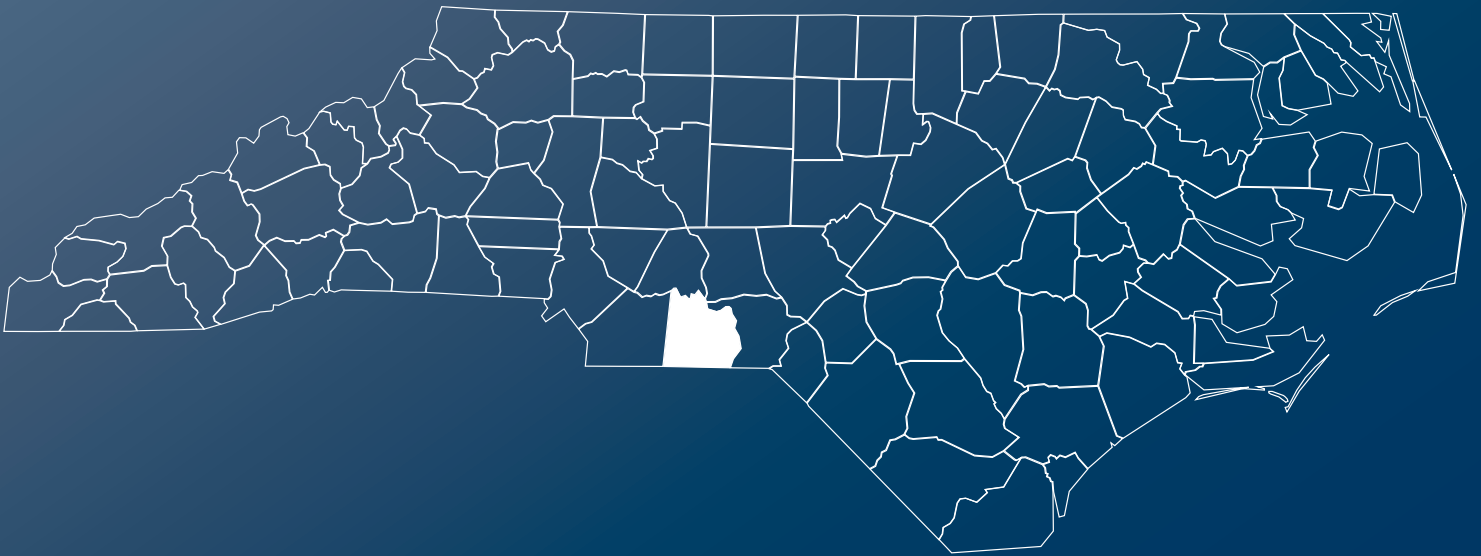


# ANSON County

STEERING COMMITTEE HANDBOOK



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## **Introduction**

A Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) lays out a vision for the future transportation system of a community and identifies strategies to achieve that vision. The CTP typically focuses 25 to 30 years into the future, and incorporates multiple modes of transportation (highway, public transit, bicycle, pedestrian, aviation, rail, etc.). The CTP provides a framework for local governments, regional planning organizations, and the Department of Transportation to work together toward a common long-range vision for transportation facilities.

The CTP is used to identify priority projects for funding and construction that will eventually connect to achieve the larger vision for the transportation system. When a new project is funded, the CTP is referenced throughout the project development process to inform the identified purpose and need for the project, and how it relates to the larger vision.

Anson County's existing CTP was completed in 2012 and was developed for the future year 2035. The CTP is updated periodically to reevaluate the transportation needs and analyze alternatives with the latest available data and growth trends.

The Anson County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) is a joint effort between Anson County and its municipalities, the Rocky River Rural Planning Organization (RPO), and the North Carolina Department of Transportation's Transportation Planning Division (NCDOT TPD). Documents and resources pertaining to the CTP can be found at the following link:

[https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/pages/CTP-Details.aspx?study\\_id=Anson%20County](https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/pages/CTP-Details.aspx?study_id=Anson%20County)

## **Purpose of this Document**

This Handbook was developed as a resource for the Anson County CTP Steering Committee members. It provides a description of the roles and responsibilities of the Steering Committee and other involved parties, as well as an overview of the CTP process. This handbook may be updated through the planning process, as needed.

## Your Role as Steering Committee Member

**Thank you** for agreeing to serve on the Anson County CTP Steering Committee! Your input is crucial to developing a plan that works for the people of Anson County. The role of the Steering Committee is to provide local expertise that will guide NCDOT and local governments through the development of the CTP. Steering Committee members are key conduits of information, informing their respective boards, departments, and staff about the CTP, and helping to engage the public in the planning process. Roles and responsibilities of the steering committee members include:

### **Local Perspective:**

- Share your vision for Anson County's future transportation system;
- Share your knowledge of Anson County's existing transportation system and identify problem areas and needs;
- Provide your perspective on potential solutions to improve the transportation system. Which solutions are likely to work best for your community?
- Represent the views and perspectives of other members of your community.

