

RTA Regional Transit Awareness Day: Thursday, September 29, 2022 – agenda summary  
(rev. Wed Sep 28, 3 pm)

**Schedule overview**

- By 6:45a – Bus arrival and staging at RTP / 800 Park Offices Drive
- **7a – 7:15a** – Attendee arrival, at RTP
- **7:30a – 8:20a** – Welcome Breakfast and Leadership briefing 1: at GoTriangle RTC
- **8:30a – 9:10a** – Transit field visit 1: RTC to Raleigh via regional/local bus
- **9:15a – 9:45a** – Leadership briefing 2: Raleigh, at Union Station
- **10:00a – 10:30a** – Transit field visit 2: Raleigh to Durham via passenger rail
- **10:30a – 11:20a** – Leadership briefing 3: Durham, at Durham Station
- **11:30a – 12:15p** – Transit field visit 3: Durham to Chapel Hill and Carrboro via regional/local bus
- **12:15p – 1:30p** – Lunch and Leadership briefing 4: Chapel Hill and Carrboro, at Hilton in Carrboro
- **1:45p – 2:30p** – Transit field visit 4: Carrboro and Chapel Hill to RTP via regional/local bus
- **2:30p – 4:30p** – Closing reception and discussion: at RTP / 800 Park Offices Drive
- **4:30p** – *event ends*

**7a – 7:15a – Attendee arrival, at RTP**

***Attendees requested to arrive no later than 7:15 am***

*Participants will meet at [800 Park Offices Drive, RTP](#), parking is west and south of building*

*Buses will shuttle registered attendees to GoTriangle Regional Transit Center (RTC)*

***Today's event buses provided by Chapel Hill Transit and GoDurham/City of Durham***

**7:30a – 8:20a – Welcome Breakfast and Leadership briefing 1: Overview of day, Cary focus, RTC, at GoTriangle RTC**  
***Breakfast provided by GoCary / Town of Cary***

***Remarks begin at aprx. 7:55 am***

***7:55 am – 8:05 am – welcome remarks from RTA, GoTriangle***

**RTA speakers – Harold Hicks, Jay Irby, Joe Milazzo**

- **Harold** focuses: Thank you, partnership
- **Jay** focuses: RTA support for both/and, seeking options and acceleration
- **Joe** focuses: thank partners, day overview

**8 am – 8:05 am - GoTriangle speakers – Sig Hutchinson, Chuck Lattuca**

- **Chuck** focuses: Welcome, pleased to host, partnerships, RTC

**8:05 am – 8:10 am - NCDOT speakers – Brandon Jones, Lisa Mathis**

- **Brandon** focuses: All major transit projects involve highways, NCDOT partnerships
- **Lisa** focuses: Multimodal, integrated mobility focus of Department

**8:10 am – 8:25 am - GoCary speaker – Kelly Blazey**

- **Kelly** focuses: Welcome, GoCary, multimodal center, stop lighting, Morrisville SmartShuttle, GoApex

***Venue A/V, logistics at RTC***

- ***microphone, podium; projector/laptops/screen; could use Whisper units here for audio if nec.***

**8:30a – 9:10a - Transit field visit 1: RTC to Raleigh via regional/local bus**

***Remarks begin as soon as all attendees on board all buses***

***8:30a – 8:45a – speaker remarks; plan for 3-5 minutes for each speaker/agency***

**GoTriangle on-board speaker – Jenny Green**

- **Jenny** focuses: GoTriangle regional routes, express routes, BOSS, RTP Connect

**GoRaleigh on-board speaker(s) - David Eatman**

- **David** focuses: Western Boulevard BRT, station locations, Wake BRT system

**NCDOT on-board speaker(s) – Brandon Jones**

- **Brandon** focuses: partnership with City of Raleigh and other municipalities on BRT

**9:15a – 9:45a – Leadership briefing 2: Raleigh, at Union Station**

**Refreshments provided by GoRaleigh / City of Raleigh**

**Remarks begin as soon as all attendees arrive at gathering space in Raleigh Union Station**

**9:15a – 9:35a - City of Raleigh– Mayor Mary-Ann Baldwin, David Eatman**

- **Mary-Ann** focuses: Welcome, partnership, need for regional/commuter rail solution
- **David** focuses: GoRaleigh, BRT/extensions/frequent network, Union Station

**9:35a – 9:40a - GoTriangle speaker(s) – Eric Curry**

- **Eric**: RUS Bus, bus

**9:40a – 9:45a – NCDOT speaker(s) – Jason Orthner**

- **Jason**: centerpoint of rail travel for Eastern North Carolina

**Venue A/V, logistics at Raleigh Union Station**

- *easels / boards; potentially projector/laptops/screen; will use Whisper for audio*

