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Studies

Advanced Air Mobility Study

CAMPO was awarded an Advanced Air Mobility Grant from the NCDOT Division of Aviation for FY 2026 to examine the current condition of Air Mobility and explore what this mode of transportation could mean for the region. This study will be managed by NCDOT Division of Aviation alongside CAMPO to develop a high-level regional framework for AAM implementation and coordination between member jurisdictions. **(Staff contact: Daniel Spruill)**

North Falls Lake Area Study (NFLAS)

This will be the first area study conducted in the northwest portion of CAMPO's jurisdiction. The study area will include roughly the southern half of Granville County and extends into portions of Franklin County and Wake County, as well as the municipalities of Creedmoor, Butner, Stem and Oxford. The goal of this study is ultimately to lay out a long-term vision for development patterns within the framework of water resource and land management considerations, and for a multi-modal transportation network in the study area, with a detailed implementation strategy that includes short-term and mid-term recommendations to aid with the implementation of the long-term vision. The study will evaluate water supply watershed (WSWS) capacity and other environmental regulatory considerations, as related to residential development; the safety and mobility in the transportation network, including planned and existing roads, transit service and bicycle/pedestrian facilities.

The Core Technical Team met in December to review feedback received during the Fall outreach activities. The team is developing several land use scenarios based on public and stakeholder feedback. To access the website, please go to <https://publicinput.com/nfallslake>.

(Staff contact: Kenneth Withrow)

Cape Fear River Basin Wildlife Crossing Study

Following a successfully adopted wildlife crossing study by the Triangle West TPO, Chatham County requested a similar study to be conducted in the portion of the county within CAMPO's jurisdiction in the FY26 UPWP. Upon reviewing the study area, CAMPO staff determined that in order to replicate the study for future areas within CAMPO (if desired), the study boundary should be expanded to include all of CAMPO that is within the Cape Fear River Basin. With the study area determined, the study kicked off in early October with a stakeholder meeting which included both representatives within the study area, as well as environmental and ecological professionals. The study is now within the data collection and analysis phase, which is expected to be completed by December. The study team will conduct site evaluation assessments in January, and the Core Technical Team will reconvene shortly thereafter.

(Staff contact: Caleb Allred)

Apex Pleasant Park Access Study

This study seeks to identify additional multimodal access opportunities to the recently opened Pleasant Park in Apex. The study is programmed in the FY26 and FY27 UPWP. Procurement for the study is underway.

(Staff contact: Caleb Allred)

Eastern Wake Traffic Signal System Integration Study

On December 9, 2025, CAMPO in partnership with the City of Raleigh, NCDOT, and eastern Wake County jurisdictions (the towns of Garner, Knightdale, Wake Forest, and Rolesville), began soliciting proposals for the **Eastern Wake Traffic Signal System Integration Study**. The deadline for RFP submittals is January 9, 2026 – with an anticipated notice proceed in late February 2026. This study will serve as a follow up to the 2020 Triangle Region ITS Strategic Deployment Plan Update, the 2022 Western Wake Signal System Integration Study, and the 2025 ITS Deployment Roadmap. The purpose of this study is to evaluate feasibility, provide technical guidance, and outline implementation steps for integrating traffic signal systems across jurisdictional boundaries while aligning with Raleigh’s Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) standards. This study will be managed by CAMPO staff alongside a technical committee from the relevant jurisdictions.

(Staff contact: Evan Koff)

Committees

Wake Transit/Wake County Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC)

FY 2027 Wake Transit Work Plan Development Update

The FY 2027 Wake Transit Work Plan kickoff occurred at the August TPAC meeting. Wake Transit partners are asked to review their base budgets and confirm their budgets for the upcoming fiscal year and to submit funding requests for any increases to existing operating projects above programmed funding amounts, any new projects, and all capital projects that will be budgeted funds in FY2027. The funding requests were due September 26, 2025, and were reviewed by the Program Development (PD) Subcommittee at a special PD Subcommittee Work Session on October 28, 2025. The PD Subcommittee met in December to vote for the slate of projects to be included in the Draft FY 2027 Wake Transit Work Plan. The draft FY27 Work Plan will be released to the TPAC in late January.

