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TO: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
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Office of State Budget and Management
Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Environmental Review Commission

FROM: Nick Tennyson
NCDOT Chief Deputy Secretary

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Enclosed please find the joint report of the Department of Transportation and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources covering activities of the liaisons and activities undertaken for enhanced collaboration and coordination of the departments to improve efficiencies and to better serve citizens and businesses within Prosperity Zones as established under Session Law 2014-18.

Please contact Keith Weatherly at 919-707-2775 with any questions.

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NC Prosperity Zones – NCDOT Status Report

6/15/2015

NCDOT has taken a number of steps related to establishing and supporting NC Prosperity Zones over the last several months. These steps include but are not limited to:

- Joint meetings on February 25, March 18, April 9, and May 29 with DENR, EDPNC, and NCDOT to identify office space availability and discuss alternate scenarios for providing information and staff availability.
- Identification of NCDOT office space across the state (See attachment) for use by Regional Industry Managers of the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina (EDPNC)
- Held a joint meeting on January 6 between NCDOT Division Engineers , John Loyack and others from EDPNC to discuss overall goals and value of collaborative efforts
- Provided NCDOT district and division office physical location data for GIS mapping efforts
- Identified likely NCDOT liaisons for each of the 8 Prosperity Zones

NCDOT/DENR/EDPNC Meeting

A coordination meeting was held at DENR's office on May 29, 2015 to discuss the co-location effort. A map of available office space and regional offices and representatives from the three agencies is being assembled. Discussed placing information kiosks in alternate offices to provide agency information throughout the prosperity zone regions.

NCDOT/Program Evaluation Division Meeting

NCDOT staff has met with Larry Yates (NC General Assembly Program Evaluation Division) several times in April and May to discuss the prosperity zone effort, as well as, staffing issues.

NCDOT Office Space

The Chief Engineer and his staff have coordinated directly with John Loyack of EDPNC to identify NCDOT offices across the state where EDPNC Regional Industry Managers may physically co-locate with NCDOT personnel. Offices with desks and access to a wireless network are being made available to these Managers.

NCDOT/EDPNC Meeting

John Loyack, Chris Chung, and others from EDPNC came to the Chief Engineer's Division of Highways monthly meeting on January 6, 2015 by invitation. They presented the mission and goals of EDPNC and their specific roles to help businesses locate and thrive in NC. EDPNC and NCDOT has and will continue to collaborate closely to achieve these goals.

Mapping Information

NCDOT has provided physical addresses for each Division and District office to Jeff Debillis in an effort to help create a comprehensive GIS map of the state which includes office space of NCDOT, DENR, EPDNC, etc.

