

# NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Michael W. Cowin, City Manager

DATE: February 5, 2025

SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

1. A memo from Lisa Kirby, Director of Engineering, regarding draft 2026-2035 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) information
2. A memo from Heather White, Assistant Director of Recreation & Parks, 2025 Spring and Summer Brochure & Summer Camp offerings

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Attachment

# Memorandum

**To:** Michael Cowin, City Manager  
**From:** Lisa Kirby, City Engineer  
**Date:** February 5, 2025  
**Subject:** Draft 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Information

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On January 29th, the Greenville Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (GUAMPO) was notified that NCDOT had released the Draft 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). The STIP is a fiscally constrained document which outlines programmed (projects with funding) transportation projects through FY2035. Due to an extraordinary increased cost in roadway construction, the previous STIP became overprogrammed, resulting in NCDOT delaying project timelines, and in some cases, only fund preliminary engineering, with no set date for construction through 2035.

Greenville's roadway projects are shown in Attachment A. Green boxes represent the current STIP (2024-2033) programming and the orange boxes represent the Draft STIP (2026-2035). Comparing the two, several projects have been dropped or modified from the Draft STIP. This includes:

- Charles Boulevard (Fire Tower to Worthington-Widening)- ROW, Utilities and Construction removed from programming.
- Charles Boulevard (Greenville Boulevard to Bells Fork-Access Management)- Not included in programming.
- Evans Street (5<sup>th</sup> to Red Banks-Access Management)- Not included in programming.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Street (Evans to Oxford-Access Management)- Not included in programming.
- Statonsburg Road (Memorial to B's Barbeque Road-Access Management)- Not included in programming.
- Greenville Signal System-Upgrade- Delayed from 2028 to 2030. This project is critical to the overall operations of the city. Attachment B highlights the impacts of delaying this project. Staff will communicate these concerns with NCDOT in an attempt to move this project forward in the schedule.

NCDOT is currently holding a public comment period on the STIP until April 4, 2025. The public can submit comments online by visiting: <https://publicinput.com/2026-2035-stip> . Additionally, each Division will hold a week-long public drop-in session between February 17, 2025 and March 17, 2025. (drop-in schedules can be found here:

<https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/Transportation/stip/development/Pages/public-input.aspx>)



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## Memorandum

Between the Draft and Final STIP, NCDOT staff will continue to receive updated cost estimates, bid awards, funding requests for ongoing projects, and schedule changes. These will be incorporated into the Final STIP before the Board of Transportation takes action to adopt it – which is anticipated to take place in July 2025.

