



2026 NCDOT Preconstruction Workshop

Monday March 16th

9am-12pm NCDOT Career Fair (Room 2)

10:00-11:30am Small Professional Services Firms Outreach (Room 1)
SPSF Only and Separate Registration Required

1:00 to 2:00 pm	Room 1	<p>The Future of Project Delivery</p> <p>The opening session will set the stage for this year’s Preconstruction Workshop by focusing on NCDOT’s vision for the future of project delivery. Senior leaders will share strategic insights and priorities that will shape how projects are planned, designed, and delivered across North Carolina.</p>
<p>2:00 to 2:30 pm Networking Break</p> <p>Please visit NCDOT Division and Unit Booths in Room 2.</p>		
2:30 to 3:30 pm	Room 1	<p>Better Together: NCDOT and Industry Partnerships</p> <p>This interactive session brings together NCDOT leaders and industry representatives to discuss the value of partnerships in delivering successful projects. Through a series of focused questions, panelists will share insights on collaboration, technology adoption, workforce development, and community impact.</p>
<p>3:30 to 4:00 pm Networking Break</p> <p>Please visit NCDOT Division and Unit Booths in Room 2.</p>		
4:00 to 5:00 pm	Room 1	<p>Delivering Together: Project Delivery State of the State</p> <p>This session will provide a comprehensive look at how NCDOT has achieved project delivery success and what strategies have driven those outcomes. Project delivery leadership will share real-world examples of projects that demonstrate effective planning, collaboration, and delivery.</p>
<p>5:00 to 7:00 pm Networking Reception (Room 2)</p>		

Tuesday March 17th

7:30 to 8:30 am Continental Breakfast (Room 1)

8:30 to 9:45 am	Room 2C	<p>Roundabout Staging and Temporary Positive Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ken Thornewell, NCDOT WZTC <p>NCDOT Roadway Design Manual Roundabout Guidance Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lily Cloud, NCDOT Roadway Design - Ty Smith, NCDOT Roadway Design - Mike Lindgren, NCDOT Roadway Design
	Room 3	<p>Connecting Our Communities - Rural & Urban</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grady McCullum, NCDOT IMD <p>Complete Streets: Policy and Progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joe Furstenberg, NCDOT IMD - Lauren Blackburn, VHB
	Room 6	<p>Automation of PS&E Checklist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brian Ketner, NCDOT Division 7 - LeiLani Paugh, NCDOT EAU <p>ROW Preliminary Cost Estimate Tool</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brad Bass, NCDOT Right of Way - Tom Linsenmeyer, GFT
	Room 7	<p>Defining NCDOT Right of Way - Where We Were and Where We Are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Al Blanton, NCDOT Division 9 - Jeremy Keaton, NCDOT Division 9
	Room 8	<p>Speed & Origin Destination Tools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kelly Wells, NCDOT Traffic Systems Operations - Brian Murphy, NCDOT Traffic Safety <p>Look Beyond the Diamond: Directory of 85 Grade-Separated Intersection Concepts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joe Hummer, NCDOT Traffic Management

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	Room 3	Building Smarter: Where Value Engineering Turns Ideas into Impact <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Josh Reeves, NCDOT Value Management - Liamcy Hogan-Rivera, NCDOT Value Management - Zach McLaughlin, NCDOT Value Management
	Room 6	From Planning to Project Delivery: Implementing Resilience Across NCDOT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Matt Lauffer, NCDOT Hydraulics - Amanda Killian, NCDOT TPD - Crystal Johnson, NCDOT Geotechnical - Kurt Golembesky, NCDOT Hydraulics - Pam Cook, NCDOT SIPS
	Room 7	The Blueprint of Your Projects: Photogrammetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Michael Curcio, NCDOT Photogrammetry - Matthew Macon, NCDOT Photogrammetry Mapping Challenges in the Aftermath of Hurricane Helene: Location & Surveys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keith Honeycutt, NCDOT L&S
	Room 8	Updates and Initiatives for Utility Cost Responsibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keith Garry, NCDOT Utilities NC Commercial Fiber Partnership (CFP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dave Jones, HNTB
11:30 am to 1:00 pm Lunch (Room 1)		
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Tuesday March 17th Breakout Session Descriptions

Roundabout Staging and Temporary Positive Protection

- Ken Thornewell, NCDOT WZTC
- This presentation explores roundabout staging challenges and the use of temporary positive protection systems to reduce worker exposure and manage risk in work zones.

