



NORTH CAROLINA
Department of Transportation


ECHS Visioning Update

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Connecting people, products and places safely and efficiently with customer focus, accountability and environmental sensitivity to enhance the economy and vitality of North Carolina



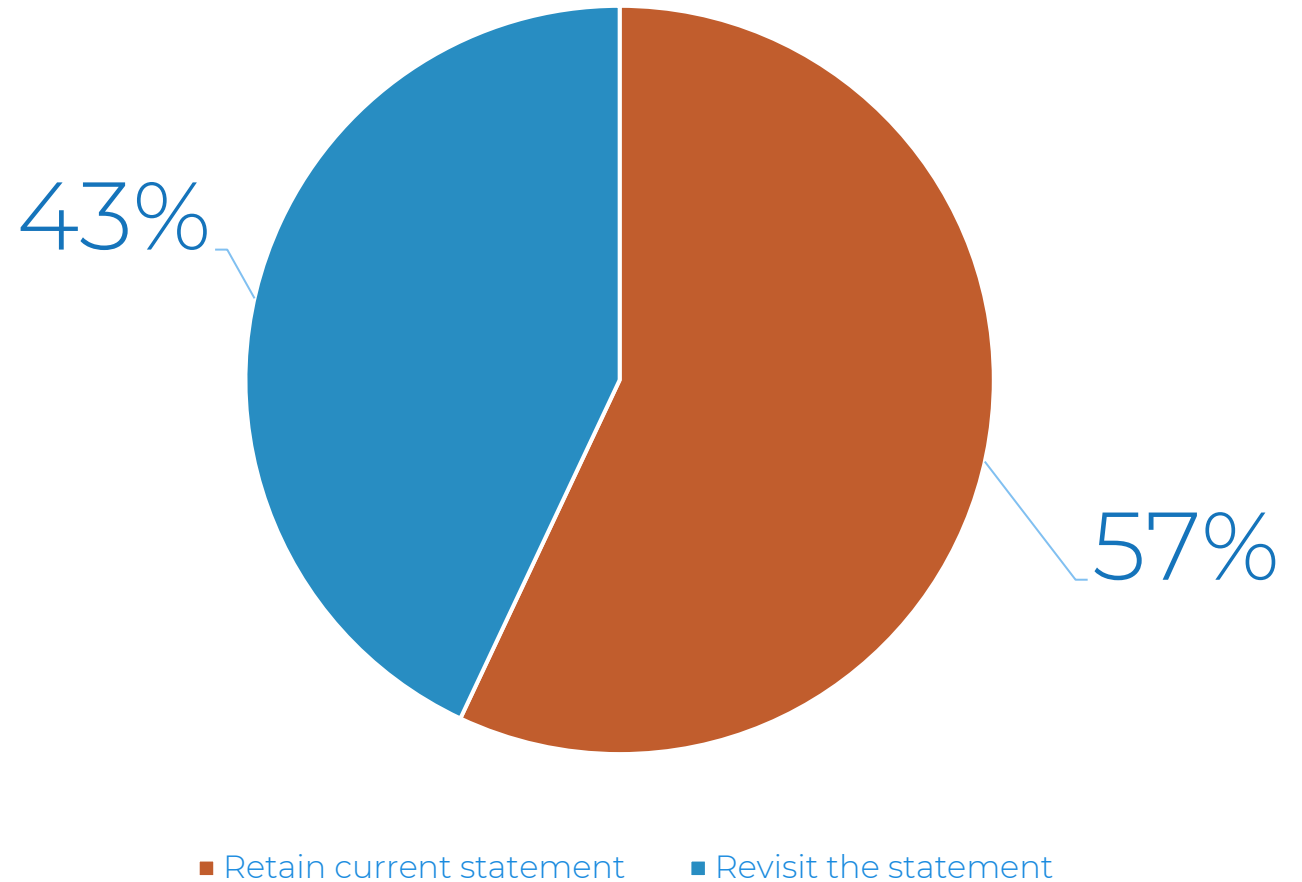
Roadmap

2025						
March	April	May	June	July	August	September
						
Vision and Mission Purpose and Actions		Membership Meeting Structure			Consensus Building Next Steps	Summary presentation to the ECHS meeting

ECHS Mission

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Would you like to retain or revisit the current mission statement?



ECHS Accomplishments

- ▶ **Coordinated** with key safety organizations and stakeholders.
- ▶ **Developed** the SHSP and VRUSA.
- ▶ **Educated** other members of work happening in traffic safety.
- ▶ **Collaborated** with other agencies.
- ▶ **Gathered** input from external groups concerned with highway safety.

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ECHS Challenges

- ▶ Changes in **road user behavior** (i.e., speeding, aggressive driving, distracted driving).
- ▶ Limited **legislative buy-in** or General Assembly support for the ECHS.
- ▶ Difficulty maintaining **momentum** and sense of purpose as a group.
- ▶ Limited **direction** and specificity in the proposals and programs generated within the council.
- ▶ **Balance** between realism and strong commitment to a safe transportation system.

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ECHS Actions – Member Agency Potential

- **Align agency goals** with ECCHS objectives.
- **Identify** and **implement** institutional knowledge of safety practices and policies.
- **Lead communication** initiatives to positively impact safety culture within your group.
- **Promote** and **broadcast** the safety commitments of the ECCHS.
- **Seek collaborative solutions** beyond agency capabilities and beyond the ECCHS meetings.



ECHS Differentiators – Group Potential

- **Act as legislative advisors** for safety-related policies.
- **Address barriers** to policy implementation and safeguard existing safety policies.
- **Encourage a data-driven process** to address safety concerns through policy or project implementation.
- **Offer comprehensive solutions** across all safety issues.
- **Track implementation** of safety-related legislation across stakeholder agencies.





Next Visioning Meeting

- June 13
- Focus on the *who* and the *how*
- Pre-meeting survey closes June 6