

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

The High Point Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) coordinates all transportation planning activities in the High Point urbanized area. This area consists of the communities of High Point, Archdale, Jamestown, Thomasville and Trinity. Portions of Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph and Davidson Counties are also included. (Map 1). The City of High Point serves as the Lead Planning Agency for the MPO.

As required by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, and its subsequent legislation, the Transportation Efficiency Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), all major transportation projects planned for the next twenty years within the Metropolitan Area Boundary (MAB) must be consistent with the objectives of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). As the basic product of the planning process, the LRTP is a tool for guiding transportation decisions. The LRTP integrates long-term and short-term concerns across all transportation modes, balancing operations and maintenance with capacity management. It supports the efficient movement of people and goods, while considering economic, social, and environmental goals and constraints. Linkages between modes are emphasized, as is continuity with transportation systems outside the MAB. The LRTP is consistent with local land use plans and conforms to the North Carolina State Implementation Plan (SIP).

This report serves as an update to the Long Range Transportation Plan for the High Point urbanized area approved October 2001. The planning assumptions used for the accompanying Conformity Analysis report have been reviewed by the MPO staff and are still considered valid. The assumptions were updated using the 2000 Census data.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please call the High Point Department of Transportation at 336-883-3225.