

Transportation: Intergovernmental Policy Advisory Group – Steering Committee

Steering Committee Purpose:

Design and Manage a collaborative process to identify and pursue opportunities for local governments and the NCDOT to work more effectively together.

Focus will be:

- To develop policies, processes, and tools which provide the desired growth and quality of life for the State’s many communities while, protecting the State’s significant transportation infrastructure and investments (Tiers/CTP education).
- To enhance working relationships, communications, coordination, and collaboration between local governments and the NCDOT.
- To research land use and transportation linkage efforts and best practices of other States, to determine if North Carolina could benefit from similar practices and programs.

Steering Committee Members

Ellis Hankins (Paul Meyer)	NC League of Municipalities
David Thompson (Kevin Leonard)	NC Association of County Commissioners
Mike Kozlosky	NC MPO Association
Hannah Cockburn	NC RPO Association
Betty Huskins	NC Council of Governments Association
John Sullivan	FHWA
Mike Horn	Contractor Community
Jim Trogdon, Jim Westmoreland, Susan Coward, Mark Foster, Ted Vaden and Mark Tyler	NCDOT Management Team

The Steering committee meets quarterly.

The Steering Committee has agreed to focus on 3 important initiatives. These initiatives are federal transportation re-authorization, education and communication and the disconnection between transportation and land use. We are requesting your participation in the Federal Transportation Re-authorization Work Group.

Federal Re-authorization Work Group

Working Group members:

North Carolina Association of MPOs

Ed Johnston
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North Carolina Association of RPOS

John Marshall

Federal Highway Administration

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Burt Tasaico
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Municipal Representative

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US House of Representatives

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US Senator

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Goals of the Working Group

- To improve education between Congress, FHWA, NCDOT, MPOs and RPOs
- To improve communication between Congress, FHWA, NCDOT, MPOs and RPOs
- To influence the SAFETEA-LU re-authorization bill in small pieces to make a difference and improve transportation in North Carolina

Topics of Discussion

- Funding- Direct Appropriations to Cities/NCDOT
- Metropolitan Planning Organization thresholds
- Rural Planning Organization federal recognition
- Additional Revenue Sources