NCDOT Roadway Design Manual Roundabout Guidance Update

- Lily Cloud, NCDOT Roadway Design
- Ty Smith, NCDOT Roadway Design
- Mike Lindgren, NCDOT Roadway Design
- This session provides an overview of the new roundabout guidance added to the Roadway Design Manual in February 2026. The guidance includes key updates to the roundabout design process, truck aprons, rolled and modified curbs, and other typical section elements. The session also reviews fundamental roundabout design principles and how to balance them effectively. The presentation is intended to help both new and experienced designers understand expectations and best practices when developing a roundabout project.

Connecting Our Communities - Rural & Urban

- Grady McCullum, NCDOT IMD
- The Integrated Mobility Division (IMD) partners with communities across NC to connect people to jobs and education opportunities, and generate economic growth. Learn about these collaborative initiatives, prioritizing community planning, partnerships, and funding strategies. The S-Line Mobility Hub Plan will be used as an example of the success that comes with working together from visioning through implementation.

Complete Streets: Policy and Progress

- Joe Furstenberg, NCDOT IMD
- Lauren Blackburn, VHB
- This presentation will include Complete Streets case studies from across North Carolina, and it will include a summary of an assessment of NCDOT roadway projects subject to the 2019 Complete Streets Policy. IMD and VHB coordinated with Division and local staff to identify a diverse set of recently constructed Complete Streets projects in each Division. The team will “report-out” on the successes and challenges to implementing the Complete Streets policy. IMD will discuss future directions and improvements to the Complete Streets review process.

Automation of PS&E Checklist

- Brian Ketner, NCDOT Division 7
- LeiLani Paugh, NCDOT EAU
- The integration of the PS&E Checklist into ATLAS Workbench supports NCDOT’s primary goal of improving delivery of the 12-Month Let List (12 MLL) by better assessing project status before it enters the 12 MLL and understanding readiness once it is included. Also, automation of the PS&E checklist is essential because FHWA strictly requires an approved PS&E checklist for all funding requests, and projects must appear fully ready on the Project Letting Status Report before funding can be allocated. The automation ensures refinement and standardization of naming, storage, and tracking of key deliverables needed for successful PS&E packages from 15 months to letting. It also allows accessible reporting of deliverable status for project teams and leadership. The benefits include increased efficiency in reporting and status tracking, allowing meetings to focus on resolving issues rather than collecting updates; program-level insights into delivery challenges; and consistent naming and storage of project documents with metadata.

ROW Preliminary Cost Estimate Tool

- Brad Bass, NCDOT Right of Way
- Tom Linsenmeyer, GFT
- The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Right-of-Way (ROW) Unit has faced challenges with receiving cost estimation requests in inconsistent formats, a lack of cost and status transparency, and extended turnaround times for approval, creating inefficiencies in processing and approvals. To address these issues, GFT partnered with NCDOT to streamline, automate, and

standardize the ROW cost estimating process. This initiative focused on creating singular point of intake that funnels requests to the appropriate stage, standardizing requests and requirements, leveraging GIS data to automate cost calculations, standardizing approval workflows, implementing an alert system for approvals, establishing a status visualization tool, and embedding resources to expedite ROW estimates.

Defining NCDOT Right of Way - Where We Were and Where We Are

- Al Blanton, NCDOT Division 9
- Jeremy Keaton, NCDOT Division 9
- Why is NCDOT's existing right of way so confusing?? Whether an engineer, land surveyor, or both who regularly deal with NCDOT right of way, you're well aware of the ambiguity that surrounds our right of way lines. Beginning with a brief history of NCDOT and North Carolina's rise to become the "Good Roads State", the presentation will discuss the various methods NCDOT has historically used to define right of way and the evolution of the associated deed descriptions.

Speed & Origin Destination Tools

- Kelly Wells, NCDOT Traffic Systems Operations
- Brian Murphy, NCDOT Traffic Safety
- NCDOT has access to archived speed, origin destination and volume data on all major roads in North Carolina. This presentation will showcase this INRIX and Streetlight data and the tools that can be used to analyze and visualize the data. These tools are available to NCDOT and PEF's working on behalf of NCDOT.

Look Beyond the Diamond: Directory of 85 Grade-Separated Intersection Concepts

- Joe Hummer, NCDOT Traffic Management
- A grade-separated intersection is a meeting of two non-freeways that uses a bridge to aid safety and efficiency. There are about 200 grade-separated intersections in North Carolina, and more are planned and constructed every year. Most use a diamond interchange concept, but a diamond can be far from ideal once opened.

