

Meeting Summary

Subject: ACEC/NC - NCDOT Multimodal Subcommittee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Location: NCDOT Highway Building Rail Conference Room # 509 / Microsoft Teams Virtual

Attendees:	Greg Keel	Tom Wells
	Jason Orthner	Kory Wilmot
	Jed Dixon	Bob Deaton
	Nick Short	Katharine Mather
	Allison Anolik	Marc Hamel
	Betty White	
	Robert Kirk	

Meeting Goals: Discuss Division updates, challenges and opportunities for ACEC assistance.

Discussion Topics:

- Introductions for new multimodal subcommittee members
 - Tom Wells – Terracon
 - Marc Hamel – WGI
 - Kory Wilmot – AECOM
- Division Updates (upcoming advertisements, project updates, etc.)
 - Rail Division
 - S-Line
 - Continued great engagement with FRA and USDOT, PE well underway, discussing strategies for rolling out overall program
 - Ferry Division
 - Professional Services LSA and Facilities LSA anticipated for late fall/early winter
 - Marine and Facilities Engineering – multiple task orders
 - Vessel CMGC currently out
 - Aviation Division
 - AAM Planning Grants for FY26
 - IMD
 - Multimodal plans – firms have been selected
 - Fleet feasibility studies pilot underway
 - Working with FRA on release of grants funds for what is awarded and to be obligated
- Misc.
 - Surface Transportation Bill Reauthorization

- Not by Sept 30th, multimodal did not carry forward any advance appropriations, AASHTO, APTA and ACEC advocate for full funding, rail has no formula funding so advance appropriations was the closest thing to dedicated funding, congressional leadership has been stark on transportation
- ACEC Summer Conference held in August
- ACEC/NCDOT Joint Conference – September 22nd
 - Reception on Sept 21st
 - All modes are speaking
- Supplementing purchase orders under expired LSA's
 - NCDOT can supplement active PO's where there is remaining contract authority on LSAs that have expired, discuss with Greg Keel if other questions arise