### **Ground-Truthing:**

- Review maps and data and provide local validation;
- Question any data that does not align with your local experiences;
- Provide confirmation for data that do align with your local experiences.

### **Public Outreach:**

- Relay information to and from the public;
- Assist with development of public input survey questions;
- Assist with dissemination of public input survey;
- Assist with promotion of public meetings;

### **Internal Communications:**

- Provide updates on the CTP to your staff/agency/department/board/team throughout the planning process;
- Share input from your staff/agency/department/board/team with the Steering Committee and Core Team.

The following individuals have agreed to serve on the Steering Committee for the Anson County CTP.

**Anson County CTP Steering Committee Members.**

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\*Key Staff Team

## **Additional Stakeholders**

In addition to the regular Steering Committee members, input will be sought from various stakeholders' groups during certain phases of the planning process as needed. Examples of such stakeholders include:

- Agriculture/Forestry
- Industrial/Commercial
- Tourism/Special Destinations
- Real Estate/Construction
- Utility Providers
- Freight Providers
- Major Employers
- Conservation Organizations
- Medical Facilities
- Educational Facilities
- Recreational Facilities
- Bicyclists/Motorcyclists
- Youth Services
- Elderly Services
- Disability Services
- Workforce Services
- Minority Groups
- Limited English Proficiency

## Key Staff Team

The Key Staff Team is responsible for developing the work products for the CTP and leading the Steering Committee through the planning process. The Key Staff Team is comprised of staff from the Rocky River Rural Planning Organization (RRRPO), NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD), and NCDOT Division 10. Key Staff Team roles and contact information are outlined below:

### Rocky River Rural Planning Organization (RRRPO)

The Rocky River Rural Planning Organization is the regional transportation program that provides transportation planning services for Anson, Stanly, and Union Counties. **Lee Snuggs** is the director of the RRRPO and **Lisa Park** is the Administrative Assistant. Their responsibilities for the Anson County CTP include:

- Providing Regional Planning Perspective (including opportunities for improving regional connectivity, mobility, and resiliency);
- Reviewing Data and Documents
- Coordinating Communications with NCDOT, Steering Committee, and other Partners and creating meeting arrangements;
- Maintaining mailing lists and distributing information such as notices, draft reports, agendas, and meeting minutes;

### NCDOT TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION (TPD)

The Transportation Planning Division of NCDOT provides long-range transportation planning services for the state. **Dominique Boyd** is the Project Manager/Transportation Engineer responsible for the overall execution and production of the Anson County CTP. He will be overseeing and process and ensuring the CTP is successfully completed. **Roger Castillo** is the Lead Project Engineer responsible for data gathering, technical analysis and producing products for this study. **Andy Bailey** is the TPD Supervisor for the Western Group and will serve as the TPD advisor.

Their overall responsibilities include the following:

- Data Collection (Socioeconomic data, traffic data, crash data, etc.)
- Dissemination of data to Steering Committee for review
- Technical Analyses (Deficiency analysis and Alternatives analysis)
- Map Production
- Draft and Final Report Production
- CTP presentation at public workshops
- CTP presentation for local adoption

## NCDOT DIVISION 10

NCDOT is divided into 14 divisions across North Carolina. Anson County is within Division 10. **Stuart Basham** is the Division 10 Planning Engineer and **J. Scott Miller** is the Division 10 Corridor Planning Engineer; their responsibilities include:

- Representing Division 10 Perspective on transportation needs and solutions;
- Providing input on the feasibility and constructability of proposed solutions;
- Reporting CTP progress to the Division Engineer and Board Member.

## Other Partners

The Anson County CTP will ultimately be adopted by the Anson County Board of Commissioners, its municipalities, and the NC Board of Transportation. Officials from each of these boards serve on the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Rocky River RPO and will serve as the primary Anson County CTP contact for their respective boards. Their guidance and leadership will be crucial throughout the CTP process.

The Steering Committee and Key Staff Team will rely on multiple other partners at various phases of the process for guidance and expertise. The local board members will be asked to provide input. The Anson County Manager and NCDOT Division staff will also be consulted on special topics as needed.

## Other Key Resource Partners

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## **Public Participation**

Input from Anson County citizens is crucial to develop a plan that meets the diversity of needs across the communities. Multiple opportunities for public input will be available throughout the planning process. A public input survey will be conducted early in the process to obtain an understanding of the concerns and priorities of Anson County citizens. Once the Draft CTP is prepared, a series of public workshops will be held to obtain feedback on the proposed solutions to transportation needs.

In addition, all Steering Committee meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend. Members of the public will not be asked to participate in the Steering Committee meetings, so that the Steering Committee has enough time to accomplish the tasks on the agenda; however, anyone is welcome to observe the process.

Public input can be sent directly to the Core Team members or provided at county and town board meetings during the allotted public comment period.