To provide planners and designers with a look at the wide range of possibilities, the author assembled a directory of 85 grade-separated intersection concepts. Some of the concepts in the directory are familiar, having been built or published previously, but many are new. The author also developed a scoring system to rate each concept; the scoring system includes three efficiency scores, five safety scores, and four scores related to costs and impacts.

The presentation will show the top-scoring concepts overall, and the top-scoring concepts for efficiency, safety, and costs. Top-scoring concepts generally had ramps in one or two quadrants and used roundabouts or u-turns to facilitate left turn movements. Common interchange concepts generally scored quite poorly, with the standard diamond checking in as the 83rd ranked concept—yes, we should try to do better.

Digital Delivery Update

- Jennifer Evans, NCDOT Technical Services
- Everett Loving, Kimley-Horn
- This one-hour session will focus on NCDOT's Digital Delivery initiative. The presentation will cover our efforts to date, highlight the qualitative benefits of Digital Delivery for project development and collaboration, and provide insight into what is planned next as we move into 2026. This session is intended to give attendees both context and a forward-looking view of where Digital Delivery is headed.

Building Smarter: Where Value Engineering Turns Ideas into Impact

- Josh Reeves, NCDOT Value Management
- Liamcy Hogan-Rivera, NCDOT Value Management
- Zach McLaughlin, NCDOT Value Management
- This session will explore three key initiatives that are transforming project delivery at NCDOT. We'll begin with an overview of the new Clear database, highlighting the value it brings to project teams and demonstrating how it functions in practice. Attendees will learn key lessons from its implementation, discover best practices, and take away actionable ideas for improving efficiency. Next, we'll dive into Value Engineering Studies, reviewing the guidelines that support successful outcomes and showcasing

real-world examples of implemented ideas that have delivered measurable impacts—building stronger, more cost-effective projects. Finally, we'll examine the Constructability Review Program, focusing on the journey "From Drawings to Dirt" and how these reviews ensure projects are buildable. By reducing risk, minimizing rework, and preventing surprises during construction, constructability reviews play a critical role in delivering projects on time and within budget.

From Planning to Project Delivery: Implementing Resilience Across NCDOT

- Matt Lauffer, NCDOT Hydraulics
- Amanda Killian, NCDOT TPD
- Crystal Johnson, NCDOT Geotechnical
- Kurt Golembesky, NCDOT Hydraulics
- Pam Cook, NCDOT SIPS
- This session highlights how resilience is being integrated across planning, design, and project delivery at NCDOT. Speakers from Hydraulics, Transportation Planning, Geotechnical, and Strategic Initiatives will share tools, case studies, and lessons learned from flooding, landslides, and extreme events. Attendees will gain insight into how resilience principles are shaping real-world project development decisions in North Carolina.

The Blueprint of Your Projects: Photogrammetry

- Michael Curcio, NCDOT Photogrammetry
- Matthew Macon, NCDOT Photogrammetry
- This presentation will serve as an introduction to the Photogrammetry Unit and the work that we do. The first part will discuss fundamentals of Photogrammetry: definitions, concepts, and other key pieces of information that make our work possible. The second part will focus on the work that we do currently: Shell Plan Sheet Mapping and Construction Volume acquisition via manned and unmanned aircraft, and other specialty projects (B-2500 coastal monitoring, Fairgrounds imagery, SAV, etc.). The third part will focus on the latest innovations to the Photogrammetry field and our work in that space: lidargrammetry, data and feature manipulation, modeling and extraction, our Helene response, etc.). We will conclude with ways to get in touch and provide an opportunity for questions.

Mapping Challenges in the Aftermath of Hurricane Helene: Location & Surveys

- Keith Honeycutt, NCDOT L&S
- This presentation will focus on the Unique Mapping Challenges in the Aftermath of Hurricane Helene and the collaborative effort with the Departments Technical Service's Photogrammetry Unit. Discussion will center around three key deliverables impacting Progressive Design Build River Corridor Projects in Yancey County: Challenges involving the planning, scheduling, and acquisition of Pre and Post Helene LiDAR & Mapping, the reestablishing of Existing Right-Of-Way in areas where infrastructure was destroyed, and the production of a product that would illustrate Helenes impact through pictures as a historical reference for both FHWA and FEMA re-imbusement packages. This will highlight how Location & Surveys and Photogrammetry worked together to provide mapping products as part of our Helene Response.

