

Resolution



Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2320

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S PROMOTING RESILIENT OPERATIONS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE, EFFICIENT, AND COST-SAVING TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation has developed a discretionary grant program to address surface transportation resilience to natural hazards through the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has appropriated up to \$576 million for the PROTECT Program for FY 2024 and 2025; and

WHEREAS, the program supports the development of a Resilience Improvement Plan that addresses immediate and long range transportation network needs related to comprehensive natural hazard preparedness to limit transportation disruptions, and to identify and assess areas of vulnerability within the transportation network to be considered and prioritized for future resiliency projects; and

WHEREAS, the PROTECT Program encourages entities, including metropolitan planning organizations and local governments, that are interested in obtaining implementation funds through the PROTECT Program have an adopted Resilience Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization planning area has observed transportation network disruptions due to natural hazard events such as flooding and has a high likelihood of future flooding and severe weather events such as hurricanes; and

WHEREAS, a Resilience Improvement Plan that covers the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization would include the Town of Carolina Beach.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Carolina Beach supports the application from the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization to develop a Resilience Improvement Plan for the Wilmington metropolitan region through the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program.

ADOPTED, this 14th day of January, 2025.

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk