

**GREENVILLE URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC) MEETING**

Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.
Greenville City Hall, Room # 337 (non-voting call-in 252-329-4937)

Actions to be taken in bold italics

- 1) Approval of Agenda; ***approve***
 - ***Chair to read aloud Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest reminder***

ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER--Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved
- 2) Approval of Minutes of November 10, 2015, Meeting (Attachment 1); ***approve*** p. 3
- 3) Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson; ***conduct election***
 - Current Chair - Mr. Kevin Mulligan
 - Current Vice-Chair - Mr. Alan Lilley
- 4) Public Comment Period
- 5) New Business / Action Items:
 - a) Amendment to 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the following projects-- U-5606, U-5875, U-5917, U-5919, U-5921, W-5202, and TA-5190, and modify the following projects- R-5702, U-2817, U-5730, U-5785, U-5870, and B-5100-. (Attachment 5a) – Resolution No. 2016-01-GUAMPO; ***recommend for TAC adoption*** p 7
 - b) TAC member ethics filing reminder and information p. 19
 - c) Update on Federal Highway-related Legislation p. 29
 - d) Presentation of bicycle and pedestrian counts on local greenways p. 33
 - e) Mapping 10 years of fatal traffic accidents p. 42
 - f) NCDOT new pothole reporting policy and online roadway problem submittal system. p. 49
 - g) Updates regarding DOT Transportation projects within the MPO. Presented by NCDOT staff.
- 6) Any other discussion items
 - National Association of Chronic Disease Directors grant to attend Action Institute to Increase Walking and Walkability p. 56
- 7) 2016 MPO Meeting Schedule (all at Greenville City Hall, Room 337, at 1:30pm)
 - TCC Feb 10, May 3, Aug 10, Nov 9
 - TAC Feb 24, May 18, Aug 24, Nov 16
- 8) Adjourn

GREENVILLE URBAN AREA MPO'S TITLE VI NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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Attachment 1

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Minutes from November 10, 2015 TCC meeting

Purpose: Review and approve the minutes from the previous TCC meeting.

Discussion: The draft minutes of the November 10, 2015 TCC meeting are included as Attachment 1 in the agenda package for review and approval by the TCC.

Action Needed: Adoption of November 10, 2015 TCC meeting minutes.

Attachments: November 10, 2015 TCC meeting minutes.

**GREENVILLE URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC) MINUTES
November 10, 2015**

Members of the Technical Coordinating Committee met on the above date at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in Conference Room 337. Mr. Kevin Mulligan, TCC Chairperson, called the meeting to order. The following attended the meeting:

Mr. Kevin, Mulligan, City of Greenville
Mr. Alan Lilley, Town of Winterville
Mr. Merrill Flood, City of Greenville
Mr. Rik DiCesare, City of Greenville
Mr. Scott Godefroy, City of Greenville
Mr. Jonas Hill, Pitt County
Mr. James Rhodes, Pitt County
Mr. Tim Corley, Pitt County
Mr. Stephen Penn, Town of Winterville
Mr. Brandon Holland, Town of Ayden
Mr. Steve Hamilton, NCDOT
Mr. Jeff Cabaniss, NCDOT
Mr. Haywood Daughtry, NCDOT
Mr. Reza Jafari, NCDOT

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Ben Williams, Town of Winterville
Mr. Daryl Vreeland, City of Greenville
Ms. Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville
Mr. Tim Tresohlavy, VHB

I. AGENDA

Mr. Vreeland asked that a New Business Item G be added to the agenda to discuss a modification to the Bicycle and Pedestrian list of candidate projects for the Town of Winterville. A motion was made by Mr. Flood to accept the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. DiCesare and passed unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2015 MEETING

Mr. Godefroy made a motion to approve the August 12, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments

IV. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

A. Self-Certification of Greenville Urban Area MPO Transportation Planning Process for FY17

Mr. Vreeland stated the MPO was allowed to “self-certify” due to the GUAMPO population being under 200,000 by completing the Self Certification Checklist. Mr. Vreeland further stated a resolution certifying the planning process is in compliance with all applicable regulations would need to be recommended to TAC for adoption.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to recommend the GUAMPO self-certification as well as adopt the resolution for planning process compliance to TAC for adoption. Mr. Godefroy made a second and the motion passed unanimously.

B. 2016-2017 Planning Work Program

Mr. Vreeland informed members that the proposed Planning Work Program (PWP) was developed by information provided by representatives of the MPO's participating communities and NCDOT's Transportation Planning Branch. Mr. Vreeland detailed special studies and additional funds programmed for travel demand model update tasks.

A motion was made by Mr. Rhodes to recommend the 2016-2017 Planning Work Program to TAC for adoption. Mr. Godefroy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Adoption of the MPO's prioritization process for the 205-2016 project submittal cycle

Mr. Vreeland detailed the procedure of the MPO's prioritization process by explaining when assigning points to candidate projects submitted for NCDOT's funding consideration, the MPO uses a NCDOT approved process for assigning local input points based on a combination of quantitative and qualitative data in accordance with the Strategic Transportation Investment State Law. Should the MPO make any modifications to their prioritization ranking or process, they must first submit the modifications to NCDOT for conditional approval. A public input process must then be conducted to receive comments for the modified process.

A motion was made by Mr. Flood to recommend TAC adopt the prioritization process as presented. A second was made by Mr. DiCesare. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Modification of candidate aviation-related transportation projects to be submitted via the SPOT 4.0 project submittal cycle

Mr. Vreeland stated MPO staff had originally suggested deletion of four aviation projects from the SPOT 4.0 candidate list of projects. After further discussion with NCDOT's aviation division, and at their request, staff recommends resubmitting these projects to NCDOT for consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Rhodes to recommend the modifications of proposed projects as requested to TAC for adoption. A second was made by Mr. Hamilton. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Ethics Filing Reminder

Mr. Vreeland informed members to remind their elected TAC representatives to complete their Ethics filing after January 1, 2016 and before April 15, 2016.

F. Air Quality Legislation Update

Mr. Vreeland stated on October 1, 2015, EPA strengthened the NAAQS for ground-level ozone to 70ppb (previously 75ppb). The 3-year averages of Pitt County have been below the 70ppb. However, the status for attainment will be based on the 2014-2016 data and the possibility of non-attainment will not be determined until October 1, 2017. MPO staff will continue to monitor the status and provide updates as they become available.

G. Modifications to the candidate list of projects for the Town of Winterville for bicycle/pedestrian projects.

Mr. Vreeland stated the Town of Winterville has requested modifications to their previous requests for SPOT 4.0 candidate pedestrian projects. This request was a result of a modification of the Town's sidewalk project priorities approved at the Town's Council meeting in November 2015 which requests construction of sidewalk on Ange Street and Mill Street.

A motion was made by Mr. Hamilton to recommend TAC adopt the SPOT 4.0 candidate list as modified by request from Town of Winterville. A second was made by Mr. Godefroy. The motion passed unanimously.

V. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Bicycle/Pedestrian/Greenway (non-motorized) master plan**
Mr. Vreeland stated the Request for Proposal has been advertised and staff is awaiting response at this time.
- **TIGER Grant Application**
Mr. Mulligan stated the City of Greenville had applied for a Transportation Improvement Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant, but was not awarded the grant. Mr. Mulligan thanked those that provided letters of support for this endeavor.
- **Transportation Bond**
Mr. Vreeland stated the infrastructure and roadway bonds requested by Governor McCrory did not move pass committee recommendations.
- **Southwest Bypass Update**
Mr. Rouse reported right-of-way acquisition has begun and construction is scheduled to begin in March 2016.
- **10th Street Connector Update**
Mr. Rouse reported drainage work has begun and completion for traffic date is December 2018.
- **High Collision Sites Booklet**
Mr. Vreeland presented the booklet prepared by Dr. Jafari detailing the results of research of collision sites in Greenville, NC.
- **Greenville Boulevard Feasibility Study**
Mr. Vreeland reported the study is still underway, and is currently awaiting updated traffic forecasts and construction estimates.

VI. 2015 MPO MEETING SCHEDULE

- TAC – November 19

VII. 2016 MPO MEETING SCHEDULE (all at Greenville City Hall Conference Room at 1:30pm)

- TCC
 - February 10, May 11, August 10, November 9
- TAC
 - February 24, May 18, August 24, November 16

VIII. ADJOURN

With no other business or discussions, Mr. Godefroy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Mr. Hamilton and the meeting was adjourned.



Attachment 5a

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
 FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
 SUBJECT: Modifications and Additions to the 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Purpose: Amend the TIP to add and/or modify a number of transportation projects, as shown below.

PROJECT ADDITIONS

1. U-5606 (Dickinson Ave. NC11 to Reade Circle, improve roadway).
 - Right-of-way (ROW) in FY2016, and Construction in FY2018
2. U-5875 (Allen Rd; Stantonsburg Rd to Dickinson Ave, widen to multi-lanes)
 - ROW in FY2023 and Construction in FY2025 and post year.
3. U-5917 (14th St; Red Banks Rd to Firetower Rd, widen to multi-lanes)
 - ROW in FY2020 and Const. in FY2022
4. U-5919 (Boyd St; NC11 to Railroad St, upgrade roadway)
 - Construction in FY2021
5. U-5921 (Laurie Ellis Road, NC11 to Mill St, construct connector on new location)
 - ROW in FY2022 and Construction in FY2024
6. W-5202 (Various Division wide safety improvements, additional funds for FY16)
7. TA-5190 (Purchase of two 35 foot Replacement Hybrid Buses)

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS

8. R-5702 (intersection improvements at NC11 and Hanrahan Rd)
 - Right of way accelerated from FY 18 to FY 17 and construction accelerated from FY 20 to FY 18
9. U-2817 (Evans St/Old Tar Rd, Greenville Blvd to Worthington St, widen to multi-lanes)
 - Right of way accelerated from FY 23 to FY 19 and construction accelerated from FY 25 to FY 21
10. U-5730 (intersection improvements at NC11 and NC43/W 5th St)
 - Right of way accelerated from FY 18 to FY 17 and construction accelerated from FY 20 to FY 18
11. U-5785 (Firetower Rd, NC43 to 14th St, widen to multi-lanes)
 - Right of way accelerated from FY 20 to FY 17 and construction accelerated from FY 22 to FY 19.

12. U-5870 (Firetower Rd, 14th St to NC33/E 10th St, widen to multi-lanes)

- Right of way accelerated from FY 25 to FY 17 and construction accelerated from unfunded to FY 19

13. B-5100 (King George Road Bridge (#730241) over Meeting House Branch)

- Delay Construction from FY 15 to FY16 to allow additional time for ROW acquisition

Discussion:

Due to reforms made in the 2015-2017 State budget, there are a number of transportation projects that have been accelerated or newly programmed in the current STIP. The budget reforms signed by Governor McCrory added over \$700 million in new funding for transportation over two years and ended the annual transfer of \$216 million from the Highway Fund to the General Fund. Over 10 years, these budget reforms are projected to provide an additional \$1.6 billion for North Carolina Department of Transportation construction projects.

The Board of Transportation will consider these same modifications for adoption at their January, 2016 meeting.

To follow the proper protocol for the expenditure of Federal funds, the 2016-2025 TIP must be amended to correspond with projects in the STIP. This amendment would modify the TIP as indicated above and in the adoption resolutions.

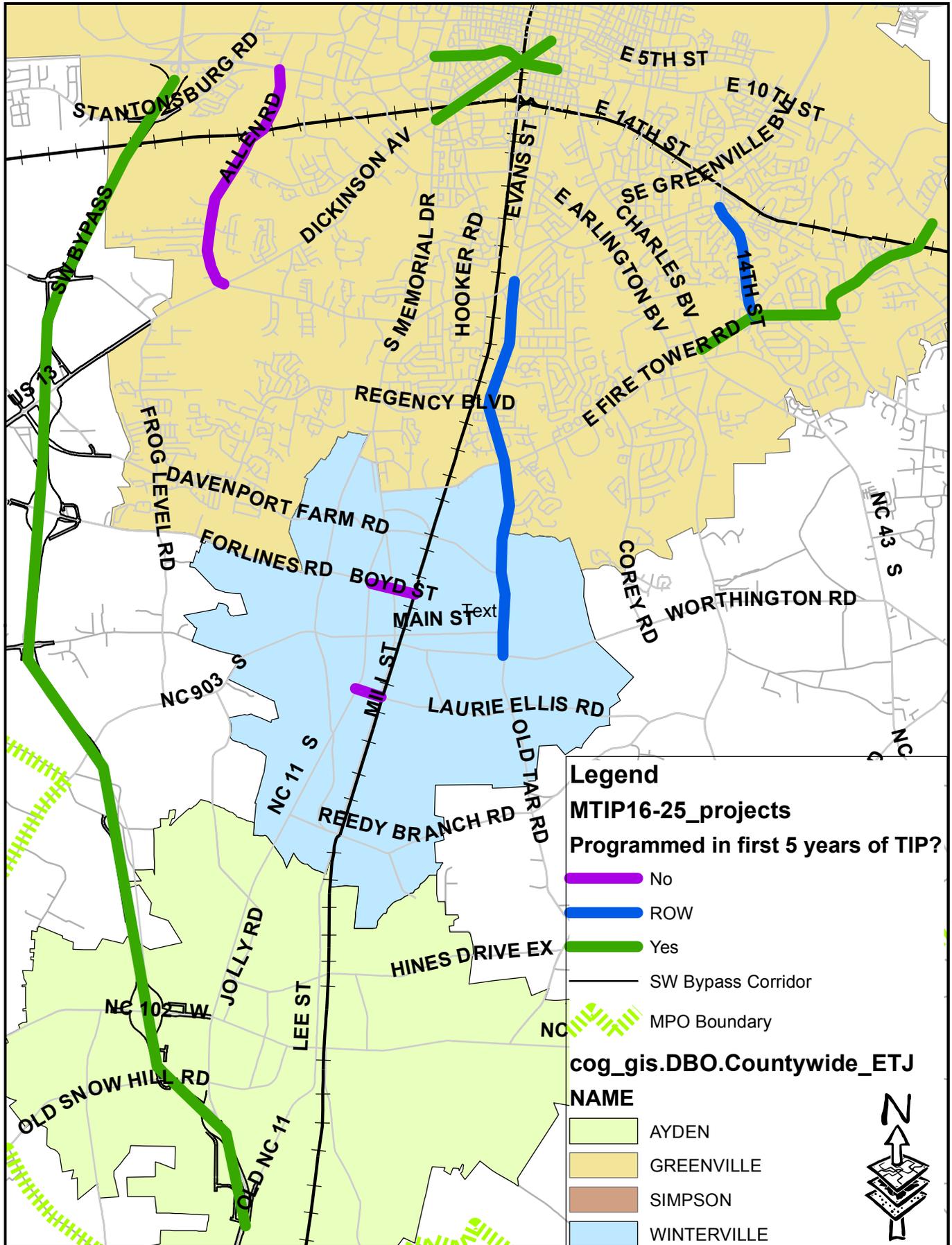
In accordance with the MPO's Public Involvement Plan, these proposed amendments to the 2016-2025 TIP were advertised in the local newspaper for a minimum of 10 days. No public comments were received.

Action Needed: TCC recommend that TAC adopt resolution 2016-01-GUAMPO amending the TIP as indicated.

Attachments:

- Resolution 2016-01-GUAMPO.

