


Introduction to Transportation in Chatham County



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- ## Key Transportation Players
- Chatham County Planning Department
 - CTN
 - CHT
 - TTA
 - DCHC MPO
 - TARPO
 - TJCOG
 - NCDOT

- ## Chatham Planning Department
- Transportation planning
 - Identify and plan for transportation needs and opportunities
 - Work closely with transportation partners
 - Other functions
 - Long-range land use planning
 - Administration and enforcement of land use regulations
 - Administration of CDBG funds
- Boards & Advisory Committees

 - Planning Board
 - Appearance Commission
 - TAC


- ## Chatham CTN Network
- Non-profit designated as Chatham’s community transportation provider
 - Existing services
 - In-County Service (M-F: 8am-5pm)
 - 64 & PX Routes (M-F: am,noon,pm)
 - Project Health Rides
 - Other medical and subscription services
- **NOTE****
CTN has its own TAB
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- ## Chapel Hill Transit
- Transit provider for Chapel Hill, Carrboro and UNC
 - PX route – from UNC to Pittsboro
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- ## Triangle Transit Authority
- Regional transit provider
 - Vanpools & gotriangle.org
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Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Org.

- Regional transportation planning – federal requirement
- Governed by elected officials from local gov'ts
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)
– Chatham Co. 1 of 15 votes



Triangle Area Rural Planning Org.

- Voluntary association of local governments
- Plans rural transportation systems and advises NCDOT on rural transportation policy
- Governed by elected officials
Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)
– Chatham Co. has 1 of 8 votes



Triangle J Council of Governments

- Voluntary organization of municipal and county governments
 - Regional land use and transportation planning
 - Environmental protection
 - Water quality monitoring and preservation
 - Aging services and caregiver support
 - Economic development



NC Department of Transportation

- Division of Highways 
 - Responsible for all public roads in unincorporated areas, and many in towns
- Public Transportation Division (PTD)
 - Works mainly with community transit systems
- Transportation Planning Branch (TPB) 
 - Statewide Transportation Plan
 - Strategic Highway Corridors
 - Local Comprehensive Transportation Plans (CTP)

Recent and Current Transportation Initiatives

- US 64 Corridor Study
- CTN Service Changes
- CTSP
- Chatham County Bicycle Plan
- CTP, Pittsboro and Chatham
- DHC MPO LRTP, CTP and Collector Street Plan


US 64 Corridor Study

- NCDOT study, US 1 to US 64 Business interchange east of Pittsboro 
- Vision:
preserve and enhance mobility and safety, balanced with community access and interests
- Study began 2004
- Completed January 2011

CTN Service Changes

August 1, 2011

- NEW In-County Service**
had been limited to w/in 2.5mi of Siler City and Pittsboro
– Fare increase: from \$1 each way to mileage based, min. \$2 each way
- NEW 64 & PX Routes**
had been one long route from Siler City to Chapel Hill; and added new stops
– Resulted in fare increase for Siler City to Chapel Hill: from \$3 each way to \$6 each way
- NEW Fare Cards**
provides 20% discount for advance, bulk fare purchase




Community Transportation Service Plan

- 5-year plan to increase mobility options and improve efficiency and effectiveness of community transportation
- Chatham Transit Network's CTSP
 - Ready for adoption
 - Consultant is Atkins


Chatham County Bicycle Plan

- Adopted by the County, July 2011
 - By Siler City, August 2011
 - By Pittsboro, October 2011
- Recommends new on- and off-road facilities



Comprehensive Transportation Plans

- Administered by NCDOT TPB
- Must be adopted by NCDOT BOT and local gov't(s)
- Pittsboro CTP* adopted 8/11
- Chatham CTP underway



**Highway Element only*

DCHC MPO LRTP, CTP and Collector Street Plan

- LRTP 2040: Long-Range Transportation Plan**
25yr plan for all modes; Fiscally constrained
- CTP: Comprehensive Transportation Plan**
30+ yr plan for all modes; Not fiscally constrained "wish list"
- Collector Street Plan**
Plan for collector, or connecting, streets

All in progress – ETA summer 2012

Questions

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