Updates and Initiatives for Utility Cost Responsibility

- Keith Garry, NCDOT Utilities
- During this session we'll discuss recent strategic enhancements implemented by the Department to determine utility cost responsibility.

NC Commercial Fiber Partnership (CFP)

- Dave Jones, HNTB
- The intent of this presentation is to increase awareness of the NCDOT Commercial Fiber Partnership projects. We'll discuss the intent of the projects and how the projects may affect design and construction of other NCDOT projects.

Demystifying AI for Transportation Professionals

- Caitlyn Mabry, NCDOT SIPS
- Amin Hezaveh, NCDOT SIPS
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) is transforming industries, including transportation, by enabling smarter decision-making, predictive analytics, and automation. Yet for many professionals outside the tech sphere—especially transportation engineers and project managers—the path to leveraging AI can feel unclear or overwhelming.

This session is designed to bridge that gap. We'll explore what it really means to pursue an AI use case, from identifying a problem worth solving to understanding the data requirements that drive successful outcomes. Participants will learn practical strategies for scoping AI projects, collaborating with data teams, and ensuring their data is "AI-ready."

The session will include an interactive activity where attendees will work in small groups to walk through a real-world transportation scenario, identify potential AI applications, and evaluate the data needed to support them. No technical background is required—just curiosity and a willingness to think differently about data and innovation.

Using Artificial Intelligence in NCDOT Real World Applications - Lessons Learned

- Kevin Lacy, Exult Engineering
- Exult Engineering, Beacon Software, and NCDOT partnered on a pilot using a tailored AI tool, an in-house AI tool, and open AI tools within a daily NCDOT workflow to assess performance, cost, implementation needs, and overall value. The project met its objectives and highlighted that AI offers meaningful opportunities for improving efficiency and access to knowledge, while also introducing considerations that engineers, agencies, and firms should thoughtfully manage. The results underscore that successful adoption depends not on AI replacing engineers, but on the industry adapting to use these tools responsibly and effectively in real-world applications.

Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO CTP and Gaston County's Unique Approach

- Andy Bailey, NCDOT Transportation Planning
- Roger Castillo, NCDOT Transportation Planning
- NCDOT has been diligently working to improve the CTP update process to ensure CTPs are more relevant and useful and to make the process from CTP to project delivery more seamless and complimentary. The presenter(s) will highlight some of the improvements, explain options for when and how to update a CTP, and provide guidance on getting started. The presenter(s) will then highlight the NC Planning Geodatabase for CTPs and it's more than a dozen tools that help with data entry, verification, and outputs useful in the CTP process.

Gaston County was the first county in NC to hire a consultant to update its CTP as a part of a larger MPO area. The Cleveland and Lincoln portions were updated simultaneously with the Gaston County portion. This combined effort is set to be adopted by the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO in the near future and then is set to be adopted by the North Carolina Board of Transportation after that. The presenter(s) will share details on why they went this route, transportation challenges facing Gaston County, and the best practices and lessons learned from their CTP update.

NC Regional Travel Demand Model Initiative

- Amar Pillai, NCDOT Transportation Planning
- Travel Demand Models (TDMs) are fundamental tools in transportation planning, supporting essential functions such as comprehensive transportation plan (CTP), metropolitan transportation plan (MTP), traffic forecasting, corridor studies, and air quality conformity analysis.

North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is implementing a pioneering strategy to achieve full state-wide TDM coverage. This initiative involves dividing the state into 18 distinct regions, with a dedicated regional model for each. In addition to the existing North Carolina Statewide model and the three established regional models -Metrolina, Piedmont-Triad, and Triangle – this initiative has successfully developed three new regional models, and three additional regional models are under development. This effort is specifically designed to close significant gaps in model availability, particularly in rural areas that historically lacked formalized planning tools. A critical success factor of this program is the active engagement of local planning agencies in the model development process, who provide and review key inputs to ensure the models accurately reflect local conditions, socio-economic trends, and projected land use changes.

Hydraulic Essentials for Project Delivery Success

- Andy Jordan, NCDOT Hydraulics
- Brian Radakovic, NCDOT Hydraulics
- Ryan Mullins, NCDOT Hydraulics
- Randy Henager, TGS Engineers
- Matthew York, NCDOT Hydraulics
- This session will provide a comprehensive overview of critical hydraulics topics impacting project delivery. Including recent Guideline and OpenRoads Designer (ORD) updates, explore sealed systems for walled sections, and review strategies for developing effective stormwater management plans. The discussion will also address key risk areas such as hydroplaning and floodplain management, along with other hydraulics-related challenges that influence design and construction. Attendees will gain practical insights and best practices to improve project outcomes and mitigate risks across the state.