Major Roadway Projects programmed in the 16-25 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)



DIVISION NEEDS projects

Projects submitted in 2015 for funding consideration

Row #	Improvement Type	Route Name	From / Cross Street	To	Description
DIVISION NEEDS Highway Projects					
	Capacity	Evans Street/Old Tar Road	SR 1711 (Worthington Road) in Winterville	US 264A (Greenville Boulevard)	SR 1711 (Worthington Road) in Winterville to US 264A (Greenville Boulevard). Widen to Multi-Lanes.
	Capacity	Firetower Road, Portertown Road	SR 1704 (Fourteenth Street)	NC 33	Widen existing 2-lane roadways to multi-lane urban section facilities. Includes intersection improvements at Firetower Road and Portertown Road change the primary movement to East Firetower Road and the northern leg of Portertown Road
	Capacity	Fourteenth Street	Red Banks Road	SR 1708 (Firetower Road)	Widen existing 2-lane roadway to a multi-lane urban section facility with intersection improvements from Red Banks Road to Firetower Road (SR 1708)
	Modernize	Dickinson Avenue	NC11	SR 1610 (Reade Circle)	Demolition and replacement of subgrade, asphalt, and curb & gutter, demolition of concrete slab beneath roadway; as necessary provide drainage repairs and upgrades, removal / replacement of existing sidewalk and construction of wheelchair ramps to meet current ADA requirements.
1	Intersection	(SR 1127) Frog Level Road	SR 1128 Davenport Farm Rd		Construct roundabout at the intersection of SR 1127 and SR 1128
2	Capacity	SR1203 Allen Road	SR 1467 (Stantonsburg Road)	US 13 (Dickinson Avenue)	Widen existing 2 and 3 lane roadway to multi-lane urban section facility with sidewalk, bicycle, and landscaping improvements
3	Modernize	SR 1126 Boyd Street	NC 11	Railroad Street	Widen to meet tolerable lane width requirements, provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities, construct curb and gutter and associated drainage structures, and construct turn lanes to allow the facility to serve as a connector between NC 11 and Railroad Street
4	Capacity	Laurie Ellis Rd Ext /Connector SR1713	NC 11	SR 1149 (Mill Street)	Laurie Ellis Rd Extension/Connector: Construct on new location 2-lane roadway with bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Construct intersection with NC11 turn lane improvements and traffic light installation
5	Capacity	New Route - Firetower Road Extension	SW Bypass	NC 11/903	SW Bypass to NC 11/903. Construct Multi-Lane Facility, Part on New Location.
6	Intersection	Portertown Rd (SR 1726)	Eastern Pines Rd (SR 1727)		Upgrade intersection to Roundabout
7	Corridor Management	Arlington Boulevard	SR 2235 Old Firetower Rd	NC43 (W 5Th St)	Upgrade drainage facilities, intersection improvements, construct medians / channelized turn lanes, bicycle facilities, and sidewalk.
8	Modernize	Jolly Road (SR1120)	NC11	NC102	modernize roadway to meet tolerable lane width requirements, provide bike/ped facilities
9	Modernize	SR 1127 Frog Level Road	US 13 (Dickinson Avenue)	NC 903	Widen to tolerable lane width and add continuous 2 way left turn lane
Bicycle / Pedestrian Projects					
10	Greenway	South Tar River Greenway Phase 3 section B	end of section A near NC11	near VA Hospital on Moye Blvd	Construct greenway continuing from section A near NC 11 to Moye Blvd adjacent to VA hospital
11	Sidewalk	Ange St (SR 1712)	Primrose Lane	Windmill Drive	Construct sidewalk. Construct associated signing and marking, curb and gutter, and other street improvements where needed in order to facilitate sidewalk construction
12	Sidewalk	SR 1149 (Mill St)	SR 1133 Main St	SR 1149 Boyd St	Construct sidewalk. Construct associated signing and marking, handrail, curb and gutter, and other street improvements where needed in order to facilitate sidewalk construction.
13	Greenway	S. Tar River Greenway Ph2	Green Mill Run Greenway	Near Cemetery on NC33 (Eastside Park)	Design and Construct the S. Tar River Greenway, Phase 2, from existing Green Mill Run Greenway to City property near cemetery on NC33, including Tar River to Hardee Creek and other neighborhood connectors
14	Greenway	Town Common to River Park north trail+ped bridge	Town Common	River Park North via cantilevered ped bridge along Greene St bridge	Design + Construct greenway connecting River Park North to Town Common via a cantilevered pedestrian bridge along Greene St (SR 1531)
15	Sidewalk	NC102	NC11	Lee St (SR1149)	Construct new sidewalk and remove and replace existing sidewalk (and curb and gutter, as needed) on north side of NC102. Construct new handicapped accessible curb ramps as needed. Install and mark high visibility crosswalks throughout project extents. Install pedestrian-related signage.

REGIONAL IMPACT projects

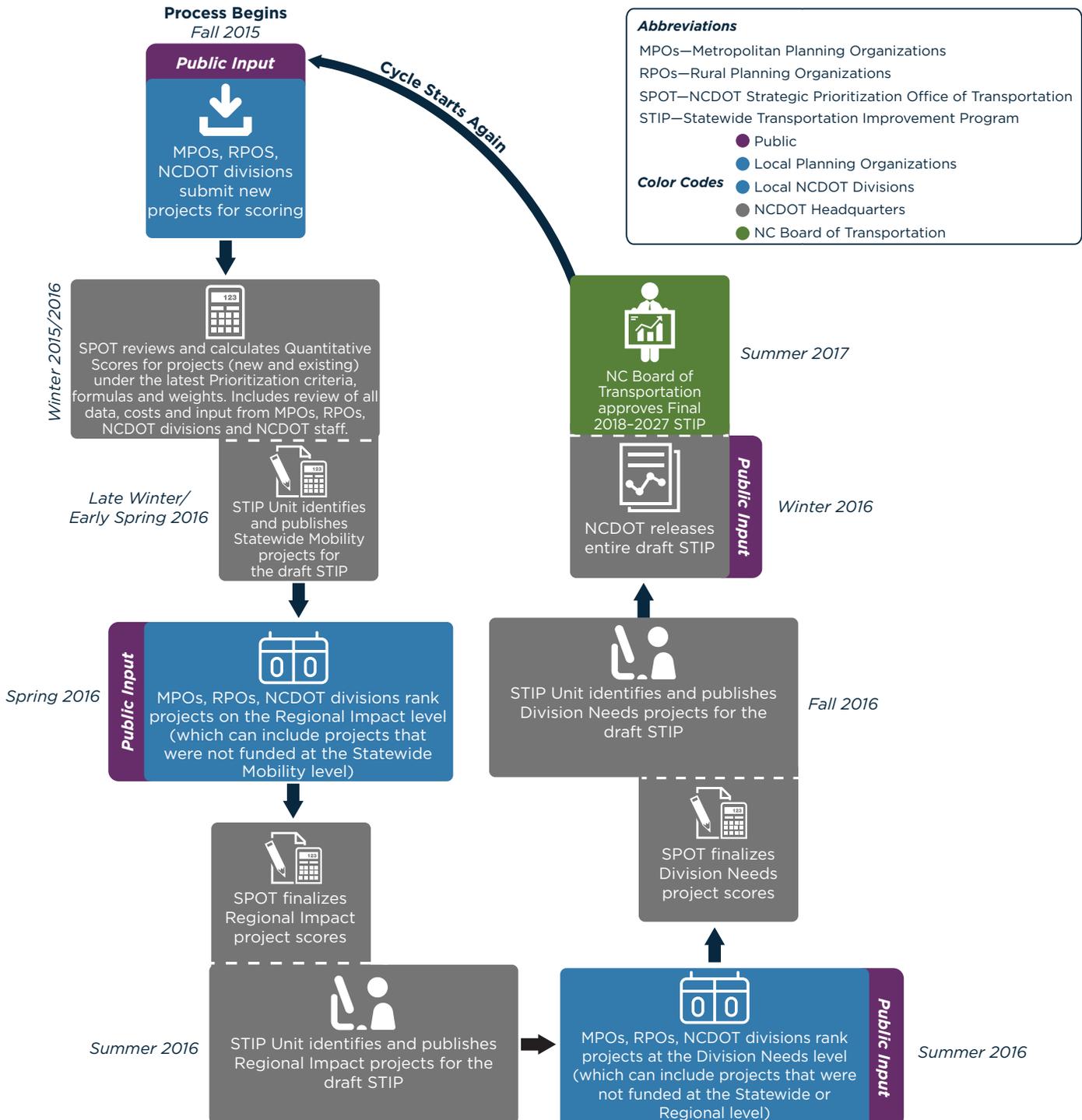
Projects submitted in 2015 for funding consideration

Row #	Improvement Type	Route Name	From / Cross Street	To	Description	P4.0 Existing vs Holding tank
	1815 - Rehabilitate / replace		ARFF VEHICLE		ARFF Vehicle Acquisition (includes Project Request Numbers: 2555)	AVIATION EXISTING
	1430 - Rehabilitate / replace apron edge lighting		APRON LIGHTING & CONSTRUCTION		Apron Lighting Design and Construction (includes Project Request Numbers: 2554)	AVIATION RESUBMIT
	1910 - Acquire Equipment Shelter (no utilities provided)		VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING		Vehicle/Equipment Storage Building (Site Preparation, Paving and Building, Design and Construction (includes Project Request Numbers: 3274)	AVIATION RESUBMIT
	3000 - Other		CONSOLIDATED RENTAL CAR FACILITY		Consolidated Rental Car Facility (Site preparation, paving, design and construction (includes Project Request Numbers: 3275)	AVIATION RESUBMIT
1	735 - REILs - Relocation/Installation		VISUAL NAVAIDS 8-26 PAPIS & REILS DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION		Visual NAVAIDS Runway 8-26 PAPIS & REILS Design and Construction (includes Project Request Numbers: 3271)	AVIATION EXISTING
2	1210 - Design		APRON EXPANSION		Apron Expansion - Design and Construction (Concrete and Bituminous) for air carrier ramp (includes Project Request Numbers: 2538)	AVIATION EXISTING
3	3000 - Other		AIRFIELD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS		Airfield Drainage Improvements (includes Project Request Numbers: 2558)	AVIATION EXISTING
4	3000 - Other		ACCESS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS		Airfield Emergency Access Road Improvements; Airport is currently in the process of updating the ALP to show this project (includes Project Request Numbers: 2549)	AVIATION EXISTING
5	2100 - Hangers and Economic Development		T-HANGAR SITE PREPARATION & ACCESS ROAD		T-Hangar Site Preparation & Access Road - Design and Construction (includes Project Request Numbers: 3276)	AVIATION RESUBMIT
6	Capacity (Maximum points for this project = 50 because only 50% within the MPO)	NC 33	NC 222 at Belvoir Crossroads	US 264 Bypass	US 264 Bypass in Greenville to US 64 Southeast of Tarboro. Widen to A Multi-Lane Facility. Section C: NC 222 at Belvoir Crossroads to US 264 Bypass.	HIGHWAY EXISTING
7	Capacity	NC 43	Firetower Rd	SR 1711 (Worthington Road)	Widen existing 2-lane and 3-lane roadway to a multi-lane urban section facility including sidewalk, landscaping, and bicycle improvements	HIGHWAY EXISTING
8	Modernize (Maximum points for this project = 98 because 98% is within the MPO)	NC903	NC 11	Greene County Line	Widen roadway from 20 to 26 feet; resurface.	HIGHWAY EXISTING
9	Capacity	NC102	Short St	Ayden Middle School St	Construct RT lane along WB NC102 into Ayden Elementary School	HIGHWAY MODIFIED
10	Intersection (Maximum points for this project = 50 because only 50% within the MPO)	NC11, SR1108 (Littlefield Rd)	Intersection of NC11 and Littlefield Rd (SR 1108)		Upgrade intersection	HIGHWAY EXISTING
11	Intersection improvement	NC43	Intersection of NC43 and SR 1737 (Edward's Farm Rd)		Construct right turn lane and left turn lane on NC 43 at the intersection with SR 1737 Edward's Farm Rd	
12	Upgrade to interstate (Max points = 25)	US264	US264 Bypass	US264 East of Leggett Road	upgrade to interstate standard	
13	Signal system hardware upgrade / replacement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Signal Sytem hardware upgrade/ replacement	HIGHWAY NEW
14	Construct/upgrade to interstate standard (Max points = 7)	NC11	SW Bypass	Harvey Parkway Extension	upgrade to interstate standard	HIGHWAY NEW
15	Construct/upgrade to interstate standard (Max points = 25)	NC11/US13	US264	US 64	upgrade to interstate standard	HIGHWAY NEW
16	Construct/upgrade to interstate standard (Max points = 21)	US264	SW Bypass	Wilson County Line	upgrade to interstate standard	HIGHWAY NEW



STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is the North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) 10-year construction schedule for projects. The schedule is updated every two years based on a data-driven process called Prioritization, as well as the latest state and federal financial situation, and the status of preconstruction activities. Schedule development must adhere to the Strategic Transportation Investments (STI) law, which mandates ongoing evaluation and improvement to ensure the process continues to be responsive to North Carolina's diverse needs. Developing a STIP is accomplished through ongoing collaboration with our regional planning partners—metropolitan and rural planning organizations—and public input is a key component.



STRATEGIC TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS LAW

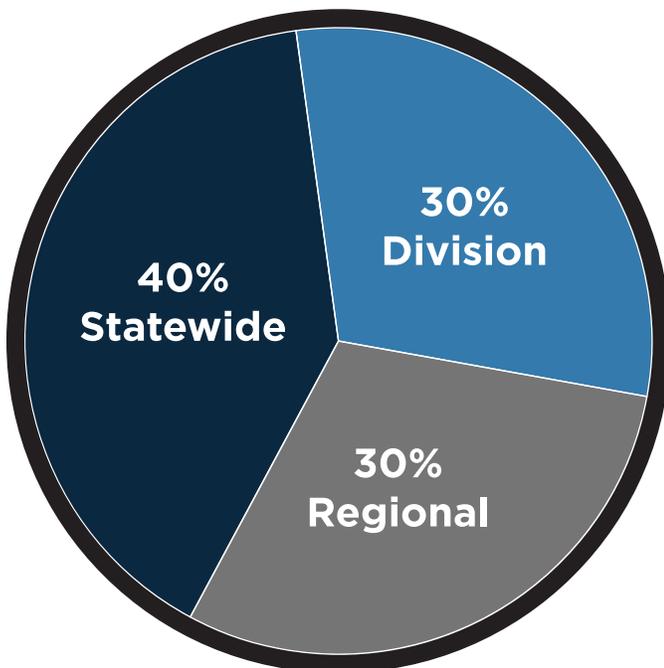
Passed in 2013, the Strategic Transportation Investments Law (STI) allows NCDOT to use its funding more efficiently and effectively to enhance the state's infrastructure, while supporting economic growth, job creation and a higher quality of life. This process encourages thinking from a statewide and regional perspective, while also providing flexibility to address local needs.

STI established the Strategic Mobility Formula, which allocates available revenues based on data-driven scoring and local input. It was used for the first time to develop the 2016-2025 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which schedules the projects that will be funded during a 10-year period. While federal law requires it to be updated at least every four years, NCDOT updates the STIP every two years.

PRIORITIZATION

NCDOT uses a transparent, data-driven method for prioritizing transportation investment decisions. Through the process, called Prioritization, potential transportation improvement projects are submitted to NCDOT to be scored and ranked through the Strategic Mobility Formula at the statewide, regional and division levels, based on approved criteria such as safety, congestion, benefit-cost and local priorities. These scores and other factors are used to determine whether a project receives funding. Project prioritization occurs every two years. The current round of Prioritization is referred to as P4.0, because it is the fourth iteration of this process.

REVENUE DISTRIBUTION



HOW THE STRATEGIC MOBILITY FORMULA WORKS

The Strategic Mobility Formula funds projects in three categories:

- Division Needs
- Regional Impact
- Statewide Mobility

Division Needs

Projects in this category receive 30 percent of the available revenue, shared equally over NCDOT's 14 transportation divisions, which are groupings of local counties. Project scores are based 50 percent on data and 50 percent on rankings by local planning organizations and the NCDOT transportation divisions.

Highway projects in this category are analyzed according to five criteria:

- Congestion (15 percent)
- Benefit/cost (15 percent)
- Safety (10 percent)
- Freight and military) (5 percent)
- Accessibility/Connectivity (5 percent)

Regional Impact

Projects in this category receive 30 percent of available revenue. Projects on this level compete within regions made up of two NCDOT transportation divisions, with funding divided among the regions based on population. Data makes up 70 percent of the project scores in this category. Local rankings account for the remaining 30 percent.

Regional Impact projects are analyzed according to five criteria:

- Congestion (20 percent)
- Benefit/cost (20 percent)
- Safety (10 percent)
- Accessibility/connectivity (10 percent)
- Freight and military (10 percent)

Statewide Mobility

Projects in this category receive 40 percent of available revenue. The project selection process is based 100 percent on data.

Statewide Mobility projects are analyzed according to six criteria:

- Congestion (30 percent)
- Benefit/cost (25 percent)
- Economic competitiveness (10 percent)
- Safety (15 percent)
- Multimodal and military (5 percent)
- Freight and mobility (15 percent)

Alternate Criteria

To provide more flexibility, STI allows regions and divisions to develop alternate criteria tailored to their individual needs. To do so, the metropolitan and rural planning organizations, and the NCDOT divisions within the region must unanimously agree on the criteria.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01-GUAMPO
AMENDING THE GREENVILLE URBAN AREA MPO
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FOR FY 2016-2025

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee has reviewed the FY 2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and found the need to amend said document for projects identified below;

WHEREAS, the following amendment has been proposed for *Federal, and State, and/or local* funds:

PROJECT ADDITIONS: FOLLOWING PROJECTS <u>NOT</u> CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed additions to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
U-5606 SR1598 (Dickinson Avenue), NC11 to Reade Circle. Improve Roadway												
12,115		STP	ROW 1,355									
		STP	Utilities 860									
		STP			Const 9,900							
U-5875 SR1203 (Allen Rd), SR1467 (Stantonsburg Rd) to US13 (Dickinson Ave Extension) Widen to multi-lanes.												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
19,432		T								ROW 1,777		
		T								Utilities 213		
		T										Const 5,814
		T								***** (unfunded) POST YR: 11,628		
U-5917 SR1704 (14th St), Red Banks Road to SR1708 (Firetower Rd). Widen to Multi-lanes.												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
12,035		T					RW 1,658					
		T						RW 1,657				
		T					Utilities 398					
		T							Const 8,322			

PROJECT ADDITIONS: FOLLOWING PROJECTS <u>NOT</u> CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed additions to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
U-5919 SR1126 (Boyd St), NC11 to Railroad St. Upgrade Roadway												
1,710		T						Const 1,710				
U-5921 SR1713 (Laurie Ellis Road), NC11 to SR1149 (Mill St). Construct connector on new location.												
1,364		T							ROW 98			
		T							Utilities 12			
		T									Const 1,254	
W-5202 Various, Division 2 rumble strips, guardrail, safety and lighting improvements at selected locations.												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
		HSIP	850									
TA-5190 Purchase of Two 35 foot Replacement Hybrid Buses.												
		FBUS 5539		1040								
		Local		260								

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)												
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
R-5702 NC11, SR1110 (Hanrahan Rd), Upgrade intersection.												
ORIGINAL												
3,000		T			ROW 500							
		T					Const 2,500					
MODIFICATION												
3,000		T		ROW 500								
		T			Const 2,500							

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)

Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	F Y 2017	F Y 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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U-2817 SR1700 (Evans Street/Old Tar Road), SR 1711 (Worthington Road) in Winterville to US264A (Greenville Boulevard) in Greenville. Widen to Multi-lanes.

