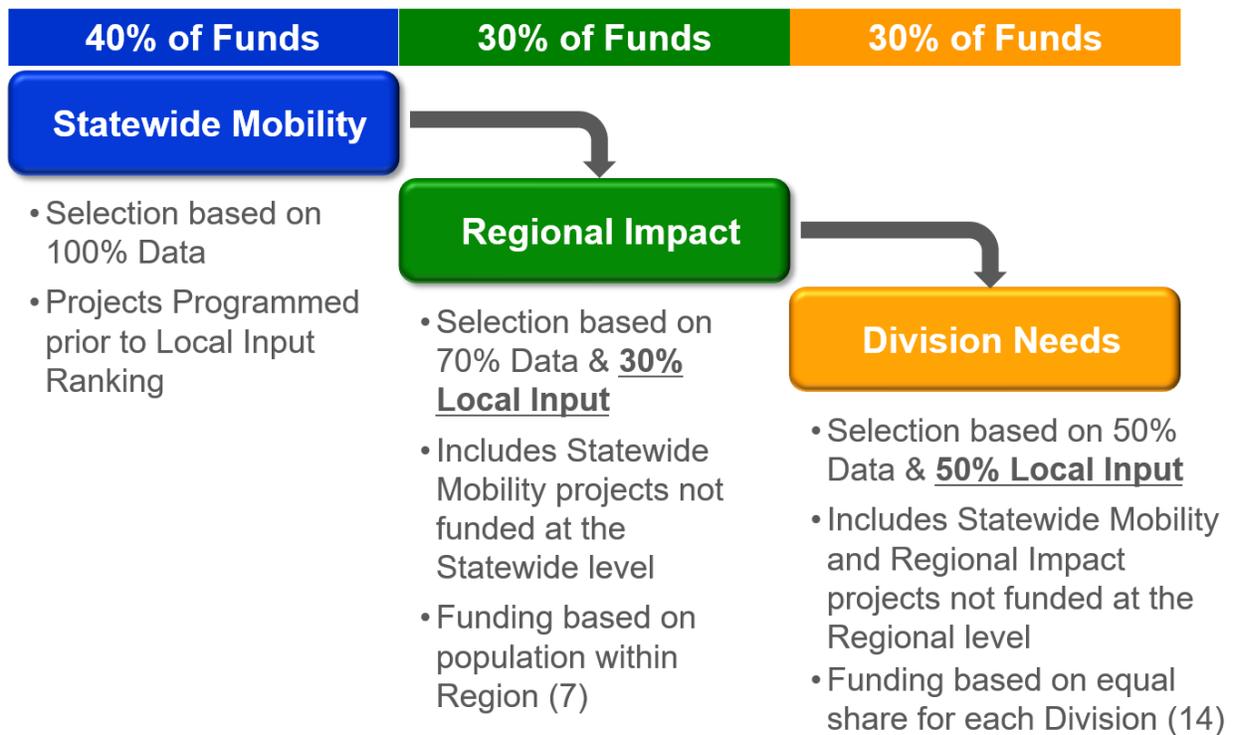


Appendix B – STI Funding Categories & Project Eligibility

The STI law defines three funding categories: Statewide Mobility, Regional Impact, and Division Needs. The funding for the Statewide Mobility category is approximately forty (40%) of all funding for programming in a State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) cycle. The Regional Impact category is approximately thirty percent (30%), split across the seven NCDOT funding regions based on population. The final thirty percent (30%) is evenly split across the fourteen NCDOT Divisions. Projects in the Statewide Mobility category that are not programmed with funds from that category also compete within the Regional Impact category. Likewise, projects that are not programmed at the Regional Impact category will also compete for the remaining funds in the Division Needs category. This aspect of the STI law is commonly referred to as “cascading”.



STI Funding Categories, Subcategories, Criteria & Weighting

The STI law defines project eligibility for each of the three funding categories by mode as follows.

STI Project Eligibility			
Mode	Statewide Mobility	Regional Impact	Division Needs
Highway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interstates (existing & future) NHS routes (as of 2013) STRAHNET Routes Designated Toll Facilities 	Other US and NC Routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All County (SR) Routes Federal-Aid Eligible Local Roads
Aviation	Large Commercial Service Airports	Other Commercial Service Airports not in Statewide	All Airports without Commercial Service (General Aviation)
Bicycle-Pedestrian	N/A	N/A	All projects (\$0 State Highway Trust Funds)
Public Transportation	N/A	Service spanning two or more counties	All other service, including terminals, stations, and facilities
Ferry	N/A	Vessel or infrastructure expansion	Replacement vessels
Rail	Freight Service on Class I Railroad Corridors	Rail service spanning two or more counties not Statewide	All other service, including terminals and stations (no short lines)

STI Project Eligibility by funding category