utility easement, which is not owned by the state or any town or utility company, did provide some open space to potentially help support some alternatives to the trail away from the roadway and there were many wetlands and other sensitive environmental areas to navigate. The trail was narrowed to 2 preferred or two potential alignments after the initial round of public engagement and a brainstorming session with the Project steering committee.

Within each segment was an opportunity to deviate from the roadway and potentially have a more natural off-road alignment. The ability to mix and match from one segment to the next was included. This study had a vital environmental component. The preferred alignment was determined after the second round of public engagement in the spring and another work session with the steering committee. There was a strong preference to have the trail be more natural and off the road. Therefore, there are a few spurs back to Cedar Hill Road to connect to existing land uses and historical sites. Generally, the trail would be on its right of way through the Town of Navassa. Then, run near existing roads in Leland, getting into Belleville, and then the opportunity off River Road, through Mallory Creek, and into a portion of Brunswick Forest, using the utility easement. He then noted as you get down to the southern portions, some of the environmentally sensitive areas were being avoided.

Mr. Bugg shared some pictures of the project with a brief overview of each.

In conclusion, he stated that building this has a cost element. The trail is split into nine segments in hopes of helping move the project forward to implementation and identifying funding sources for each segment.

#### b. Wilmington International Airport Update-Jeff Bourk, ILM

Mr. Bourk noted that Wilmington International Airport (ILM) now has 20 nonstop routes out of Wilmington, some of which are served by multiple carriers. There are 6 airlines compared to three years ago, when there were only 8 nonstops on 3 airlines. He stated that ILM is going to top 1.5 million passengers by the end of this year.

Mr. Bourk noted all the increases in volume and passengers at the airport since 2019 to 2024 and the challenges that go along with these increases.

He then gave a brief overview of the terminal, curb, roadways and parking projects that have started at the airport. The phases of this project include remote parking, and rerouting of roads, etc. all while keeping the airport business open and running.

The upgrades include more parking, new covered passenger and shuttle drop-off canopy, pedestrian tunnel from parking to terminals, as well as an expanded atrium option.

He then gave a brief overview of the 23<sup>rd</sup> street additional turn lane. Mr. Bourk showed the layout of the custom slot shuttle lot. This lot will be located down the road from the airport and shuttles will be utilized to transport passengers and employees to the terminal.

Mr. Bourk then stated that 3 additional gates will be added and opened by spring of 2027. They will also be adding additional ticket counters for 3 additional airlines.

He stated that runway 624 is set to be overlaid in January of 2026 with funds from a discretionary grant with the FAA for \$10 million dollars. He noted that additional private and cooperate hangers are being built as well.

Mr. Bourk noted that the cost of all expansion projects is around \$ 185,000,000. ILM is currently about \$50 million committed. He stated the remaining balance of the entire project is being funded by Federal, State, and local sources as well as the airports healthy reserve. He noted no local tax dollars are being used.

He concluded by giving a brief overview of outreach events and programs that are sponsored by ILM.

Landon Zimmer asked if additional levels of parking could be added. Mr. Bourk stated that additional parking garages will be built as needed but that because of engineering and rental car facilities additional levels of parking are not planned.

Bill Saffo asked if there were any plans to expand the runway. Mr. Bourk stated that there is no need to extend the runways.

### 7) Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Board Regular Meeting Minutes- September 25, 2024
- b. <u>Resolution approving 2024-2033 STIP/MPO Amendment #24-5</u>
- c. <u>Resolution approving 2024-2033 STIP/MPO Administrative Modifications #24-9 and #24-10</u>
- d. <u>Resolution accepting donations for the Get There Greener Challenge</u>
- e. <u>Resolution supporting the naming of the Military Cutoff Road Bridge over Market Street the Cornelius E</u> <u>Nixon Bridge</u>

Brenda Bozeman made a motion to approve the consent agenda excluding item C and Eulis Willis seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Brenda Bozeman then made a motion to approve consent agenda item C with the recusal of Landon Zimmer. Eulis Willis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 8) Regular Agenda

### a. <u>Resolution supporting the allocation of additional Direct Attributable funds to New Hanover County for the</u> <u>Middle Sound Loop and Porters Neck Walmart Connector (BL-0040)</u>

Mike Kozlosky, WMPO stated the WMPO Board allocated funds to New Hanover County for the Middle Sound Loop and Porter's Neck Walmart Connector Trail Project. The county has worked through the design and have identified a need for additional funds. The county has requested an additional \$705,512 dollars and will commit \$176,378. We have about \$800,000 in reserve, and staff recommend approval of this item.

Motion to approve the resolution supporting the allocation of additional Direct Attributable funds to New Hanover County made by Mr. Barfield and seconded by Mr. Zimmer. The motion passes unanimously.

#### b. Resolution awarding the WMPO FY 25 Direct Attributable Funds

Abby Lorenzo WMPO stated that that for federal Fiscal Year 2025, beginning October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, the WMPO anticipates receiving the following approximate amounts in direct attributable funding:

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) - \$ 4,502,892 Transportation Alternatives Set Aside (TA) - \$752,086 Carbon Reduction Efforts (CR) - \$801,858

In addition to the anticipated FY 2025 funding amounts, \$99,561 in funding is available from the WMPO's FY 24 direct attributable allocation.

The WMPO typically utilizes a portion of its annual direct attributable funding to supplement the organization's annual operations and planning activities through the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Additionally, increasing construction costs over the past several years has resulted in significantly greater project costs, requiring many previously awarded and funded projects to request additional funding to complete construction. Based on these factors, WMPO staff recommend holding a total of \$2,100,000 of available direct attributable funding for the development of the FY 26 UPWP and additional funding requests for existing funded projects. This results in an estimated total amount of WMPO direct attributable funding to award to projects for FY 25 of **\$4,056,397**.

The WMPO issued a call for project applications for FY 25 DA funding on July 5,2024, with a deadline for submittal of September 13, 2024. A total of nine (9) complete applications were received and evaluated based on the WMPO's adopted scoring process.

Based on the scores and the associated costs of the nine project applications, WMPO staff recommend funding the following projects for FY 25:

17th Street MUP City of Wilmington Requested Amount: \$2,400,000

Gullah Geechee Trail Gap

Town of Belville Requested Amount: \$720,000

Country Club Drive MUP Design Pender County Requested Amount: \$886,000

Total sum of recommended FY 25 awards: \$4,006,000

She then stated that due to the requested funding amount of the third ranked project, and based on conversations with the applicant, WMPO staff recommend funding the fourth ranked project (Country Club Drive MUP Design) with FY 25 funding and preemptively programming a portion of its anticipated FY 26 federal funding amounts to the third ranked project (S. College Road MUP Construction). The anticipated FY 26 federal funding amount is estimated to be consistent with the FY 25 allocations less the UPWP contribution and recommended fund reserve set aside.

Frank Williams asked if the NCDOT submission for the Lanvale signal installation is the intersection at Lanvale Road and Village Road. Trevor Carroll, NCDOT did confirm that is correct. Mr. Williams stated that this intersection is a major safety issue and that he agrees the other projects are good but to him the Lanvale signal is his top priority due to safety. He also asked if there were other funding options for the signal installation. Trevor Carroll stated that Division 3 has explored other funding options, and they have not been able to tap into enough funds to upgrade the intersection to add a signal.

There was further discussion on the intersection and the safety of it and the possibility of getting it added for next year's funds and the scoring criteria.

Mike Kozlosky stated that one of the things that we've been talking about internally back in 2020. Staff had come to the board with a proposal to create a 5-year plan, much like a capital improvement program.

At that time, the WMPO didn't get enough projects to fill the 5-year program, so we went back to having an annual call and the number of projects that met the amount of available funding during this round. We got way more projects than we've ever received before. Staff has been discussing going back and trying the 5-year program again with the 1st and 2nd years committed, and then the next 3 years would be for planning purposes.

That would allow us to fund some of these additional projects. They could move within the years based on how the projects are progressing, because one of the things that we see is that, even though we award these projects that there's significant time between the time that we award and the time that we deliver. In addition, projects move, based on different schedules based on the different jurisdictions that are working on them. That would provide some flexibility to allocate additional funds, but also to move projects within years.

Mr. Williams asked how that would affect the ability to get this project on one of those lists. Mike Kozlosky stated it would be evaluated, and staff would come back with the recommendation.

Mr. Williams then stated that if projects were committed and then ones are on the planning horizon, what could be done to make sure that this Lanvale project can be placed near the top of the planning horizon. Mr. Kozlosky stated that the call for projects would need to be changed, and the 5-year program would have to be implemented.

Abby Lorenzo stated that staff would like to work with the Board over the coming months to revise the process to develop the 5-year plan.

Jonathan Barfield, Jr. made a motion to approve the resolution approving the WMPO FY 25 Direct Attributable funds, John Ellen seconded. Motion passed with the following roll call votes.

**Ayes**: Mike Allen, Bill Saffo, Deb LeCompte, Jonathan Barfield, John Ellen, Brad George, Hank Miller, Luke Waddell, Eulis Willis, and Landon Zimmer. **Nays**: Frank Williams and Brenda Bozeman **Absent:** Bill Rivenbark

#### c. Opening of a 14-day public comment period for WMPO's Prioritization 7.0 Draft Division Tier Point Assignment

Abby Lorenzo stated that a 14-day public comment period be opened to allow public input on any projects that are listed.

Frank Williams made a motion to approve the opening of the 14-day public comment period for the WMPO's P 7.0 draft Division Tier point assignment. Landon Zimmer seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 9) Discussion

#### a. 2050 MTP Development-Draft Fiscally Constrained Projects

Abby Lorenzo, WMPO, stated that staff has been working hard on developing, Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050. The one element we work with a consultant on is the financial element. Over the past few months, we have been working closely with our consultant, Kinley Horn, to develop a financial forecast, look at alternative funding, and, most recently, develop fiscally constrained project lists. Kristina Whitfield from Kimley Horn is here today to present, discuss fiscally constraining our plan, and provide information on the three fiscally constrained scenarios that staff with Kimley Horn have developed.

Kristina Whitfield and Allison Fluitt presented the tables of the three scenarios. Kristina Whitfield then noted that the WMPO has historically, with long-range plans, fiscally constrained all modes of transportation. Fiscal constraints will only be on the roadway recommendations for this MTP. This is in alignment with the Federal requirements in 23 CFR and 440.324. That code essentially specifies that you must only fiscally constrain projects that are of regional significance.

Ms. Whitfield stated that many of our smaller bike-ped projects don't rise to that level of regional significance, which aligns with what almost all the other MPOs in the State of North Carolina do.

She noted one of the significant benefits to the MPO and the governing Boards, making this modification is it minimizes the need for amendments and changes to your MTP

Ms. Whitfield stated that Kimley Horn has been working on the revenue forecasts over the past few months. Revenues for all modes are still forecasted, but today, the focus is on the roadway.

Ms. Whitfield then began to explain the revenue forecasting process using historical data available through the State Transportation Input Plan (STIP) and the local Capital Improvement Program (CIP). That historic revenue, which the region has received for real projects, is projected out through the life of the MTP. That gives the total amount expected to be available for funding projects through 2050.

Ms. Whitefield quickly highlighted what the upcoming plan looks like. Once what's been programmed in the STIP is taken out, funds are shown in the out years of the STIP that are subject to reprioritization. About \$3.3 billion is left for roadway projects based on historic resources captured in the Wilmington region.

Kimley Horn is working with MPO staff and Transportation Planning Division to model the three scenarios to move projects forward. The first scenario accounts for seven intersections and 28 different corridors. The

second scenario accounts for 12 intersections and 36 corridors. Scenario three accounts for 12 intersections and 35 corridors.

She noted the modeling shows how these various scenarios impact congestion in the region. The team from Kimley Horn stated that the discussion of alternative revenue sources that may be available to the region is ongoing and they have developed the actual revenue forecasts for those. They will be brought back to the November meeting to start understanding how much those could move the needle on additional dollars available for the region for consideration.

### b. Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Aesthetics Subcommittee

Mike Kozlosky stated the WMPO Board created an Aesthetics Subcommittee to look at the aesthetics of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge replacement. It was brought to his attention by NCDOT that replacement of the bridge and tearing down of the existing bridge is an adverse effect. With that information NCDOT will be creating a charrette that will start hopefully in January, and it will focus on mitigation due to the adverse effect of tearing down the bridge. Mr. Kozlosky stated that in an email he sent to the Board he had identified \$75,000 dollars for consultation for the subcommittee but at this point doesn't believe it would be prudent to spend those funds.

#### c. December WMPO Board Work Session

Mike Kozlosky, WMPO stated that December 17<sup>th</sup> was selected as the best date for the December work session from 10 am to 12 pm.

Brenda Bozeman made a motion to have the work session on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Luke Waddell second. The motion passed unanimously.

### d. <u>Revised resolution supporting the City of Wilmington's Bridge grant application for the Pine Grove</u> <u>Bridge project</u>

Mike Kozlosky stated that in September the Board adopted a resolution supporting the city's application to the bridge investment program for the 4th Street Bridge and the Pine Grove Bridge Replacement Project.

The city has done an analysis of a benefit/ cost, and the 4th Street Bridge doesn't pencil out. You must meet a certain number to even be considered, and the 4th Street Bridge brought the project scores down. The city is desiring to only submit the Pine Grove Drive bridge replacement project for this grant.

Staff is requesting that the Board adopt a revised resolution which you have at your place, that supports the city's application for only the Pine Grove Bridge replacement project.

Landon Zimmer made a motion to approve the revised resolution and Jonathan Barfield seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### a. Wilmington Urban Area MPO

Mike Kozlosky that the updates are included in the packet, and in addition to those updates he announced the WMPO was awarded NCDOT Mobi award for the Park Avenue Multi-use Trail Phase II project. He also noted his appreciation to the Board and staff for the completion of the new WMPO building at 525 N 4<sup>th</sup> street. He invited everyone to stay for the ribbon cutting and refreshments after the meeting.

#### b. Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

Updates included in the packet.

#### c. NCDOT Division

Trevor Carroll, NCDOT stated that the updates are being presented a little different now and if anyone had any questions to please reach out to him. He gave a brief update on the bridge grants stating that the MEGA grant and the INFRA grant, and they were notified they were not awarded for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge replacement project. He assured the Board that NCDOT is still pursuing additional funding sources.

#### d. NCDOT Transportation Planning Division

Nazia Sadar NCDOT, stated the 3 scenarios were discussed for the MTP projects. Those were finished running today and sent back to the WMPO for the volume and capacity, that will be discussed at the next meeting.