ORIGINAL

37,306	4166	STP								ROW 12,840		
		STP								Utilities 1,500		
		STP										C 6267
***** (unfunded) POST YR (const) 12,533												

MODIFICATION

48,640	4166	STP				ROW 6,420	ROW 6,420					
		STP				Utilities 750	Utilities 750					
		STP						Const 11,433	Const 11,433	Const 11,434		

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)

Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	F Y 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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U-5730 US 13 (Memorial Drive), NC43 (5th Street). Upgrade Intersection

ORIGINAL

2,200		T				ROW 200						
		T					Const 2,000					

MODIFICATION

2,200		T		ROW 200								
		T			Const 2,000							

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)

Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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U-5785 SR1708 (Firetower Road), NC 43 (Charles Boulevard) to SR1704 (Fourteenth Street) in Greenville. Widen to Multi-lanes.

ORIGINAL

6,233		T					ROW 1,494					
		T					Utilities 179					
		T							Const 4,560			

MODIFICATION

6,233		T		ROW 1,494								
		T		Utilities 179								
		T				Const 1,520	Const 1,520	Const 1,520				

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP due to additional revenue from HB 97)

Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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U-5870 SR1708 (Firetower Road), SR1704 (Fourteenth Street) to NC33 (East 10th Street) in Greenville. Widen to Multi-lanes.

ORIGINAL

23,755		T										ROW 2,768
		T										Utilities 332
								***** (unfunded) POST YR (ROW 2,767 Utilities 332, Construction 17,556)				

MODIFICATION

23,755		T		ROW 2,768	ROW 2,767							
		T		Utilities 332	Utilities 332							
		T				Const 5,852	Const 5,852	Const 5,852				

PROJECT MODIFICATIONS: PROJECT CURRENTLY IN TIP. (Proposed modifications to TIP to allow additional time for right-of-way acquisition by City of Greenville)													
Total Project Cost (Thou)	Prior Years Cost (Thou)	Funding Source	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
B-5100 Greenville (King George Road), Replace Bridge 730421 over Meeting House Branch.													
ORIGINAL													
777		STPOFF	Const 777										
MODIFICATION													
687		STPOFF		Const 687									

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Transportation Advisory Committee that the Greenville Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program for FY 2016-2025, originally adopted August 25, 2015 by the Greenville Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization shall be amended as listed above today, **February 24, 2016**.

Mayor Allen Thomas, Chairman
 Transportation Advisory Committee,
 Greenville Urban Area MPO

Amanda Braddy, Secretary



Attachment 5b

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Ethics reminder and information for TAC members

Purpose: To provide TCC members a reminder of 2016 ethics requirements and all available information to pass onto TAC members.

Discussion: Please remind your TAC members of 2016 ethics filing. This is a yearly requirement for TAC members only. Filing can be done starting January 1, 2016 and must be completed by April 15, 2016.

Action Needed: Remind your TAC member of 2016 ethics requirements, and to file the required forms before April 15, 2016.

Attachments: Ethics information



More Information

- ▶ [Overview](#)
- ▶ [SEI Form](#)
- ▶ [SEI Helpful Tips](#)

MPO/RPO SEI Instructions & Form

Welcome to the State Ethics Commission's Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) Web Page for MPOs/RPOs.

[Click this link for SEI Helpful Tips for 2016](#)

All MPO/RPO members and their alternates or designees must file a Real Estate Disclosure Form in addition to their Statements of Economic Interest. For electronic filers, the Real Estate Disclosure Form has been incorporated into the SEI questions for 2016.

- [Instructions on how to obtain an NCID.](#)

Electronic Filing

Type your responses and file your SEI electronically. We HIGHLY RECOMMEND ELECTRONIC FILING. It's fast, easy, ensures immediate confirmation of your filing, and saves your information for future filings.

[Create NCID Account](#)

[Login](#)

[2016 Long Form](#) or

[2016 No Change Form](#)

Manual Filing

Print PDF document and handwrite your responses and mail or hand deliver your SEI.

You **MUST** complete the ENTIRE form or you will be asked to re-file!! Do not leave answers blank!

[2016 SEI Long Form](#) or

[2016 SEI No Change Form](#)

[Real Estate Disclosure Form](#)



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House Bill 1025: TAC Members (MPOs & RPOs)

July 2014

URGENT NOTICE:
MPO & RPO TAC MEMBERS SUBJECT TO FINES/PROSECUTION

HOUSE BILL 1025 (SL 2014-58)

On July 7, 2014, the Governor signed House Bill (HB) 1025 into law. Section 12 of HB 1025 establishes monetary penalties and possible criminal sanctions for Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) and Rural Planning Organizations (RPO) who fail to comply with mandatory filing and disclosure requirements. It is effective October 1, 2014.

MPO and RPO TAC Members Will Be Assessed Penalties and Face Possible Criminal Sanctions If They Fail to Timely File a Complete Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) and a Complete Real Estate Disclosure Form.

1. All MPO and RPO TAC members, and their alternates or designees, must file with the State Ethics Commission both an SEI and a Real Estate Disclosure Form which requires the member to list all real estate owned wholly or in part by the member, the member's extended family, or a business with which the member is associated within the jurisdiction of the MPO or RPO on which the member is serving.
2. MPO and RPO TAC members, and their alternates or designees, must file their SEI and Real Estate Disclosure Form annually by April 15th.
3. **Failure to timely file a complete SEI will result in a \$250 fine.**
4. **Failure to timely file a complete SEI** within 60 days of receipt of notice of failure to file or complete **shall be a Class 1 Misdemeanor**, and the Commission shall report such failure to the appropriate authorities for investigation and possible prosecution.
5. **Failure to timely file a complete Real Estate Disclosure Form will result in another \$250 fine.**
6. Thus, the total amount of fines can equal \$500 for the failure to timely file both forms.
7. **Failure to timely file a complete Real Estate Disclosure Form** within 60 days of receipt of notice of failure to file or complete **shall be a Class 1 Misdemeanor**, and the Commission shall report such failure to the appropriate authorities for investigation and possible prosecution.
8. The new changes take effect October 1, 2014.

The Ethics Commission will be providing much more information over the next several months.

For questions about the SEI and Real Estate Disclosure Form, please contact the State Ethics Commission's SEI Unit at 919-715-2071 or sei@doa.nc.gov.

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File annually by April 15, 2016, to avoid fines and other penalties.

READ EACH QUESTION CAREFULLY AS THE TIME PERIODS FOR REPORTING VARY PER THE NC STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT (N.C.G.S 138A)

- 1. PUBLIC RECORDS.** The State Ethics Commission (Commission) is required to collect and maintain disclosures from certain persons covered by the State Government Ethics Act (Ethics Act). *By law, the information requested is public record and available to the public upon request.* As public records, 2016 Statements of Economic Interest (SEI) are available on the Commission's website. Personal contact information, however, is not.
- 2 CONTACT INFORMATION PAGE.** The Contact Information page, which includes your personal contact information, will not be available on the Commission's website.
- 3. CHILDREN'S INITIALS.** Only list minor children's INITIALS on the SEI. List each child's full legal name on the Confidential Form at the end of the SEI. The Confidential Form is not a public record, and the Commission will not make it available to the public.
- 4. ANSWER EACH QUESTION.** It is important to answer each question, including all applicable sub-parts. Even if your answer is "no" or "not applicable," make certain you answer *each question*. Many of the questions have "yes" and "no" boxes to check for your convenience. Incomplete SEIs may cause delays and negatively impact your public service on a covered board or as an employee.
- 5. WHY ARE YOU FILING.** You must list the complete name of the state board or state agency employer for which you are filing the SEI. Without this information, your SEI may be delayed and negatively impact your public service on a covered board or as an employee.
- 6. HOW TO FILE.** The Commission strongly recommends *on-line filing* as it is secure, allows easy information updates, and gives you access to your electronic SEIs previously filed. Filing your SEI on-line is easy, quick, convenient, and reduces the chance of reporting errors. Getting started is easy. Follow the simple steps to create your own NCID account and get access today:

<http://www.ethicscommission.nc.gov/library>

To file a paper version of the SEI, you must provide the Commission with a *signed, original* SEI form. Each SEI includes an "affirmation" and is a legally binding document. Please sign your paper SEI in blue ink.

FAXED OR EMAILED COPIES OF YOUR SEI CANNOT BE ACCEPTED

- 7. INCOME.** List each source of income as requested on the SEI. The actual dollar amount is not required. Be sure to list your employer as a source of income in Question # 6 of the SEI.

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8. **READ CAREFULLY.** Read each question carefully, as the Ethics Act requires that you disclose your financial holdings and obligations, personal property, and real property and may also include your knowledge of the holdings of both your *immediate* family and your *extended* family. “Immediate family” and “extended family” are defined terms in the Ethics Act, and those definitions are included with this document.

PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO TIME PERIODS IN EACH QUESTION

9. **REFLECT.** Think carefully about WHY you are filing, and whether it has any relationship to your position. Does your board or commission license or regulate you? For many of the boards, a subject matter expert like a licensee is needed. Answering “yes” does *not* prohibit your service on the board, and your perspective is valued.

10. **MAKE A COPY.** Make a copy of the SEI for your own records, and make a note in your calendar when you submit it, whether on-line or by mail or hand delivery. When you successfully submit your SEI electronically *on-line*, the final screen will provide a confirmation number and will be definitive proof that you have satisfied your filing obligation. Please print the confirmation screen for your records.

11. **ETHICS LIAISON.** Contact your Ethics Liaison to assist you in your obligations under the Ethics Act. Your Ethics Liaison is good source of information about how to fill out your SEI.

12. **ON-LINE HELP.** The Ethics Commission has on-line resources to answer questions you may have about your SEI. For more information, please visit the **State Ethics Commission website** which has education offerings.

13. **DEFINITIONS.** As noted above, certain terms are defined in the Ethics Act (“immediate family”). These definitions may be helpful to you in completing your SEI. A complete list of all definitions used in the Ethics Act is available on the Commission’s website. Some of the more common ones are attached to this document.

14. **WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU.** In addition to on-line resources and written materials, the Ethics Commission has expert staff ready to answer any questions you might have and assist you in completing and filing your SEI. Do not hesitate to contact us at

sei@doa.nc.gov

(919)814-3600

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HELPFUL DEFINITIONS

The definitions below may be helpful to you in completing your SEI. A complete list of all definitions used in the State Government Ethics Act, N.C.G.S. § 138A-3, is available on the Commission's website.

Board. Any State board, commission, council, committee, task force, authority, or similar public body, however denominated, created by statute or executive order, as determined and designated by the Commission, except for those public bodies that have only advisory authority.

Business. Any of the following organized for profit: association, business trust, corporation, enterprise, joint venture, organization, partnership, proprietorship, vested trust, and every other business interest, including ownership or use of land for income.

Business with which associated. A business in which the covered person or filing person or any member of that covered person's or filing person's immediate family does any of the following: is an employee, holds a position as a director, officer, partner, proprietor, or member or manager of a limited liability company, irrespective of the amount of compensation received or the amount of the interest owned, owns a legal, equitable or beneficial interest of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more in the business or five percent (5%) of the business, whichever is less, other than as a trustee on a deed of trust, or is a lobbyist registered under Chapter 120C of the General Statutes.

For the purposes of this definition, the term "business" shall not include a widely held investment fund, regulated investment company, or pension or deferred compensation plan, if all of the following apply: the covered person, filing person, or a member of the covered person's or filing person's immediate family neither exercises nor has the ability to exercise control over the financial interests held by the fund, and the fund is publicly traded or the fund's assets are widely diversified.

Emancipation. A minor child, under the age of 18 years, is emancipated by the following acts: marriage, enlistment in the United States armed forces, or court action for emancipation.

Extended family. Spouse, lineal descendant, lineal ascendant, sibling, spouse's lineal descendant, spouse's lineal ascendant, spouse's sibling, and the spouse of any of these individuals.

Honoraria. Payments for services for which fees are not legally or traditionally required.

Immediate family. An unemancipated child of the covered person residing in the household and the covered person's spouse, if not legally separated. A member of a covered person's extended family shall also be considered a member of the immediate family if actually residing in the covered person's household.

Judicial officer. Justice or judge of the General Court of Justice, district attorney, clerk of court, or any individual elected or appointed to any of these positions prior to taking office.

Nonprofit corporation or organization with which associated. Any not for profit corporation, organization, or association, incorporated or otherwise, that is organized or operating in the State primarily for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, public health and safety, or educational purposes and of which the covered person,

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filing person, or any member of the covered person's or filing person's immediate family is a director, officer, governing board member, employee, lobbyist registered under Chapter 120C of the General Statutes, or independent contractor. Nonprofit corporation or organization with which associated shall not include any board, entity, or other organization created by this State or by any political subdivision of this State.

Person. Any individual, firm, partnership, committee, association, corporation, business, or any other organization or group of persons acting together. The term "person" does not include the State, a political subdivision of the State, a board, or any other entity or organization created by the State or a political subdivision of the State.

Person with which the legislator is associated. Any of the following: a member of the legislator's extended family, a client of the legislator, a business with which the legislator or a member of the legislator's immediate family is associated, a nonprofit corporation or association with which the legislator or a member of the legislator's immediate family is associated, the State, a political subdivision of the State, a board, or any other entity or organization created by the State or a political subdivision of the State that employs the legislator or a member of the legislator's immediate family.

Person with which the public servant is associated. Any of the following: a member of the public servant's extended family, a client of the public servant, a business with which the public servant or a member of the public servant's immediate family is associated, a nonprofit corporation or association with which the public servant or a member of the public servant's immediate family is associated, and the State, a political subdivision of the State, a board, or any other entity or organization created by the State or a political subdivision of the State that employs the public servant or a member of the public servant's immediate family.

Scholarship. A grant-in-aid to attend a conference, meeting, or other similar event, which includes all event-related expenses, like food, beverages, registration, travel and lodging.

Trusts: Blind Trust. A trust established by or for the benefit of a covered person or a member of the covered person's immediate family for divestiture of all control and knowledge of assets. A trust qualifies as a blind trust under this subdivision if the covered person or a member of the covered person's immediate family has no knowledge of the holdings and sources of income of the trust, the trustee of the trust is independent of and not associated with or employed by the covered person or a member of the covered person's immediate family and is not a member of the covered person's extended family, and the trustee has sole discretion as to the management of the trust assets.

Trusts: Vested Trust. A trust or annuity, or other funds held by a trustee or other third party for the benefit of the covered person or a member of the covered person's immediate family, except a blind trust. A vested trust shall not include a widely held investment fund, including a mutual fund, regulated investment company, or pension or deferred compensation plan, if the covered person or a member of the covered person's immediate family neither exercises nor has the ability to exercise control over the financial interests held by the fund; and the fund is publicly traded, or the fund's assets are widely diversified.

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SEI Filing: Candidate Special Edition

November 2015

Certain *candidates* for elected office are covered by the State Government Ethics Act, including the Governor, Lt. Governor, members of the Council of State, Legislators, and Judicial Officers. All candidates for these offices must file one Candidate Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) with the Ethics Commission between December 1, 2015 and February 1, 2016. 2015 Candidate SEI Forms will be available on our website beginning December 1, 2015. 2016 Candidate SEI Forms will be available from January 1 to February 1, 2016. If you are currently serving in a position for which you are required to file an annual SEI Form, you may file a 2016 Candidate SEI Form in January 2016 to fulfill both your candidate SEI filing requirement and your 2016 annual SEI filing requirement.

FILING YOUR SEI

- 1. WHO has to file?** Candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Agriculture Commissioner, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Legislature (House of Representatives and Senate), Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Superior Court, District Court, District Attorney, and Clerk of Court.
- 2. WHEN do I file?** Candidates may file their Candidate SEI Form in December 2015 or in January 2016. 2015 Candidate SEI Forms will be available for filing from December 1- 31, 2015. 2016 Candidate SEI Forms will be available on January 1, 2016. You may file either year; however, if you wait and file a 2016 Candidate SEI Form between January 1 and February 1, 2016, you will not have to re-file in 2016.
- 3. WHERE do I file?** You must file the SEI directly with the State Ethics Commission, not at the Board of Elections.
- 4. WHAT form do I use?** Use the special SEI Forms created for CANDIDATES. There are two Candidate SEI forms in 2015, and there will be two Candidate SEI forms available in 2016: a Candidate SEI No Change Form and a Candidate SEI Long Form. Please make sure you are filing a properly dated CANDIDATE SEI FORM.

