



The N.C. Department of Transportation is committed to helping counties, cities and towns across the state enhance their transportation networks to improve traffic flow, connect communities and support economic development.

To help bolster these municipalities, we're looking at the level of mobility each mode of transportation currently provides and determining the investments needed to take that mode to the next mobility level to better serve citizens.

This effort will result in a plan called the North Carolina Transportation Network, formerly known as NCMIN. It will serve as a blueprint for planning organizations to use as they make decisions about their community's future.

Project Goals

- Strengthen the consistency of facility and service classification definitions across different modes.
- Link classifications to target performance metrics established in NCDOT's long-range transportation plan.
- Recommend updates or changes to the classification system to complement NCDOT's new funding mechanism—the Strategic Mobility Formula.
- Refine the current Strategic Highway Corridors to consider multimodal opportunities and confirm strategic corridors should be classified according to whether they serve statewide or regional needs.
- Identify a set of transportation corridors considered strategically important to the well-being of North Carolina from a statewide or regional perspective.
- Provide input into the 25-Year Infrastructure Plan.

Background

Currently, North Carolina's transportation system is classified or organized by mode and whether the facility or service primarily serves interstate traffic, intrastate and regional traffic, or local traffic. Because we're changing the way transportation is funded, we're also considering other ways to classify transportation facilities and services.

The study team is investigating possible alternate methods that will complement other planning activities. For example, linking the classification of facilities and services to performance targets may allow NCDOT to better identify critical needs.