Pender County CTP had the survey close last month. They had about 500 people take that survey and will be discussing those results at the next steering committee meeting.

#### 11) Announcements

### a. WMPO Bike and Pedestrian Committee Meeting-December 10, 2024

#### Next meeting – November 20, 2024

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Kozlosky Executive Director Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### THE ABOVE MINUTES ARE NOT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS. THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS ARE RECORDED DIGITALLY AS PART OF THIS RECORD.

# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD

### RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE GULLAH GEECHEE HERITAGE TRAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

**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 applied for and was awarded funding to complete a paved trail feasibility study for the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail through the North Carolina Department of Transportation Integrated Mobility Division's Paved Trails and Sidewalks Feasibility Studies Grant Program in February 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization seeks to improve safety, encourage alternative forms of transportation, stimulate economic development, create opportunities for active and healthy lifestyles, and enhance the overall quality of life within the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's planning area while improving the ability of member jurisdictions to qualify for funding opportunities to design and construct bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail Feasibility Study seeks to assess preferred alignments for a paved trail that will serve as a vital cultural corridor connecting significant historical and cultural sites of the Gullah Geechee community while promoting multi-modal transportation options by facilitating safer travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized users; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail Feasibility Study's planning effort began in Spring 2023 and included comprehensive stakeholder and public engagement with the culmination of this effort resulting in the final plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan is intended to assist the towns of Belville, Leland, and Navassa as well as unincorporated Brunswick County in the development and implementation of a multi-jurisdictional multi-use path.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby adopts the Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail Feasibility Study.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 20, 2024.

Henry E. Miller III, Chair



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# MEMORANDUM

- TO: TCC/Board members
- FROM: Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director
- DATE: November 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Wilmington Urban Area MPO Proposed 2025 Meeting Schedule

Technical Coordinating Committee	Board
January 15	January 29
February 12	February 26
March 12	March 26
April 16	April 30
May 14	May 28
June 11	June 25
July 16	July 30
August 13	August 27
September 10	September 24
October 15	October 29
November 12	November 19
December –no meeting scheduled	December –no meeting scheduled

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.

Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S 2025 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 2025 meeting calendar.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 20, 2024.

Henry E. Miller III, Chair

		Prioritiz	ation 7.0 Draft Divis	ion Needs Proje	cts Summary of D	Praft Point Assig	nment	
Project	TIP ID	Mode	P7.0 Quantitative Score (out of 100)	Division 3 Points (out of 100)	Consistency with WMPO Plans (out of 100)	Status in Development (out of 100)	Number of Prioritization Cycles (out of 100)	Total (out of 500)
H110993	U-6080	Highway	74.64	100	100	50	100	424.64
H150013		Highway	68.76	100	100	25	100	393.76
H192190		Highway	87.51	100	100	25	50	362.51
B230788		Bike/Ped	85.27	100	100	50	25	360.27
H149006-D	U-5881	Highway	87.25		100	50	100	337.25
H149006-A	U-5702B	Highway	85.02		100	50	100	335.02
H110980	U-5863	Highway	83.58		100	50	100	333.58
Н149006-Е	U-5704	Highway	83.54		100	50	100	333.54
H231084		Highway	80.36	100	100	25	25	330.36
H230956		Highway	72.31	100	100	25	25	322.31
T230785		Transit	69.52	100	100	25	25	319.52
R150128		Rail	67.13		100	50	100	317.13
H230961		Highway	67.04	100	100	25	25	317.04
A150101	AV-5795	Aviation	88.69		100	50	75	313.69
Н090499-В	U-4902B	Highway	87.27		100	100	25	312.27
F230763		Ferry	81.67		100	25	25	231.67

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H110993	U-6080	Highway	74.64	100	100	50	100	424.64
H150013		Highway	68.76	100	100	25	100	393.76
H192190		Highway	87.51	100	100	25	50	362.51
B230788		Bike/Ped	85.27	100	100	50	25	360.27
H149006-D	U-5881	Highway	87.25		100	50	100	337.25
H149006-A	U-5702B	Highway	85.02		100	50	100	335.02
H110980	U-5863	Highway	83.58		100	50	100	333.58
Н149006-Е	U-5704	Highway	83.54		100	50	100	333.54
H231084		Highway	80.36	100	100	25	25	330.36
H230956		Highway	72.31	100	100	25	25	322.31
T230785		Transit	69.52	100	100	25	25	319.52
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A192168	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Upgrade Visual Approach Aids & Runway Lighting	N34.259157 W77.913999	N/A	This project upgrades runway 6, 17, and 24 visual approach slope indicators (VASI's) to precision approach path indicators (PAPIs). It also changes the pilot- activated runway lighting switch from runway 17/35 to 6/24 using the common traffic advisory frequency (CTAF)	9 1700 - Approach	\$	1,000,000	N/A	55.43	38.24	88.24		100	25	
A150101	Aviation	AV-5795	Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: GA Apron Expansion	TBD-Carryover-need location of project on airport	N/A	The airport is experiencing unprecedented demand for GA and corporate tiedown and hangar space, exceeding ramp availability. Project Expands the North Apron toward new tenant ramp areas to expand capacity and enhance economic development within the corporate GA community.	1200 - Aircraft Apron / Helipad Requirements	\$	1,000,000	N/A	54.92	38.69	88.69		100	50	
A231118	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Apron Maintenance	34?, 16', 18.6"N 77?, 54', 32.38"W	N/A	Perform maintenance and renovations on the Modern Aviation FBO Ramp to ensure a safe operating surface amid increasing demand.	1200 - Aircraft Apron / Helipad Requirements	\$	1,000,000	N/A	47.56	35.04	85.04		0	25	
A192166	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Runway 35 Wind Cone/PAPI Replacement	N34.279962 W77.907966	N/A	Existing wind cone and PAPIs for Runway 35 are nearing end of life. Additionally, the PAPI and Power Supply Unit (PSU) is located inside the RSA and needs to be relocated to meet current FAA standards. This project will be designed and constructed to replace the runway 35 wind cone due to its useful life. The PAPI's and power supply unit (PSU) needs to be relocated outside the Runway Safety Area (RSA) per FAA Standards. Includes Project Request Number: 3805	3000 - Other	\$	500,000	N/A	30.68	18.93	68.93		100	25	
A150420	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Perimeter Road Improvements (Ph.1)	Various Areas, General Location: 34?, 16', 21.59"N 77?, 53',56.94"W	N/A	Project will improve safety and emergency response by relocating the Airport's vehicle perimeter road outside NAVAID critical areas and Object Free Areas while also providing enhanced separation of airport operational vehicles, emergency response vehicles and aircraft.	3000 - Other	\$	500,000	N/A	18.56	11.50	61.50		100	25	

# Prioritization 7.0 Draft Division Needs Projects -- Draft Point Assignment

Number of Prioritization Cycles (x of 100)	Total (x of 500)	Draft Point Assignment	Notes
25	238.24		
75	313.69	100	
25	135.04		
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100	286.50		

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A231184	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Airline and Customs Apron ? Clean/Seal Joints, Pavement Repair	34?, 16', 24.71"N 77?, 54', 35.45"W	N/A	This project cleans, seals, and repairs joints and concrete pavement sections for the Air Carrier and Customs Aprons to ensure a safe and adequate pavement system at on the existing airline and customs ramp.	3000 - Other	\$ 500,000	N/A	13.12	8.48	58.48		100	25	25	208.48		
A170927	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Emergency Boat Ramp Access Launch Rwy 6	34?, 15', 33.49"N 77?, 54', 45.32"W	N/A	The existing emergency water rescue ramp (boat access) is an unimproved riverbank and regularly susceptible to erosion by tide and current. This project will Provide stabilized access for Rescue boat along with a dock to support life safety activities in response to waterway aircraft crash emergencies at runway end.		\$ 1,000,000	N/A	17.99	11.12	61.12		100	25	75	261.12		
A231185	Aviation		Statewide Mobility	ILM - Wilmington International Airport: Overlay Airport Blvd, Building Circulation and Surrounding Roadways	34?, 16', 4.44"N 77?, 55', 10.85"W	N/A	Overlay aging pavement on Airport Blvd. and ILM roadways leading to N 23rd St. to accommodate increasing traffic and support ILM passenger growth.	3000 - Other	\$ 1,000,000	N/A	16.14	10.49	60.49		100	25	25	210.49		
A231119	Aviation		Statewide Mobility		34?, 16', 24.33"N 77?, 53', 36.15"W		Project will improve safety by relocating the Airport's vehicle perimeter road outside NAVAID critical areas and Object Free Areas. The road will be all- weather road allowing traffic to be separated from Aircraft movement areas. (Phase 2)	3000 - Other	\$ 500,000	N/A	12.42	8.01	58.01		100	25	25	208.01		
B230787	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	Central College Road Trail	SR-2048 (Gordon Road)	SR-2206 (Northchase Parkway NE)	Construct a 10' shared-use path adjacent to US 117/NC 132/N College Road.	2 - Off- Road/Separat ed Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)	\$ 8,460,200	N/A	N/A	30.22	80.22		100	50	25	255.22		
B230788	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	South College Road Trail	South 17th Street	SR-1521 (Piner Road)	Construct a 10' shared-use path adjacent to NC 132 (N College Road) from South 17th Street to SR-1521 (Piner Road).	2 - Off- Road/Separat ed Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)	\$ 8,477,600.00	N/A	N/A	35.27	85.27	100	100	50	25	360.27	100	
B230789	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	NC-133 (River Road SE) Belville Trail Ext/Gullah Geechee Heritage Greenway	Rice Hope Run		Construct a 10' shared-use path adjacent to NC-133 (River Road SE).		\$ 995,400	N/A	N/A	14.31	64.31		100	25	25	214.31		

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B230803	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs		SR-1247 (Antoinette Drive)	N/A	Construct crosswalks at existing signalized intersection of US 421 (Carolina Beach Road) and SR- 1247 (Antoinette Drive). Includes six (6) curb ramps, six (6) pedestrian signal heads, and three (3) painted crosswalks.	8 - Multi-Site Pedestrian Facility	541,200	N/A	N/A	29.99	79.99	100	25	25	229.99		
B230808	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	US421 (Carolina Beach Road) Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	SR-1492 (Myrtle Grove Road)	N/A	Construct crosswalks at existing signalized intersection of US 421 (Carolina Beach Road) and SR- 1492 (Myrtle Grove Road). Includes six (6) curb ramps, six (6) pedestrian signal heads, and three (3) painted crosswalks.	8 - Multi-Site Pedestrian Facility (Pedestrian)	381,200	N/A	N/A	23.50	73.5	100	25	25	223.5		
B230917	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	NC132 (College Road) Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	Shopping Center Drive		Construct crosswalks at existing signalized intersection of NC 132 (S College Road) and Shopping Center Drive. Includes six (6) curb ramps, six (6) pedestrian signal heads, and three (3) painted crosswalks.	8 - Multi-Site Pedestrian Facility (Pedestrian)	606,000	N/A	N/A	20.12	70.12	100	25	25	220.12		
B231163	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	SR 1521/1492 (Piner Road/Grissom Road/Masonboro Loop Road)	NC 132 (College Road)		Construct a multi-use path along Piner Rd. and Masonboro Loop Road from the Monkey Junction intersection to the Masonboro Loop Road/Masonboro Sound Road intersection.	2 - Off- Road/Separat ed Linear \$ Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)	7,525,800	N/A	N/A	32.78	82.78	0	25	25	132.78		
B231167	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	SR 1247 (Antoinette Drive)	NC 132 (College Road)	Construct a multi-use path along Carolina Beach Road from Antoinette Drive to the Monkey Junction intersection.	od Lincor ć	300,000	N/A	N/A	36.21	86.21	50	25	25	186.21		
B231169	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	George Anderson Drive	Willoughby Park Court	Construct a multi-use path along Carolina Beach Road from the intersection of George Anderson Drive to Willoughby Park Court intersection.	2 - Off- Road/Separat ed Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)	3,902,000	N/A	N/A	34.37	84.37	0	25	25	134.37		
B231171	Bicycle & Pedestrian		Division Needs	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	SR 1187 (Sanders Road)	SR 2566 (Halyburton Memorial Parkway)	Construct a multi-use path along S College Beach Road from Sanders Road to the intersection with Halyburton Memorial Parkway.	Road/Separat	3,047,200	N/A	N/A	32.44	82.44	50	25	25	182.44		

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F230763	Ferry	Regional Impact	Southport - Ft Fisher	Fort Fisher terminal / Fort Fisher Blvd	N/A	Install 5' sidewalk to connect Fort Fisher ferry terminal building entrance to US 421 (has dedicated bicycle lanes and proposed MUP)	13 - Other Terminal or Shipyard Infrastructure	39,006	N/A	42.95	31.67	81.67		100	25	25	231.67	100	Per WMPO's adopted LIP methodology, the highest scoring project from each non- highway mode NOT included in top 16 projects will be elevated to replae the lowest scoring highway project(s) within the top 16 to ensure multimodal point assignment.
T230773	Transit	Division Needs	Route 101 Stop Improvements (10 Stops)	Stop ID-10531 Princess Place Dr EB at Mary S Mosley Stop ID-10108 Princess Place Dr WB at Glendale Dr Stop ID-10502Princess Place Dr WB at 30th St Stop ID-10528Princess Place Dr EB at 30th St Stop ID-10103Market St WB at Bonefish Grill Stop ID-10593E O Stewart Cir NB at Spaulding Dr Stop ID-10508Rankin St WB at 11th St Stop ID-105008Rankin St WB at Tanning St Stop ID-10501Princess Place Dr WB at Montgomery Dr Stop ID-10516Nixon St EB at 5th St	N/A	Install shelter, bench, trash receptacle, and bike rack amenities at 10 stop locations on fixed route 101.	6 - Facility - Stop/Shelter \$	142,000	N/A	N/A	18.75	68.75		100	25	25	218.75		

