

# PRIORITY PROGRESS REPORT

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## Top RTA priorities for 2017

### 1. Accelerate 540 to I-40

#### STRATEGY

**Highlight as top priority of regional business community; seek updates for accountability**

#### MOST RECENT ACTION

Secretary Trogon said NCDOT seeking to accelerate by 2 years at RTA Breakfast in July 2017

#### STATUS and NEXT STEP

**Very positive.** Turnpike director Memory updates us at Retreat on Sept. 8.

### 2. Fund RDU master plan

#### STRATEGY

**Support RDU efforts to highlight business case for sustained investment**

#### MOST RECENT ACTION

\$31 million in recurring funds for RDU approved by legislature

#### STATUS and NEXT STEP

**Big legislative win.** Monitor RDU Master Plan discussions; future federal engagement possible.

### 3. Create low-cost project fund

#### STRATEGY

**Identify need; highlight opportunity to NCDOT, legislature**

#### MOST RECENT ACTION

\$44 million in recurring funds approved by legislature

#### STATUS and NEXT STEP

**Complete.** Monitor implementation over time.

## Selected other RTA priorities

### Accelerate enhanced regional transit

- Pushing RED transit lanes concept and future BRT lane framework
- Supporting federal electric bus grant with regional partners

### Push express shoulder lanes for I-540

- Revised draft state transportation plan has \$70m funding, FY 2025 construction
- Capital Area MPO seeking acceleration of section between I-40 and US 1 north

### Advance I-87

- I-87 designation approved by national partners
- Encouraging NCDOT, Governor to accelerate I-87 signage in Wake County

### Identify short-term multimodal solutions for NC 54 in Chapel Hill and Durham

- Several meetings held with transportation partners in western Triangle
- Goal is to identify a few feasible intersection improvements