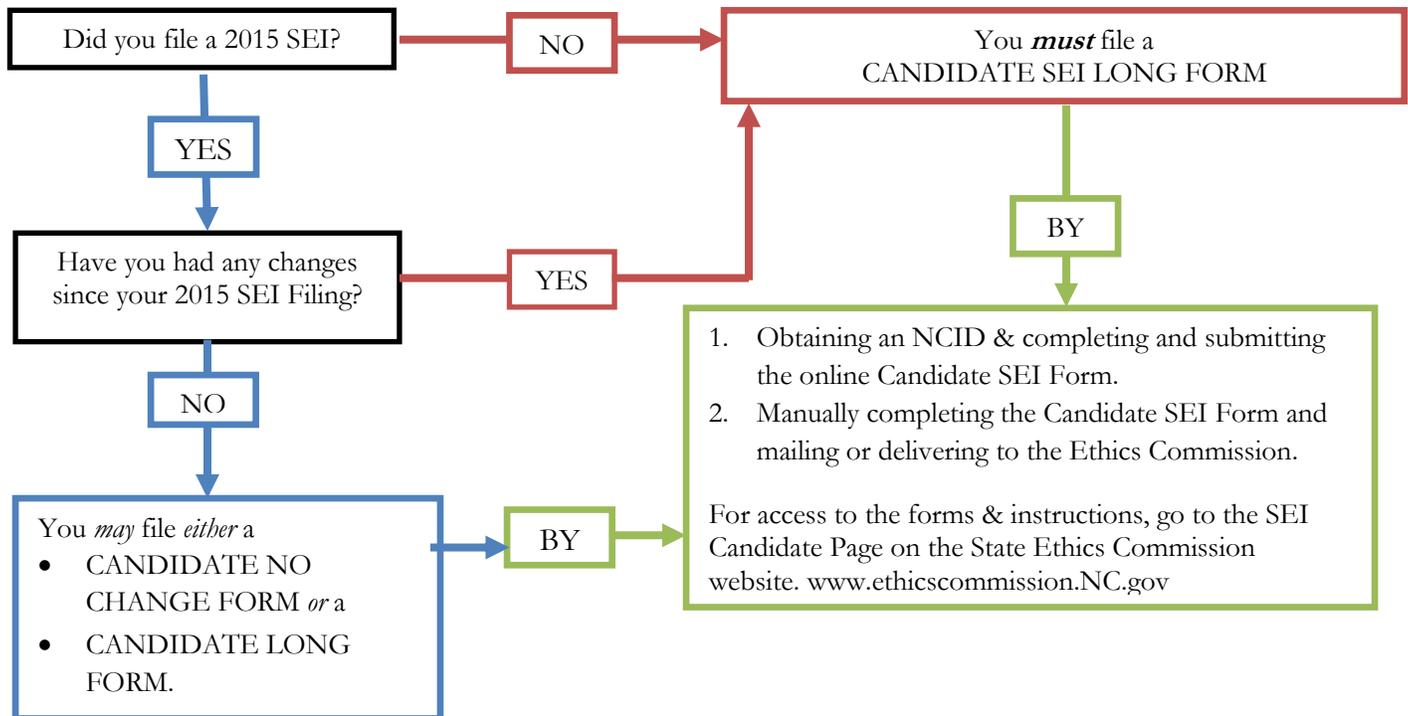
YOU MAY FILE THE CANDIDATE SEI NO CHANGE FORM IF:

- You filed a 2015 SEI and you have not had any changes in the information reported. You may file a "2015 Candidate SEI No Change Form" in December 2015 or you may wait and file a "2016 Candidate SEI No Change Form" between January 1 and February 1, 2016.

YOU MUST FILE THE CANDIDATE SEI LONG FORM IF:

- You filed a 2015 SEI Form, but there have been changes in the information reported; or
- You did NOT previously file a 2015 SEI Form.

- 5. HOW do I complete the form?** The Ethics Commission encourages you to submit your form electronically through the Commission's online filing website: <http://www.ethicscommission.nc.gov>. Follow the simple instructions to create an NCID account. You will receive immediate confirmation when you have successfully submitted your SEI form. You may also print the form from our website, complete and sign it, and submit it by mail or delivery to the Commission. If you file manually, keep a copy for your records.
- 6. WHERE DO I GET HELP?** Contact the State Ethics Commission at (919) 814-3600 or by e-mail at SEI@doa.nc.gov.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- If I am already covered by the State Government Ethics Act ("Ethics Act") and filed a form in 2015, can I wait and file by the April 15, 2016 annual filing deadline?**
No. You must file by February 1, 2016 if you are running for offices covered under the Ethics Act. However, you may file the 2016 Candidate SEI Form between January 1 and February 1, 2016 to cover both your candidate filing requirement and your annual filing requirement.
- Can I fax the form or file a copy?** No. You **must** file a **signed original** SEI form or file electronically through our website. No copies, faxes or emails will be accepted. We encourage you to file electronically through our website.
- Should I keep a signed copy?** Yes. We strongly encourage you to keep a signed copy for your records or if you file electronically, keep your confirmation number you will receive upon the successful submission of your SEI.
- Is my SEI a public record?** Yes. All SEIs, including candidate SEIs, are public records.

PENALTIES

- Are there fines for late or non-filing?** Yes. The Ethics Commission may levy a \$250.00 fine for failure to file your Candidate SEI between December 1, 2015 and February 1, 2016.
- Are there potential criminal penalties?** Yes. Knowingly concealing or failing to disclose information is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Knowingly providing false information is a Class H felony. In addition, knowingly concealing, failing to disclose, or providing false information may be used in prosecutions by other law enforcement agencies.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR
GOVERNOR, LT. GOVERNOR, COUNCIL OF STATE OR LEGISLATURE**

GIFTS

“Gift”. A “gift” is anything of monetary value given by a “prohibited giver.” There is no de minimis exception to the gift ban. The value of the gift does not matter.

CURRENTLY SERVING PUBLIC SERVANTS, LEGISLATORS & LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES

- **Public Servants.** If you are currently serving as a public servant (certain elected and appointed officials and employees in the executive branch), you are prohibited from accepting a gift from a lobbyist, lobbyist principal, or “interested person” (someone who is doing or seeking to do business with your agency or board; is regulated or controlled by your agency or board; or has financial interests that may be substantially and materially affected by your performance or nonperformance of your official duties) unless there is an exception to the gift ban. In addition, lobbyists and lobbyist principals are prohibited from giving you a gift unless a gift ban exception applies.
- **Legislators & Legislative Employees.** If you are currently a legislator or legislative employee, you are prohibited from accepting a “gift” from a lobbyist, lobbyist principal, or liaison personnel unless a gift ban exception applies. In addition, lobbyists and lobbyist principals are prohibited from giving you a gift unless there is an exception to the gift ban.

CANDIDATES NOT CURRENTLY SERVING

- If you are **not currently a public servant but have filed as a candidate for Governor, Lt. Governor, or Council of State**, lobbyists and lobbyist principals cannot give you gifts unless there is an exception in the Ethics Act that would allow that gift.
- If you are **not currently a member of the NC Legislature (or otherwise covered by the Ethics Act) but have filed as a candidate for State House of Representatives or State Senate**, lobbyists, lobbyist principals, and liaison personnel cannot give you gifts unless there is an exception in the Ethics Act that would allow that gift.

LOBBYISTS, LOBBYIST PRINCIPALS, & GOVERNMENTAL LIAISON PERSONNEL

- **Who is a lobbyist, lobbyist principal, or liaison personnel?** Generally, a lobbyist is someone who is paid by another (the “lobbyist principal”) to engage in communication or activities designed to influence legislative or executive action. A lobbyist principal is the person, organization, etc. on whose behalf the lobbyist lobbies. Liaison personnel are State and local government **employees** whose principal duties include lobbying legislators and legislative employees on behalf of State agencies. *Note: Some local governments have contract lobbyists who are not employees. If the local government has hired a contract lobbyist, the local government is a lobbyist principal and both the lobbyist and the local government lobbyist principal are subject to the gift ban.*
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Questions. If you have questions concerning a gift, please contact the State Ethics Commission at (919) 814-3600 or by e-mail at ethics.commission@doa.nc.gov.

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Attachment 5c

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
 FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
 SUBJECT: Update on recent Federal highway-related legislation

Purpose: To provide TCC members an update of pertinent highway legislation.

Discussion:

1. For the first time since 2005, Congress has passed a long-term surface transportation bill that gives state departments of transportation and transit agencies years of certainty to develop their infrastructure projects. The five-year, \$305 billion bill is called the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, or FAST Act.

The prior long-term bill expired in 2009 (SAFETEA-LU), and Congress passed a series of short-term extensions before lawmakers produced a two-year bill in 2012 (MAP-21) that has also been extended several times since it initially expired.

The FAST Act was passed by the Senate, and signed into law by President Obama on December 4, 2015.

2. S.1348 — 114th Congress (2015-2016) **Route to Opportunity And Development Act of 2015 or the ROAD Act of 2015**

- Amends the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, as amended, to revise the high priority Raleigh-Norfolk Corridor of the National Highway System between Raleigh, North Carolina, and Norfolk, Virginia, to include Rocky Mount, Williamston, and Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

05/14/2015 (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR [S2935](#))

Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: Senate

3. H.R.2211 — 114th Congress (2015-2016) **Route to Opportunity And Development Act of 2015 or the ROAD Act of 2015**

- Actions:

Introduced in House

5/01/2015 Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: House of Representatives

Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

05/01/2015 Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: House of Representatives

Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

05/04/2015 Type of Action: Committee Consideration

Action By: House Transportation and Infrastructure

4. H.R.1844 — 114th Congress (2015-2016) **Military Corridor Transportation Improvement Act of 2015**

- Amends the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, as amended, to declare as high priority corridors on the National Highway System as well as segments of the Interstate System: (1) U.S. Route 117/Interstate Route 795 from U.S. Route 70 in Goldsboro, Wayne County, North Carolina, to Interstate Route 40 west of Faison, Sampson County, North Carolina; and (2) U.S. Route 70 from its intersection with Interstate Route 40 in Garner, Wake County, North Carolina, to the Port at Morehead City, Carteret County, North Carolina.

Introduced in House

04/16/2015 Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: House of Representatives

Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

04/16/2015 Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: House of Representatives

Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

04/17/2015 Type of Action: Committee Consideration

Action By: House Transportation and Infrastructure

5. S.983 — 114th Congress (2015-2016) **Military Corridor Transportation Improvement Act of 2015**

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

04/16/2015 (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR [S2249](#))

Type of Action: Introduction and Referral

Action By: Senate

Action Needed: None

Attachments: Summary of FAST Act

FAST ACT

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (**FAST**) Act is five-year legislation to improve the Nation's surface transportation infrastructure, including our roads, bridges, transit systems, and rail transportation network. The bill reforms and strengthens transportation programs, refocuses on national priorities, provides long-term certainty and more flexibility for states and local governments, streamlines project approval processes, and maintains a strong commitment to safety.

ROADS & BRIDGES

- Facilitates commerce and the movement of goods by refocusing existing funding for a National Highway Freight Program and a Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects Program
- Expands funding available for bridges off the National Highway System
- Converts the Surface Transportation Program (STP) to a block grant program, increases flexibility for states and local governments, and rolls the Transportation Alternatives Program into the STP Block Grant
- Streamlines the environmental review and permitting process to accelerate project approvals
- Eliminates or consolidates at least six separate offices within the Department of Transportation and establishes a National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau to help states, local governments, and the private sector with project delivery
- Increases transparency by requiring the Department of Transportation to provide project-level information to Congress and the public
- Promotes private investment in our surface transportation system
- Promotes the deployment of transportation technologies and congestion management tools
- Encourages installation of vehicle-to-infrastructure equipment to improve congestion and safety
- Updates research and transportation standards development to reflect the growth of technology

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- Increases dedicated bus funding by 89% over the life of the bill
- Provides both stable formula funding and a competitive grant program to address bus and bus facility needs
- Reforms public transportation procurement to make federal investment more cost effective and competitive
- Consolidates and refocuses transit research activities to increase efficiency and accountability
- Establishes a pilot program for communities to expand transit through the use of public-private partnerships
- Eliminates the set aside for allocated transit improvements
- Provides flexibility for recipients to use federal funds to meet their state of good repair needs
- Provides for the coordination of public transportation services with other federally assisted transportation services to aid in the mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities
- Requires a review of safety standards and protocols to evaluate the need to establish federal minimum safety standards in public transportation and requires the results to be made public

HIGHWAY & MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

- Focuses funding for roadway safety critical needs
- Increases percentage of National Priority Safety Program states can spend on traditional safety programs
- Ensures more states are eligible for safety incentive grant funds and encourages states to adopt additional safety improvements
- Encourages states to increase safety awareness of commercial motor vehicles

- Increases funding for highway-railway grade crossings
- Requires a feasibility study for an impairment standard for drivers under the influence of marijuana
- Improves the auto safety recall process to better inform and protect consumers
- Increases accountability in the automobile industry for safety-related issues

TRUCK & BUS SAFETY

- Overhauls the rulemaking process for truck and bus safety to improve transparency
- Consolidates truck and bus safety grant programs and provides state flexibility on safety priorities
- Incentivizes the adoption of innovative truck and bus safety technologies
- Requires changes to the Compliance, Safety, Accountability program to improve transparency in the FMCSA's oversight activity
- Improves truck and bus safety by accelerating the introduction of new transportation technologies

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- Grants states more power to decide how to spend training and planning funds for first responders
- Requires Class I railroads to provide crude oil movement information to emergency responders
- Reforms an underutilized grant program for state and Indian tribe emergency response efforts
- Better leverages training funding for hazmat employees and those enforcing hazmat regulations
- Requires real-world testing and a data-driven approach to braking technology
- Enhances safety for both new tank cars and legacy tank cars
- Speeds up administrative processes for hazmat special permits and approvals
- Cuts red tape to allow a more nimble federal response during national emergencies

RAILROADS

- Provides robust reforms for Amtrak, including reorganizing the way Amtrak operates into business lines
- Gives states greater control over their routes, by creating a State-Supported Route Committee
- Speeds up the environmental review process for rail projects
- Creates opportunities for the private sector through station and right-of-way development
- Consolidates rail grant programs for passenger, freight, and other rail activities
- Establishes a Federal-State Partnership for State of Good Repair grant program
- Strengthens Northeast Corridor planning to make Amtrak more accountable and states equal partners
- Allows competitors to operate up to three Amtrak long-distance lines, if at less cost to the taxpayer
- Strengthens passenger and commuter rail safety, and track and bridge safety
- Preserves historic sites for rail while ensuring that safety improvements can move forward
- Unlocks and reforms the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing (RRIF) loan program
- Includes reforms to get RRIF loans approved more quickly with enhanced transparency
- Provides commuter railroads with competitive grants and loans to spur timely Positive Train Control implementation
- Provides competitive opportunities for the enhancement and restoration of rail service

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- Includes strongly bipartisan measures to simplify rules and regulations, aid consumers, enhance our capital markets, assist low-income housing residents, and help build a healthier economy
- Includes bipartisan provisions to provide energy infrastructure and security upgrades
- Streamlines the review process for infrastructure, energy, and other construction projects

FINANCING PROVISIONS

- Includes fiscally responsible provisions to ensure the bill is fully paid for
- Ensures the Highway Trust Fund is authorized to meet its obligations through FY 2020
- Directs offsets from the FAST Act into the Highway Trust Fund to ensure fund solvency
- Reauthorizes the dedicated revenue sources to the Highway Trust Fund, which periodically expire



Attachment 5d

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Bicycle and Pedestrian Counts on local greenways

Purpose: To provide TCC members a summary of bicyclists and pedestrians counted on 2 locations on the greenway system.

Discussion: Greenway counters were installed in two locations and started providing counts on December 17, 2015. The counting equipment can differentiate between cyclists and pedestrians.

Action Needed: None.

