



**Transportation Advisory Committee
Special Meeting
August 13, 2025, at 6:00 PM
Commissioner's Multipurpose Chambers
101 South Broad Street
Brevard, NC 28712**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

- I. WELCOME**
- II. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**
 - A. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
 - B. Review of Responsibilities
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT** (15-minute time limit. Speakers are limited to three minutes.)
- IV. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**
- V. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. Minutes (April 15, 2025)
 - B. Transit Ridership: Fixed Route and Demand Response
- VI. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. NCDOT Current Project Update
 - B. Transylvania County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update
- VII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. NCDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)/SPOT 8.0 Prioritization Update
- VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT** (15-minute time limit. Speakers are limited to three minutes.)
- IX. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

ADJOURNMENT

**TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

April 15, 2025, 6:00 PM

I. Welcome: Mr. Scott McCall called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Mr. Scott McCall, Mr. Jimmy Whitmire, Mr. James Felty, Mr. Harold Paxton, and Mr. Keith Wilmont. Those not in attendance were Mr. Keith Wilmont, Mr. Ken Frady, and Mr. Rick Lasater were excused. Ms. Vicki Eastland, representative of the Land of Sky RPO, was present. Transylvania County staff present included Ms. Darby Terrell, Planner. Two members of the public were present.

II. Public Comment: There was no public comment

III. Agenda Modifications:

There were no agenda modifications. The Chair, Mr. Scott McCall asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Mac Morrow motioned to approve the agenda, and Mr. Howard Granat seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes (July 9, 2024)

The Chair, Mr. McCall, requested a motion to approve of the changes discussed, which were correcting the year. Mr. Harold Paxton motioned to approve the minutes with changes discussed, seconded by Mr. James Felty. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Old Business:

A. Transylvania County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP):

Ms. Vicki Eastland, Land of Sky RPO representative updated the Committee she has reviewed a draft and sent back corrections and requests for more updated volume and capacity data. She informed the Committee that the next steps were for Final Engineering Review, for the data she requested, and then a draft will be sent to the Committee in the summer. During which they will review and give staff their comments on changes need to be made. The Chair, Mr. McCall asked when this process will start over, Ms. Eastland said it normally is

every five to ten years, but since the last time was around 2007 it shouldn't be too soon for an update.

B. NCDOT Current Projects Update: See Tables in Attachments 1 & 2

Ms. Eastland provided an update on current and upcoming construction projects. She went down the list with her explanation. She reminded me that most of the projects have either been defunded or pushed back due to the budget deficit that NCDOT is experiencing currently. She did note it would not get better since the disaster in the fall.

The Committee asked clarifying questions on certain projects. Most of the answers given by Ms. Eastland were due to the budget constraints and other larger projects in other counties needing to be funded at the regional level for NCDOT. Which means most of our county projects would more than likely not be funded.

C. LOSRPO Updates:

Ms. Eastland updated the committee on Prioritization, which occurs every two-three years. She stated the current wait is on the Board of Transportation to finalize and approve the State Improvement Program (STIP), which is a list of projects for NCDOT for every county and city in the state. Which should be around this summer, ready for the upcoming meeting in July. Ms. Eastland reiterated the effect of Hurricane Helene and the defunding of other County projects which will affect what money is left. Due to most contractors working on Hurricane Helene projects. She encouraged the Committee to focus on intersection projects for the upcoming Prioritization due to the higher possibility of them to be funded than larger corridor projects.

Mr. McCall requested Ms. Eastland give a brief update on the Brevard Downtown Circulation Study for the Committee. Ms. Eastland informed the Committee the purpose of this study is to provide options on how to improve the traversing of downtown for all traffic specifically centering around the unbalanced couplet of Broad Street and Caldwell Street. The contractor is being asked to provide three options based on the data they have collected on what would be the best options. Ms. Eastland informed them there would be a stakeholder group made up of county and city representatives that will oversee this study. Mr. McCall stated the importance of this study and the clear need to make traffic movement quicker and safer due to the continued increase in traffic they will see in the future. Mr. Morrow informed the group the couplet was an idea from 2007 when the bypass was not created to help solve the issue then. He said it was supposed to

be a temporary fix until a better solution is created which matches the timeline of this study perfectly.