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T230783	Transit	Division Needs	Route 105 Stop Improvements (8 Stops)	Stop ID-1101217th St SB at Harbour Dr Stop ID-10150Market St WB at Princess Place Dr Stop ID-1103817th St SB at Glen Meade Dr Stop ID-1100416th St SB at Wright St Stop ID- 11000Independence Mall Stop ID-11009New Hanover Regional Medical Center Stop ID-11017Wilshire Blvd EB at Emerald Square Stop ID-10542Market St WB at Sycamore St	N/A re ar	stall shelter, bench, trash ceptacle, and bike rack nenities at 8 stop locations on ced route 105.	6 - Facility - Stop/Shelter	\$ 113,60	D N/A	N/A	15.83	65.83		0	25	25	115.83		
T230784	Transit	Division Needs	Route 108 Stop Improvements (11 Stops)	Stop ID-10555Market St EB at 12th St Stop ID-10534Market St EB at Cinema Dr Stop ID-10543Market St WB at 30th St (YMCA) Stop ID-10556Market St EB at 16th St Stop ID-10554Market St EB at 9th St (Cape Fear Museum) Stop ID-10553Market St EB at 6th St Stop ID-10548Market St WB at 16th St Stop ID-10548Market St EB at Barclay Hills Dr Stop ID-10184Market St EB at Walton Rd Stop ID-10544Market St WB at 29th St (YMCA) Stop ID-10533Market St WB at 29th St (YMCA) Stop ID-10533Market	N/A re ar	stall shelter, bench, trash iceptacle, and bike rack nenities at 11 stop locations n fixed route 108.	6 - Facility - Stop/Shelter	\$ 156,20	) N/A	N/A	18.33	68.33		0	25	25	118.33		

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T230785	Transit		Division Needs	Route 205 Stop Improvements (8 Stops)	Stop ID- 11132Greenfield St WB at 5th St Stop ID-11102Medical Center Dr WB at Carolina Beach Rd Stop ID-11089Martin St EB at 10th St Stop ID-111335th St NB at Meares St Stop ID-111097Doctors Cir WB at Cypress Grove Dr Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-111097Doctors Stop ID-11101Medical Center Dr WB at Silver Stream Ln Stop ID-111435th St NB at Martin St	N/A	Install shelter, bench, trash receptacle, and bike rack amenities at 8 stop locations on fixed route 205.	6 - Facility - Stop/Shelter	113,600	N/A	N/A	19.52	69.52	100	100	25	25	319.52	100	
T230786	Transit		Division Needs	Paratransit Vehicles (2 Vehicles)	Varies, serving all of New Hanover County (incorporated and unincorporated areas)	N/A	Purchase of two paratransit vehicles to accommodate increased demand response services (beyond FTA requirements).	4 - Demand Response	196,000	N/A	N/A	40.19	90.19		0	25	25	140.19		
R150128	Rail		Division Needs	CSX SE Line (Wilmington Multimodal Transportation Center)	Downtown Wilmington Multimodal Transportation Center located on Campbell Street between 3rd and 4th Street.		Construct a passenger station to accommodate future rail service between Raleigh and Wilmington. This passenger station will be a part of a larger multimodal center ultimately accommodating public transportation, private mass transportation, passenger rail, bicyclists, and pedestrians.	4 - Passenger rail station	93,925,000	N/A	N/A	17.13	67.13	100	100	50	100	417.13	100	
R230597	Rail		Regional Impact	NCDOT AC Line (preserved)	New route from N 3rd St to King St in Wilmington	N/A	Construct new route on existing preserved corridor of NCDOT AC Line from future rail station in Wilmington at N 3rd Street and tie into the existing CSX ACB Line at King Street (Crossing ID 629 284Y).	5 - Passenger rail service \$ 1	10,903,000	N/A	13.52	11.81	61.81		100	25	25	211.81		
R230604	Rail		Regional Impact	NCDOT AC Line (preserved) & CSX SE Line	Wilmington to Castle Hayne	N/A	Construct new route on existing preserved corridor of NCDOT AC Line from future rail station in Wilmington at N 3rd Street and tie into proposed Castle Hayne station via the CSX SE Line.	5 - Passenger rail service \$ 3 (line)	34,536,000	N/A	14.72	12.21	62.21		100	25	25	212.21		

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R150127	Rail	Statewide Mobility		New trackage from Davis Yard in Navassa south on west side of Cape Fear River, crossing river, terminating at Port of Wilmington	N/A	New, shorter route connecting Davis Yard in Navassa to Port of Wilmington. Davis Yard south section includes crossing Cape Fear River parallel to Thomas Rhodes bridge (US 74/421) and crossing US 17/74/76/NC 133. Southern rail crossing section will be on (or parallel to) Cape Fear Memorial Bridge. East side section connects bridge crossing to Port of Wilmington. Assumes the 30 crossings on Wilmington Beltline will close and CSX will cease operations on ACB branch to operate on this new alignment.	or	\$ 864,075,000	66.14	43.92	28.7	78.7	100	25	75	278.7		
R192033	Rail	Statewide Mobility	CSX AF Line (Yadkin Spur, CNC Lead)	US 17/421 South of I- 140 Dan Cameron Bridge, Wilmington	N/A	Safety improvements to US 17 / 421 Railroad Crossing south of I- 140/Dan Cameron Bridge, Crossing ID# 629 163B. Install gates, signalization and supplementary safety measures per FRA guidelines to achieve optimal benefit per spending.	3 - Highway- rail crossing improvement (point)	\$ 1,700,000	61.59	47.08	33.93	83.93	100	25	50	258.93		
R230591	Rail	Statewide Mobility	CSX SE Line	SR 1302 (23rd Street), New Hanover County	N/A	at SR 1302 (23rd Street) at Crossing ID 628 721N near intersection of SR 1302 (23rd	3 - Highway- rail crossing improvement (point)	\$ 22,900,000	52.04	38.18	31.03	81.03	0	25	25	131.03		
R230594	Rail	Statewide Mobility		SR 1438 (Lanvale Rd), Brunswick County	N/A	Construction of grade separation with road OVER rail at SR 1438 (Lanvale Road NE) Crossing # 629 191E near Leland, NC.	3 - Highway- rail crossing improvement (point)	\$ 16,075,000	49.45	36.24	29.81	79.81	0	25	25	129.81		
R231037	Rail	Statewide Mobility	e CSX AC (MRSX DOD Junction)	SE Quandrant of the AC/DOD junction, near Leland	N/A	Fayetteville Rd and Lanvale Rd NE. The project is funding- eligible since CSX uses the first	2 - Freight rail facility improvement or construction (point)	\$ 6,025,000	27.75	23.09	18.32	68.32	100	25	25	218.32		

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R150125	Rail		Statewide Mobility	CSX AF Line	MP AF 286.6, near the former Invista facility located on the New Hanover side of the New Hanover / Pender County boundary to the Pender County Commerce Park facility	N/A	Construct approximately 1.5 mile rail line extension from MP AF 286.60 (near Invista) to support new rail volumes inbound & outbound from Pender Commerce Park. Project includes at-grade crossing improvements to US 421 (Crossing # 629 171T).	1 - Freight rail corridor improvement or construction (line)	\$ 7,225,000	21.70	17.77	12.98	62.98		100	25	100	287.98		
R192058	Rail		Statewide Mobility	CSX ACB Line (New Route/Location)	New railroad line: Cape Fear Memorial Bridge to Port of Wilmington's north end	N/A	Construct new rail line connecting the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge to the NCSPA- owned trackage at its north end in Wilmington (Surry St to CSX ACB Line to port). The project is funding-eligible since CSX uses trackage to conduct interchange with WTRY (port). The project would also maintain project funding eligibility if CSX reserved rights to own and/or operate over this stretch of trackage in the future upon the full implementation of the Rail Realignment Project.	1 - Freight rail corridor improvement or construction	\$ 864,075,000	18.06	15.34	13.27	63.27		100	25	50	238.27		
H090713	Highway		Regional Impact	NC 133 (River Road)	SR 1551 (Blackwell Road)	SR 1599 (Jackeys Creek Lane)	Widen NC133 (River Road SE) from SR 1551 (Blackwell Road) to SR 1599 (Jackey's Creek Lane SE) to four-lane, divided cross section with curb and gutter.	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 99,600,000	N/A	31.14	30.16	80.16		100	25	25	230.16		
H110980	Highway	U-5863	Regional Impact	NC 133 (Castle Hayne Road)	SR 1310 (Division Drive)	I-140/US 17	Widen to 3 lanes.	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 89,372,000	N/A	41.73	33.58	83.58		100	50	100	333.58	100	
H110993	Highway	U-6080	Division Needs	SR 1175 (Kerr Avenue)	Patrick Avenue	SR 1411 (Wrightsvill e Avenue)	Widen existing 2-lane facility to 4-lane divided facility with bicycle lanes, 5' sidewalk, 10' multiuse path	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 108,700,000	N/A	N/A	24.64	74.64	100	100	50	100	424.64	100	
H149006- A	Highway	U-5702B	Regional Impact	NC 132 (College Road)	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	US 117 (Shipyard Boulevard)	Access management and travel time improvements.	11 - Access Management	\$ 96,000,000	N/A	46.39	35.02	85.02		100	50	100	335.02	100	
H150013	Highway		Regional Impact	NC 210	SR 1002 (Island Creek Road)	SR 1574 (Dallie Futch Road)	Realign intersection of NC 210 and SR 1002 (Island Creek Road) to t-intersection and install traffic signal. Remove SR 1574 (Dallie Futch Road) intersections at NC 210 and SR 1002.	Multiple	\$ 14,433,148	N/A	24.62	18.76	68.76	100	100	25	100	393.76	100	
H170225	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1437 (Old Fayetteville Road)	US 74/76 (Andrew Jackson Highway)	N/A	Convert grade-separation of SR 1437 (Old Fayetteville Road) at US 74/76 (Andrew Jackson Highway) to an interchange.	9 - Convert Grade Separation to Interchange	\$ 116,800,000	N/A	N/A	11.67	61.67		100	25	50	236.67		

	Prioritization 7.0 Draft Division Needs Projects Draft Point Assignment																			
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H170244	Highway		Regional Impact	NC 133 (River Road)	SR 1599 (Jackeys Creek Lane SE)	Rabon Way SE	Widen NC133 (River Road SE) from SR 1599 (Jackey's Creek Lane SE) to Rabon Way to four- lane, divided cross section with curb and gutter.	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 113,500,000	N/A	23.26	20.59	70.59		100	25	75	270.59		
H191999	Highway		Regional Impact	US 17 Business (Market Street)	SR 1217 (South 17th Street)	Covil Avenue	Implement Road Diet on US 17 Busines (Market Street) between SR 1217 (S. 17th Street) and Covil Avenue to improve safety.	24 - Implement Road Diet to Improve Safety	\$ 39,600,000	N/A	41.90	33.59	83.59		0	25	50	158.59		
H192190	Highway		Division Needs	New Route	US 17 (Ocean Highway)	NC 133 (River Road	Construct new roadway connection between US 17 and NC 133 in Brunswick County.	5 - Construct Roadway on New Location	\$ 41,500,000	N/A	N/A	37.51	87.51	100	100	25	50	362.51	100	
H230956	Highway		Regional Impact	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	SR 1576 (River Road)	Access Road	Replacement of existing bridge structure over Snow's Cut. Proposed cross section includes raised median, shoulders, and 12' MUP.	26 - Upgrade Roadway	\$ 90,822,977	N/A	28.48	22.31	72.31	100	100	25	25	322.31	100	
H230961	Highway		Regional Impact	US 74, US 76 (Causeway Drive)	Airlie Road	US 74 (Wes Salisbury Street)	Replace moveable span, 4-lane, t undivided bridge with fixed span, 4-lane divided bridge with 12' multi-use path facility.	26 - Upgrade Roadway	\$ 112,100,000	N/A	21.52	17.04	67.04	100	100	25	25	317.04		
H230967	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1318 (Blue Clay Road)	I-140	N/A	Convert existing grade separation at SR 1318 (Blue Clay Road) and I-140 to interchange.	9 - Convert Grade Separation to Interchange	\$ 69,200,000	N/A	N/A	9.62	59.62		100	25	25	209.62		
H230968	Highway		Regional Impact	US 17, US 76 (Oleander Drive)	SR 1209 (Independence Boulevard	US 117, NC 132 (South College Road)	Construct access management improvements to existing 6- lane, divided cross section.	11 - Access Management	\$ 60,900,000	N/A	32.98	25.32	75.32		100	25	25	225.32		
H230971	Highway		Regional Impact	US 17/US 76 (Oleander Drive)	Pine Grove Drive	Greenville Loop Road	Construction of access management improvements to include raised median, turning lanes, and driveway access closures.	11 - Access Management	\$ 84,600,000	N/A	41.94	31.95	81.95		0	25	25	131.95		
H230961	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1209 (Independence Boulevard)	US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)	River Road	Widen Independence Boulevard to 4-lane, divided cross section with multiuse path and 5' sidewalk.	18 - Widen Existing Local (Non-State) Roadway	\$ 72,000,000	N/A	N/A	17.84	67.84	100	100	25	25	317.84	100	
H231084	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1492 (Myrtle Grove Road), SR 1521 (Piner Road)	SR 1520 (Grissom Road)	N/A	Redesign multiple intersections along SR 1521 (Piner Road) and SR 1492 (Myrtle Grove Road). SR 1521 at SR 1520; SR 1521 at SR 1492; and SR 1492 at SR 1520. Widen SR 1521 from US 421 to SR 1492 to include median divider, multiuse path, and 5' sidewalk.		\$ 6,021,000	N/A	N/A	30.36	80.36	100	100	25	25	330.36	100	
H231085	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1572/SR 1336 (Sidbury Road)	Hampstead Bypass (R- 3300A)	N/A	Convert future grade separation on SR 1572 (Sidbury Road) at Hampstead Bypass to interchange.	9 - Convert Grade Separation to Interchange	\$ 13,900,000	N/A	N/A	6.60	56.60	100	100	25	25	306.60		

