

## 2012/13 Accomplishments of RTA and Partners

The Regional Transportation Alliance is the business leadership group that provides a strategic, action-oriented focus and a powerful, collaborative voice to advance regional transportation solutions that will attract top talent, grow our prosperity, and sustain our quality of life.

## **Legislation and Policy**

- Repeal of legislation that prevented the 540 Southeast Extension turnpike from moving forward
- Passage of Strategic Transportation Investments bill creating new statewide funding formula
- Adoption of fair share contribution opportunity for electric vehicles in state budget

### Freeway

- Successful restart of the study to complete 540 in southeast Wake County
- Conditional approval of future Interstate designation by NCDOT and AASHTO for U.S. 64 east of Raleigh
- Interoperability of NC Quickpass with E-Z Pass, Florida SunPass for high-speed toll collection
- Implementation of RTA requested speed limit increases on 540, U.S. 1 South, and Aviation Parkway.
- Launch of feasibility studies for future express lanes region-wide
- Initiation of interchange studies for U.S. 70 freeway conversion

### **Transit**

- Expansion of Bus on Shoulder System (BOSS) in Wake and Durham counties on I-40 and Wade Avenue
- Collection of local option taxes for bus service expansion in Durham and Orange counties
- "GoLive" real-time location tracking available for every bus for all transit providers
- RTA endorsement of bus rapid transit-based approach for Wake County
- Availability of funding for transit improvements during Fortify I-40/440 Rebuild

## **Intercity Higher Speed Rail**

- Final studies for Southeast High Speed Rail corridor to Richmond, Va., near completion
- RTA Intercity Higher Speed Rail Chair Randy Lickey named to VA-NC High Speed Rail Compact

### **RDU Air Service**

- Three daily nonstop flights to the West Coast
- TSA PreCheck now available at RDU
- RDU begins campaign with regional business community to strengthen international air service

## Research, Events, and Outreach

- RTA-funded research on "SuperCircles" presented by national experts at RTA Solutions Forum
- RTA 2013 Leadership Briefing and Tour to Baltimore and Washington, D.C., highlights innovations
- RTA Transit Innovations Series launched to support and advance transit in Wake County

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