D. Transit Ridership: Yearly Numbers for Fixed Route and Demand Response

Ms. Darby Terrell presented charts and an update on the current state of Transportation. She informed the board of plans to change Fixed Route stops and the current survey open for public feedback. Ms. Terrell discussed improvements the department is trying to implement, including increased marketing, changing Fixed Route stops, and other ideas. During the discussion, members asked questions about driver feedback, areas needing service, and popular destinations.

VI. Public Comment: There were no public comments

VII. Committee Members' Comments:

Jimmy Whitmire: Mr. Whitmire asked NCDOT questions on the FEMA debris pickup, due to him seeing a lot of piles left without proper cleanup. He wanted to know when Soil and Water could come to clean up instead. He is concerned that the next high water will wash away the piles. Mr. Whitmire wanted to know who oversees these crews.

Mr. Troy Wilson of NCDOT answered it is out of NCDOT's realm, the crews are not contracted out to NCDOT. Mr. Wilson also directed Mr. Whitmire to the County Manager Jaime Laughter, since she is the contact for FEMA debris pickup for the county. He cautioned Mr. Whitmire there are multiple phases of the debris removal and will take more than six months to a year at least. A discussion continued on this topic.

Harold Paxton: Mr. Paxton shared photos of the FEMA debris pile that Mr. Whitmire talked about. (Attachment 2)

Scott McCall: Mr. McCall mentioned the process for cleanup has stepped up since the visit from Trump. He mentioned the Army Corp of Engineers deadlines have been moved to June and July with some of the cleanup projects.

Mr. Chapman mentioned they had received an update in Asheville that the Army Corp has contracted out to three different contractors to focus on debris removal. Mr. Chapman warned them that Transylvania County will not be a top priority with so many other damaged communities in other counties. Mr. Chapman stated that they did receive a guarantee that the debris pickup will not be put in the County's landfill.

Multiple committee members and Troy Wilson began discussing more on the debris clean up and the processes that are being followed.

Mr. Lasater moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wilmont seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Planning

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Attachment 2



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Agenda Item: V-B

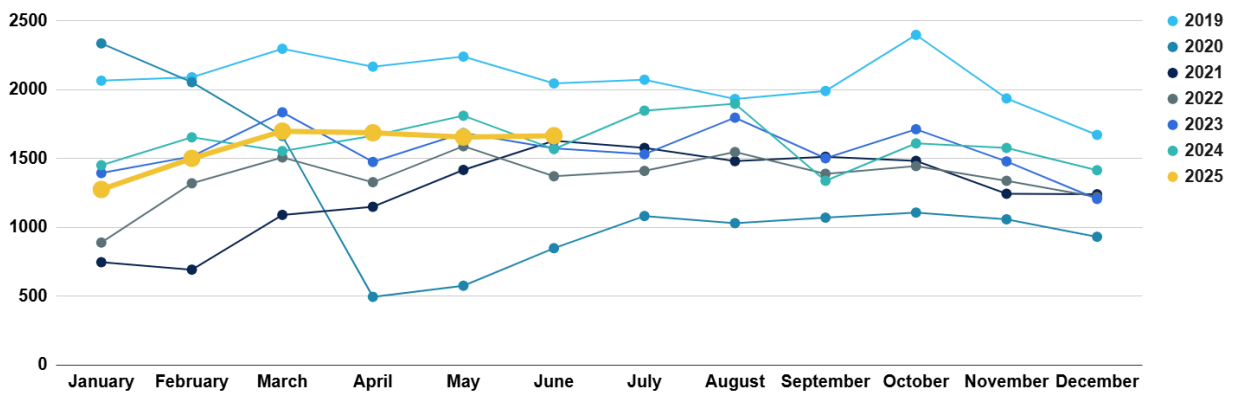
Memorandum

From: Jeff Adams, Director
To: Transylvania County Transportation Advisory Committee
Date: July 25, 2025