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H231099	Highway		Division Needs	Greenville Loop Road	US 17, US 76 (Oleander Drive)	Pine Grove Drive	Widen to 4-lane divided roadway with 10' multi-use path and sidewalk.	18 - Widen Existing Local (Non-State) Roadway	\$ 146,600,000	N/A	N/A	32.15	82.15	100	25	25	232.15		
H231111	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1322 (Murrayville Road)	1-40	N/A	Convert grade separation of SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) at I-40 to half clover interchange. Also to include modernization of SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) between US 117/NC 132 and I- 40.	9 - Convert Grade Separation to Interchange	\$ 49,000,000	N/A	N/A	17.16	67.16	100	25	25	217.16		
H231112	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1322 (Murrayville Road)	1-40	US 17 Busines (Market Street)	Modernization of SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) between I-40 and current terminus at Crooked Pine Road. Extension of SR 1322 (Murrayville Road) from Crooked Pine Road to US 17 Busines (Market Street).	Roadway and	\$ 92,700,000	N/A	N/A	36.05	86.05	100	25	25	236.05		
H231114	Highway	U-6083	Division Needs	SR 1302 (N 23rd Street)	US 74 (MLK Jr Parkway)	Airport Boulevard	The project proposes the widening of N. 23rd St. from Airport Blvd. to Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy (see Vicinity Map above) in Wilmington, NC (New Hanover County). The project will extend the outside north bound thru lane and drop it as a right turn into the Wilmington International Airport.	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 6,400,000	N/A	N/A	32.78	82.78	100	50	75	307.78		
H231115	Highway		Division Needs	SR 1318 (Blue Clay Road)	US 117 (College Road)	SR 1175 (North Kerr Avenue)	Modernize SR 1318 to include lane and shoulder width modifications and turning lanes.		\$ 15,100,000	N/A	N/A	15.67	65.67	100	25	25	215.67		
H090287- AG	Highway	R-4462	Statewide Mobility	US 74, US 76	NC 87 (Maco Road)	SR 1426 (Mount Misery Road)		2 - Upgrade Arterial to Freeway/Expr essway	\$ 68,300,000	81.50	50.93	33.56	83.56	0	25	100	208.56		
H149006- D	Highway	U-5881	Statewide Mobility	NC 132 (College Road)	New Centre Drive	SR 2048 (Gordon Road)	Upgrade Roadway	2 - Upgrade Arterial to Freeway/Expr essway	\$ 42,900,000	73.72	51.79	37.25	87.25	100	50	100	337.25	100	
H193097	Highway		Statewide Mobility	US 17	SR 1563 (Sloop Point Loop Road)	NC 210	Upgrade to a controlled access facility with service roads.	2 - Upgrade Arterial to Freeway/Expr essway	\$ 195,700,000	71.54	39.43	25.59	75.59	0	25	50	150.59		
H090499- B	Highway	U-4902B	Statewide Mobility	US 17 Business (Market Street)	CSX Railroad	117/NC 132 (College Road).	Construct Access Management	11 - Access Management	\$ 33,600,000	68.61	49.02	37.27	87.27	100	100	25	312.27	100	

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H171924	Highway	U-4738	Statewide Mobility	US 17 (Ocean Highway), US 74, US 421 (Carolina Beach Road), US 117 (Shipyard Boulevard), US 17 BUS, Cape Fear Crossings Alternative	US 117 (Shipyard Boulevard)	l-140 (Wilmingto n Bypass)	Upgrade existing facilities to provide additional mobility and access between New Hanover and Brunswick Counties and to the NC Port of Wilmington. Includes new river crossing south of existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge. Cape Fear Crossings Alternative	6 - Widen Existing Roadway and Construct Part on New Location	\$ 1,569,400,000	66.83	42.47	30.41	80.41		100	50	75	305.41		
H190398	Highway		Statewide Mobility	US 17	SR 2734 (Marsh Oaks Drive)	SR 1582 (Washingto n Acres Road)	Convert roadway to superstreet configuration and provide access management.	t Arterial to Signalized RCI Corridor	\$ 74,800,000	65.54	41.37	30.73	80.73		50	25	50	205.73		
H149006- E	Highway	U-5704		NC 132 (College Road)	US 76 Oleander Drive	N/A	Intersection improvements	7 - Upgrade At- grade Intersection to Interchange or Grade Separation	\$ 71,400,000	64.09	44.24	33.54	83.54	100	100	50	100	433.54	100	
H230544	Highway		Statewide Mobility	SR 2048 (Gordon Road)	US 17 Busines (Market Street)	N/A	Upgrade intersection to grade separated intersection.	7 - Upgrade At- grade Intersection to Interchange or Grade Separation	\$ 43,900,000	63.28	44.63	33.58	83.58		0	25	25	133.58		
H230873	Highway		Statewide Mobility	US 17 Business	US 74 Interchange	5th Street	Replace the existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (NON-TOLL PROJECT)	5 - Construct Roadway on New Location	\$ 437,000,000	62.48	35.28	32.12	82.12		100	25	25	232.12		
H231086	Highway		Statewide Mobility	US 74, NC 133	US 421	N/A	Widen 1-lane merge from US 421 to westbound US 17/76 to 1 lanes,	2- <sup>8</sup> - Improve Interchange	\$ 30,800,000	50.18	30.39	21.24	71.24		100	25	25	221.24		
H230821	Highway		Statewide Mobility	1-140	US 74/76	N/A	Construct intersection improvements, including the conversion of the grade separated intersection into an interchange with free flow traffic between I-140 and US 74/76. The proposed typical section includes four 12-foot lanes with 22-foot wide loops and 16-foot wide ramps at the interchange. No sidewalks or bicycle lanes.	8 - Improve Interchange	\$ 233,600,000	44.19	25.32	16.92	66.92		0	25	25	116.92		
H231005	Highway		Statewide Mobility	1-40	Exit 414 (Holly Shelter Road)	Exit 420 (Gordon Road)	Widen to 6 lanes.	1 - Widen Existing Roadway	\$ 154,900,000	43.32	21.85	15.13	65.13		0	25	25	115.13		

## WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD

#### RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S LOCAL INPUT POINT ASSIGNMENT FOR DIVISION NEEDS TIER PROJECTS IN PRIORITIZATION 7.0

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 Strategic Transportation Investments is the formula to determine how the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), in partnership with local governments, will prioritize and fund transportation projects in the state of North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS,** Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs) and Division Engineers assign local input points to projects in the Regional Impact and Division Needs tiers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization adopted a Local Input Methodology for Prioritization 7.0 on February 28, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization will allocated 1,600 points at the Regional Impact tier and 1,600 points at the Division Needs tier; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization has reviewed the projects in Prioritization 7.0 and consistent with the approved methodology released a draft point assignment for projects at the Division Needs Tier; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization Board opened a 14-day public comment period on October 30, 2024 and the WMPO has conducted the public comment period for the Division Needs Tier projects.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby approves the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Local Input Point Assignment for the Division Needs Tier projects in Prioritization 7.0.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 20, 2024.

Henry E. Miller III, Chair

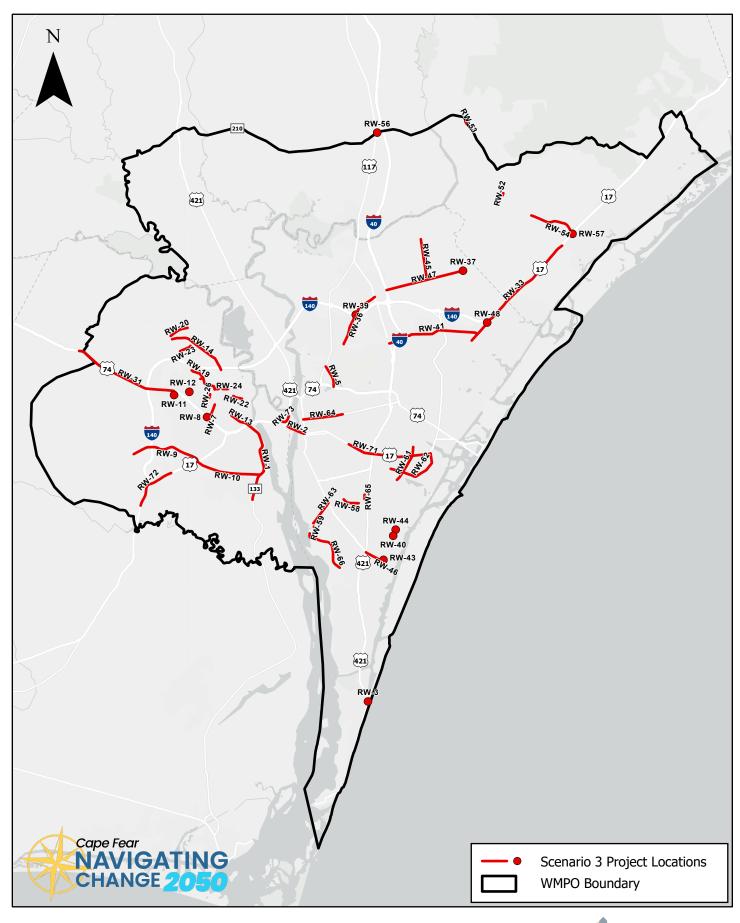
Cape Fear	Navigating Change 2050 - Draft Fiscally	y Constrained Roadway Pr	rojects - Scenario 3			
Project ID	Project Name	Submitter	Description	Funding Band		Project Cost
RW-5	N. 23 St (SR-1302) Widening	New Hanover County Airport Authority	Widen to 4-lane cross section	2024-2028	\$	7,400,000
	Village Rd (SR-1472)/Lanvale Rd (SR- 1426)/Fletcher Rd (SR-1472) Intersection		Intersection improvements at Village Road/Lanvale Road/Fletcher Road/RR Corridor, dangerous intersection due to proximiety with RR tracks, would			
RW-11	Improvements	Town of Leland	prefer a roundabout if space would allow, or traffic signal needed	2024-2028	Ş	2,020,000
RW-2	Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Replacement	Brunswick County	Bridge Replacement/Road Widening. 6 lanes at 12'	2034-2040	Ş	85,000,000
RW-41	Murrayville Rd (SR-1322) Modernization and Extension	New Hanover County	Modernization and Extension of Murrayville Rd to Market St	2034-2040	\$	141,700,000
RW-1	NC 133/River Rd SE Widening	Town of Belville, Town of Leland, Brunswick County	Widen NC 133 from two to four lanes with intersection improvements	2034-2040	\$	113,500,000
RW-39	I-140/Blue Clay Rd (SR-1318) Interchange	New Hanover County	Interchange	2034-2040	\$	69,200,000
RW-10	US 17/NC 133 Connection	Town of Leland	New road connecting US Highway 17 and NC Highway 133 through "Jackeys Creek" property	2034-2040	\$	41,500,000
			2 11'foot travel lanes, 5' sidewalk (both sides), 5' bike lane (both sides) and 1			
RW-61	Dogwood Ln Extension	City of Wilmington	bridge.	2034-2040	\$	22,700,000
	US 76/Oleander Drive Access Management	WMPO Staff (submitted to				
RW-71	Improvements	Prioritization 7.0)	Access Management Improvements	2034-2040	\$	145,500,000
	Future Hampstead Bypass/Sidbury Rd (SR-1572)					
RW-37	Interchange	New Hanover County	Interchange	2034-2040	\$	13,900,000
RW-57	US 17/NC 210 Intersection Improvements	Pender County	Intersection Improvements with MUP	2034-2040	\$	1,160,000
RW-72	US 17 (Ocean Highway) Access Management	WMPO Staff (submitted to Prioritization 7.0)	Provide access management along corridor.	2041-2050	\$	60,900,000
RW-8	Old Fayetteville Rd (SR-1437) Interchange at US 74/76 Interchange	Town of Leland	Create full movement interchange at US 74/76 and Old Fayetteville Road	2041-2050	\$	116,800,000
RW-9	US 17/Highway 87 Connection	Town of Leland	New road connecting US Highway 17 and NC Highway 87	2041-2050	\$	56,830,000
RW-47	Sidbury Rd (SR-1572) Widening	New Hanover County	Widening	2041-2050	\$	33,400,000
RW-33	US 17 Reduced Conflict Intersections (Scotts Hill)	NCDOT Division 3	Convert roadway to superstreet configuration and provide access management.	2041-2050	\$	74,800,000
RW-7	Basin Street Extension (Old Fayetteville Rd/Village Rd Connection)	Town of Leland	New road connecting Basin Street at North Brunswick HS across Sturgeon Creek to Leland-owned property and Village Road across from Graham Drive	2041-2050	\$	5,980,000
RW-24	Sandy Ln Extension	Town of Navassa	Connect the Ivester/Eastbrook Connector to Main Street and provides a connection between Trestle Way and Sandy Lane.	2041-2050	\$	3,520,000
RW-62	Greenville Loop Rd Widening	City of Wilmington	Widen to two 12' travel lanes in each direction, 23' median, 10' MUP, and 5' sidewalk	2041-2050	\$	146,600,000
DW/ 10	huester Ct /Feethreek Competen		Provide a secondary outlet for residents in the area of Magnolia Drive and Dorsey Lane by connecting to Seaboard Industrial Park Drive. Also connects	2044 2050	ć	12,000,000
RW-19	Ivester Ct/Eastbrook Connector	Town of Navassa	to the Sandy Lane Extension.	2041-2050	Ş	12,980,000
RW-22	Park/Pine Valley/Brooklyn Connector West of North Navassa Road	Town of Navassa	Connect Pine Valley Rd, Park Ave, and Brooklyn St to N Navassa Rd	2041-2050	\$	4,140,000

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RW-26	Victoria Ln Extension	Town of Navassa	Extend Victoria Lane to the Town's limits with potential connection to Sturgeon Drive NE in Leland.	2041-2050	\$	1,300,000
			3-lane curb and gutter roadway extension from current terminus (cul-de- sac) to Bragg Drive to provide alternative connection to S. College Road in			
RW-65	Peele St Extension	City of Wilmington	the vicinity of its intersection with S. 17th Street	2041-2050	\$	3,438,195
RW-13	Village Rd (SR-1472) Streetscape	Town of Leland	Repurpose Village Road for more context-appropriate main street design	2041-2050	\$	7,880,000
RW-46	Piner Rd (SR-1521) Widening and Intersection Realignment	New Hanover County	Widening and Intersection Realignment	2041-2050	\$	15,350,000
RW-64	Market St (US 17 BUS) Road Diet	City of Wilmington	Reduce 4-and 5-lane cross sections to two travel lanes, marked bicycle lanes, and stretches of center turn lanes and/or on-street parking; resurfacing; installation of raised center medians north of 17th St, minimal utility relocations. This project is linked to the Independence Boulevard extension (U-4434)	2041-2050	ć	39,600,000
RW-66	River Rd Widening	City of Wilmington	Add one travel lane in each direction for 4-lane divided roadway using existing shoulders, adjustments to existing driveway entrances, intersections, roundabouts, storm drain pipes, headwalls, pavement markings and signage, minor utility relocations, roadway lighting	2041-2050	\$	6,170,955
RW-73	US 74/NC 133 Merge Lane Widening	WMPO Staff (submitted to Prioritization 7.0)	Widen existing merge lane to two lanes	2041-2050	4	30,800,000
RW-31	Upgrade US 74/76 to Interstate	NCDOT Division 3	Upgrade US 74/76 to interstate standards.	2041-2050	\$	68,300,000
RW-48	US 17/US17 BUS/I-140 Interchange Improvements	New Hanover County	Interchange	2041-2050	\$	19,510,000
RW-58	17th St Offset Lefts	City of Wilmington	Provide off-set left turn lane configurations at 17th/St. Andrews as well as bulb out for u-turn movements. Includes grading, paving, drainage, traffic control, erosion control, marking, and signing	2041-2050	\$	577,500
			Widen to two 12' travel lanes in each direction with a 14' raised landscape median, 4' bike lanes, 2' curb & gutter, and 10' multi-use path on south side; reconstruction of existing roadway where subgrade/settlement leading to failing pavement; reconstruction of retaining wallins in 3 locations, upgrades to traffic signal at Carolina Beach Rd, turn lanes, utility relocations,			
RW-63	Independence Blvd Widening	City of Wilmington	stormwater management, and roadway lighting	2041-2050	\$	19,401,274
RW-45	New Roadway Connector between Sidbury Rd (SR-1336) and Holly Shelter Rd (SR-1002)	New Hanover County	Widening	2041-2050	\$	15,500,000
RW-20	Mt. Misery/Daniels Connector	Town of Navassa	Connect Mt. Misery Rd to Daniels Rd	2041-2050	\$	7,180,000
RW-23	Ridge Rd Extension	Town of Navassa	Connect Mt. Misery Rd to Ridge Rd.	2041-2050	\$	4,430,000
RW-14	Cedar Hill Rd (SR-1430) Widening	Town of Navassa	The project would transition Cedar Hill Road from a two lane road to a four lane boulevard.	2041-2050	Ś	35,590,000
RW-36	Blue Clay Rd (SR-1318) Modernization	New Hanover County	Modernization	2041-2050	ć	29,090,000

