

Memorandum

To: Peyton Wiggins, Land Development Manager, Building and Development Services
From: Julio Paredes, Planner, AICP, Senior Planner. Gaston—Cleveland—Lincoln MPO
Date: February 18th, 2026
Subject: TRC Review - Union Ford Rd

Thank you for the opportunity to provide transportation comments on a proposed rezoning within the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (GCLMPO) planning area. My comments are based on review of the location in accordance with the adopted Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP), the adopted 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), and the current State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

The proposed site plan is located at PID: 213896. On behalf of the GCLMPO, I offer the following comments:

1. According to NCDOT's 2026-2035 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), there are no funded transportation improvement projects in the immediate vicinity of this site.
2. According to the 2050 MTP, a natural-surface trail south in Mountain Island Lake Park connecting Drywall Dr. to Dutchman Ave. is included.
3. The MPO submitted the construction of a natural-surface trail south in Mountain Island Lake Park connecting Drywall Dr. to Dutchman Ave for NCDOT's round of prioritization (SPOT 7.0). This project did not receive funding in the current STIP.
4. The CTP does not include specific transportation projects or improvement schedules, but instead represents the status or completeness of the comprehensive transportation system that may be required to support anticipated growth and development.

By establishing the region's future transportation needs, the CTP offers an organized way to identify, and eventually prioritize, the transportation projects that may be built in the communities within the GCLMPO area.

CTP projects shown as "Needs Improvement" or "Recommended" could become a funded project in the future, part of a development project, or may never become a funded project.

GASTON-CLEVELAND-LINCOLN



Metropolitan Planning Organization

Post Office Box 1748
Gastonia, North Carolina 28053
Phone (704) 866-6980

150 South York Street
Gastonia, North Carolina 28052
Fax (704) 869-1960

If you have any questions regarding my comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 704-866-6980 or julio.paredes@gastoniac.gov.