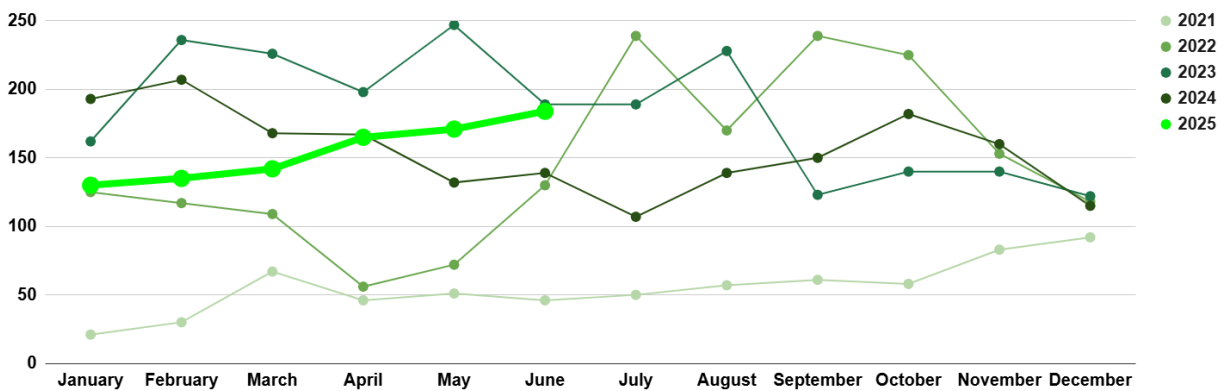
Meeting Date: August 13, 2025

Subject: TIMS Ridership Update

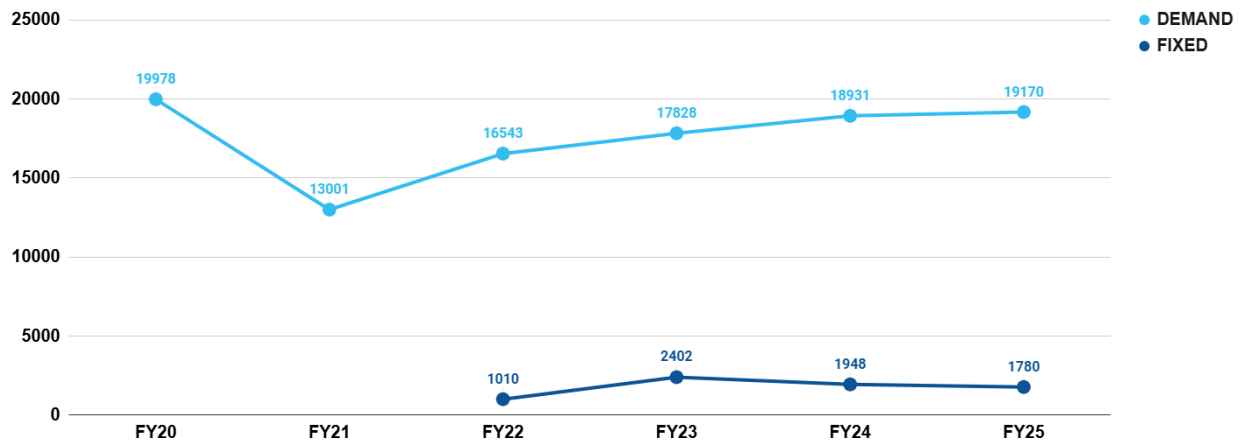
Demand Response Monthly



Fixed Route Monthly Ridership



TIMS Fiscal Year Ridership Totals, by Mode





Agenda Item: VI-B

Memorandum

From: Jeff Adams, Director

To: Transylvania County Transportation Advisory Committee

Date: July 25, 2025

Meeting Date: August 13, 2025

Subject: Transylvania County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update

Contact Info: Jeff.adams@transylvaniacounty.org or (828)884-1710

Attachment(s): None

Purpose: Receive an update from NCDOT Planning Division on the status of the Transylvania County CTP.

