

# BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION MEETING

June 7, 2007

## Approval – Public Transportation Program

Following the recommendation of Miriam Perry, Director of Public Transportation Division, a motion was made by Board Member Dunn, seconded by Board Member Sewell, and the vote was unanimous to allocate funds to the following projects:

### Urban Planning

The Federal Transit Administration's Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning Program provides financial assistance to local governments in urbanized areas of over 50,000 population to conduct transportation planning activities. Funds are apportioned to each state on the basis of its total urban population. The goal of the Metropolitan Planning Program is the development of transportation systems that embrace all modes of transportation to maximize the mobility of people and distribution of goods in urban areas in an efficient manner. To meet this goal, each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) submits an annual Planning Work Program (PWP) which identifies the transportation planning tasks to be addressed. Both highway and transit planning tasks are addressed in the PWP, consistent with particular items in individual MPO transportation planning prospectuses. The Public Transportation Division uses the PWPs from each of the seventeen urbanized areas in the state to prepare a composite to be submitted to FTA as North Carolina's Statewide Planning Work Program.

This is to request Board of Transportation approval to submit a Section 5303/5304 application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in the amount of \$908,639 in federal funds, enter into an agreement, and provide the necessary state match. The department will provide federal and state funds for the following projects:

### Division 2

Project No	<b>City of Greenville</b>	\$31,320	
08-08-011	The City of Greenville will focus on an intermodal transportation center study, as well as continue safety enhancements to the transit system.	25,056	Federal
		3,132	State
		3,132	Local

### Division 3

Project No.	<b>City of Jacksonville</b>	\$26,810	
08-08-114	The Jacksonville Urban Area proposes to continue to focus on transit service expansion as well as to plan and implement service expansions.	21,448	Federal
		2,681	State
		2,681	Local

Project No.	<b>City of Wilmington</b>	\$68,960	
08-08-116	The Wilmington Urbanized Area MPO proposes to conduct administrative and operational improvements to the transportation system, as well as continue maintenance planning.	55,168	Federal
		6,896	State
		6,896	Local

### Division 4

Project No.	<b>City of Goldsboro</b>	\$32,220	
08-08-110	The Goldsboro Urban Area proposes conduct a study to evaluate a multi-modal transportation facility.	25,776	Federal
		3,222	State
		3,222	Local

Project No.	<b>City of Rocky Mount</b>	\$33,570	
08-08-115	The Rocky Mount Urban Area proposes to increase public involvement in transit planning, as well as develop a regional transportation study.	26,856	Federal
		3,357	State
		3,357	Local

### Division 6

Project No.	<b>Cumberland County Joint Planning Board</b>	\$66,660	
08-08-104	The Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization proposes to continue planning for transportation services within the region, including an analysis of data for transit and targeted marketing program.	53,328	Federal
		6,666	State
		6,666	Local

### Division 7

Project No.	<b>City of Greensboro</b>	\$80,250	
08-08-105	The Greensboro Urban Area proposes to develop a five-year transit plan to refine services and determine future transit needs in the area.	64,200	Federal
		8,025	State
		8,025	Local

Project No.		\$25,000	
08-08-107	<b>City of Burlington</b>	20,000	Federal
	The Burlington-Graham Urban Area proposes to continue the study of the feasibility of general purpose transportation services, and survey regional transit ridership.	2,500	State
		2,500	Local

Project No.	<b>City of High Point</b>	\$38,900	
08-08-113	The High Point Urban Area proposes to continue efforts to support its transportation planning program, including the collection of transit system data. The High Point Urban Area also will evaluate the transit element of the long-range plan.	31,192	Federal
		3,890	State
		3,890	Local

**Division 9**

Project No.	<b>City of Winston-Salem</b>	\$87,890	
08-08-106	The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Urban Area proposes to collect statistical transit data, as well as include transit more in street planning. Development of the transit element of the 2030 Transportation Plan will also be studied.	70,312	Federal
		8,789	State
		8,789	Local

**Division 10**

Project No.	<b>City of Concord</b>	\$36,670	
08-08-108	The Cabarrus/Rowan Urban Area will continue planning for the RIDER transit system improvements and monitoring transit data from their routes to continue to improve service.	29,336	Federal
		3,667	State
		3,667	Local

**Division 12**

Project No.	<b>Western Piedmont Council of Governments</b>	\$32,450	
08-08-112	The Greater Hickory Urban Area will continue to develop plans to improve transit service with surrounding counties. Development of new transit-related GIS applications is also planned.	25,960	Federal
		3,245	State
		3,245	Local

Project No.	<b>City of Gastonia</b>	\$34,800	
08-08-109	The Gaston Urban Area proposes to implement and monitor transit components of the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan, as well as complete a transit expansion study.	27,840	Federal
		3,480	State
		3,480	Local

### Division 13

Project No. 08-08-100	<b>City of Asheville</b> The Asheville Urban Area proposes to develop databases to monitor transit service delivery and ridership data, as well as continue development of transit marketing.	\$59,620 47,696 5,962 5,962	Federal State Local
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### Statewide