(Staff contact: Steven Mott)

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Extensions Concept of Operations Study

The BRT Extensions Concept of Operations (ConOps) Study is a follow-up study to the BRT Extensions Major Investment Study completed in 2023, funded by Wake Transit and 6 local agency partners – Research Triangle Foundation, Regional Transportation Alliance, Town of Morrisville, Town of Cary, Town of Clayton and City of Raleigh. The purpose of the ConOps Study is to develop and study up to 3 operating scenarios, developing a final operating and financial plan for the Extensions. The consultants have completed the updated BRT Design Guidelines and will present the findings from the modeling to the CTT in January. The Study is expected to be completed by June 2026.

(Staff contact: Ben Howell)

Wake Transit Staffing Analysis Study

The Wake Transit Staffing Analysis Study will analyze existing staffing and staffing needs for the Wake Transit Program for all Wake Transit-funded staffing positions at CAMPO, GoTriangle, Raleigh, Cary and future staffing needs for any Wake Transit agencies. The Study kicked off in August, and the first CTT meeting was held in September. The consultants have held interviews with Cary, Raleigh, GoTriangle, GoTriangle Tax District Administration, and CAMPO/Wake County, and will present the draft recommendations to the Steering Committee in February. The Study is expected to be completed in April 2026. The Study is fully funded by Wake Transit in the FY 2026 Wake Transit Work Plan.

(Staff contact: Ben Howell)

Mobility Coordination Committee

The MCC is the CAMPO administered regional coordination committee born out of the 2018 Coordinated Public Transit- Human Service Transportation Plan (CPT-HSTP) established to administer and monitor recommendations of the adopted regional coordinated plan and other coordination efforts. Coordinated Plans set the regional priorities for transportation investments and initiatives for human services and public transit coordination for seniors, disabled and low-income persons. The most recent 2024 coordinated plan was adopted by the CAMPO Executive Board on September 18, 2024, and is available on CAMPO's website. The MCC has begun the work implementing the updated recommendations and strategies identified in the updated plan. The 2024 plan is built upon the 2018 plan that established short, mid, and long-term goals for the committee as well as recommendations from CAMPO's 2023 Mobility Management Program Implementation Study (MMIS) that outlined a plan for implementing the region's new mobility management program (MMP).

In January 2025, the committee elected officers and adopted by-laws to formalize the committee per the MMIS' adopted recommendations. The members also voted to endorse six-month work plans derived from the implementation schedule/work program for two sub-committees (ADA and Community Transportation). During the last year, ADA members reviewed existing agencies ADA applications and policies, discussed and prepared for upcoming agency service changes, prepared a regional ADA coverage map, and reviewed the existing template for a coordinated regional ADA agreement. The group prepared an updated matrix of transit agency application similarities and differences and is finalizing the matrix to determine opportunities for coordinating and collaborating paratransit services in larger regions. The CT subcommittee members explored sub-goal 3.2.4 "Explore the implementation of micro- transit service in Clayton" and under 3.2.5 "explored opportunities to increase service capacity by exploring various service delivery methods and mobility options including the feasibility of adding vehicles" and using the expansion of micro-transit service to the Clayton area. They have welcomed various other agencies' staff to present informational topics of interest such as the Western Regional Center staff to discuss transportation difficulties and to brainstorm possible solutions, from CAMPO Community Engagement Planner on the Harnett County Transit Feasibility Study, CAMPO's project 2055 MTP and the US 1 Corridor Study. Members are regularly updated on the subcommittee work of the Mobility Manager, federal funding opportunities and the FY 27 unified grant from NC DOT IMD.

