



Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Amendment Process

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North Carolina G.S. 136-66.2. Requires the development of a coordinated transportation system and provisions for streets and highways in and around municipalities.

What is the CTP?

CTP stands for Comprehensive Transportation Plan, North Carolina’s multi-modal transportation plan. The CTP represents a community’s consensus on the future transportation system (including the existing system and improvements) needed to support anticipated growth and development over approximately a 25-30-year timeframe. A CTP is a mutually adopted legal document between the state and the local area partner(s). When a CTP is adopted by NCDOT, it represents the state’s concurrence with the identified transportation needs and proposed recommendations.

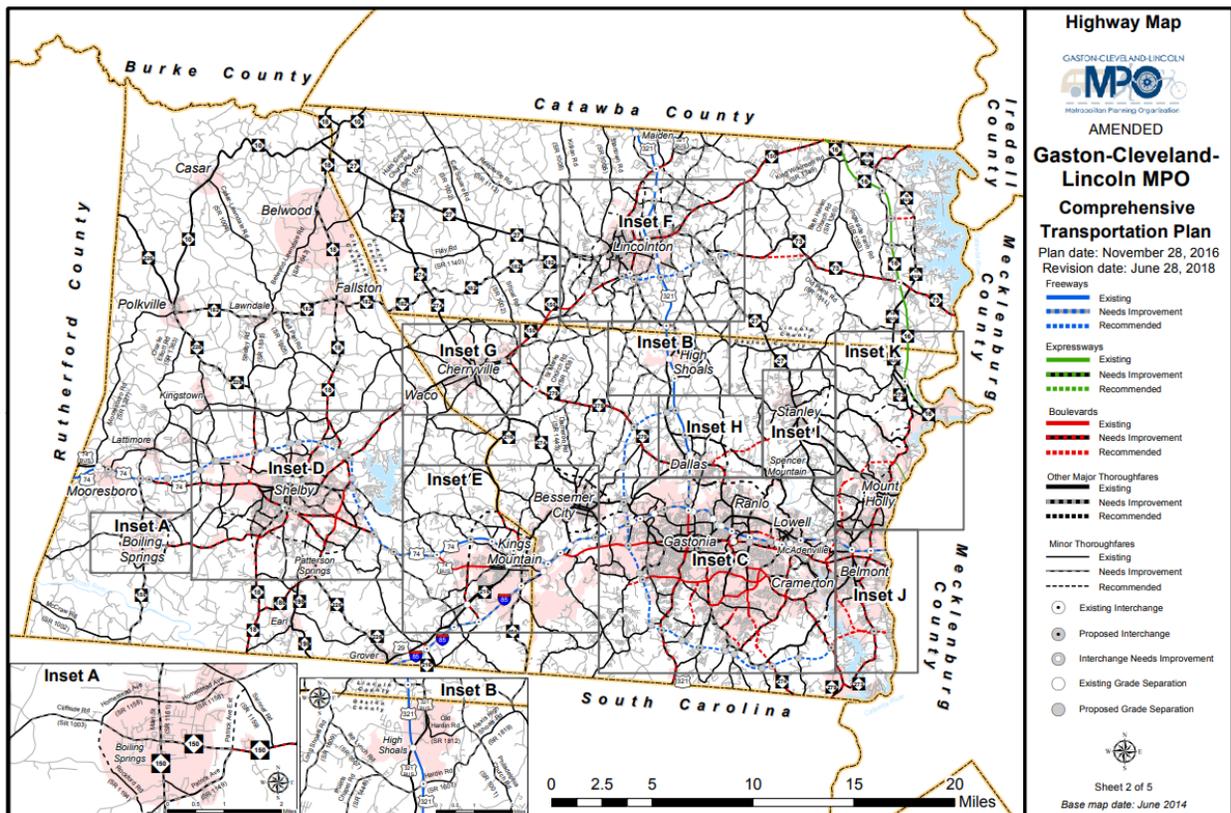


Figure 1._ Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP)

The CTP does not include specific transportation projects or improvement schedules, but instead represents the status or completeness of the comprehensive transportation system that may be required to support anticipated growth and development.

By establishing the region's future transportation needs, the CTP offers an organized way to identify, and eventually prioritize, the transportation projects that may be built in the communities within the GCLMPO area.

CTP projects shown as "Needs Improvement" or "Recommended" could become a funded project in the future, part of a development project, or may never become a funded project. The CTP includes multiple modes of transportation including: highway, bicycle, public transportation, pedestrian, aviation and rail.

When was the CTP Adopted?

The most recent GCLMPO CTP was adopted by the MPO Board on December 7, 2016, recommended by the NCDOT-Transportation Planning Branch on February 13, 2017, and adopted by the NCDOT Board of Transportation on March 9, 2017. It was later amended by the MPO Board on June 28, 2018 with BOT action on January 10, 2019, and March 28, 2019 with BOT action pending.

How can the CTP be Amended?

Requests to amend the CTP can either come directly from the GCLMPO staff or the member jurisdiction in which the project is located. **All requests must be vetted through and agreed upon by NCDOT.**

Adhering to the adopted Public Participation Plan, the following steps are required:

1. The draft amendment shall be presented to the GCLMPO's Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) for a recommendation to release for a 30-day public comment period, and then to the MPO Board for approval to release for a 30-day public comment period.
2. A 30-day public comment period will be held, including at least one (1) public meeting in the jurisdiction in which the CTP project is located.
3. Comments received during the public comment period shall be presented to the TCC with a request to recommend approval of responses and approval of the requested CTP amendment.
4. The recommendations of the TCC will be presented to the MPO Board for approval/adoption. If the CTP amendment is approved by the MPO Board, MPO staff will submit the amendment to the NCDOT Board of Transportation (BOT) for final approval.

Requests to amend the CTP can be made to:

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