

# What is a CTP?

**CTP = Comprehensive Transportation Plan**

**Purpose: Provide a common long range vision for transportation facilities among NCDOT, MPO or RPO, and local governments**

**From NCGS 136-66.2:** “Each municipality, not located within a metropolitan planning organization (MPO) as recognized in G.S. 136-200.1, with the cooperation of the Department of Transportation, shall develop a comprehensive transportation plan that will serve present and anticipated travel demand in and around the municipality.....The Department of Transportation may participate in the development and adoption of a transportation plan or updated transportation plan when all local governments within the area covered by the transportation plan have adopted land development plans within the previous five years.”

## **CTP**

**Long-Range:** 25-30 years

**Frequency:** CTP is updated approximately once every 10 years

**Multi-modal:** Highway, Public Transportation & Rail, Bicycle, Pedestrian

**Developed cooperatively:** NCDOT, MPO/RPO, County and Municipalities

**Emphasizes:** Incorporating local plans and community and statewide goals and objectives  
(like Strategic Highway Corridors).

**Necessary step** toward funding for major improvements – used for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) prioritization process

**Recommendations are CONCEPTS.** Plan is NOT fiscally constrained. Projects go through a rigorous environmental process before final alignments or designs are determined

**Can be used** in the same way as Thoroughfare Plan to reinforce local land use planning, e.g. protection of ROW for future roads

### **Consists of:**

- **One or more maps for each mode:**
  - **Highway**
  - **Public Transportation and Rail**
  - **Bicycle**
  - **Pedestrian**
- **Adoption Sheet**
- **Technical Report (after maps are adopted)**