During the quarterly October 9th meeting, presentations were given to the MCC on the Wake Transit Plan Update and Harnett County's recently completed Transit Study recommendations. The committee endorsed the final MCC/MMP Communications Outreach Plan and use of updated Assessment Sheets to document MCC decisions and work progress with the work plans. For the upcoming January 2026 meetings, the committee will finalize the Implementation Schedule Assessment Sheets on the completed short-term work recapping the quarterly work sessions and meetings and the Mobility Manager will provide MMP updates to the MCCs. The committee will adopt the sub-committee work plans for the next six (6) months.

Background information on the MCC and its work is located on the CAMPO's [Mobility Coordination Committee webpage](#).

(Staff contact: Crystal Odum)

Programs

FY 2025 Community Funding Area Program Update

CAMPO staff worked with our consultants to complete the update to the CFA Program Management Plan as part of the larger Wake Transit Plan Update. The PMP was presented to the GoTriangle Audit and Finance Committee and CAMPO TCC in November and was adopted by the Governing Boards on November 19, 2025.

The FY2027 CFAP Application cycle kicked off on September 18, 2025, TPAC meeting. Project Incubation meetings were scheduled from October 1 – 22, 2025 by request. The CFAP Applicant Training was held on October 29, 2025, providing an overview of the program, application process, and project eligibility. The pre-submittal meetings were held between December 1-19, 2025. A total of seven (7) applications were received this year- four (4) from the Town of Apex, two (2) from the Town of Knightdale, and one (1) from the Town of Wendell. The call-for-projects will open on January 5th and close on January 31st. There are no further updates at this time. More information and this year's development schedule can be found on [CAMPO's CFAP website](#).

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Mobility Management Program Update

The Locally Coordinated Human Services – Public Transportation Plan recommended creating a Mobility Coordination Committee, which launched a Mobility Management Implementation Study. From that study, the region's Mobility Management Program was born. Since its start in 2024, the program has focused on building a one-stop shop for transportation information with the intention of making it easier for seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income individuals to find and access the services they need.

The Mobility Manager has developed a Communications Plan for the Mobility Management Program. The goals of the Communications Plan are to raise awareness, increase mobility/transit ridership, grow the Mobility Management Program webpage engagement, and to measure success by tracking stakeholder participation and obtain feedback. The webpage was created on the CAMPO website with sub-pages specifically for Leadership and Local Officials, Transit and Human Service Agencies, the General Public, and general information about Mobility Management. Other channels of communication are through social media, flyers and posters, workshops and webinars, community outreach events, press releases and media relations, and Mobility Management related giveaways.

The Mobility Management Program webpage is a work in progress and can be found <https://www.campo-nc.us/programs-studies/mobility-management>.

(Staff contact: Sarah Keach)

Blueprint for Safety Program

The Executive Board adopted the Blueprint for Safety Plan on June 18, 2025; and work has begun to implement the plan. The inaugural CAMPO Blueprint for Safety Program Summit was held Wednesday, December 3, 2025 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. Following the Summit, attendees were sent a poll to help determine future meeting dates for the two Task Forces charged with implementing the Blueprint for Safety Plan's recommendations. The Safety Policy & Culture Task Force and the Safety Projects Task Force will begin meeting early in 2026 with a focus on plan implementation, peer learning, and education.

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Projects

Triangle Bikeway East Design Project Update

Completion of the Alternatives Analysis is a key milestone of preliminary design aimed at further refining the multiple recommended options for alignment routing outlined in the Implementation Study from 2022. The Alternatives Analysis is underway in 3 key areas along the 14 miles corridor that comprises Triangle Bikeway East Design Project: the RTP area in Durham, the Lake Crabtree area, and the Wade Avenue area in Raleigh.

As a part of the analysis, stakeholders and the public will be asked about their preferred connections to each area and their priorities. This period of public information will be occurring Jan 21 - Feb 25, 2026 and will include 3 pop up events, an online survey, and presentations across the region. The information gathered from this period will not only help educate the public about the project, but will also help inform how the bikeway would be incorporated into normal commute patterns in the future.

More information about the events and ways to promote the survey will be available at the project website starting January 21, 2026.

To stay up to date on the progress of the project and sign up for the newsletter, please visit www.publicinput.com/TriBikeEast.

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