**10:00a – 10:30a - Transit field visit 2: Raleigh to Durham via passenger rail**

*10:00a - depart Raleigh Union Station*

**Dedicated passenger coaches provided by NCDOT**

**Remarks begin as soon as train departs**

**10a – 10:17a – speaker remarks; plan for 3-5 minutes for each speaker/agency; pause during Cary stop**

**NCDOT onboard speaker(s) – Jason Orthner**

- **Jason** focuses: Passenger rail, Piedmont service, expansion

**GoTriangle onboard speaker(s) – Jay Heikes**

- **Jay** focuses: regional/commuter rail study results, next steps

**NC Railroad onboard speaker(s) – Catherine Knudson**

- **Catherine** focuses: NCRRC corridor and role

**10:30a – 11:20a - Leadership briefing 3: Durham, at Durham Station**

*10:32a – arrive Durham train station; walk to Durham Station (bus transit)*

*10:40a – arrive Durham Station*

**Remarks begin as soon as all attendees arrive at gathering space at Durham Station**

**10:45a – 10:55a – City of Durham – Mayor Elaine O’Neal**

- **Elaine** focuses: Welcome, partnership, need for multimodal solutions, importance of Durham in region

**10:55a – 11:15a – City of Durham, GoDurham Sean Egan**

- **Sean** focuses: GoDurham, Durham Station, Better Bus project, transit plan, Connect, Senior Shuttle

**Venue A/V, logistics at Durham Station**

- *easel / boards; will use Whisper for audio*

**11:30a – 12:15p - Transit field visit 3: Durham to Chapel Hill and Carrboro via regional/local bus**

*11:30a – depart Durham Station*

*aprx. 12:00p - 12:15p – arrive Carrboro, Main St*

**Remarks begin as soon as all attendees on board all buses**

**11:30a – 11:45a – speaker remarks; plan for 3-5 minutes for each speaker/agency**

**City or County of Durham, and/or GoDurham onboard speaker(s) – TBD**

- **TBD** focuses: future BRT opportunities, City of Durham compact walkable Patterson Place

**GoTriangle on-board speaker – Jay Heikes**

- **Jay** focuses: future of Durham-Chapel Hill quality regional transit connections

**Chapel Hill Transit on-board speaker – Brian Litchfield**

- **Brian** focuses: East-West BRT along US 15-501

**12:15p – 1:30p - Lunch and Leadership briefing 4: Chapel Hill and Carrboro, at Hilton in Carrboro**

*Lunch will be available via buffet upon arrival*

*We will commence remarks around 30 minutes later*

**12:45p – 12:55p – welcome remarks**

**Town of Carrboro speaker(s) – Damon Seils, Mayor of Carrboro**

- **Damon** focuses: Welcome, partnerships, importance of transit and regional connections including BRT

**12:55p – 1:15p – Chapel Hill Transit remarks**

**Chapel Hill Transit speaker(s) – Brian Litchfield**

- **Brian** focuses: Chapel Hill Transit, BRT, Orange transit plan, transit priority shoulder region

**1:15p – 1:25p – GoTriangle remarks**

**GoTriangle speaker(s) – Jenny Green**

- **Jenny** focuses: post-Covid trends, short-range service plan, bus plan

**Venue A/V, logistics at Hilton in Carrboro**

- *microphone, podium, projector/laptops/screen; Whisper will not be used here*

**1:45p – 2:30p - Transit field visit 4: Carrboro and Chapel Hill to RTP via regional/local bus**

*1:45p – depart Carrboro and Chapel Hill*

*Remarks begin as soon as all attendees on board all buses*

*1:45p – 2:00p – speaker remarks; plan for 3-5 minutes for each speaker/agency*

**Chapel Hill Transit speaker(s) – Brian Litchfield**

- **Brian** focuses: North-South BRT

**GoTriangle on-board speaker(s) – Jay Heikes**

- **Jay** focuses: Bus On Shoulder System (BOSS), future transit priority shoulder, new RTC

**2:30p – 4:30p - Closing reception and discussion, at RTP**

**Closing reception hosted by the Research Triangle Foundation of North Carolina**

*Remarks begin about 15 minutes after arrival*

*2:45p – 3:15 pm – speaker remarks; plan for 5-7 minutes for each speaker/agency*

**RTP speaker(s) – Ray Trapp**

- **Ray** focuses: RTA tour, Future of RTP, importance of transit and regional connections

**RDU airport speaker(s) - Michael Landguth**

- **Mike** focuses: RDU transit centers, consolidated rental car facility, roadway access improvements

**GoTriangle speakers – Kim Johnson**

- **Kim** focuses: RTP Connect, RDU shuttle, TDM

**NCDOT speaker(s) – Ryan Brumfield, Jason Orthner**

- **Ryan** focuses: equity, mobility innovation, e.g., microtransit
- **Jason** focuses: S-line, future of passenger rail

*by 3:30 pm discussion time*

**RTA speaker – Joe Milazzo**

- **Joe** focuses: next steps, group discussion items

*Closing remarks, starting no later than 3:45 pm*

**GoTriangle speakers – Sig Hutchinson**

- **Sig** focuses: RTA tour, opportunities for regional/commuter rail, BRT, bus and rail, partnerships

**NCCR speaker – Catherine Knudson**

- **Catherine** focuses: Thank you, partnership

**NCDOT speaker – Brandon Jones**

- **Brandon** focuses: Thank you, partnership

**RTA speakers – Harold Hicks, Jay Irby, Joe Milazzo**

- **Harold** focuses: Thank you, partnership
- **Jay** focuses: RTA support for both/and, seeking options and acceleration

**Venue A/V, logistics at RTP**

- *microphone, podium, projector/laptops/screen; Whisper will not be used / unavailable*

**by 4:30p - event ends**