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GREENVILLE-PICKENS AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

ARTICLE I – PURPOSE

Title 23 USC 134 and Sections 3(a)(2), 4(a), 5(g)(1), and 5(1) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, (49 USC 1602)(a)(2), 1603(a), 1604(g)(1) and (1) require that each urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of an urbanized area. As a part of this requirement, there must be an organization formed which serves as the forum for cooperative decision making by principal elected officials of general purpose local government involved in the study area. The organization created to serve this purpose is the Greenville-Pickens Area Transportation Study (GPATS) Policy Coordinating Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Policy Committee.

The Policy Committee is responsible, in cooperation with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT), for carrying out the provisions of the above-referenced legislative requirements. The Policy Committee provides policy direction for planning, programming, and implementation of the GPATS plan. The Policy Committee makes recommendations to the County Councils, the County Delegations, the SCDOT, and any other official body responsible for taking official action on highway projects.

The Study Team is the technical committee responsible for supporting the Policy Committee in its decision-making on current and emerging transportation issues, and will provide updates, feedback, and recommendations on all GPATS planning products and endeavors (such as the LRTP, TIP, and UPWP). Its makeup is of the administrators, planners, and engineers of the member jurisdictions, in order to discuss, formally recommend items that are to be brought before the Policy Committee, and resolve any technical issues prior to public issuance of the agenda items.