Attachments: Bike/ped counts summary



10th St / Forest Hill Dr

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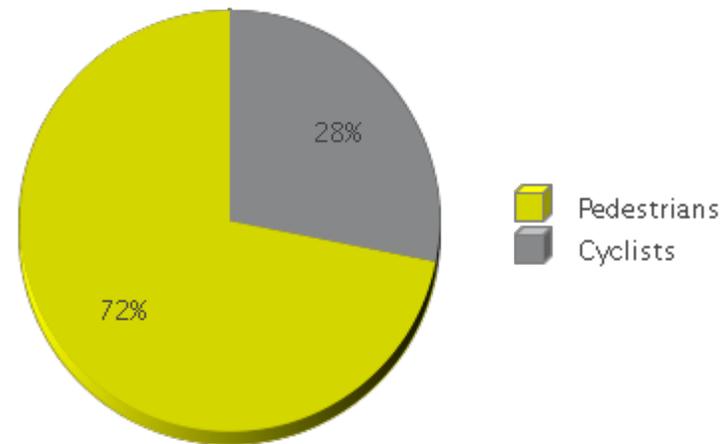


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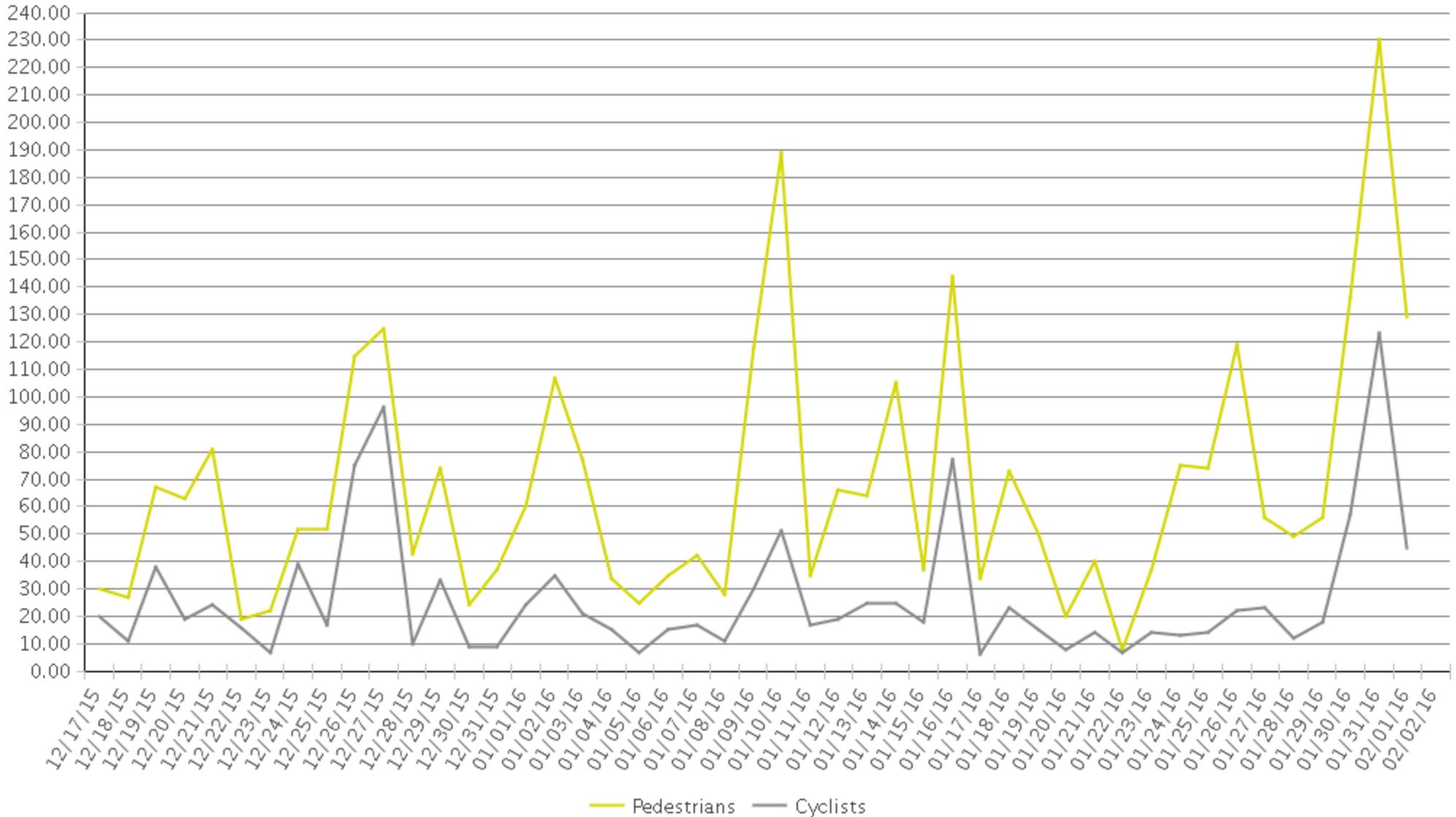
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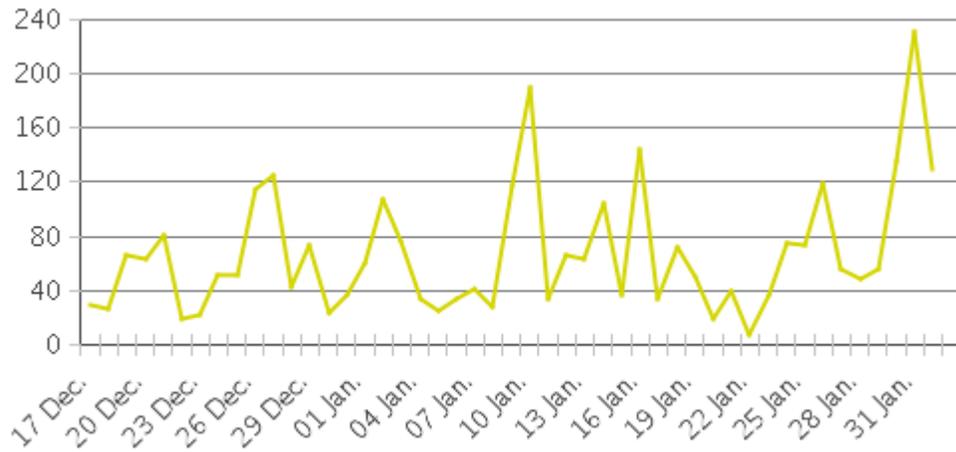


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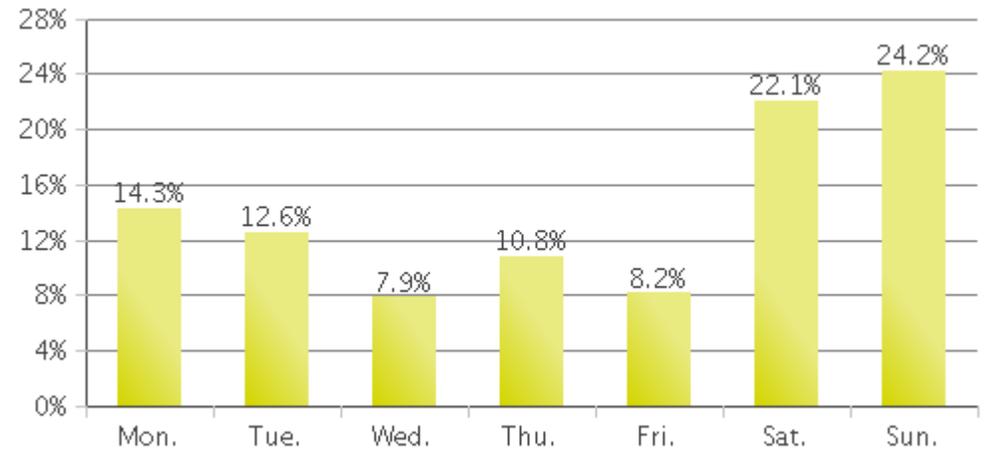
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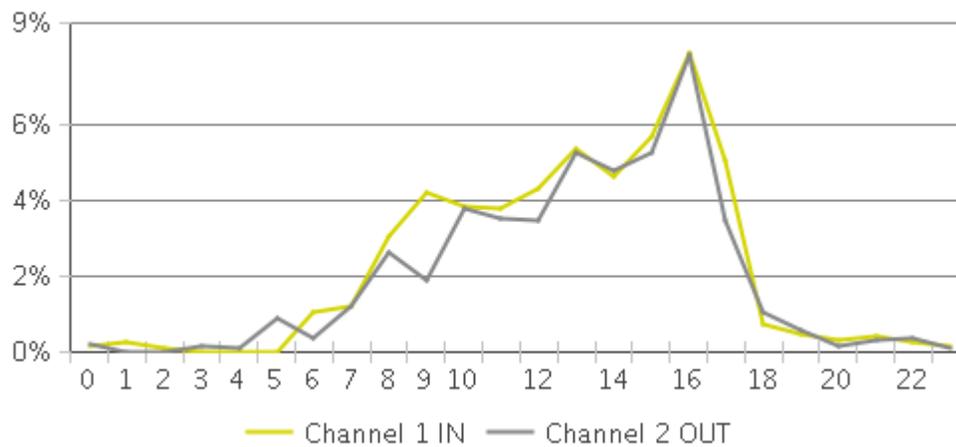
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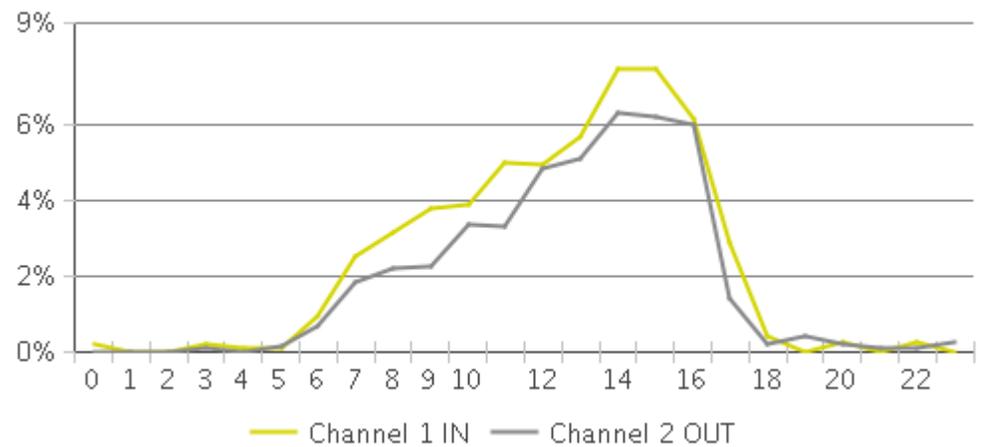
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Hourly Profile during the Weekend



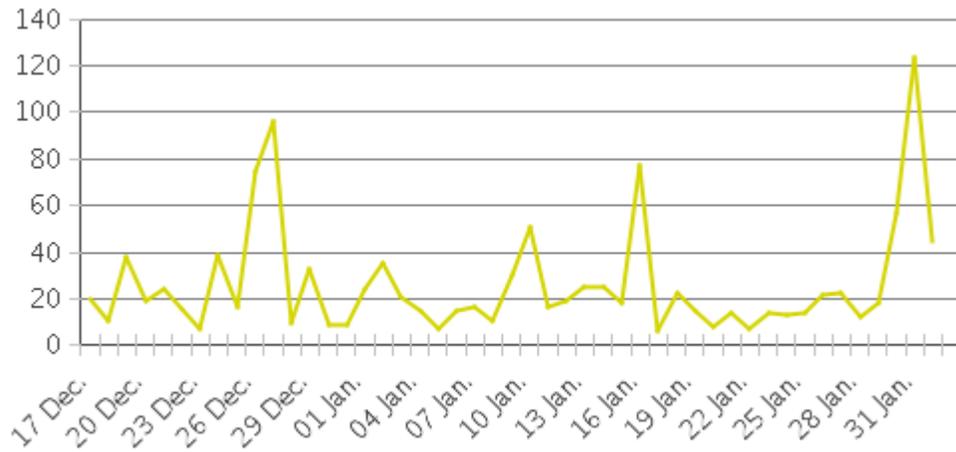


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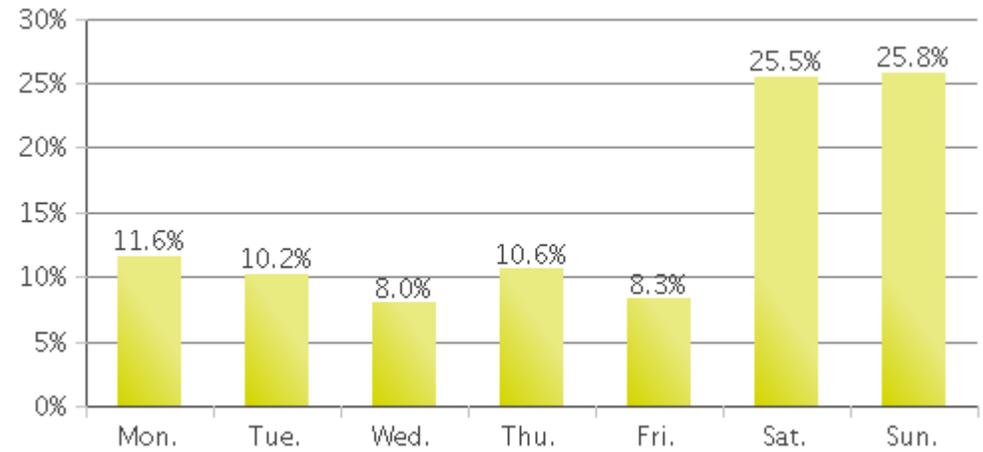
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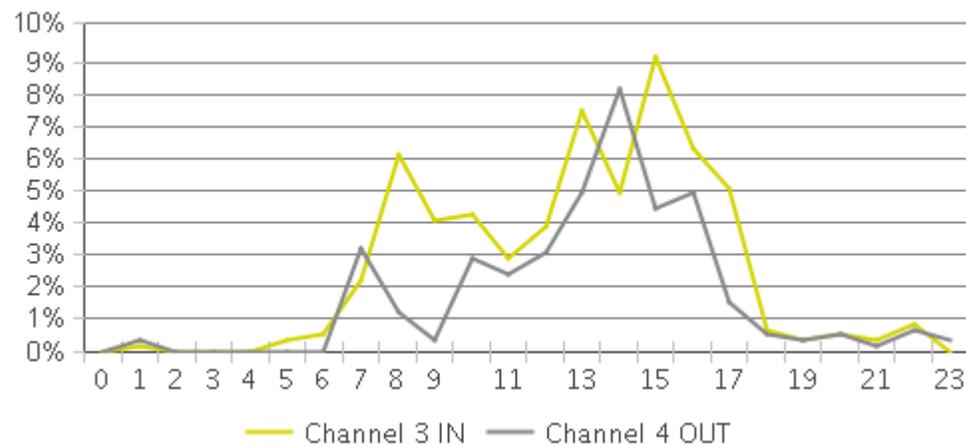
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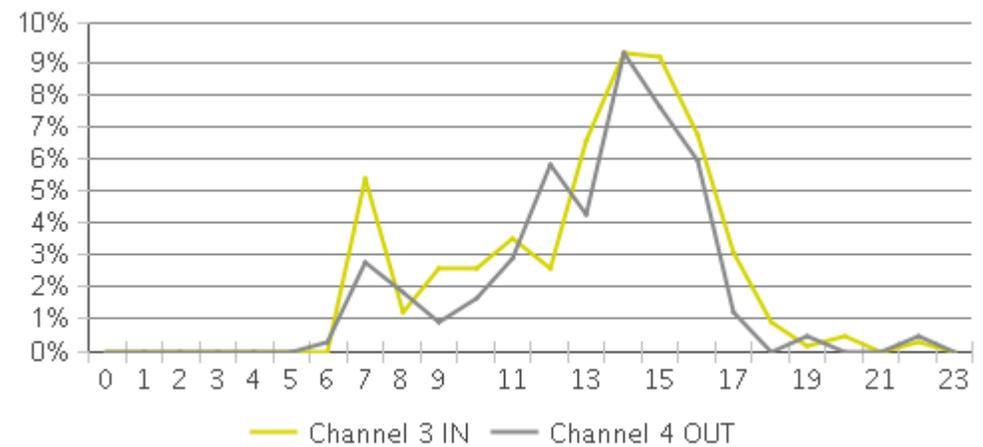
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Hourly Profile during Weekdays



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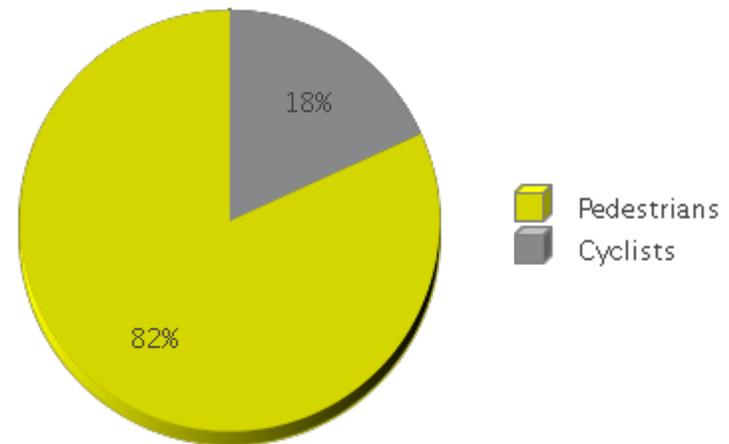


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				IN	OUT
Pedestrians	9,523	203	Sunday	53	47
Cyclists	2,120	45	Sunday	54	46