Project No. NC-80-X002	<b>North Carolina Department of Transportation</b> The Section 5304 State Planning and Research Program provides federal funds to state and local governments for such activities as planning, technical studies and assistance, demonstrations, management training and cooperative research. This formula program apportions funds to the states on the basis of their total urban population. For FY07, program funds will be used to support the division's Metropolitan Transportation Section technical assistance activities; New Start and regional bus service planning assistance activities; Public Transportation Division sponsored training workshops for managerial, technical and professional personnel; and the division's programmatic and financial administration of the MPO planning programs.	\$480,814 \$384,651 \$96,163	Federal State
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### Urban Bus and Facilities Program

### Divisions 5 and 7

Project No. 07-04-0007	<b>The Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority (TTA)</b> received approval for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Capital Investment Program (Section 5309) capital grant. This grant will be used to purchase two (2) replacement buses. The authority is requesting an 8% state match to the grant. The recommended effective date for reimbursement of eligible project costs is July 1, 2007 to coincide with the period of performance authorized by the Federal Transit Administration.	\$596,386 495,000 47,711 53,675	Federal State Local
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Project No. 07-03-0078	<b>The Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority (TTA)</b> received approval for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Capital Investment Program (Section 5309) capital grant. This grant will be used to purchase four (4) transit buses. The authority is requesting an 8% state match to the grant. The recommended effective date for reimbursement of eligible project costs is July 1, 2007 to coincide with the period of performance authorized by the Federal Transit Administration.	\$1,170,818 971,779 Federal 93,665 State 105,374 Local
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### Transportation Demand Management Program

#### Divisions 7 and 9

Project No. 07-RS-003	<b>The Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART)</b> through its Transportation Demand Management program works to increase the use of alternative transportation in the Triad region by providing individuals and employers with information to start a vanpool, promote carpooling, market park and ride locations, and provide parking management techniques to employers, employees, and the general public in the region. In FY 07, they also participated in job fairs to increase awareness of PART services, marketed the PART Express Bus Service between High-Point, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem and advertised the web based rideshare matching program ShareTheRideNC.org. They partnered with 2 other agencies to administer the 1st annual Triad Commuter Challenge, which began May 1st and are developing an expansion of their guaranteed ride home program from vanpools to cover all alternative commuters.	\$145,193 72,596 State 72,597 Local
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RSVP currently leases thirty-five (35) vans. During FY 06, RSVP provided approximately 171,864 passenger trips on 26 vans, which averaged 94 miles each day.

PART receives financial support from the Cities of Greensboro, High-Point, and Winston-Salem, in addition to the state support. The recommended effective date of reimbursement of eligible project costs is July 1, 2006.

## Community Transportation Program

### Division 10

Project No. 07-CT-038	<b>Stanly County</b> (operating as SCUSA Transportation) is requesting funding for a wireless bridge for the transportation department. This purchase is necessary for the transportation system's maintenance shop to have full access to the software. Stanly County is one of the five transit systems statewide that has implemented a Web-based vehicle fleet maintenance software program.	\$4,500 \$3,600 \$450 \$450	Federal State Local
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### Division 13

Project No. 04-SF-013	<b>Madison County Transportation Authority</b> is currently building a 2000 square foot administrative/operations facility which is expected to be completed this summer. The new facility will house 3 full time staff members and 11 drivers, both full and part-time.	\$8,033 \$7,230 \$803	State Local
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The transit system is requesting funding for office furniture and equipment for the new facility.

## Urban Technology Program

The Urban Technology Program is designed to assist urban area transit systems in achieving the Department of Transportation's goal of providing efficient, effective, safe, reliable and convenient public transportation services through the deployment of various technologies.

### Division 5

Project No. 07-AT-002	The <b>Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority (TTA)</b> , as lead agency for the following regional transit system projects, requests funds for Automatic Passenger Counters in partnership with the City of Raleigh and the City of Durham. Automatic Voice Annunciation System funds are requested in partnership with the City of Durham and the Town of Cary. These funds are the planned second year of funding of Project No. 07-AT-002.	\$423,785 381,407 42,378	State Local
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Project No. 08-AT-009	The <b>Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority (TTA)</b> , as lead agency for the following regional transit system project, requests funds for Paratransit Scheduling Software for the City of Durham.	\$147,000 132,300 State 14,700 Local
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**Division 7**

Project No. 07-AT-003	The <b>City of High Point</b> , as lead agency for the Triad Regional Mobility Manager project, requests funds for an Interactive Voice Response system to complete the third phase of the Regional project. These funds are the planned second year of funding of Project No. 07-AT-003.	\$263,150 236,835 State 26,315 Local
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**Division 10**

Project No. 07-AT-004	The <b>City of Charlotte</b> requests funds for Phase II installation of Employee Scheduling Software. These funds are the planned second year of funding of Project No. 07-AT-004.	\$475,000 427,500 State 47,500 Local
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<b>Summary Item I-1</b>	<b>24 Projects</b>	<b>Federal \$912,239</b> <b>State \$1,561,370</b>
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