

NORTH CAROLINA

Department of Transportation



















Public Transportation Division: FTA State Programs Annual Meeting

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CATS stated that on November 27, 2017 they celebrated the 10th Anniversary and the 48th Million Rider



Flexing / Facilities / VW



CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality), STPDA -Surface Transportation Program Direct Attributable, and STBGDA – Surface Transportation Block Grant Direct Attributable.

Lengthy Process

- \$18M flexed in last 12 months
- When flex, what are recipients told?
- Should they plan on budgeting the following FY?

Facilities

- FAST Grand opening
- 5339 (b) no news

VW Settlement

No news but verified pricing



STATEWIDE STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMIT

March 21, 2018 | 1-4 p.m. Raleigh Convention Center 500 S Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27601



Connecting North Carolinians to Opportunities

Vision

Connecting North Carolinians to Opportunities

Mission

Improve North Carolinian's quality of life by:

- Building healthy communities
- Supporting job creation and economic development
- Providing equal opportunities so all people thrive

Strategies

- 1. Building Thriving, Healthy Communities
- 2. Improving Access to Jobs and Supporting Economic Development
- 3. Connecting Communities to Opportunities

Strategy #1 - Building Thriving, Healthy Communities

Tactics

Partner for a Successful Future

- a. Partner with local organizations, community colleges, state agencies, business community and customers to focus transit services so people thrive
- b. Provide enhanced access for seniors, veterans and persons with disabilities
- c. Build quality transit stops and safe pedestrian crossings when improving local roadways and state highways
- d. Support transit-friendly land use

Strategy #2 - Improving Access to Jobs and Economic Development

Support Local Transit Systems

Tactics

- a. Provide enhanced local services in response to changing demographics
- b. Establish regional multi-county commuter services for high demand corridors
- c. Enable new local services
- d. Engage the business community in strengthening job creation and economic development in all areas of the state
- e. Plan bigger beyond boundaries
- f. Utilize employer-based carpooling, vanpooling and telework programs to provide regional transportation choices

Strategy #3 - Connecting Communities to Opportunities

Build A Connected Statewide Network

Tactics

- a. Build Connected Statewide Network
- b. Utilize technology to foster transit system integration, innovation and operating efficiency
- c. Extend the public transportation network's reach
- d. Improve transit travel times through implementing operating innovations
- e. Support and enable greater flexibility in funding transit investments

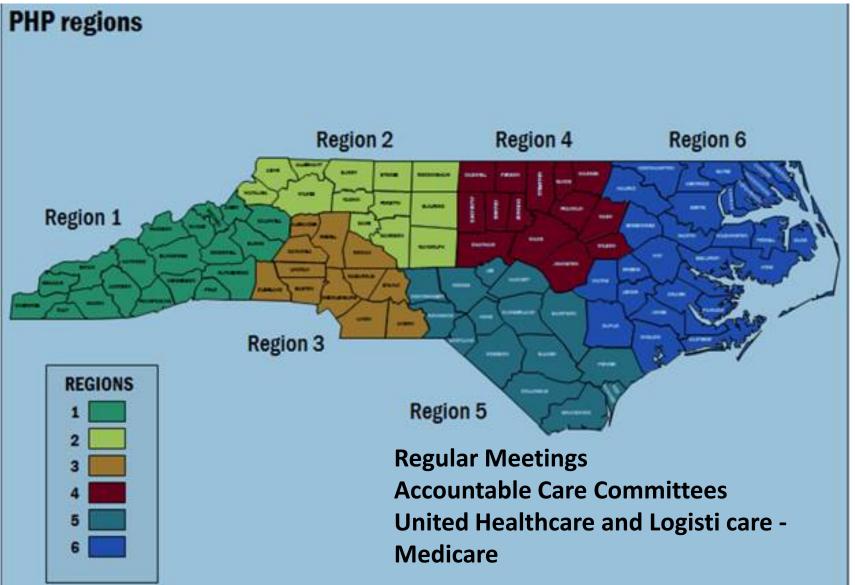
Legislative Activities

Special Committees

- Committee on Access to Healthcare in Rural North Carolina
 - Representative Lewis and Senator Curtis co chairs
- House Select Committee on Strategic Transportation Planning and Long Term Funding
 - Representative Torbett
 - Visiting Charlotte on a Multi Modal tour on March 5, 2018