Background: NCDOT will provide the committee with an update on how far along in the process the CTP draft document has reached, as well as the next steps for the Committee.

Financial Impact: None

Strategic Plan Goal & Strategy: Goal 6: "County government is service driven, transparent and performance based with more active and engaged citizens."

Strategy 6E: "Provide timely, accurate, transparent and informative communication to the public and across the organization with superior customer service delivery."

Recommendations: Staff has no recommendations at the time this memo was prepared as this update is intended to be informative with no known actionable items.



Agenda Item: VII-A

Memorandum

From: Jeff Adams, Director

To: Transylvania County Transportation Advisory Committee

Date: July 25, 2025

Meeting Date: August 13, 2025

Subject: SPOT 8.0 Prioritization Update

Contact Info: Jeff.adams@transylvaniacounty.org or (828) 884-1710

Attachment(s): None

Purpose: Vicki Eastland, Land of Sky RPO, will update the Committee on the current progress of the NCDOT SPOT 8.0 Prioritization process.

Background: NCDOT will inform the Committee of the SPOT 8.0 or Prioritization process status, the process that NCDOT utilizes to select County Road improvement projects. There are multiple ways for projects to be selected and funded, most of which for Transylvania County will be under Regional or Division Needs sections.

Financial Impact: None

Strategic Plan Goal & Strategy: Goal 6: "County government is service driven, transparent and performance based with more active and engaged citizens."

Strategy 6E: "Provide timely, accurate, transparent and informative communication to the public and across the organization with superior customer service delivery."

Recommendations: Staff has no recommendations at the time this memo was prepared as this update is intended to be informative with no known actionable items.

Transylvania County Prioritization 8.0 Project Meeting

The list of highway projects we are looking to submit this round are below:

1. US 64 Asheville Hwy/Morris Road intersection improvement. (either stand alone or with Us 64 Asheville Hwy/ Ecusta Road)
2. US 64/Ecusta Rd either stand alone or with Morris Rd,
3. US 64 S. Broad/N Country Club/Rosman Hwy/S Caldwell intersection improvements
4. Ecusta Rd either upgrade roadway or modernization which ever scores better
5. Crab Creek Rd/Everett Rd intersection improvement
6. US 276/Elm Bend intersection improvement Either stand alone or with Park/Neely/Outland Dr/Park View

End of RPO submittals Slots

7. US 64 Rosman Hwy Clement Rd to US 178
8. Us 64 S. Caldwell – Red Sky Knoll Dr access management

I will be working with Division 14 staff to see if they have submittal slots available for projects, and is we combine some of the intersection project into corridor multi-intersection improvement projects, (If they score well that way) it will potentially free up slots for other projects.

For Bike and pedestrian projects:

1. Greenway from Rosman Greenway to the ball fields – Transylvania County
2. Greenway Brevard High School – US 64 Rosman Hwy.
3. Greenway Hillview Circle Mills Ave – Probart Street
4. Greenway Brevard Elementary School – Franklin Street
5. Sidewalks on Osborn BRCC – Old Hendersonville Hwy ***Aaron, one side or both sides of the road?***
6. Greenway Probart to Bracken Preserve Recreation area

7. Greenway Railroad Ave – Neely Road Across Brevard College.
8. McLean/Railroad Ave – greenway realignment and crossing improvements. ***will need additional information on this for what to score and submit***

Transit:

1. Park n Ride at Turkey Pen and US 64.

Next steps, the Transylvania County TAC will be presented with this list at the next meeting, Wednesday August 13. The Land of Sky RPO TCC (staff level committee) will review the entire Land of Sky RPO DRAFT project list, Thursday August 14 and recommend it with any requested changes they may have to the Land of Sky RPO Board for approval. Once the DRAFT list is approved it will be released for public comment and come back to both the TCC and Board for final recommendation and adoption at the September TCC and Board meetings. Once submitted NCDOT will score the projects, and we will go from there with local input.