If you have any questions please let me know. Thanks

State Transportation Improvement Program Changes													2024-2033			2026-2035				
Details					Funding Years															
PROJECT ID	ROUTE/CITY	DESCRIPTION	COMMENT	ACTIVITY	TOTAL FUNDED (MAY INCLUDE)	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033	FY 2034	FY 2035	AFTER 2035		
U-2817	SR 1700 (EVANS STREET/ OLD TAR ROAD)	SR 1711 (WORTHINGTON ROAD) IN WINTERVILLE TO US 264 ALTERNATE (GREENVILLE BOULEVARD) IN GREENVILLE. WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS.		60,010,000															
				RIGHT-OF-WAY	22,800,000															
				UTILITIES	9,000,000	9,000,000														
				UTILITIES	3,972,000															
				CONSTRUCTION	104,300,000		5,149,000	32,005,000	27,990,000	22,498,000	16,658,000									
	SR 1700 (EVANS STREET/ OLD TAR ROAD)	SR 1711 (WORTHINGTON ROAD) IN WINTERVILLE TO US 264 ALTERNATE (GREENVILLE BOULEVARD) IN GREENVILLE. WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS. BUILD NC BOND FUNDS: \$25,000,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION PAYBACK 2027-2041 (FY 2027 / YR 7 SALE); \$25,000,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION PAYBACK 2029-2043 (FY 2029 / YR 9 SALE).	RIGHT-OF-WAY	22,800,000															
				UTILITIES	3,972,000															
				BUILD NC CON	38,130,000					\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 20,336,000	
				BUILD NC CON	38,130,000				\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 2,542,000	\$ 15,252,000	
				CONSTRUCTION	73,300,000		\$ 14,796,000	\$ 10,757,000	\$ 30,825,000	\$ -	\$ 16,922,000									
U-5606	SR 1598 (DICKINSON AVENUE)	NC 11 TO READE CIRCLE. IMPROVE ROADWAY.	UNDER CONSTRUCTION.		3,554,000															
	CONSTRUCTION	18,365,000	3,093,000																	
	SR 1598 (DICKINSON AVENUE)	NC 11 TO READE CIRCLE. IMPROVE ROADWAY.	UNDER CONSTRUCTION.	CONSTRUCTION	18,365,000															
U-5730	US 13 (MEMORIAL DRIVE)	NC 43 (5TH STREET). UPGRADE INTERSECTION.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS.		200,000															
				UTILITIES	125,000															
				CONSTRUCTION	1,400,000		462,000	938,000												
	US 13 (MEMORIAL DRIVE)	NC 43 (5TH STREET). UPGRADE INTERSECTION.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS.	UTILITIES	125,000															
CONSTRUCTION				1,400,000		\$ 896,000	\$ 504,000													
U-5785	SR 1708 (FIRETOWER ROAD)	WEST OF EAST ARLINGTON BOULEVARD TO SR 1704 (FOURTEENTH STREET) IN GREENVILLE. WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	TO BE LET WITH U-5870.		18,000,000															
				RIGHT-OF-WAY	58,201,000	5,079,000	10,159,000	10,159,000	10,159,000	22,645,000										
				UTILITIES	7,500,000			3,750,000	3,750,000											
				CONSTRUCTION	48,700,000						19,480,000	18,019,000	11,201,000							
	SR 1726 (PORTERTOWN ROAD) SR 1708 (FIRETOWER ROAD)	WEST OF EAST ARLINGTON BOULEVARD TO NC 33 (EAST 10TH STREET) IN GREENVILLE. WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	INCLUDES SCOPE OF U-5870.	RIGHT-OF-WAY	58,200,000		19,206,000	26,772,000	5,820,000	5,820,000										
				UTILITIES	7,500,000		3,750,000													
				CONSTRUCTION	109,400,000							25,162,000	\$ 30,632,000	\$ 25,162,000	\$ 18,598,000	\$ 9,846,000				
U-5875	SR 1203 (ALLEN ROAD)	SR 1467 (STANTONSBURG ROAD) TO US 13 (DICKINSON AVENUE EXTENSION). WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS.		5,063,000															
				RIGHT-OF-WAY	485,000	485,000														
				UTILITIES	650,000	650,000														
				CONSTRUCTION	45,800,000		8,702,000	16,946,000	12,366,000	7,786,000										
	SR 1203 (ALLEN ROAD)	SR 1467 (STANTONSBURG ROAD) TO US 13 (DICKINSON AVENUE EXTENSION). WIDEN TO FOUR LANES.	RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PROGRESS. BUILD NC BOND FUNDING: \$16,000,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION PAYBACK 2026 - 2040 (FY 2026 / YR 6 SALE).	RIGHT-OF-WAY	485,000															
				UTILITIES	650,000															
				BUILD NC CON	24,405,000		\$ 1,627,000	\$ 1,627,000	\$ 1,627,000	\$ 1,627,000	1,627,000	1,627,000	1,627,000	1,627,000	\$ 1,627,000	\$ 1,627,000	\$ 8,135,000			





## ATTACHMENT B

### Greenville Signal System Upgrade Project (U-5952)

The original intent of the project was to replace / upgrade the components of the traffic signal system, including but not limited to:

- **Equipment updates** including traffic signal cabinets and controllers, fiber optic and wireless communications media, CCTV equipment at select locations and new system detectors at specified locations.
- **Software upgrades** to current technology allowing us to achieve the most efficient traffic signal operations.
- **Correction of out-of-date standards** such as traffic signal head configurations and implementation of flashing yellow or left turn operation at applicable intersections.
- **New signal configurations** requiring redesign of numerous traffic signal plans.