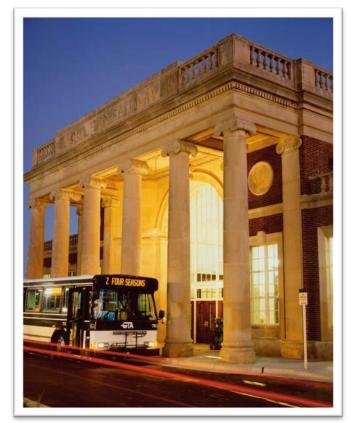
DHHS



Purpose

- Encourage transit systems to consolidate into single systems, to reduce the number of Public Transportation Division grantees while expanding services in North Carolina's communities
- Encourage coordination between systems for long-distance trips spanning multiple transit system service areas to provide access to major medical destinations, nearby regional and intercity transportation facilities, and education facilities

Elements of the Legislation S.L. 2017-57 Section 34.18A



2 Consolidation Projects

Wilson City/Wilson County



Wilson City and Wilson County

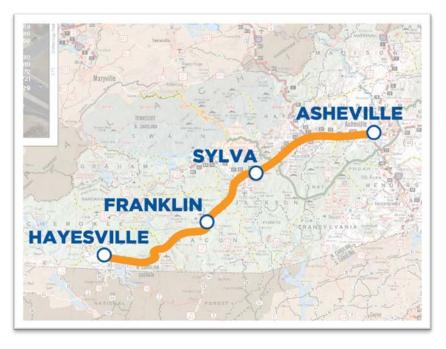
- Operated as separate urban and rural agencies since 1980s
- Consolidating the two organizations, with the City of Wilson taking the lead

Hyde and Tyrrell Counties

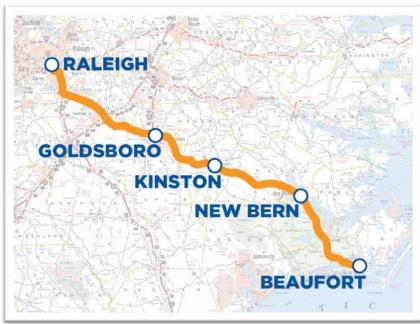
Tyrell County getting general public transportation for first time

Coordination

Clay County Ridge Runner



Carteret County Downeast Express



Strengths



- Generates excitement
- Allows NCDOT to partner in building a network for access to jobs, education and medical facilities
- Creates additional service opportunities in each community
- Creates new partnerships
- Considers the transportation network as a whole
- Helps implement one of Public Transportation Division's Strategic Plan goals: Build a connected statewide network



NCDOT Project ATLAS

Advancing Transportation through Linkages, Automation, and Screening

Project ATLAS Objectives:

- Identify all data used to evaluate projects
- Improve data layers and create new layers where none exist
- · Work with agencies to improve confidence in data
- Connecting data that is accessible to everyone
- Streamline project delivery by eliminating manual, repetitive tasks through automation

- Build GIS-based tools to evaluate projects on a regionalscale
- Generate automated reporting (ex. scoping templates, CE checklists, etc.)
- Screening to identify issues early in project planning that may affect scheduling and budgeting

CTP 2.0 study goals for public transportation

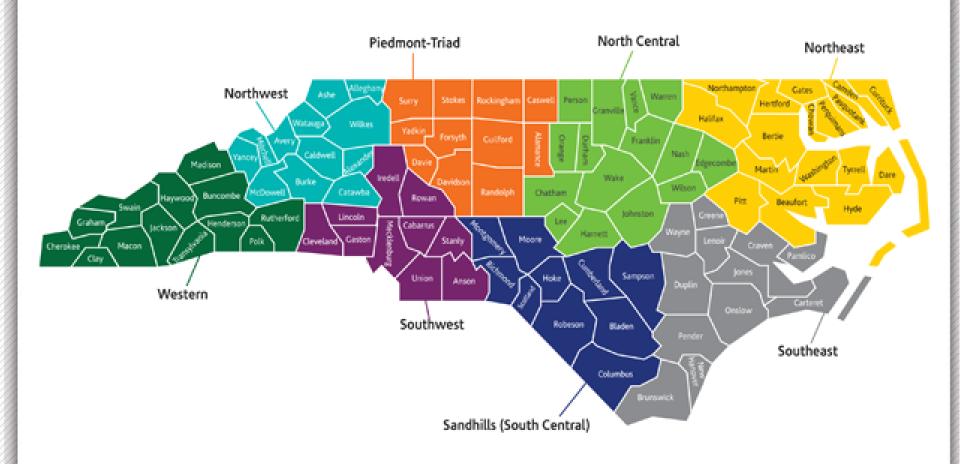
- To establish a <u>consistent</u> process that determines transit needs (with data and criteria) and applies a <u>strategic approach</u> for informing long range planning recommendations.
- Recommendations that (hopefully or eventually) enter STI process

CTP 2 - Conduct System/Data Assessment

CTP 3 - Analyze Needs CTP 4 – Develop Draft & Final Plan

CTP 5 - Adopt Plan

Commerce Prosperity Zones



Thank you!



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