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Project ID	Project Name	Submitter	Description	Funding Band		Project Cost
DW/ 12	Village Rd (SR-1472)/Lincoln Rd (SR-1455)	Town of Lolond	Intersection improvements at Village Road/Lincoln Road/Post Office Road NE/Lincoln Place Cir/Sunnydale Ln NE/RR Corridor, modified roundabout	2041 2050	ć	2 020 000
RW-12	Intersection Improvements	Town of Leland	such as a peanut.	2041-2050	\$	2,020,000
	Myrtle Grove Rd (SR-1492)/Piner Rd (SR- 1521)/Masonboro Loop Rd (SR-1492)					
RW-43	Roundabout	New Hanover County	Roundabout	2041-2050	Ś	2,020,000
RW-52	NC 210 Bridge - Harrison Creek	Pender County	Flood Resilient Bridges Needed	2041-2050	\$	3,821,634
1.00 52	Mohican Trl (SR-1565)/Masonboro Loop Rd (SR-	'		2041 2000		5,021,054
RW-40	1492) Roundabout	New Hanover County	Roundabout	2041-2050	\$	2,020,000
	Navajo Trl 9SR-1516)/Masonboro Loop Rd (SR-					
RW-44	1492) Roundabout	New Hanover County	Roundabout at southern intersection	2041-2050	Ş	2,020,000
RW-53	NC 210 Bridge - Merricks Creek	Pender County	Flood Resilient Bridges Needed	2041-2050	\$	4,062,150
RW-54	NC 210 Widening	Pender County	Widen NC 210	2041-2050	\$	22,950,000
RW-56	US 117/NC 210 Intersection Improvements	Pender County	Intersection Improvements with MUP	2041-2050	\$	1,116,000
RW-59	Barnards Creek Bridge	City of Wilmington	Widen bridge to accommodate four travel lanes. Required to widen River Rd	2041-2050	\$	4,347,648
RW-3	Cape Fear Blvd/Canal Dr Roundabout	Town of Carolina Beach	Install a roundabout or one-way traffic pattern	2041-2050	\$	2,020,000
			Construct new route on new location to include new river crossing over the			
RW-67	Cape Fear Crossing	WMPO Board	Cape Fear River.	2050+	\$	956,300,000
		New Hanover County, Town of				
RW-6	Snow's Cut Bridge Replacement (US 421)	Kure Beach	US 421 Snow's Cut Bridge Replacement. 4, 12' lanes with a median	2050+	\$	90,822,977
RW-30	I-40 Widening	NCDOT Division 3	Widen to 6 lanes, elevate for resiliency	2050+	\$	154,900,000
RW-29	I-40 Resiliency Improvements	NCDOT Division 3	Elevate for resiliency	2050+	\$	337,500,000
RW-34	US 17 Upgrade to Controlled Access Facility	NCDOT Division 3	Upgrade to a controlled access facility with service roads	2050+	\$	195,700,000
	N Marisol Path Wy to Safe Passage Wy Collector		Provide connection of patchwork collector road to make complete collector			
RW-51	Road	Pender County	from Washington Acres to Factory Road	2050+	\$	3,960,000
		WMPO Staff (submitted to				
RW-69	Kerr Ave (SR-1175) Widening	Prioritization 7.0)	Widen arterial from 2 to 4 lanes with a median	2050+	\$	108,700,000
RW-28	I-140 at US 74/76 Intersection Improvements	NCDOT Division 3	Upgrade to interchange	2050+	\$	422,300,000
RW-35	US17 at Sloop Point Loop Road Interchange	NCDOT Division 3	Tight Urban Diamond Interchange	2050+	\$	51,810,000
RW-15	Cedar Hill Rd (SR-1430)/Wide Wy Connector	Town of Navassa	Connect Cedar Hill Rd to the Wide Wy Extension	2050+	\$	3,750,000
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RW-16	Cobbs Wy Extension	Town of Navassa	Connect the Mt. Misery/Daniels Rd Connector to the Ridge Rd Extension.	2050+	Ş	7,490,000

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Project ID	Project Name	Submitter	Description	Funding Band	F	Project Cost
			Connect Daniels Rd to the Town's western limits and provides a connection to Daniels			
			Rd for the Indian Creek housing development. West of the Town limits, it			
			provides a			
RW-17	Daniels Rd Connector	Town of Navassa	potential connection to Daniels Rd NE in unincorporated Brunswick County.	2050+	\$	9,010,000
			Connect Cedar Lakes Resort and Riverbend at Cedar Hill developments to			
			the Valentine			
RW-18	Heritage Park Connector	Town of Navassa	Wy Extension and the Wide Wy Extension.	2050+	\$	8,550,000
			Connect the Wide Wy Extension to Cedar Hill Rd and Cedar Hill Ro to the			
RW-25	Valentine Wy Extension	Town of Navassa	Heritage Park Connector.	2050+	\$	5,650,000
			Connect the Heritage Park Connector to the Ridge Rd Extension. Provides an			
RW-27	Wide Wy Extension	Town of Navassa	alternate route to Cedar Hill Rd.	2050+	\$	14,890,000
RW-38	Holly Shelter Rd (SR-1002) Widening	New Hanover County	Widening	2050+	\$	46,610,000
			Widening of Covil Avenue to extend northbound lane from "The Reserve at			
			Forest Hills" to Darlington Avenue, 12' wide with curb and gutter, 5' sidewalk			
			on east side to connect to existing sidewalk to the south; includes grading,			
	Covil Ave Widening (if Independence does not		railroad pedestrian crossing, paving, sidewalk, traffic control, erosion control,			
RW-60	move forward)	City of Wilmington	marking, and signage	2050+	\$	1,125,600
RW-32	US 17 BUS at Gordon Road Interchange	NCDOT Division 3	Tight Urban Diamond Interchange	2050+	\$	43,900,000
RW-42	Myrtle Grove Rd (SR-1492) Widening	New Hanover County	Widening	2050+	\$	44,400,000
RW-50	Hoover Rd (SR-1569)Widening	Pender County	Widen Hoover Rd	2050+	\$	11,970,000
RW-49	Blueberry Rd (SR-1114) Improvements	Pender County	Widen Blueberry Rd	2050+	\$	38,870,000
	NC 210 at Island Creek Rd (SR-1002)					
RW-70	Intersection Improvements	Pender County	Realign intersection to improve safety and efficiency	2050+	\$	14,433,148
	Park/Pine Valley/Brooklyn Connector East of N	WMPO Staff (submitted to				
RW-21	Navassa Road	Prioritization 7.0)	Connect Canal Dr and the proposed Moze Heritage Park to N Navassa Rd	2050+	\$	2,680,000
RW-4	Dow Rd (SR-1573) Widening	Town of Carolina Beach	Widen Dow Rd to four lanes	2050+	\$	37,610,000
	US 117 over NE Cape Fear River at NHC/Pender		Flood Resilient Bridges Needed; Multi-modal Bridge (replacement &			
RW-55	County Line	Pender County	betterment) with 10' Protected multi-use path on both sides of bridge	2050+	s	16,920,576
		WMPO Staff (submitted to		2000.	· ·	10,520,570
RW-68	Heide Trask Bridge Replacement (US 74)	Prioritization 7.0)	Replace Heide Trask Bridge	2050+	Ś	112,100,000

# Fiscally Constrained Roadway Projects Scenario 3



**VN4PO** 

#### WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD

#### RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED ROADWAY PROJECT LIST FOR INCLUSION IN CAPE FEAR NAVIGATING CHANGE 2050

**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**, development and maintenance of a long-range transportation plan is a key federal requirement of all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) designated by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); and

**WHEREAS,** on November 18, 2020, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board adopted the fiscally constrained Cape Fear Moving Forward 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to satisfy FHWA requirements; and

**WHEREAS,** the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is in the process of developing Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 to meet the FHWA requirement for updating metropolitan transportation plans within five years of adoption of the last plan; and

**WHEREAS,** with the assistance of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's member jurisdictions, adopted plans, and the MTP Steering Committee, the fiscally constrained project list for Roadway projects has been developed.

**NOW THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the Board of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's hereby endorses the fiscally constrained Roadway project list for inclusion in Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Board on November 20, 2024.

Henry E. Miller III, Chair

# Proposed Additions to 2024-2033

# STIP/MPO TIP Programs STIP/MPO

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#### STATEWIDE PROJECT

### **STIP MODIFICATIONS**

TO-0004	- STATEWIDE PROJECT	STATEWIDE, SYSTEM SAFETY OVERSIGHT GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025 -	\$500,000 (S)
STATEWIDE		NCDOT RAIL DIVISION.	FY 2025 -	\$1,810,000 (SSO)
PROJ.CATEGORY		MODIFY FUNDS AT THE REQUEST OF THE	FY 2026 -	\$500,000 (S)
PUBLIC TRANS		INTEGRATED MOBILITY DIVISION.	FY 2026 -	\$1,000,000 (SSO)
				\$3,810,000

# Proposed Additions to 2024-2033 STIP/MPO TIP Programs STIP/MPO TIP Modifications #24-11

WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

		STIP MODIFICATIONS			
HS-2003AP NEW HANOVER <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> REGIONAL	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIOI	SR 1302 (23RD STREET), AT SR 1301 (PRINCESS PLACE NDRIVE) IN WILMINGTON. UPGRADE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND INSTALL PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS. <u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND</u> <u>DESIGN. DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 24 TO FY 25.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025	<u>\$195,000</u> (HSIP) \$195,000
* HS-2403D NEW HANOVER PENDER <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> DIVISION	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIO	SR 1336 (SIDBURY ROAD), SR 1318 (BLUE CLAY ROAD) NTO US 17 NORTH OF WILMINGTON. INSTALL CENTERLINE AND SHOULDER SINUSOIDAL RUMBLE STRIPS WITH BICYCLE PATTERN. <u>ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE</u> <u>TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025	\$421,000 \$421,000
* HS-2403E BRUNSWICK DUPLIN NEW HANOVER ONSLOW PENDER	<ul> <li>GRAND STRAND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION</li> <li>WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIOI</li> <li>JACKSONVILLE URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIOI</li> </ul>	US 17 ; US 258 ; US 421 ; NC 24 ; NC 87, VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DIVISION 3. UPGRADE GUARDRAIL END UNITS. N <u>ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE</u> <u>TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025	\$306,000 \$306,000

 BRUNSWICK
 PLANNING ORGANIZATION
 LOCATIONS IN DIVISION 3. UPGRADE GUARDRAIL END
 \$306,000

 DUPLIN
 - WILMINGTON URBAN AREA
 UNITS.

 NEW HANOVER
 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADD PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF THE

 ONSLOW
 - JACKSONVILLE URBAN AREA
 IRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION.

 PENDER
 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

 SAMPSON
 - MID-CAROLINA RURAL PLANNING

 PROJ.CATEGORY
 - MID-CAROLINA RURAL PLANNING

 REGIONAL
 - CAPE FEAR RURAL PLANNING

 - CAPE FEAR RURAL PLANNING

 - CAPE TEAR RURAL PLANNING

 - ORGANIZATION

 - EASTERN CAROLINA RURAL PLANNING

 ORGANIZATION

# Proposed Additions to 2024-2033 STIP/MPO TIP Programs STIP/MPO

# TIP Modifications #24-11

WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

		STIP MODIFICATIONS				
U-6235 New Hanover <b>Proj.category</b> Division	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATI	WILMINGTON, TRAFFIC SIGNAL PRE-EMPTION FOR DNEMERGENCY VEHICLES PROJECT. <u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND</u> <u>DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 24 TO FY 25</u>	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025 - FY 2025	\$824,000 <u>\$206,000</u> \$1,030,000	• •
W-5703C NEW HANOVER <b>PROJ.CATEGORY</b> REGIONAL	- WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATI	US 421 (CAROLINA BEACH ROAD), US 421 (CAROLINA ONBEACH ROAD) FROM US 117 / NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) TO NORTH OF WILOUGHBY PARK. INSTALL CURB AND GUTTER, MULTI-USE PATH, SIDEWALK, PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS, HIGH VISIBILITY CROSSWALKS, AND LIGHTING. <u>TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND</u> DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 24 TO FY 25	CONSTRUCTION	FY 2025 - FY 2025 - FY 2025 - FY 2025 - FY 2026 - FY 2026 - FY 2027 - FY 2027 -	\$68,000 \$2,796,000 \$352,000	(BGDÁ) (T) (L(M)) (HSIP)

# WILMINGTON URBAN AREA MPO November 2024

# **CAPE FEAR NAVIGATING CHANGE**

**Project Description/Scope:** The WMPO has begun 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 with plan adoption expected in November of 2025.

# **2050 MTP Financial Element**

WMPO staff is continuing to work with consultant Kimley-Horn on identifying cost estimates for draft projects, exploring alternative funding sources, and fiscally constraining roadway projects. The financial element entails a review process to assess alignment between submitted modal project to available funding and overall fiscal feasibility.

# **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Initial cost estimation and fiscal constraints for submitted roadway projects have been received and reviewed by staff.
- Initial revenue forecasting for all modes has been received and reviewed by staff.
- WMPO staff have worked with consultants Kimley-Horn and NCDOT Transportation Planning Division to run three fiscally constrained roadway project scenarios through the 2050 Travel Demand Model.
- Kimley-Horn presented the three fiscally constrained roadway project scenarios to the WMPO Board at its October meeting. WMPO staff is requesting a preferred scenario be identified and adopted at the Board's November meeting.