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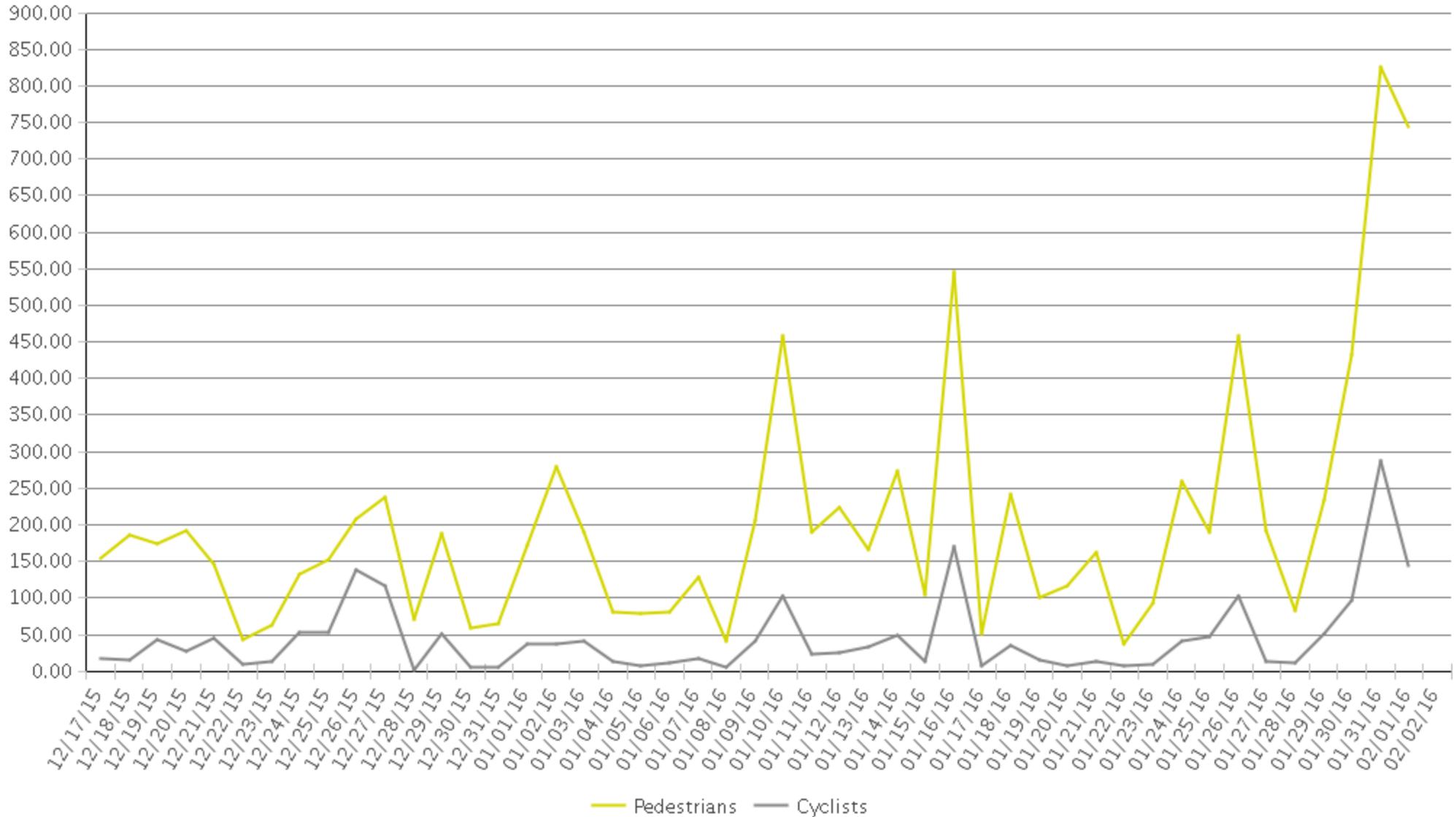
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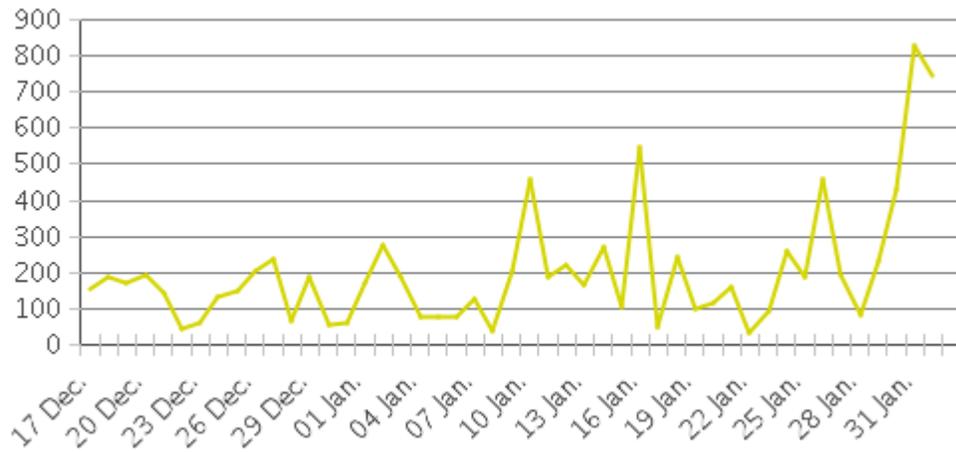


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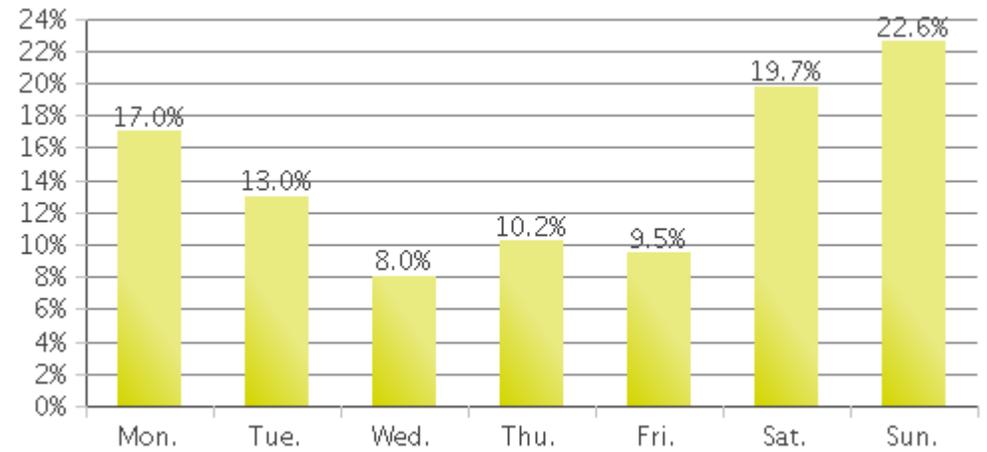
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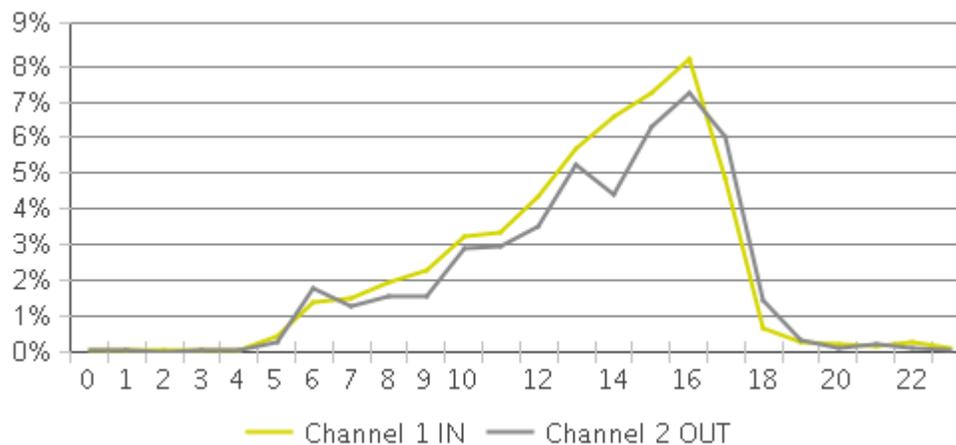
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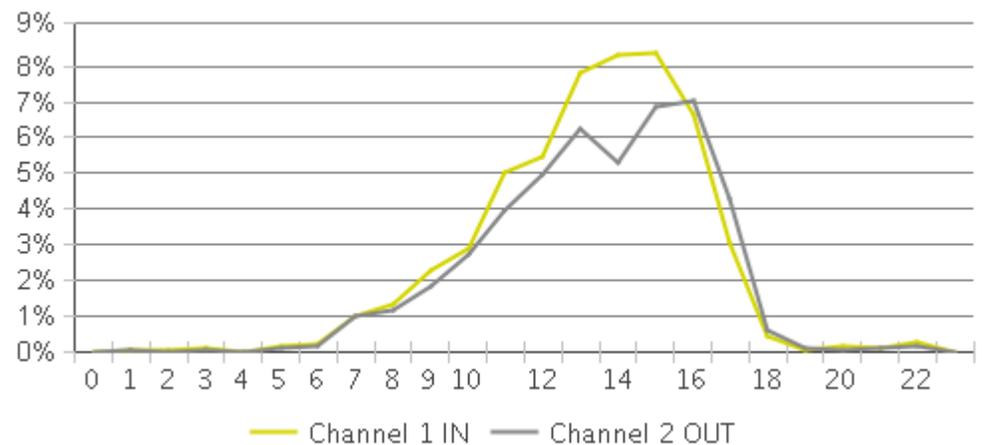
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Hourly Profile during Weekdays



Hourly Profile during the Weekend



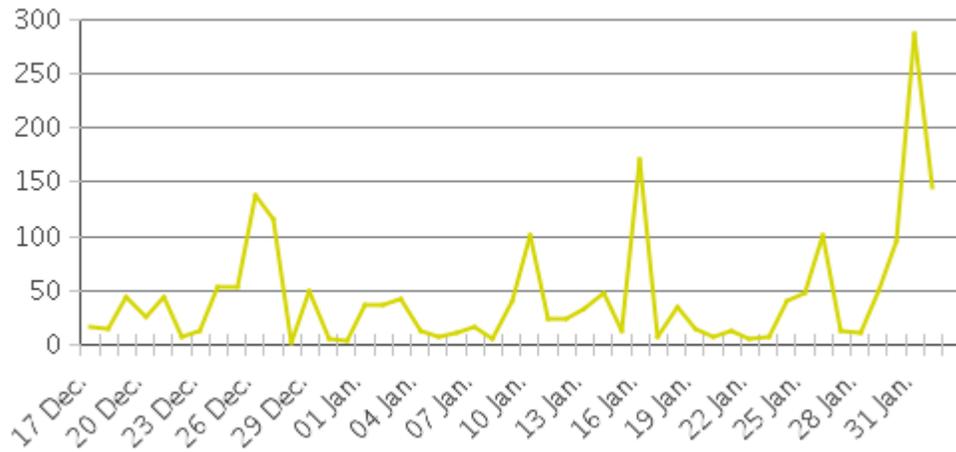


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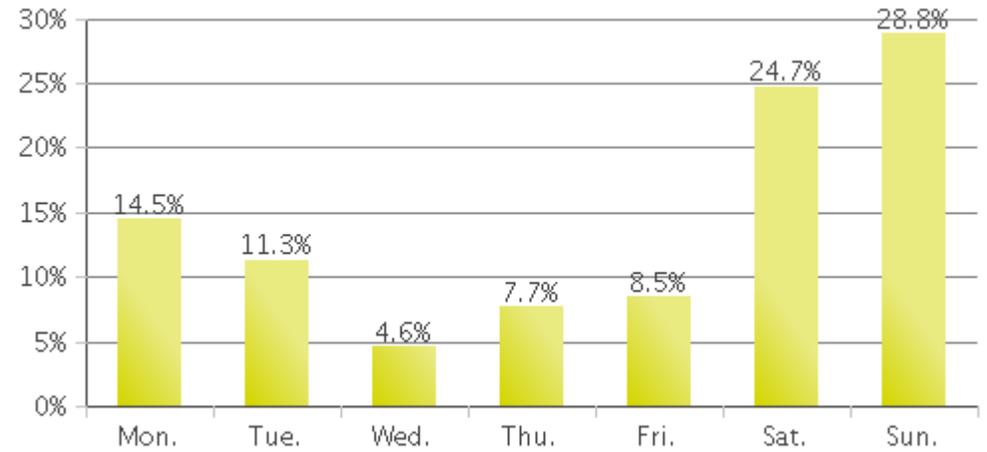
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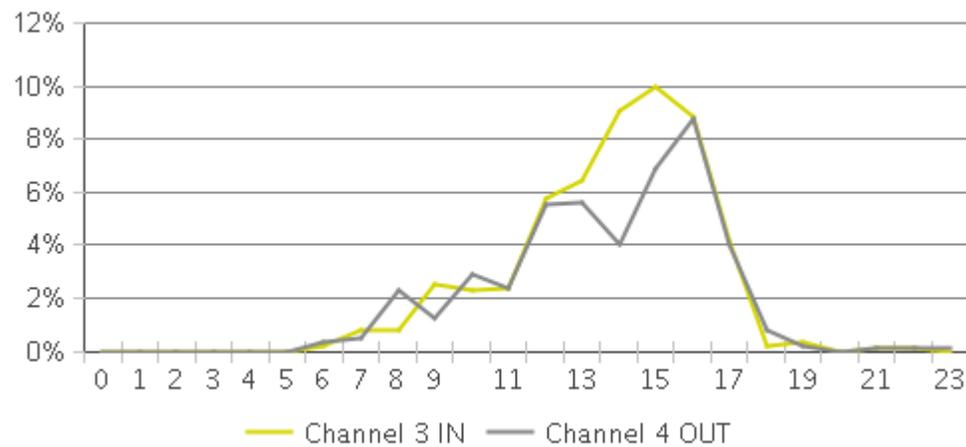
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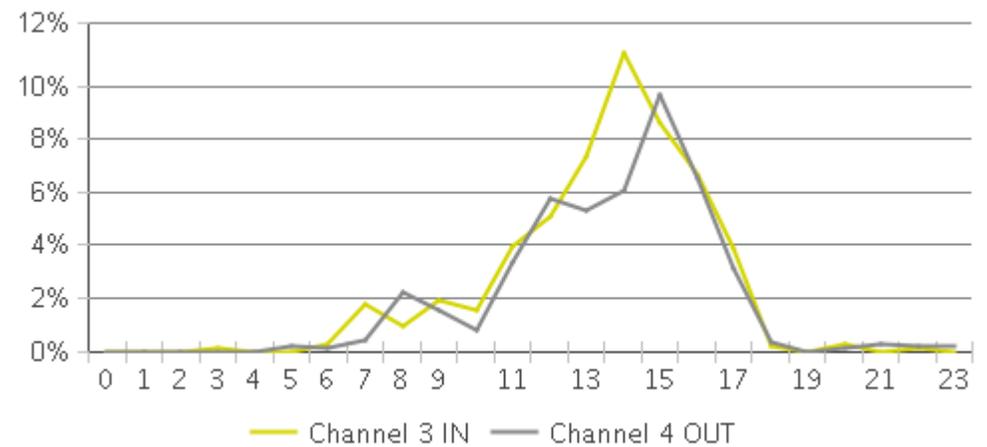
Weekly Profile



Hourly Profile during Weekdays



Hourly Profile during the Weekend





Attachment 5e

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Mapping 10 years of fatal traffic accidents

Purpose: To provide TCC members a maps obtained from www.metrocosm.com.

Discussion: MPO staff learned about traffic fatality maps provided by metrocosm website, and are hereby shared with the MPO.