SPOT ID	Mode	Project Category	Route / Facility / Project Name	From / Cross Street / Location	To / Cross Street	Description	Cost to NCDOT	Regional Impact Quantitative Score (Out of 70)	Division Needs Quantitative Score (Out of 50)
B231581	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	US 64 Rosman Hwy Estatoe Trail Crossing	West side of US 64 Rosman Hwy	East side of US 64 Rosman Hwy	Construct a mid-block trail crossing for the Estatoe Trail across US 64 Rosman Hwy to include Refuge island, High vis land markings, ADA ramps, HAWK signals w/poles.	\$ 329,400	N/A	38.35
B231588	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	US 64 Rosman Hwy Sidewalk	End of existing sidewalk	Estatoe Trail	Construct sidewalk to connect Estatoe Trail to City of Brevard sidewalk network.	\$ 280,000	N/A	35.43
B171159	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Brevard High School Greenway	US 64 ROSMAN HIGHWAY	SR 1116 NORTH COUNTRY CLUB RD	Construct Off Road multi use Path from US 64 Rosman HWY, near the SUBWAY RESTAURANT along NORTON and NICHOLSON CREEKS SR 1116 North Country Club Rd across from the Brevard High School	\$ 1,290,800	N/A	33.89
B171358	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Hillview Circle Multi Use Path	Mills Ave	SR 1350 (Probart Street)	Construct a multi use path along the north side of Hillview Circle to Rout Drive (near the Transylvania County Head-start). Then along Norton Creek to Holcombe Road to SR 1350 (Probart Street)	\$ 862,600	N/A	32.55
B231334	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Brevard Ele. School To Franklin Street MUP	Brevard Elementary School Entrance	Franklin Street	Construct a 10' MUP from the sidewalk at the entrance of Brevard Elementary School along US 276 to Franklin Street.	\$ 1,740,600	N/A	25.28
B231337	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Azalea Avenue	Oakdale Road	SR 1504 Old Hendersonville Road	Construct a sidewalk along Azalea Avenue from Oakdale Road to SR 1504 Old Hendersonville Road. This will connect to the future MUP on SR 1504 Old Hendersonville Rd.	\$ 540,800	N/A	24.25
B171356	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	multi use path partially along King Creek Brevard College	SR 1546 (Neely Road)	Railroad Ave	Construct a multi use path from SR 1546 (Neely Rd) along the south side of Limbo Creek (may utilize existing service or maintenance road) between the baseball field and the track then south along King Creek through campus to US 64 (N. Broad St) crossing Broad street continue along King Creek behind Food Lion to Railroad Ave.	\$ 2,008,600	N/A	23.22