The original Municipal Agreement for this project (between City and State) was signed in 2016. It was targeted for construction through the prioritization process a number of times, but each time was reprogrammed due to cost escalation on other projects. The most recent Draft STIP (2026-2035) reprograms the project again, moving construction to 2030.

The City of Greenville has had an ongoing traffic signal maintenance agreement with NCDOT. As such, the City maintains all City and State traffic signals within our jurisdiction. Below we have listed a growing number of concerns and deficiencies with the current system as it stands today:

- Working with obsolete traffic signal controller equipment that is no longer supported or repairable. The Econolite ASC 2S/2100 and Econolite ASC3/2100 controllers cannot be purchased to replace or maintain current existing controllers if they fail.
- Current traffic signal monitors aren't supported anymore, MMU-16LE. Current MMU-16E conflict monitors beyond a certain date are no longer repairable.
- IFS serial modems are no longer supported and cannot be procured. Still using serial communications while everything now is ethernet specified.
- Current traffic signal fiber is beyond its life span. Fiber wavelength is decreased in cold weather possibly due to extra splices being added over the years.
- Upgrade the current TMC software and hardware/servers to support latest version of Centrac with new features that are applicable to current traffic signal designs and configurations.

For the traveling public, this means they are using a system that is not efficient in its operation, is not consistently dependable on a day-to-day basis and is prone to system failures on an isolated or network basis. With the increasing fiber issues, we are unable to properly monitor the signals and make signal timing changes in an efficient manner. Dependent on any given failure, it is becoming increasingly difficult to adequately maintain the system, given the deficiencies noted above. As such, we are seeking a renewed priority consideration for implementation of this project.

**To:** Michael Cowin, City Manager  
**From:** Heather White, Assistant Director of Recreation & Parks  
**Date:** February 5, 2025  
**Re:** 2025 Spring and Summer Brochure & Summer Camp Offerings

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Recreation and Parks staff are preparing for another successful spring and summer. The planning efforts for summer day camps began in the winter of 2024 to allow staff the time to research all components of this year's program, including specific staff trainings, marketing efforts, and identifying activities/trips for camp participants.

This year staff have planned to place a larger marketing emphasis on recruiting part-time staff. With a comprehensive approach utilizing multiple strategies, all summer positions should be filled prior to staff trainings beginning on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Recruitment for these positions began February 3<sup>rd</sup> online at [greenvillenc.gov](http://greenvillenc.gov).

Summer day camps will be held at the following facilities, beginning as early as May 27<sup>th</sup>:

- Drew Steele Center – Summer camp for individuals with Special Needs
- Eppes Recreation Center – Ages 5-12
- Greenfield Terrace – Ages 5-12
- H. Boyd Lee Park – Ages 5-10
- Jaycee Park Center for Arts & Crafts – Ages 3-16
- River Park North – Ages 4-15
- South Greenville Recreation Center – Ages 5-12

Recreation and Parks staff began accepting registration for all summer camps on February 3<sup>rd</sup> through the City of Greenville's website and at various recreation facilities during operating hours. Registration will take place until capacity is met for each specific program.

In addition, registration for spring and summer programs and events are live. The department's Spring & Summer Brochure, detailing the offerings that will be implemented through August, is available at [greenvillenc.gov](http://greenvillenc.gov), with a link also being found on social media platforms. Staff continue to assess the needs of the community to determine program offerings, which will determine future brochure offerings.

Please let me know if there are additional questions.

cc: Ken Graves, Deputy City Manager  
Don Octigan, Executive Director of City Projects & Recreation Services





**2025 SPRING & SUMMER**

# Recreation & Parks Program Guide



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