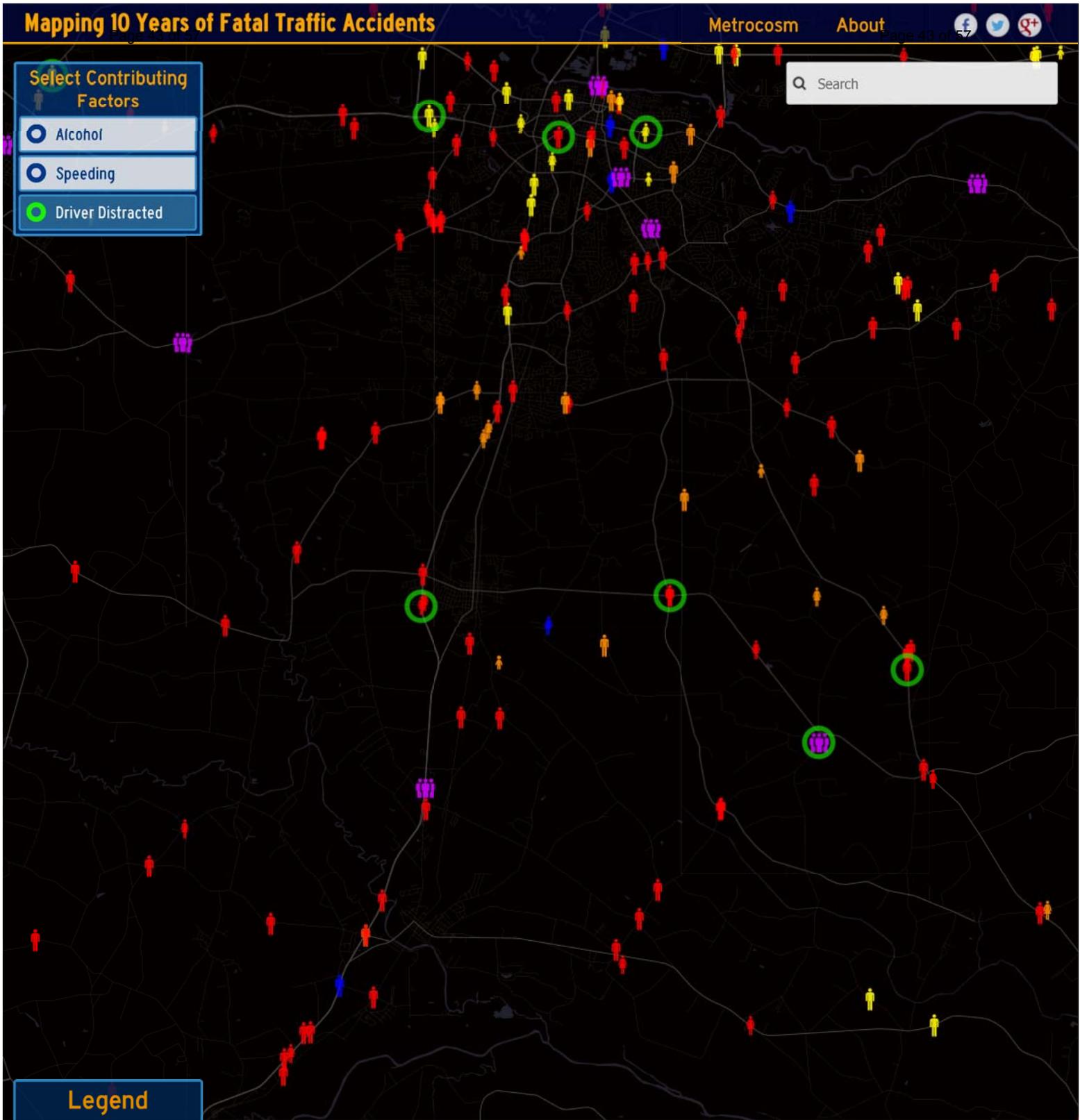
Based on data from the Department of Transportation's [Fatality Analysis Reporting System \(FARS\)](#), the maps plot the location of every fatal U.S. traffic accident from 2004 to 2013. When zoomed in, each icon's shape and color represent information about the person whose life the accident claimed.

The website goes on to report that (nationally) in 58% of fatal crashes from 2004 to 2013, FARS lists at least one of the three factors (alcohol, speeding, or a distracted driver) analyzed as a contributing cause of the crash.

Unfortunately, the website does not allow display of road names, nor changing of the background color.

Action Needed: None.

Attachments: Maps of traffic accidents obtained by metrocosm.com



Select Contributing Factors

- Alcohol
- Speeding
- Driver Distracted

Legend

- Driver
- Passenger
- Pedestrian
- Bicyclist
- Multiple
- Other

 Man
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  Child
  Multiple

Mapping 10 Years of Fatal Traffic Accidents

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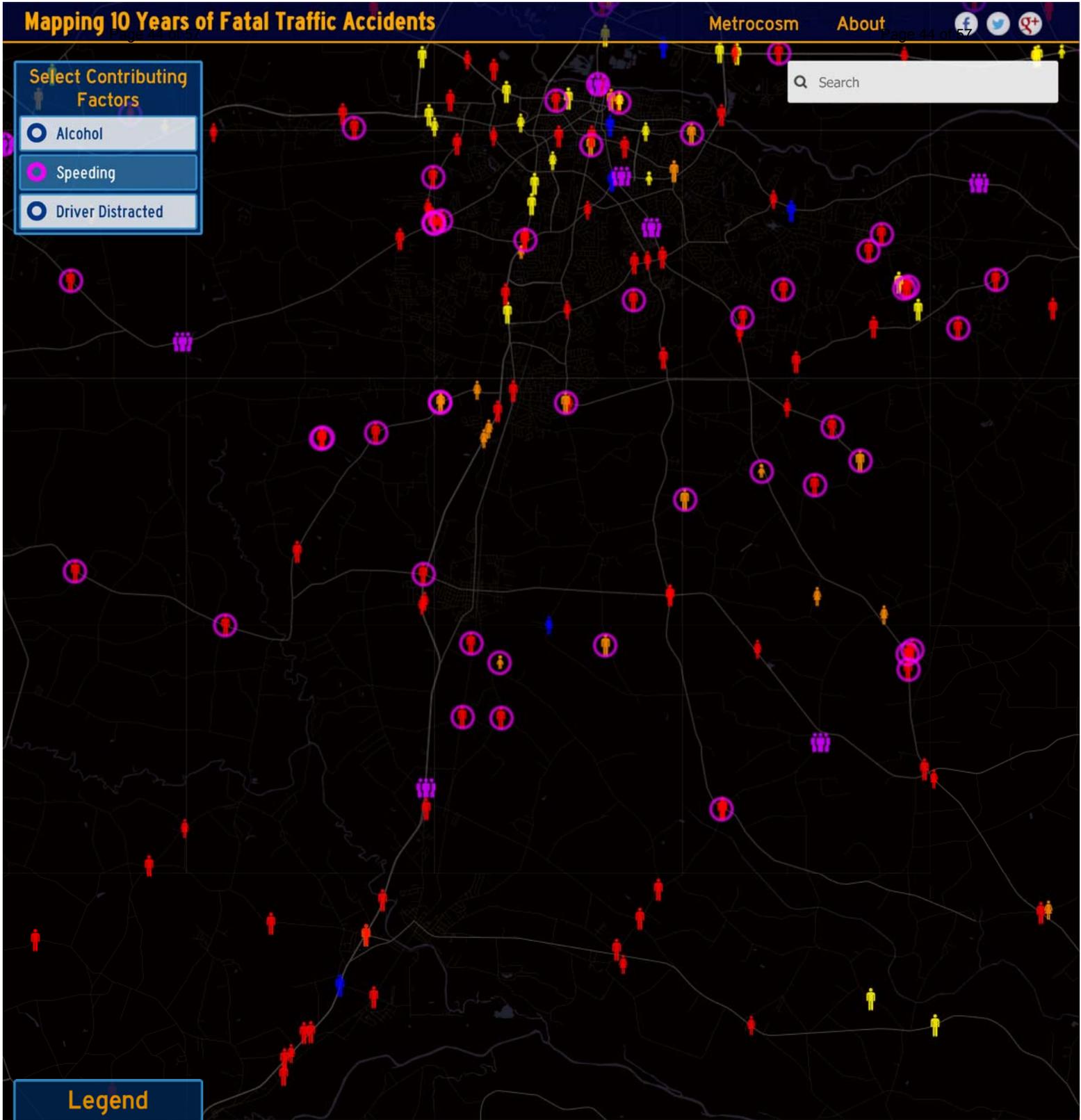
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Alcohol

Speeding

Driver Distracted

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Legend

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- Passenger
- Pedestrian
- Bicyclist
- Multiple
- Other



Mapping 10 Years of Fatal Traffic Accidents

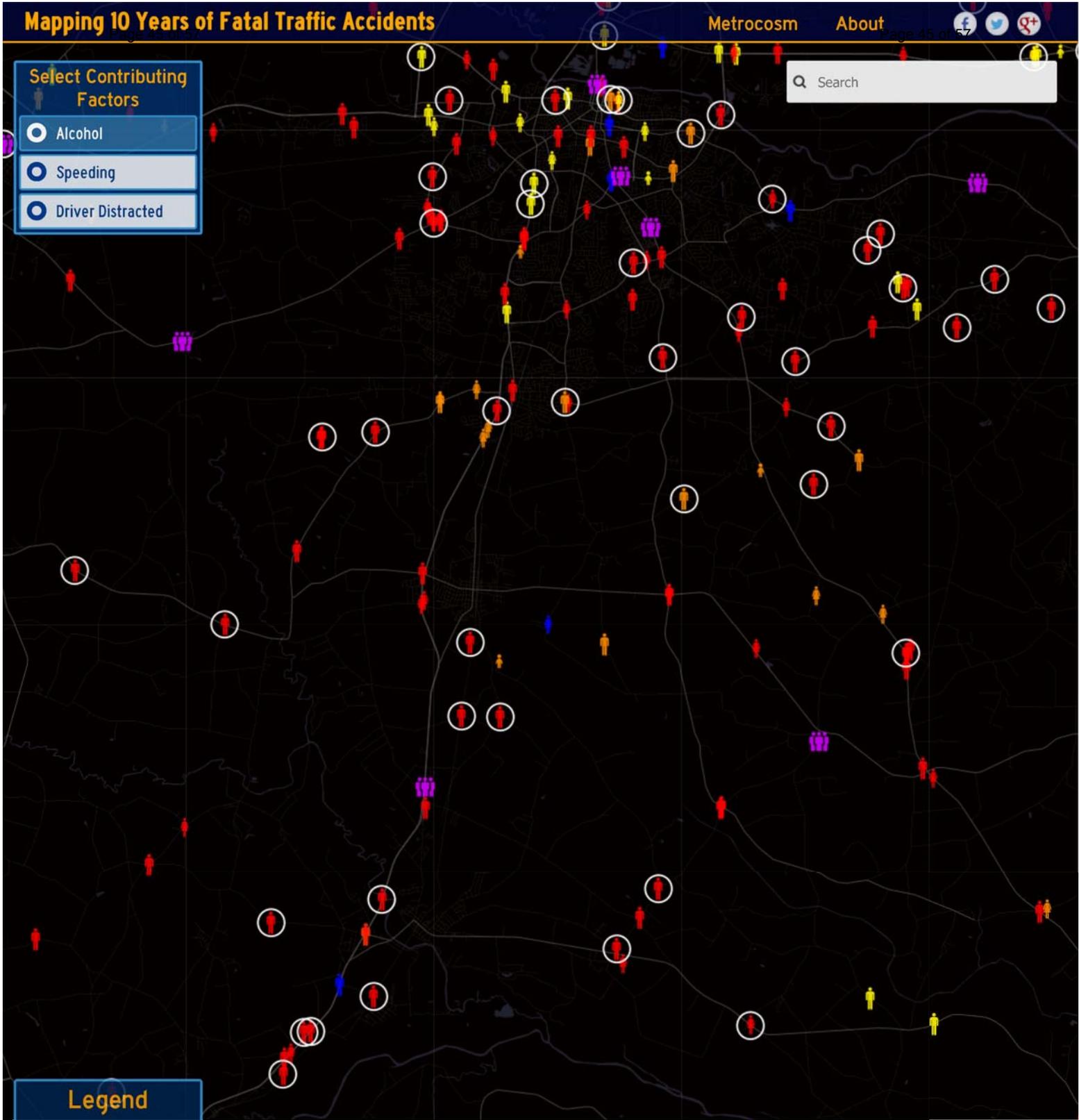
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Select Contributing Factors

- Alcohol
- Speeding
- Driver Distracted

Search



Legend

- Driver
- Passenger
- Pedestrian
- Bicyclist
- Multiple
- Other

Man Woman Child Multiple

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Mapping 10 Years of Fatal Traffic Accidents

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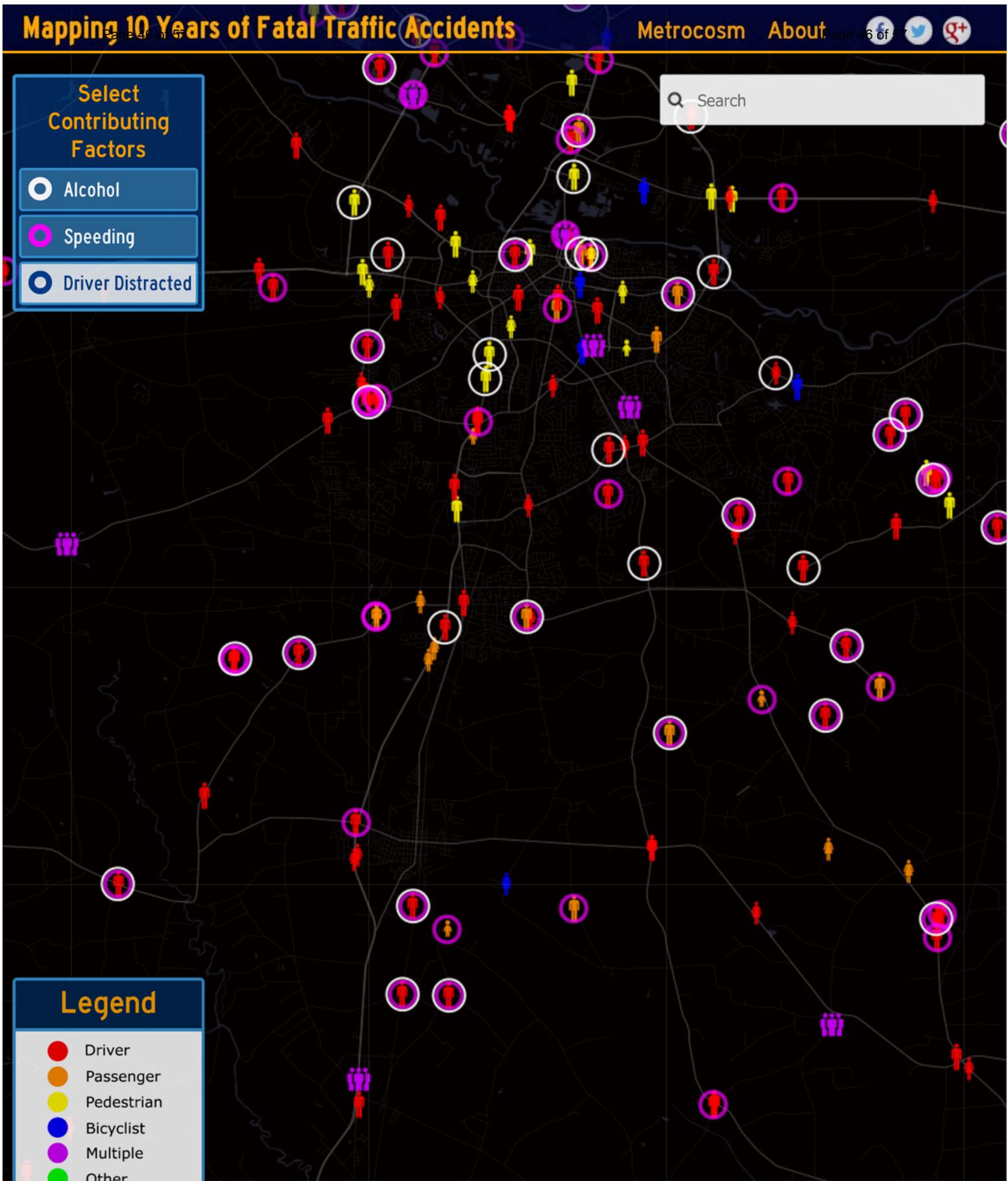
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Select Contributing Factors