NEPA & Permitting for Emergency Repairs in Uncertain Times

- John Jamison, NCDOT EPU
- Marissa Cox, NCDOT EPU
- Kat Bukowy, HNTB
- Adam Archual, GFT
- NCDOT's NEPA and permitting approach for on-going emergency repairs to Hurricane Helene-damaged transportation infrastructure presents a case study for environmental compliance in a time of national regulatory uncertainty. In the aftermath of one of the deadliest storms in North Carolina history, NCDOT evaluated infrastructure repair options and plotted a course to recovery with alternative delivery methods, environmental stewardship, resiliency and an expectation for speed, flexibility, and defensibility.

It will be no surprise for the attendee to learn that everything has not gone according to plan. It may also not be surprising to learn that “the plan” changed along the way. This session will tell the story of NCDOT's Hurricane Helene emergency response program in relation to NEPA and Section 404/401 permitting integration into expedited delivery. The story includes testing approaches to expedite NEPA and permitting – some worked, some did not go quite to expectations, and some failed entirely. The things we found that worked well, though, were founded on strong professional relationships with regulatory and resource agency partners and interagency cooperation towards a common purpose. We will reflect on the importance of these relationships and some of the NEPA and permitting approaches, extracting any lessons learned that may be applied to this recovery program going forward, but with an eye towards lessons for the practice in general. The session will close with thoughtful dialogue on the topic of NEPA and permitting in uncertain times.

Overview of Permittee Responsible Mitigation (PRM) Efforts at NCDOT

- Dave Johnson, NCDOT EAU
- This presentation provides an overview of Permittee Responsible Mitigation (PRM) efforts at the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). While PRM is not part of every DOT project, it remains an important mitigation option under specific circumstances. The EAU Monitoring and Stewardship Group are the subject matter experts for PRM at the Department and can support the Divisions in implementing stream and wetland mitigation in their projects. It outlines the legal impetus for mitigation, available mitigation sources, and the value of leveraging PRM in Transportation projects. The presentation will introduce the audience to Natural Channel Design principles used in stream relocations and reviews the PRM project life cycle. Key considerations for Project Managers are discussed, including identifying candidate projects, coordination with regulatory agencies, design checklist, right-of-way considerations, and construction oversight assistance for Residents Offices. Together, these topics illustrate how proactive planning and coordination contribute to cost effective, compliant, and sustainable mitigation outcomes for the NCDOT.

CADD Manual, OpenX 2024, and the Unified Workspace

- Vasim Barodawala, NCDOT CADD Integration
- Everett Loving, Kimley-Horn
- This session will provide a deeper dive into the CADD Manual, the Unified Workspace, and OpenX 2024. Topics will include the purpose of the CADD Manual, the benefits of having a single source for CADD guidance, and what is new and different about the Unified Workspace and OpenX 2024 software. Attendees will gain a clearer understanding of how these tools and resources work together to support consistency, efficiency, and quality across projects.

Effective Field Inspections

- Jennifer Evans, NCDOT Technical Services
- Glenda Gibson, Thompson Engineering
- This session provides a practical, in-depth look at conducting more efficient and effective field inspections. Participants will be introduced to the new Combined Field Inspection Guide, including what has changed, why those changes were made, and how to apply the guide in day-to-day work. The session will also explore the three types of field inspections and offer guidance on selecting the appropriate approach for different situations. Attendees will also learn the required steps and documentation leading up to an inspection, the follow-up actions expected afterward, and key logistical considerations to ensure a smooth and productive meeting.

Digital Accessibility for Public Web Content

- Caitlyn Mabry, NCDOT SIPS
- Ryan Nolan, NCDIT-T
- The U.S. Department of Justice issued a final rule that requires public web and mobile applications, owned and maintained by state and local governments, be compliant with the ADA Web Accessibility Guidelines Version 2.1, Level AA. The deadline for North Carolina compliance is April 26, 2026. This applies to all content on NCDOT websites that can be accessed by the public – including our Connect sites. This session will provide an overview of the requirements and introduce resources available to help you bring your web content into compliance. Whether you manage content or have documents posted on public web pages, this is your opportunity to learn how to ensure your public materials are accessible and ask questions about support resources available from NCDIT.