

Carlton T. Boyles - Mayor
P.O. Box 50
Trinity, NC 27370
January 25, 2010

The Honorable Rebecca R. Smothers
Mayor – City of High Point
P.O. Box 230
High Point, NC 27261

Subject: Evaluating North Carolina's Transportation Equity Formula

Dear Mayor Smothers,

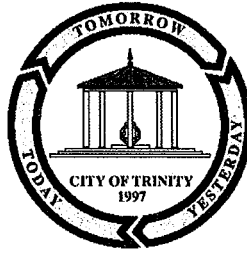
Trinity's City Council has unanimously approved the attached resolution to support taking a serious look at how North Carolina funds its transportation system starting with the Transportation Equity Formula. We agree it is now evident that we make the best use of our transportation dollars. Also, we were pleased to know that the HP Urban MPO has previously approved this resolution.

The City of Trinity has made known that it is in no position to take over state roads in its municipality. Trinity doesn't have the resources to undertake such a humongous task. In fact, this is the reason that the City of Trinity had to un-incorporate many years ago. There weren't resources to maintain the roads even in those days. The City of Trinity has a huge number of state roads within its boundaries. We need for NC DOT to maintain their designated roads.

We are pleased to have you serve on the Transportation Board for the North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors Coalition. Representation is important to help leaders at the state level realize the huge task we have before us as mayors of local municipalities. Also, we understand their tasks, too. We must give one another our total support to meet the needs of our citizens.

Sincerely,

Carlton T. Boyles
Carlton T. Boyles, Mayor
City of Trinity



**Resolution in Support of Evaluating and Revising the
North Carolina Transportation Equity Formula**

- Whereas,** the North Carolina legislature implemented its Transportation Equity Formula as a result of the 1989 Highway Trust Fund Law; and
- Whereas,** significant portions of the highway system envisioned in 1989 have not been completed; and
- Whereas,** the North Carolina Department of Transportation anticipates \$64 billion in unmet Transportation needs through 2030; and
- Whereas,** the Transportation Equity Formula makes it more difficult to fund significant and costly transportation needs such as replacing the I-85 Bridges over the Yadkin River; and
- Whereas,** the North Carolina Department of Transportation is developing a new objective multi-modal Project prioritization process intended to maximize mobility, safety, and infrastructure health; and
- Whereas,** the Transportation Equity Formula does not consider any of these factors in distributing transportation funds;

Now therefore, be it resolved that the City of Trinity supports reevaluating, revising, and modifying the North Carolina Transportation Equity Formula to better meet the current needs of North Carolina citizens, businesses, and travelers.

Adopted this the 9th day of January, 2010.



Carlton Boyles, Mayor

Attest:



Debbie Hinson, City Clerk