- Alcohol
- Speeding
- Driver Distracted

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Legend

- Driver
- Passenger
- Pedestrian
- Bicyclist
- Multiple
- Other

Man Woman Child Multiple



Mapping 10 Years of Fatal Traffic Accidents

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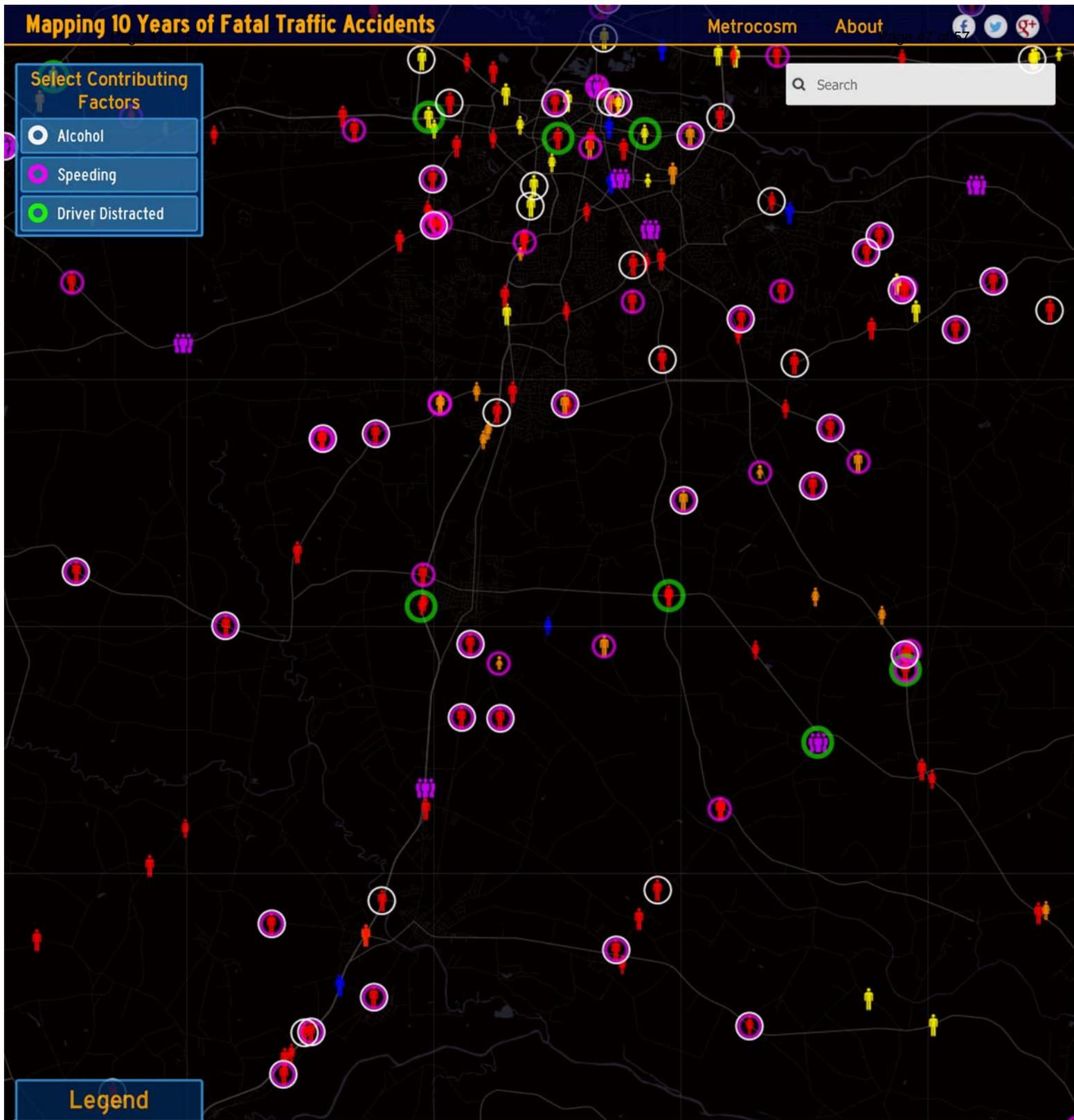


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Search

Select Contributing Factors

- Alcohol
- Speeding
- Driver Distracted



Legend

- Driver (Red circle)
- Passenger (Orange circle)
- Pedestrian (Yellow circle)
- Bicyclist (Blue circle)
- Multiple (Pink circle)
- Other (Green circle)

Man Woman Child Multiple



Mapping 10 Years of Fatal Traffic Accidents

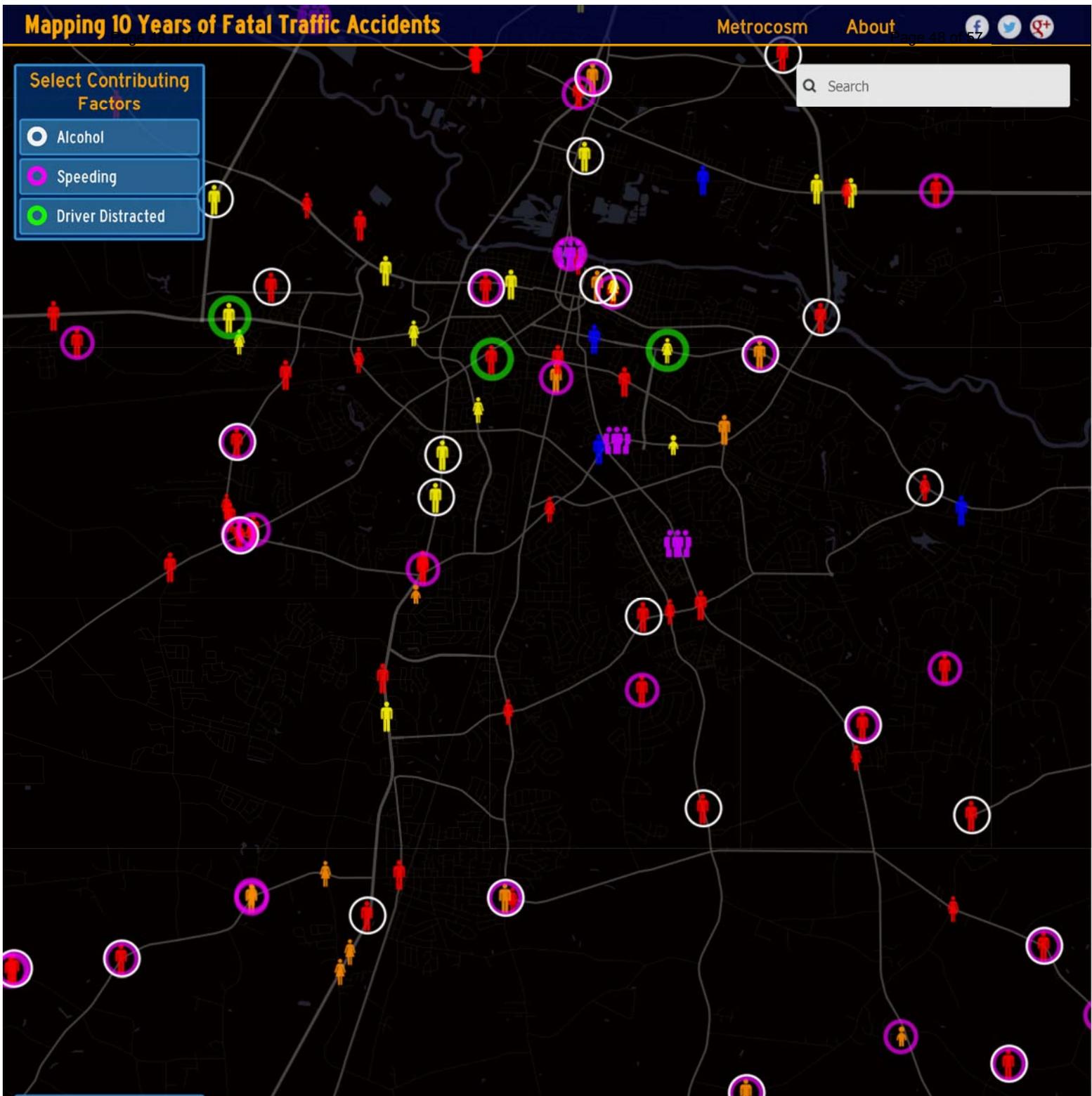
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Select Contributing Factors

- Alcohol
- Speeding
- Driver Distracted



Legend

- Driver
- Passenger
- Pedestrian
- Bicyclist
- Multiple
- Other





Attachment 5f

Technical Coordinating Committee

Action Required

February 10, 2016

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee
FROM: Daryl Vreeland, AICP, Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: NCDOT's new pothole and other roadway problem online reporting tool

Purpose: To inform TCC members about NCDOT's new online roadway problem reporting system for State-maintained roadways.

Discussion: MPO staff learned about NCDOT's new web-based problem reporting system.

To test it out, I reported the pothole on Greenville Blvd at the intersection of Arlington Boulevard. Submitting the information was quick and easy and I received email response that my submittal was received.

Later the same day, I received an email notifying me that the status of my request has been updated. Following the emailed link, I found out that my request has been completed. The next day I took the following photo, proving that NCDOT responds in a timely manner with this new system.



NCDOT: Contact us | Check status of a problem

[Home](#) [link: /] » [Contact](#) [link: /contact/] » Report status

Report status

Thank you for following up on this issue!

Repair status

The timeline for report is as follows:

SubmittedOn:
1/14/2016

Resolution:
Fixed by C.James.

ClosedOn:
1/14/2016

County:
Pitt

Action Needed: Inform your communities of NCDOT's online reporting system for State-maintained roadways.

Attachments: Screen capture of reportable problems newspaper article.

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Contact us

How can we help you?



Report a problem



Potholes [link: /contact/report/pothole/]



Culvert Blockage [link: /contact/report/culvert/]



Drainage Issue [link: /contact/report/drainage/]



Guardrail Repair [link: /contact/report/guardrail/]



Highway Debris [link: /contact/report/debris/]



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Missing or Damaged Signage [link: /contact/report/signage/]



Shoulder Damage [link: /contact/report/shoulder/]



DMV Problem [link: https://apps.ncdot.gov/contactus/PostComment.aspx?Unit=DMVGeneral]



Other Problem [link: https://apps.ncdot.gov/contactus/PostComment.aspx?Unit=PIO]



Ask a question



General questions [link: https://apps.ncdot.gov/contactus/PostComment.aspx?Unit=PIO]



Questions about DMV [link: https://apps.ncdot.gov/contactus/PostComment.aspx?Unit=DMVGeneral]



Get more contact options



File a claim [link: http://www.ncdot.gov/contact/countyContacts.html?name=*]



Employee Directory [link: https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/dot/directory/]



Public Records Requests [link: http://ncdot.gov/contact/PRR.html]



Media Contacts [link: http://ncdot.gov/newsroom]



Traffic Counts [link: https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/ContactUs/PostComment.aspx?Unit=TrafficCnt]



Get status on a previously reported issue [link: /contact/status/]



Process Agent

LOCAL JANUARY 11, 2016 6:09 PM

N.C. DOT now has 2-day deadline to fix potholes

HIGHLIGHTS

The legislature has mandated strict new deadlines for responding to citizen complaints

Potholes must be fixed within two business days; other problems, 10 to 15 days



A pothole measuring more than 3 feet across appeared in Wendell in 2012. NCDOT is now required by law to fix any reported pothole within two business days. **Paul A. Specht** - aspecth@newsobserver.com

BY BRUCE SICELOFF
[\(Raleigh\) News & Observer](#)

RALEIGH — The clock starts ticking when you click the SUBMIT button.

When anybody reports a pothole on a state-maintained road, the state Department of Transportation has two business days to repair it.

That's the law. The General Assembly last year ordered up a new "DOT Report" program in an effort to make government more responsive to citizens.

And potholes are a good place to start.

Using a toll-free number or DOT's revamped "Contact Us" web page, you can report potholes and other ills, including clogged culverts, damaged shoulders, drainage issues, highway debris and bad guardrails, traffic signals and traffic signs.

This quick two-day turnaround is mandated only for pothole fixes. DOT is allowed 10 business days to "properly address" other safety-related complaints, and 15 days for problems where safety is not at risk. The law took effect Jan. 1.

Larry Huff is one citizen who welcomes this new accountability.

"Make 'em do what they're supposed to do," Huff said. "That's what we pay our taxes for."

He lives south of Raleigh in the Colonial Heights neighborhood, where potholes are a perennial problem on the state-maintained subdivision streets. He sometimes calls DOT's Wake County maintenance office, and he says he sees results within a few days.

"I hit a pothole here pretty hard the other day, and I was going to call in about it," said Huff, 72. "I noticed yesterday it's been fixed."

Now DOT says there's no need to look up numbers for specific counties. Call DOT's toll-free number (1-877-368-4968) or go online to ncdot.gov/contact/.

You'll be asked to explain the problem, with specifics (for example: Is it bad enough to damage a car?). Don't forget to describe the location, including the county name, so DOT crews can find it. You'll be asked for your contact information, so DOT can ask follow-up

questions and let you know what happens.

The new web form is plugged into DOT's Citizen Action Request System (CARS). If that pothole is in, say, Chatham County, the message is supposed to be routed automatically to the Chatham maintenance office.

"So when the pothole repair crew comes in this morning, they can punch up that reporting system and see there's a pothole report that came in last night," said Steve Abbott, a DOT spokesman. "And they can go right out the door and fix it."

It's a technology upgrade that should work faster because it gets rid of an old human layer that was called ... Steve Abbott.

Along with fielding reporters' queries and writing news releases, Abbott used to read citizen emails from across the state each day. He figured out where to send them, or he responded to the email with a request for more particulars.

"I was an extra layer," Abbott said. "They basically are eliminating an extra layer. This helps us get better information from the citizen, and it helps us respond much better."

It's not clear how well the new DOT program will work, and how much it will cost. DOT officials initially told the legislature's fiscal analysts that the new deadlines would cost about \$30 million a year. Later they revised their cost projection to near zero.

The DOT Report effort has not been publicized yet because DOT officials want to start out with a quiet test drive. Mild winter weather has given them a break, with fewer pothole problems than drivers usually encounter in January.

Larry Huff says he'll be glad to help them out with their trial run.

"Yes, I will," Huff said. "I'm sure I can find a

pothole in my neighborhood without looking very hard.”

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CLICK, AND IT SHALL BE FIXED

On Jan. 1, the state Department of Transportation quietly launched a program to field citizen complaints about potholes and other road ills, including problems with traffic signs and signals, guardrails and shoulders.

It's online at ncdot.gov/contact/.

A new state law gives DOT two days to fix potholes, and it sets longer deadlines for other problems. Because citizens aren't always sure whether a particular road is maintained by local government or by DOT, the law requires DOT to forward the complaint to local government if necessary.

Many cities, including Charlotte, field citizen complaints through the SeeClickFix.com website.



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Step It Up!: Action Institute to Increase Walking and Walkability
(April 26-28 in Atlanta, Georgia)

**Metropolitan Planning Organization Regions
Request for Funding Assistance**

Applications due: January 22, 2016 by 11:59 pm ET to kedwards@chronicdisease.org

A. PURPOSE

The National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity (DNPAO) seeks applications from Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) regions for competitive funding assistance to support attendance at the second annual walkability action institute, entitled "*Step It Up!: Action Institute to Increase Walking and Walkability.*"

The purpose is to prepare interdisciplinary teams from MPO regions to pursue policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) supports for walking and walkability. This action institute will provide teams with the most up-to-date academic and applied learning methods, and will reinforce and support implementation of significant national public health policy statements promoting walking and walkability, such as *Step It Up! -- The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Promote Walking and Walkable Communities* (SGCTA). NACDD and CDC are interested in applicant teams who can commit to all of the project deliverables outlined in this request for funding assistance (RFA) and produce measurable PSE outcomes after attending the action institute.

B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Regular physical activity can lead to reductions in chronic disease risk and burden. Walking is an easy, cost-efficient and common form of physical activity that can help many more people meet the *2008 Physical Activity Guidelines* and obtain health benefits. Most people are able to walk, including many people with disabilities who are able to walk or move with assistive devices such as wheelchairs or walkers. Improved walkability can make communities safer, support social cohesion, reduce air pollution and benefit local economies. To promote walking and walkability throughout the country, NACDD and CDC will partner with at least 10 MPO regions to achieve PSE outcomes that create equitable access to opportunities for walking, community and transportation design, policies and practices that improve walkability.

NACDD seeks collaborative applications from MPO regions to participate in this walkability action institute project. NACDD has travel assistance funding for up to 10 interdisciplinary regional teams to attend the action institute with the CDC, NACDD, and an expert course faculty team. All members of the teams selected will commit to participate in each of the following project activities: attend a pre-course webinar to learn of course expectations and pre-course homework activities, attend 100% of the sessions at the multi-day action



JAN 25 2015 likely to have broken record for Vehicles Mile Traveled

Posted by *Todd Solomon*

Last week, the [Federal Highway Administration reported](#) that, with the data from November now in, it looks pretty clear that 2015 was a record year for Vehicle Miles Traveled.

By the end of November, U.S. drivers had racked up about 2.88 *trillion* vehicle miles traveled, with each of the first 11 months of the year showing an increase of between 2.5 and 4.9 percent over the corresponding month from 2014. Even if the December 2015 data show no gain from December 2014, which is unlikely, that would put the 2015 total over 3.1 *trillion*. That's an increase over 2014 of more than 100 billion miles.



No matter how you slice it, that's *a lot* of miles...in terms of absolute value, and also as an indicator of what kind of volume America's roads are bearing. And, as Secretary Foxx observed on his Facebook page [last Friday](#), that's 2.88 trillion good reasons for America to get [#BeyondTraffic](#).

Because each of those miles is wear and tear on the roadway surface. And when combined, those miles represent a significant challenge to our capacity. And that means traffic congestion. Which means lost time, lost money, and increased greenhouse gas emissions. So, while we appreciate that our roads made possible those 3+ trillion vehicle miles traveled, we aren't exactly celebrating this new record.

The data from 2015 reaffirm the growing demands challenging the nation's roads and underscore the value of the recently enacted FAST Act, which will invest \$305 billion in America's surface transportation infrastructure –including \$226 billion for roads and bridges– over the next five years.

These new figures confirm the trends identified in our [Beyond Traffic](#) report, which projects a 43 percent increase in commercial truck shipments and population growth of 70 million by 2045. So, even though we have seen indications that individuals might be driving fewer miles per person, an increasing population with increasing freight demands still leads to more and more total miles traveled and more challenges on the road ahead.

This is one reason why you've heard Transportation Secretary Foxx emphasizing the need to innovate for greater road efficiency. Whether it's smarter cars, smarter cities, or smarter regions, we must continue developing ways to move America beyond traffic.

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