# 2050 MTP Modal Appendices

WMPO staff have begun drafting the modal appendices for the 2050 MTP. These appendices are written for each transportation element and build from what is included in the main text of the document. So far, WMPO staff have completed a draft of the Aviation Element and are continuing work on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Element.

# Project Status and Next Steps:

- WMPO staff are conducting research on current trends within each element, including legislation, technological advancements, recommendations for implementation, and more.
- The appendices also include fiscally constrained project lists, as well as full project lists that are prioritized according to the adopted goals and objectives.
- Modal policy will also be included in the appendices for each mode.
- Next steps include concluding research and putting together text and photos/illustrations.
- A draft of the 2050 MTP which includes these appendices will be provided to the TCC and MTPC in Summer 2025.

# NCDOT IMD FEASIBILITY STUDY GRANTS

In July 2022, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) was allocated \$2 million in onetime funding from the North Carolina General Assembly to establish a Paved Trails Feasibility Study Program. The Integrated Mobility Division (IMD) was also awarded \$500,000 in State Planning and Research (SP&R) funds to support sidewalk and shared-use path feasibility studies. The purpose of the Paved Trails and Sidewalk Feasibility Studies Grant Program is to improve the pipeline of bicycle and pedestrian projects accessing state and federal funding, resulting in successful implementation of projects led by communities prioritizing multimodal infrastructure.

# Wilmington Downtown Trail Phases 2 & 3:

The Downtown Trail will eventually connect the River to Sea Bikeway to the future Multimodal Transportation Center, Cape Fear Community College, and the Riverwalk. In between these locations, the trail will provide a recreational facility for several communities in proximity to the downtown. The project currently consists of three phases. The first phase, from 3rd Street to Archie Blue Park, is in the preliminary engineering phase. The purpose of this study would be to assess the feasibility of constructing Phases 2 and 3. A scoping meeting with NCDOT IMD and the selected consultant, Kittelson, was held on May 2, 2023.

# Project Status and Next Steps:

- The first steering committee took place on October 17, 2023.
- The first public outreach sessions took place October-December 2023. Public engagement consisted of in-person events and an online survey that included an online comment map. In all, 486 survey responses were collected, 352 map comments were received, and 59 in-person conversations were conducted.
- The second steering committee meeting was held May 8, 2024.
- The second public outreach session was conducted during summer 2024. Public engagement consisted of two in-person events (listed below) and an online survey open June through July 15, 2024. 500 survey responses were received with 58 in-person conversations.
- Frankie's Outdoor Market, 6/15/24
- Nir Family YMCA, 6/18/24
- The final steering committee meeting took place Wednesday, October 9
- Draft study report anticipated in fall 2024.

# **Gullah Geechee Heritage Trail:**

The purpose of this study would be to assess the feasibility of constructing a 10'-12' multi-use path facility in the Gullah Geechee Heritage Corridor from Phoenix Park in Navassa to Brunswick Nature Park in unincorporated Brunswick County. The Gullah Geechee Heritage Corridor is designated as a Cultural Heritage Area by U.S. Congress, presenting an opportunity to educate the public about the history of the Gullah Geechee people and highlight historical sites within Brunswick County. A scoping meeting with NCDOT IMD and the selected consultant, Kittelson, was held on May 2, 2023.

- The first steering committee took place in September 2023.
- The first public outreach sessions took place during September/October 2023. There was an online survey open through the entire month of October as well. 370 surveys were completed with 120+ in-person conversations during this round of public outreach.
- The second steering committee took place on January 4, 2024.
- The second public outreach session took place in March 2024. An online survey, which received 137 responses, was available throughout March and three public meetings were held to collect input.
- The third and final steering committee meeting was held on June 12, 2024. The steering committee was provided a presentation on the draft recommended preferred alignment.
- The final study report was received on August 6, 2024.
- Presentations to the WMPO Board and four Brunswick County jurisdictions in Fall 2024 prior to requesting consideration by governing boards for adoption.

# SITE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

**Project Descriptions/Scope:** The Wilmington Urban Area MPO assists with site development and Transportation Impact Analysis review for the MPO's member jurisdictions. During the last month, staff has reviewed the following development proposals:

# Site Plan Reviews:

- New Hanover County Formal Plan Reviews: 16 reviews
- New Hanover County Informal Plan Reviews: 1 review
- New Hanover Concept Reviews: 0 review
- Town of Leland Concept Plan Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Leland Formal Reviews: 10 reviews
- Town of Leland Informal Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Navassa Formal Plan Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Navassa Informal Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Navassa Concept Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Belville Formal Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Carolina Beach Formal Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Carolina Beach Informal Reviews: 0 reviews
- Town of Carolina Beach Concept Reviews: 0 reviews
- Brunswick County Formal Plan Reviews: 0 reviews
- Brunswick County Informal Plan Reviews: 0 reviews
- Pender County Formal Reviews: 8 reviews
- Pender County Informal Reviews: 3 reviews
- Pender County Concept Reviews: 0 reviews
- City of Wilmington Formal Reviews: 48 reviews ( 6 new, 42 on-going)
- City of Wilmington Informal Reviews: 17 reviews (3 new, 14 on-going)
- City of Wilmington Concept Reviews: 0 review (0 new, 0 on-going)
- City of Wilmington Full Releases: 3

# TIA Reviews: 41 total active (3 new; 38 under review; 1 approved)

- New Hanover County 12 (1 new, 10 under review, 1 approved), 3705 US 421 C-Store- Approved, Rainstorm Solutions -New
- City of Wilmington 10 (0 new, 10 under review, 0 approved,
- Carolina Beach 1, (0 new, 1 under review, 0 approved),
- Town of Belville 0,
- Town of Leland 5 (0 new, 5 under review, 0 approved)
- Town of Navassa 0, (0 new, 0 under review, 0 approved)
- Pender County 9 (1 new, 8 under review, 0 approved) (Sloop Point Holdings Hampstead, new)
- Brunswick County 5 (1 new, 4 under review, 0 approved) Compass Pointe Retail- New

# STBGP-DA/TASA-DA/CRRSAA FY2013

to Present

# **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:

- New Hanover County is submitting encroachment agreement to NCDOT for approval
- 90% construction plans have been reviewed and approved by DOT
- 100% construction plans preparation has begun
- New Hanover County updated the categorical exclusion documentation for another year
- New Hanover County is preparing documents for bidding
- Once all of these are complete, we will submit for approval to bid from NCDOT.
- Anticipate construction in December 2024 (9 mos. construction)

# 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 In Progress
- Construction Authorization requested August 20, 2024, returned on September 24, 2024
- STIP/MPO TIP Administrative Modification required by FHWA for Construction Authorization In Progress
- Construction Authorization request resubmitted on October 30, 2024
- Advertise for Bid January 2025
- Begin Construction June 2025
- Construction Complete June 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 requested August 20, 2024, returned on September 24, 2024
- STIP/MPO TIP Administrative Modification required by FHWA for Construction Authorization In Progress
- Construction Authorization request resubmitted on October 30, 2024
- Advertise for Bid January 2025
- Begin Construction June 2025
- Construction Complete June 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.

- NCDOT ROW Certification obtained November 23, 2023
- Utility Authorization obtained January 4, 2024

- Duke Energy Utility Relocations In Progress
- Construction Authorization requested August 20, 2024, returned on September 24, 2024
- STIP/MPO TIP Administrative Modification required by FHWA for Construction Authorization In Progress
- Construction Authorization request resubmitted on October 30, 2024
- Advertise for Bid January 2025
- Begin Construction June 2025
- Construction Complete June 2026

# U-5534Q -CITY OF WILMINGTON- S. COLLEGE/HOLLY TREE CROSSWALKS

**Project Description/Scope:** The project will install sidewalk, ADA ramps, curb and gutter, markings and traffic signal revisions required to install actuated pedestrian crossings of S. College Road and crossings on Holly Tree Road.

# **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The project was awarded to the low bidder; Morgan Trucking and General Construction Inc.
- Punch Walk took place on 10/09/24.
- Punch list was sent out 10/14/24 to General Contractor.
- Contractor had to order some materials and is presently working on the punch list.
- Anticipated completion is by 11/15/24.

# 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.

# Project Status and Next Steps:

- Final plans & contract documents are being prepared for NCDOT review & approval
- CE Document has been approved
- Right-of-way authorization approved
- Town has obtained all three (3) of three (3) easements needed to construct path. Easements are in the process of being recorded.
- DOT encroachment application is being submitted
- All other documents have been provided to NCDOT Division 3 for right of way certification
- NCDOT encroachment application has been reviewed.
- Plans have been requested to be updated to current standards. The Town will be following up to meet this request.
- Request for construction funds authorization forthcoming

# 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.

- Design contract approved May 5, 2021, by City Council and execution is complete.
- 100% plans completed.
- Supplemental Funding Agreement approved by WMPO, NCDOT and City Council. Execution of the agreement is in progress.

- Project has received a 2-year extension to April 30, 2027, from NCDOT to allow additional funding requests, bidding, construction, and closeout.
- Expected project bid date is April 2025.

# U-6039 – CAROLINA BEACH – ST. JOESPH 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:**

- NCDOT funding availability reopened January 25, 2021
- Town Council elected to move forward with the project
- Agreement executed with NCDOT on August 18, 2021
- Design discussions held with Kimley-Horn & Associates (KHA) on August 31, 2021
- Public meeting held on March 24, 2022, to present three (3) design alternatives for bike path on St. Joseph
- KHA presented to Town's Bike & Pedestrian Committee summary of comments on April 18, 2022
- KHA presented at Town Council regularly scheduled meeting on May 10, 2022
- Town Council approved Option 3 on May 10, 2022, as presented by KHA
- On May 25, 2022, project managers submit RFLOI to NCDOT prequalified engineering firms with a response deadline of June 8, 2022
- Responses to RFLOI reviewed by WMPO/Town of Carolina Beach
- On July 12, 2022, the Town of Carolina Beach selected KHA as the design firm
- On September 22, 2022, the Town received a Letter of Agreement from KHA for Scope of Services and Project Engineer Design Estimate.
- The Town has uploaded documentation via EBS portal for review and approval.
- The Town has obtained NCDOT approval in January 2023
- Project meeting with consultant held March 2023
- Project survey completed in July 2023
- Received 30% plans from Kimley Horn and submitted via EBS.
- FY24 grant awarded for estimated construction costs
- April 17 supplemental agreement has been fully executed.
- The Town, with Kimley Horn, held a public meeting April 23, 2024.
- Received approval for change request to add ROW as eligible expense.
- TOCB/NCDOT and consultant met on May 30, 2024, to discuss the status of the project
- Received 75% plans from Kimley Horn, submitted via EBS.
- Received supplemental agreement for ROW/TCE from Kimly Horn, submitted unexecuted copy via EBS.
- July 11, 2024, had a meeting with Kimley Horn to discuss Town comments on the 75% plans.
- Returned the signed supplemental agreement for acquisition of temporary construction easements to Kimley Horn and submitted via EBS.
- Executed supplemental agreement with Kimley Horn for GPR survey and submitted via EBS

# **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.

- Right of way acquisition underway- 13/15 (86%) properties signed and completed (all 15 property owners have been contacted)
- 90% 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)
- Design completion anticipated by December 2024

# HL-0109 3<sup>rod</sup> 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.

# **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Private Engineering Firm is currently working on the signal designs
- Tentatively planning to let this and 3<sup>rd</sup>/Orange projects together next spring

# HL-0110 3<sup>r0d</sup> 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.

# **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- Private Engineering Firm is currently working on the signal designs
- Tentatively planning to let this and 3<sup>rd</sup>/Ann together next spring

# TASA-DA/CRRSAA/STIP

# **BL-0045 – DOWNTOWN GREENWAY 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.

- Agreement executed by NCDOT on April 20, 2022
- Award of contract to City on-call engineering consultant (WSP) by City Council on September 6, 2022.
- Notice to proceed issued on October 2, 2022.
- Supplemental scope of services for project management activities, NCDOT and CSX rail coordination, and additional survey tasks submitted on April 13, 2023, with NTP on additional services issued on June 12, 2023.
- Agreement reached with CSX regarding the trail crossing design and safety measures at King Street. Coordination for location of trail outside of King Street right-of-way continues between the City and CSX.
- NCDOT Rail Division contracted with WSP and has developed conceptual track and trail alignment within the corridor between 3rd Street and McRae Street. Verbal concurrence with this alignment has been given by NCDOT Rail Division.

- Draft MOU between NCDOT Rail and City of Wilmington pertaining to the future trail section within Wilmington Lead Corridor has been drafted by NCDOT, reviewed by City Staff, and sent to NCDOT for final review.
- City staff and WSP to provided presentations to both the Deputy City Manager and Design Review Committee in June on the City's coordination efforts during the past 18 months, project next steps, and remaining obstacles.
- A public input opportunity was held July 21 through September 13. The public was invited to review updated information about the design's development on the projects website and provide comments through a brief input survey or by attending one of two in person public meetings held in July and August. During this period, 79 survey responses were received. Themes heard from review of the responses included the need for amenities such as lighting, wayfinding signage, and public safety call boxes, as well as support for incorporating the history of Wilmington and the Northside and Love Grove neighborhood through sign markers and art.

