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Demonstrated Success

Anchored by 19 chambers of commerce in seven counties, the Regional Transportation Alliance consists of more than 90 Triangle businesses with a bottom-line focus on improving transportation in the Triangle. This past year, the Alliance partnered with elected and transportation officials to improve our region's transportation network and the quality of life for Triangle residents now and in the future.

Major 2005 accomplishments include:

Developed a joint resolution with southwestern Wake mayors requesting the study of tolls to accelerate I-540

Received approval by NC Turnpike Authority for a feasibility study of the Triangle Parkway extension and I-540

Toured San Diego and southern Orange County, California, with elected and transportation officials and local media to view potential transportation solutions

Developed closer partnerships between the region's transportation planning agencies, elected representatives and the business community by hosting several joint MPO meetings and periodic strategy sessions

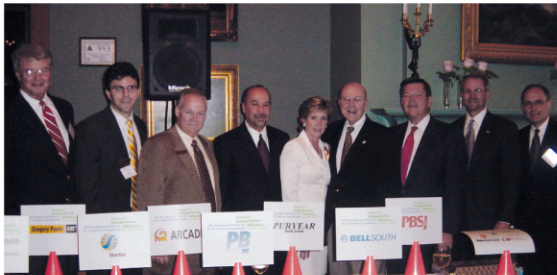
Facilitated freeway sign audit task forces that are leading to signage improvements for US 1 reconstruction and I-540 expansion

Continued Transportation Academy series to educate the region about new mobility solutions

Hosted our largest-ever Annual Meeting of business and community leaders to hear Wake County Commissioner Joe Bryan and Congressman David Price discuss mobility issues

Led and managed the statewide chamber transportation coalition consisting of Alliance Gold Partner Chambers as well as metropolitan chambers from Charlotte, Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem

Developed recommendations for Legislative Blue Ribbon Urban Mobility Commission that were approved in December 2005



Annual Board of Transportation Reception



4th Annual Meeting



Wake County Commissioner Joe Bryan (left) receives 2005 Transportation Champion award from 2005 Co-Chair Duane Long

Fellow Alliance Members and Partners,

What a year! We started off with our first Regional Transportation Alliance Leadership Tour to San Diego and southern Orange County, California, to learn about new transportation solutions. We ended with the approval by the NC Turnpike Authority of a joint RTA and southwestern Wake County mayors resolution to accelerate I-540. In between these two milestones, the Alliance took strides to make Triangle mobility better for residents, commuters and potential talent amidst a host of funding challenges for both highways and transit.

The Alliance will continue to create opportunities in 2006 to engage transportation leaders and elected officials in order to strengthen key relationships in the region and across the state. We must continue to make progress on our policy objectives and transportation priorities if we are to have a promising future of continued economic expansion and quality of life that our region deserves.

On behalf of the Regional Transportation Alliance, I appreciate your commitment and devotion to the organization and to creating a legacy of mobility for Triangle residents and commuters now and in the future. Thank you for your support, dedication and membership.

Let's Get Moving!



Joe Freddoso, Director, RTP Site Operations, Cisco Systems
2006 Alliance Chairman



2005 Leadership Briefing and Tour



Regional Elected Officials
Transportation Reception



Congressman David Price (right)
receives 2005 Transportation
Champion award from 2005 Co-chair
Peter Anlyan

Promising Future

The Alliance will continue to maintain and strengthen the relationships between elected and transportation officials and the business community to enhance the region's mobility options. As the regional business leadership group that focuses on relieving traffic congestion and enhancing mobility, we will continue to advocate for several key short- and long-term multimodal priorities and policy objectives.

Key Priorities Include:

- I-540 acceleration in southern and western Wake County
- Triangle Parkway extension of Durham Freeway to I-540
- East End Connector to link Durham Freeway (NC 147) with I-85 North
- Transit between Raleigh, Cary, RTP, Durham, Chapel Hill and RDU Airport
- I-40 ValuExpress lanes across the Triangle
- Relief for congested intersections and corridors
- Extension of pedestrian-bicycle trails throughout the region
- Technology (ITS) enhancements to improve traffic flow
- Reserve transportation taxes and fees for transportation facilities
- Ensure that toll revenues generated along a corridor stay on that corridor
- Modernize the transportation allocation formula
- Establish transportation local option authority

We will focus on these and other transportation policy and funding priorities via a host of engagement fronts including the Alliance facilitated Triangle Mobility Action Partnership of business, transportation and elected officials.

Alliance Vice Chairs:

Marty Clayton, Progress Energy

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"Alliance members are special – they are respected regional leaders and thought makers – and through the Alliance, they are helping to provide the gift of mobility to future generations of businesses and citizens in the Greater Triangle Region."

*Joe Freddoso, Cisco Systems
2006 Alliance Chairman*

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