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B192927	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Osborne Rd SUP	US 64/US 267 (Asheville Hwy	SR 1504 Old Hendersonville Road	Construct a shared use path from US 64/276 (Asheville Hwy) to SR 1504 Old Hendersonville Rd. The path will connect to the existing Estatoe Trail and the Future Ecusta Trail.	\$ 1,811,400	N/A	23.04
B171360	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Bracken Preserve Connector (Along Music Camp Road)	Probart Street	Bracken Preserve Recreation Area	Construct a multi use path along Music Camp Road to Bracken Preserve Recreation area Parking	\$ 1,044,400	N/A	20.70
B192926	Bicycle & Pedestrian	Division Needs	Morris Road Sidewalks	US 64/276	SR 1512 Ecusta Road	Construct sidewalk along both sides of Morris Road between Asheville Hwy and Ecusta Road	\$ 1,311,200	N/A	14.09
H170394	Highway	Regional Impact	US 64 (South Broad Street)	US 64 Business (South Caldwell Street), SR 1116 (North Country Club Road)	N/A	Improve Intersect alignment	\$ 14,300,000	44.45	33.46
H192420	Highway	Regional Impact	US 276 (Asheville Highway), US 64 (Highway US 64 Asheville Highway)	SR 1512 (Ecusta Road)	N/A	Upgrade intersection remove full access to and from Ecusta road From US 276/64. Ecusta would be right in right out. Eliminate signal phase.	\$ 2,300,000	39.20	28.88
H231229	Highway	Division Needs	SR 1528 (Crab Creek Road)	SR 1533 (Everett Rd)	N/A	Upgrade intersection to a 1 lane roundabout.	\$ 5,500,000	N/A	25.73
H190361	Highway	Division Needs	SR 1504 (Old Hendersonville Road)	US 64 Asheville Highway	SR 1533 Everett Road	Upgrade roadway and include MUP.	\$ 24,200,000	N/A	21.20
H190393	Highway	Regional Impact	US 64 (Rosman Highway)	South Broad Street, North Country Club Road	Existing median near Red Sky Knoll Drive	Widen & upgrade roadway, Convert existing TWLTL facility into four lane divided w/17.5' median. Include Bicycle and pedestrian accommodation based on locally adopted Bike/Ped plans.	\$ 58,100,000	25.18	18.43
H190724	Highway	Regional Impact	NC 280 (Asheville Highway)	Northern Termini of R-5799	SR 1323 (Brickyard Road)	Upgrade roadway, Eliminate 5 lane section to 4 lane divided add multi use path on one side and bike lanes. Widen 4 lane undivided section to four lane divided with a 17.5' median. Continue Multi use path and bike lanes.	\$ 93,800,000	22.28	15.96
H190370	Highway	Regional Impact	US 64 (Rosman Highway)	SR 1337 (Clement Road)	US 178	Widen roadway to 4 lane divided, include Shared Use Path	\$ 136,600,000	21.11	15.84

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H190748	Highway	Regional Impact	US 276 (East Main Street/Greenville Hwy)	Wilson Drive	SR 1546 Parkview Drive, Elm Bend Road	Upgrade two intersections, consider roundabouts.	\$ 6,600,000	19.31	14.71
H190332	Highway	Division Needs	SR 1512 (Ecusta Road)	US 64	SR 1504 (Old NC 94)	Modernize Roadway, improve intersections, include curb/gutter, bike-lanes, sidewalk and or SUP.	\$ 13,200,000	N/A	14.29
H129079-D	Highway	Regional Impact	US 64	Indian Creek (East end of R-2409C)	Flat Creek Valley Road	Widen Realign and Climbing Lanes	\$ 45,900,000	18.53	13.40
H192658	Highway	Division Needs	SR 1388 (Old Rosman Highway)	US 64 (Rosman Highway)	US 64 (Rosman Highway)	Upgrade Roadway to current NCDOT standards, and construct Bike Ped accommodations based on locally adopted Bike Ped plans.	\$ 101,800,000	N/A	11.41
H190326	Highway	Division Needs	SR 1546 (Neely Road), SR 1610 (Parkview Drive), SR 1612 (Chestnut Street)	US 64 / US 276	US 276 (Greenville Highway)	Modernize roadway, improve intersections, include curb and gutter, bike lanes and sidewalk	\$ 17,700,000	N/A	8.03
H090858	Highway	Regional Impact	US 178	SR 1156 (Main Street) in Rosman	SR 1133 (Middlefork Road)	Modernize Roadway	\$ 27,800,000	9.08	6.27
T192944	Transit	Division Needs	Turkey Pen Park n Ride	This Park n Ride lot will be located just south of Turkey Pen round on the East side of NC 280 just inside Transylvania County.	N/A	Construct a Park n Ride Lot with bus shelter, lighting and trash receptacles.	\$ 425,000	N/A	28.26
T231318	Transit	Division Needs	Transylvania In Motion TIMS, Fixed Route Stops/Shelters	This is a Bundle of three Transit Stops/Shelters along the Fixed Route operated by Transylvania in Motion.	N/A	This is a Bundle of three Transit Stops/Shelters along the Fixed Route operated by Transylvania in Motion. These will be the first permanent Shelters installed along the route.	\$ 100,000	N/A	11.04