# 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
- Pedestrian signal plans to be completed by January 2025
- Target completion date for 100% final design is January/February 2025

# 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 September 14, 2023
- Exult Engineering Contract fully executed Aug 19, 2024
- Survey and Design commenced Sep 2024
- Preliminary Design (25%) Plans submitted for review Oct 2024
- Project Completion September 14, 2028

# 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

# 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:**

- 100% plans approved by NCDOT
- Contract proposal (with cost estimate) approved April 11, 2022
- CEI contract award in October 2022
- Construction authorization February 2023
- CE Consultation approved by NCDOT (revised b/c Tricolored Bat is on the potentially endangered species list. CE Consultation signed by both Withers Ravenel and NCDOT).
- NCDOT approved bid documents.
- Bid solicitation in September 2023
- Bid opening in October 2023
- Re-bid and opening in November 2023
- Request additional funds for construction January 2024
- Pre-construction meeting April 2024
- · Minor re-design for sewer main; additional utility work currently under review
- Construction currently underway

# 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.

- 100% plans approved by NCDOT
- Contract proposal (with cost estimate) approved April 11, 2022
- CEI contract award in October 2022
- Construction authorization February 2023
- CE Consultation approved by NCDOT (revised b/c Tricolored Bat is on the potentially endangered species list. CE Consultation signed by both Withers Ravenel and NCDOT).
- NCDOT approved bid documents.
- Bid solicitation in September 2023
- Bid opening in October 2023
- Re-bid and opening in November 2023
- Request additional funds for construction January 2024

- Pre-construction meeting April 2024
- · Minor re-design for sewer main; additional utility work currently under review
- Construction currently underway

# 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:**

- New Hanover County is submitting encroachment agreement to NCDOT for approval
- New Hanover County updated the categorical exclusion documentation for another year
- 90% construction plans have been reviewed and approved by DOT
- 100% construction plans preparation has begun
- New Hanover County is preparing documents for bidding
- Once all of these are complete, we will submit for approval to bid from NCDOT.
- Anticipate construction in December 2024 (9 mos. construction)

# EB-6028 — CITY OF WILMINGTON- 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET/MARKET HAWK SIGNAL

**Project Description:** Design and construction of a HAWK signal at the pedestrian crossing at Market Street and 21st Street

# **Project Status and Next Steps:**

- The project was awarded to the low bidder; Morgan Trucking and General Construction Inc.
- A Pre-Con Meeting was held on 02/28/2024.
- Notice To Proceed (NTP) Date is 03/11/2024.
- Substantial completion date is 210 days from NTP, with a Final completion Date of 365 days from NTP.
- Material Submittals have been entered into the NC EBS Portal for approval.
- Design work on the signal arm mast has begun.
- Soils Testing and Design Work completed by contractor and submitted into the NCDOT EBS System for Approval.
- Supplemental Agreement to extend the timeline for EB-6028 has been submitted to NCDOT and is in the process of being signed off on by the City of Wilmington, NC.
- NCDOT approved the Mast Arm design and it is in the fabrication phase.
- NCDOT approved the Supplemental Agreement for additional time.
- Curb Ramps have been installed.
- Additional curb & gutter installed to replace bad section.
- Foundation plan was submitted into the NCDOT EBS System for approval on 9/23/24.
- Foundation design approved by NCDOT on 10/15/24.
- Contractor working on material procurement and required traffic control to install foundation.
- Mast Arm Assembly is currently on scheduled to be delivered by November 7, 2024.

# 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
- Contract awarded to Tolar
- Amenities will be deployed based on outcome of Short-Range planning review

# 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 was selected.
- A Purchase Order was issued October 24, 2024, to Hanover Interiors, Inc., for the construction of the new Customer Service Enclosure in the lobby of Forden Station. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for late October with the project scheduled to be completed by early January 2025. The primary purpose of the project is to create a more secure and operationally functional workspace for Wave staff while maintaining a high level of accessibility for customers.
- Amenities will be deployed based on outcome of Short-Range Transit Plan.

# 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). The WMPO Board approved Cape Fear Change in Motion 2020, the short-range TDM Plan which will guide Go Coast initiatives from 2021 to 2025. This plan identifies seven short-range strategies to increase mobility options and reduce traffic in the WMPO region. These strategies are: Alternative Work Schedules, Bike Share Program, Carpool and Vanpool, Consulting for Telecommuting Opportunities, Fostering a Bicycle and Pedestrian Friendly Culture, Improved TDM-Focused Collaboration, and Personalized Commuter Plans.

# Go Coast current initiatives and project status:

- 1. Go Coast Committee The next regular Go Coast committee meeting is scheduled to occur virtually in December at a date to be determined.
- Bicycle Helmet Initiative In April, the WMPO was awarded 100 children's bicycle helmets through NCDOT's Bicycle Helmet Initiative for distribution to children from low-income families with bicycle safety education. Staff is participating in outreach events throughout the year to distribute helmets to children and educate families on bicycle safety. In 2024, 92 helmets have been distributed, with more distribution opportunities planned for Fall 2024 to distribute helmets from remaining grant cycles as well.

3. Short Range TDM plan update – WMPO staff have begun work to update the short-range TDM plan, *Cape Fear Change in Motion 2020*. A public engagement period to inform this update is scheduled for September through November 2024. In addition to collecting various public input sources from prior surveys, data from WMPO-organized bike rides, and other sources, an employer workshop has been held on Friday, October 18 with a virtual-follow up scheduled for Thursday, November 24. Steering committee meetings are ongoing with the update scheduled for completion by November 2025.



# Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority November 2024 Update

# Wave Adds 5 New Small Greener CNG Buses

Wave has upgraded its bus fleet significantly with the addition of 5 new 30-foot buses that expand the use of clean CNG in the fleet. These are the first small buses in Wave's fleet and provide advantages to the system such as lower fuel consumption and easier maneuverability in some of the more narrow and congested areas of Wilmington. Funding was provided through a special Federal Transit Administration Low/No Emission Grant with the City of Wilmington and New Hanover County contributing all the required local match.



# Wave Human Resources Manager Honored by Wilmington Chamber as a "40 Under 40" Recipient

Wave is pleased to announce that Ashanti Gibbs Hines, Wave's Human Resources Manager since September 2023, has been recognized by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce with the esteemed honor of being one of "40 Under 40." The award honors individuals under the age of 40 who exemplify exceptional leadership, innovation and service within Brunswick, New Hanover, or Pender counties. The Chamber celebrated the winners on its social media channels, including LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram and also held an awards show for the honorees Oct. 9 at Thalian Hall.



# <u>Ridership</u>

Final ridership figures are now available for August and September 2024.

Month	Fixed-Route Trips	RideMICRO Trips
August	52,131	1,619
September	63,260	1,453

# Division 3 Project Update November 2024

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Project Manager	Contract Type	ТІР	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Brian Harding	DDRL	U-6202	SR 2048 (GORDON ROAD) FROM US 17 (MARKET STREET) TO I-40. WIDEN ROADWAY.	NEW HANOVER	2024.11.19
Brian Harding	LAP	HL-0109	SOUTH 3RD STREET INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS WITH PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEADS AT INTERSECTION OF SOUTH 3RD STREET AND ANN STREET IN WILMINGTON.		2025.05.15
Trace Howell	DDRL	R-3300A	US 17 HAMPSTEAD BYPASS FROM US 17 BYPASS SOUTH OF HAMPSTEAD TO NC 210.	NEW HANOVER, PENDER	2025.07.15
Derek Pielech	DPOC	BP3-R004	REPLACE BRUNSWICK BRIDGE 181 OVER STURGEON CREEK ON SR 1437 (OLD FAYETTEVILLE ROAD) (PREVIOUSLY 17BP.3.R.84).	BRUNSWICK	2025.09.18*
Brian Harding	LAP	HL-0110	SOUTH 3RD STREET INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS WITH PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEADS AT INTERSECTION OF SOUTH 3RD STREET AND ORANGE STREET IN WILMINGTON.	NEW HANOVER	2025.09.30
Tim Sherrill	LET	15BPR.142	BRIDGE PRESERVATION. BRIDGE 090096 OVER US 74 & US 76 ON US 17; BRIDGE 090198 OVER ICW & NC 179 ON SR 1172.	BRUNSWICK	2026.09.15
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5710	US 74 (EASTWOOD ROAD) SR 1409 (MILITARY CUTOFF ROAD) INTERSECTION - CONVERT AT-GRADE INTERSECTION TO AN INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2026.09.15
Brian Harding	DDRL	U-5734	US 421 (SOUTH FRONT ST.) FROM US 17 BUSINESS/US 76/US 421 (CAPE FEAR MEMORIAL BRIDGE) TO US 421 (BURNETT BOULEVARD) WIDEN TO MULTI-LANES.	NEW HANOVER	2027.06.15 Get he
Brandon Powers	DPOC	U-5954	NC 133 (CASTLE HAYNE ROAD) AT NORTH 23RD STREET. CONSTRUCT A ROUNDABOUT.	NEW HANOVER	2027.06.15

Project Manager	Contract Type	ТІР	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Derek Pielech	DPOC	BP3-R012 17BP.3.R.93	BRIDGE 208 OVER STURGEON CREEK ON SR 1472 (VILLAGE ROAD).	BRUNSWICK	2028.04.20
David Stutts	DPOC	BR-0008	BRIDGE PRESERVATION. BRIDGE 7 ON US 17 OVER US 76. THIS IS PART OF THE INTERCHANGE WEST OF THE CFMB.	BRUNSWICK	2027.09.21
Derek Pielech	DPOC	B-5653	PENDER BRIDGE 14 ON NC 133 OVER TURKEY CREEK.	PENDER	2028.01.20
Derek Pielech	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	2028.03.21
Trace Howell	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	2028.06.20
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-3338C	SR 1175 (KERR AVENUE) INTERCHANGE AT US 74 (MARTIN LUTHER KING JR PARKWAY).	NEW HANOVER	2028.06.20
Trace Howell	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	DDRL	U-5731	US 74 AT US 17/US 421, CONSTRUCT A FLY-OVER AND FREE FLOW RAMP AT INTERCHANGE.	NEW HANOVER	2029.06.19
Brian Harding	DPOC	U-6128	US 76 (OLEANDER DRIVE) NEW HANOVER COUNTY AT GREENVILLE LOOP ROAD AND GREENVILLE AVENUE. UPGRADE INTERSECTION.	NEW HANOVER	2029.06.21

Project Manager	Contract Type	TIP	Description	County	*SAP Let Date (year.month.date)
Brian Harding	DDRL	U-5729	US 421 (CAROLINA BEACH ROAD) FROM US 421 (BURNETT AVENUE) TO US 117 (SHIPYARD BOULEVARD) IN WILMINGTON UPGRADE ROADWAY.	NEW HANOVER	2029.07.17
Zach Howard	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	2029.08.21
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-6199	VARIOUS, WILMINGTON CITYWIDE SIGNAL SYSTEM.	NEW HANOVER	2030.01.15
Trace Howell	DPOC	U-6201	SR 1175 (KERR AVENUE) FROM SR 1411 (WRIGHTSVILLE AVENUE) TO US 76 (OLEANDER DRIVE). CONSTRUCT ROADWAY ON NEW LOCATION.	NEW HANOVER	2030.01.17
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-4434	WILMINGTON, INDEPENDENCE BLVD EXT FROM RANDALL PARKWAY TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARKWAY.	NEW HANOVER	2030.12.17
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5732	US 17 FROM SR 1582 (WASHINGTON ACRES ROAD) TO VISTA LANE. ACCESS MANAGEMENT.	PENDER	2031.01.21*
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5702A	NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) FROM SR 1272 (NEW CENTRE DRIVE) TO US 117 (SHIPYARD BOULEVARD).	NEW HANOVER	2031.02.18
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5704	NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) AT US 76 (OLEANDER DRIVE).	NEW HANOVER	2031.03.18
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5881	US 117 /NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) FROM SOUTH OF SR 1272 (NEW CENTRE DRIVE) TO US 17 BUSINESS (MARKET STREET). UPGRADE ROADWAY.	NEW HANOVER	2031.05.20

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Zach Howard	DDRL	U-4902B	US 17 BUSINESS (MARKET STREET) FROM THE CSX RAILROAD TO CINEMA DRIVE AND FROM JACKSONVILLE STREET TO NORTH OF US 117/NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD).	NEW HANOVER	FY	
Trace Howell	DDRL	U-5702B	NC 132 (COLLEGE ROAD) FROM US 117 (SHIPYARD BOULEVARD) TO US 421 (CAROLINA BEACH ROAD) ACCESS MANAGEMENT AND TRAVEL TIME IMPROVEMENTS.	NEW HANOVER	FY	
Brian Harding	DDRL	U-5863	NC 133 (CASTLE HAYNE ROAD) FROM I-140 / US 17, WILMINGTON BYPASS TO SR 1310 (DIVISION DRIVE) WIDEN TO MULTI LANES.	NEW HANOVER	FY	

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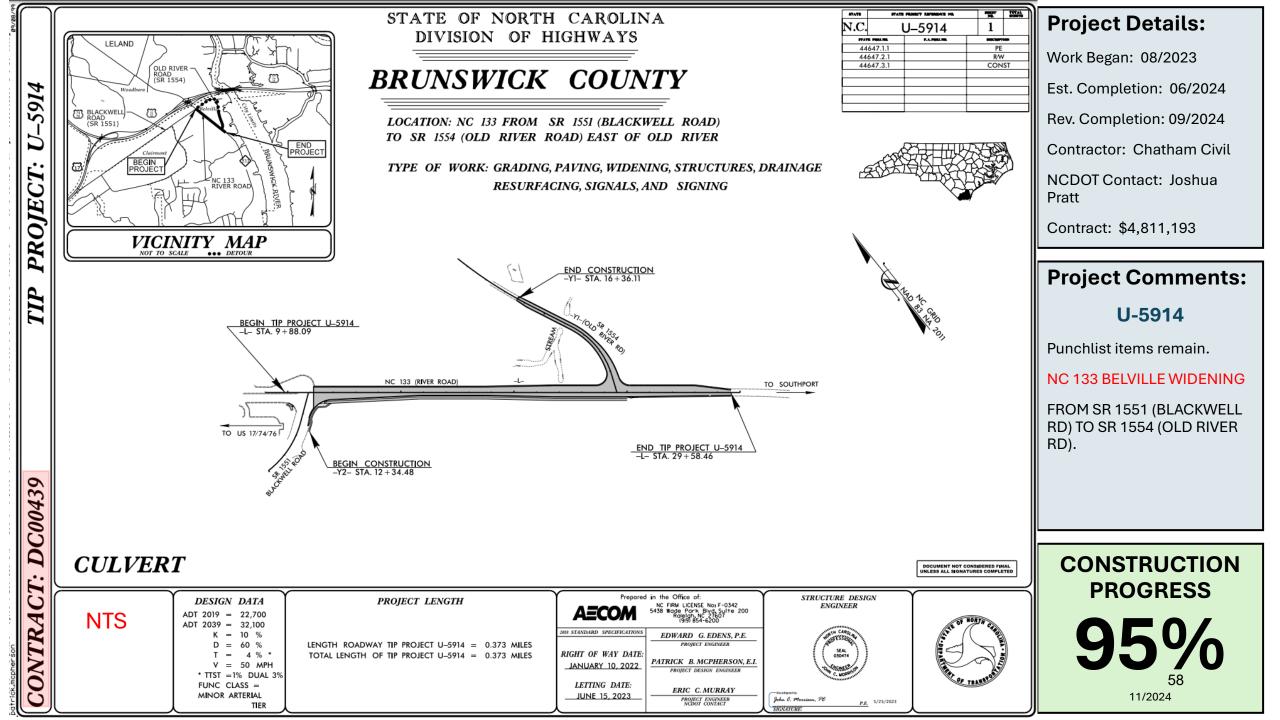
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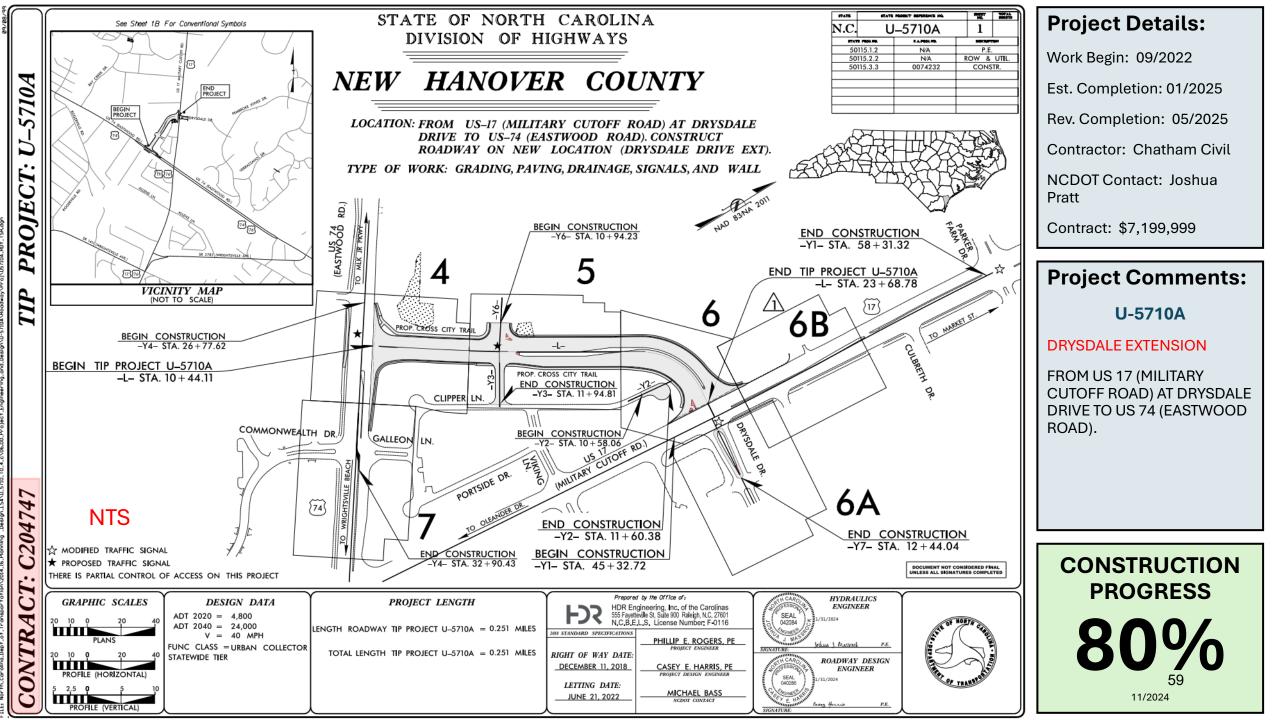
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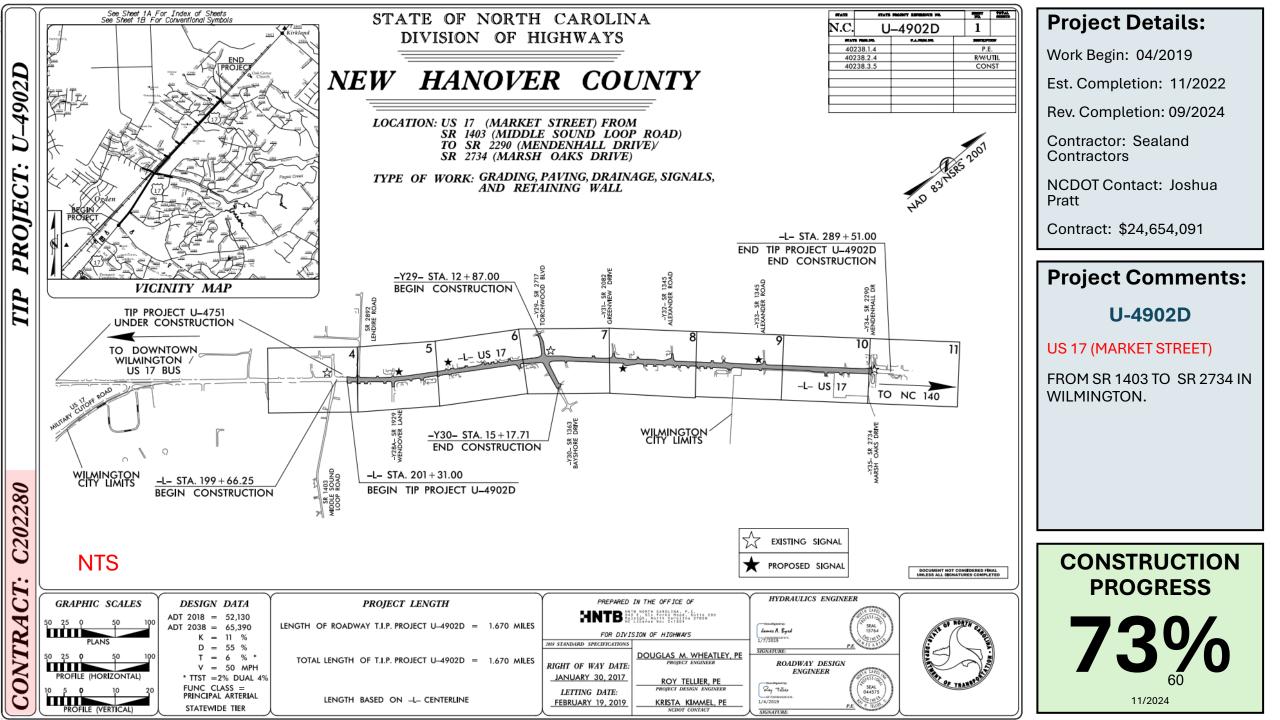
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DC00439	Joshua Pratt	U-5914	Brunswick	NC 133 IN BELVILLE FROM \$R 1551 (BLACKWELL ROAD) TO \$R 1554 (OLD RIVER ROAD).	2024.09.16	94.58%
C204747	Joshua Pratt	U-5710A	New Hanover	DRYSDALE DRIVE EXTENSIÓN FRÓM MILITARY CUTÓFF RÓAD AT DRYSDALE TÓ US 74.	2025.05.14	80.28%
C204319	Joshua Pratt	U-4902D	New Hanover	SUPERSTREET MEDIAN ÓN MARKET STREET (US 17 BUS) FRÓM MARSH ÓAKS DRIVE TÓ LENDIRE DRIVE.	2024.09.28	73.62%
C204553	Daniel Waugh	R-3300B	Pender	NC 417 (HAMPSTEAD BYPASS) FROM SOUTH OF NC 210 TO NORTH OF SR 1563 (SLOOP POINT ROAD).	2027.12.11	48.88%

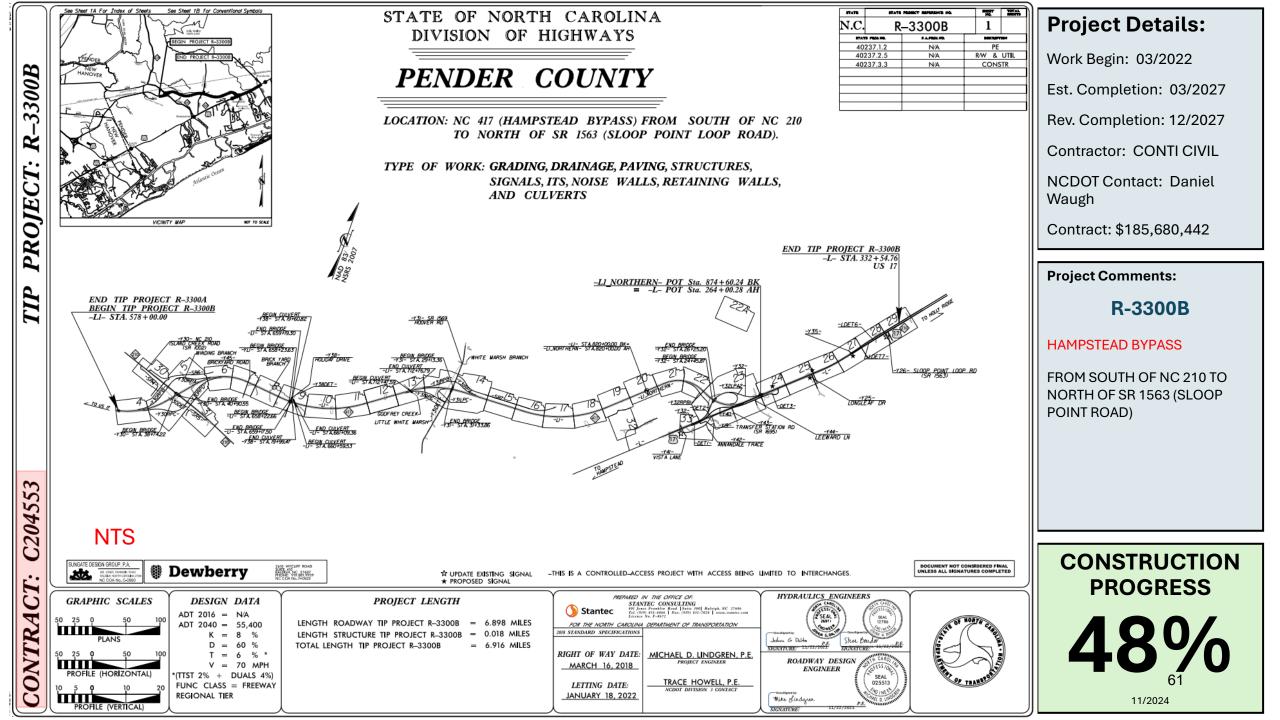
# WMPO NOVEMBER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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	WMPO NOVEMBER RESURFACING/PRESERVATION PROJECTS								
Contract Number	Contract Year	County	Routes	*Estimated Completion (year.month.date)	Percent Complete				
DC00437	2024	NEW HANOVER	RESURFACING VARIOUS ROUTES	2025.05.23	51.70%				
C204833	2024	NEW HANOVER, PENDER	I-40 RESURFACING FROM MM-420 TO MM-408 AT NC-210 (I-6039)	2025.09.15	42.11%				
DC00431	2024	BRUNSWICK	NC 130 & VARIOUS ROUTES	2025.11.20	65.50%				
C204866	2024	BRUNSWICK	I-140 RESURFACING FROM US-17 TO NORTH OF US-74 (I-6036)	2025.06.15	0.00%				
DC00448	2024	NEW HANOVER	US 76 AND VARIOUS ROUTES. PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AT WB (BL-0075)	2025.05.09	0.00%				
DC00457	2025	NEW HANOVER	VARIOUS ROUTES IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY	2025.11.29	0.00%				

Go!NC Portal for public information: HMIP (Highway Maintenance Improvement Program) GIS maps

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# **SOLUTION CONTROL Portal**

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# November IMD UPDATES WILMINGTON MPO

November 2024

**Carolina Beach bicycle and Pedestrian Plan**: The Carolina beach bike/ped plan is currently under review and recommendation development from the consultant team. Our final steering committee meeting will be held in December with a final draft plan delivery in January 2025.

**Wilmington Downtown Trail:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> steering committee meeting for the trail feasibility study was held on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Feedback was requested from the steering committee and IMD is awaiting the final draft report from Kittleson for review.

**2025 Bicycle Helmet Initiative:** The 2025 bicycle helmet initiative's annual call for applications is proposed to open in January of 2025. All agencies interested in applying must apply before the deadline and submit a reporting document if they were a previous applicant. Failure to submit a report will be negatively reflected in the application decision matrix.

Sincerely,

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# NOVEMER TPD UPDATES WILMINGTON MPO

November 2024

**Wilmington Model:** the TDM is ready for MPO project testing and will be official when the MPO adopts their MTP end of 2025. The MPO requested that TPD run three scenarios for MTP project testing.

**Brunswick County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP)**: The CTP is now complete and has been adopted and endorsed by all local agencies as well as the NCDOT Board of Transportation. CTP booklets will be created and sent to adopting agencies in the next few weeks.

**Pender County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP):** The Pender County CTP survey closed on September 1st; the CTP committee has not met for a few months because the engineer was on leave. Now that the engineer is back, the CTP will resume in the coming weeks.

# Helpful Links:

Click on links below to learn more:

- · NCDOT home page—ncdot.gov
- · Real-Time Traffic—DriveNC.gov | North Carolina Traffic & Travel Information
- · Report a pothole—<u>NCDOT Contact Us Form</u>
- · NCDOT: State Transportation Improvement Program-ncdot.gov/sti
- · Interactive Bicycle Routes Map—https://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/ncbikeways/default.aspx
- · Links to all traffic count data information—Traffic Survey Group (ncdot.gov)
- · NCDOT Interactive Traffic Volume Map-Interactive Traffic Volume map (ncdot.gov)
- · Traffic Safety Data & Engineering—<u>NCDOT: Traffic Safety Data & Engineering</u>
- · NCDOT Comprehensive Transportation Plans (CTPs) Connect NCDOT CTPs

# **NCDOT Statewide Plans:**

Mailing Address: NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION 1 SOUTH WILMINGTON STREET RALEIGH, NC 27699 *Telephone: 919 707 0980 Customer Service: 1-877-368-4968*  *Location:* 1554 MAIL SERVICE CENTER RALEIGH, NC 27699 To learn more, click on the following links:

• <u>NC Moves 2050 Plan</u> (or go to ncdot.gov/ncmoves)

• <u>NCDOT Strategic Transportation Corridors</u> (or go to nedot.gov and search: Strategic Transportation Corridors)

• <u>NCDOT Comprehensive State Rail Plan (25-Year Vision)</u> (or go to ncdot.gov and search: rail plan)

• <u>NC Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan (2015-2040)</u> (or go to ncdot.gov and search: public transportation plan)

• IMD Great Trails State Plan (or go to ncdot.gov and search: Great Trails)

• <u>Connecting North Carolinians to Opportunities</u> (Public Transportation strategic Plan—2018) (or go to ncdot.gov and search: public transportation plan)

• <u>NCDOT Resilience Strategy Report (2021)</u> (or go to ncdot.gov and search: resilience strategy report)

• <u>Statewide Pedestrian & Bicycle Plan (2013)</u> (or go to ncdot.gov/bikeped/walkbikenc)