NCDOT Liaisons

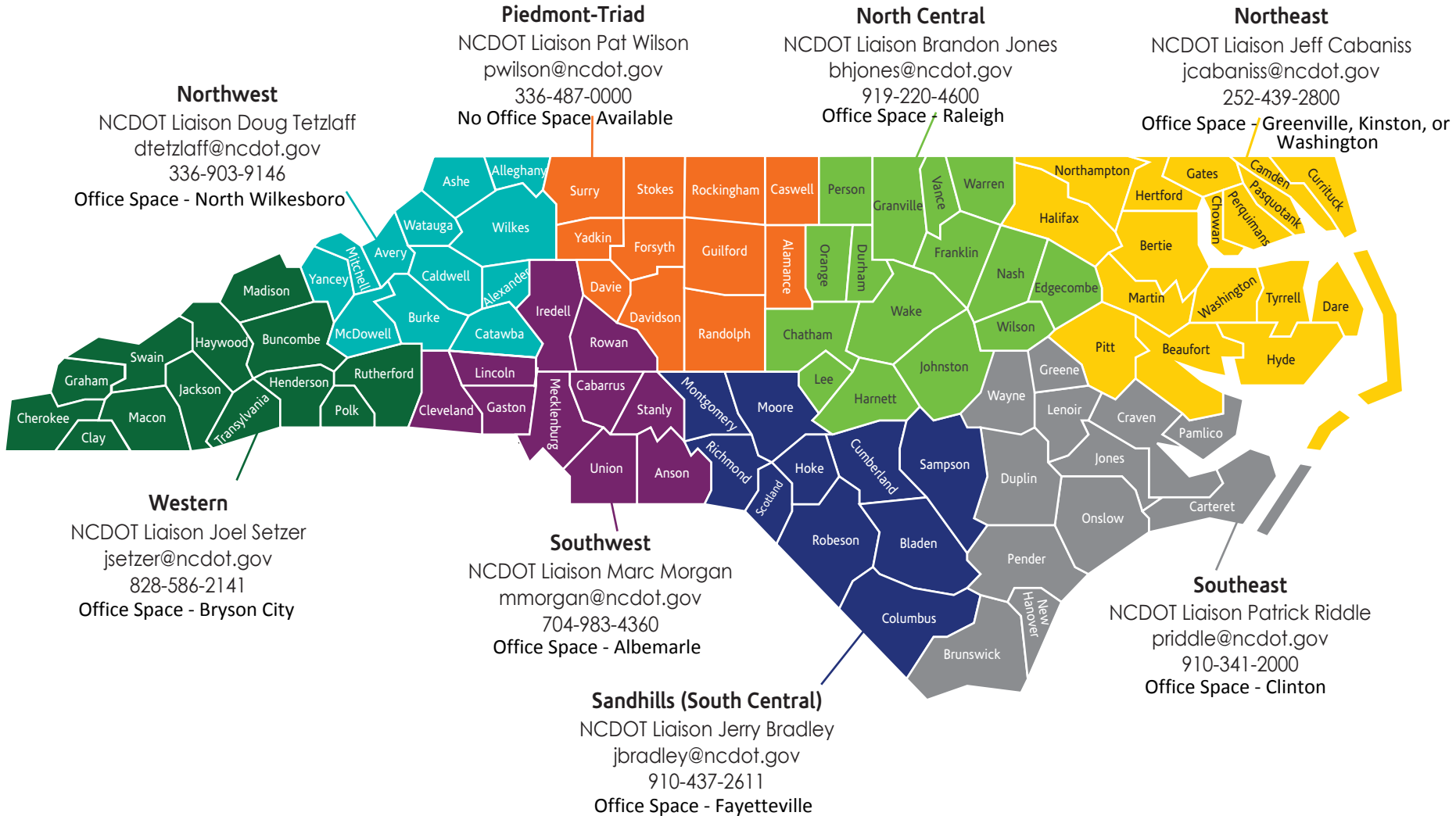
Eight NCDOT employees within 8 of the 14 NCDOT divisions have been identified by the Division Engineers to serve as liaisons for the Department's coordination with EDPNC employees. These employees are Jeff Cabaniss in Division 2, Patrick Riddle in Division 3, Brandon Jones in Division 5, Jerry Bradley in Division 6, Pat Wilson in Division 7, Marc Morgan in Division 10, Doug Tetzlaff in Division 11, and Joel Setzer in Division 14. These names are tentative and are subject to change dependent on the location of other agencies within the state. See the attached map.

Next Steps

NCDOT will continue to work closely with the other agencies involved in the Prosperity Zones to identify means to coordinate work efforts.

North Carolina Prosperity Zones

NCDOT Liaisons



Office space made available by NCDOT to EDPNC at their request

NC Prosperity Zones – NCDENR Status Report

June 15, 2015

NCDENR has taken a number of steps related to establishing and supporting NC Prosperity Zones over the last several months. These steps include but are not limited to:

- Held joint meetings on February 25, March 18, April 9, and May 29, 2015 with NCDENR, EDPNC, and NCDOT to identify office space availability and discuss multiple scenarios for providing information and staffing.
- Identified NCDENR designated space within each of its existing seven regional offices for the establishment of a kiosk-type display of information, flyers, applications, etc. These designated areas will be available for use by Commerce, DOT, EDPNC, NCDENR, and others to partially meet co-location requirements.
- Held a joint meeting on March 3, 2015 between NCDENR Division of Environmental Assistance & Customer Service (DEACS) managers and representatives of EDPNC seeking ways to foster a joint effort to better serve businesses and industries in the state.
- Held a follow-up joint meeting on May 4, 2015 between NCDENR/DEACS Section Chiefs, John Loyack (EDPNC VP Global Business Services), and EDPNC staff to discuss details of available services for NC businesses and industries.
- Identified likely NCDENR liaisons for each of the 8 Prosperity Zones

NCDENR/NCDOT/EDPNC Meeting

A coordination meeting was held at the NCDENR Central Office on May 29, 2015 to discuss the co-location effort. A map is being assembled to show available office space, regional facilities, and representatives from each of the three agencies. The meeting included a discussion of possible information kiosks in multiple offices to provide agency information throughout the prosperity zones. These designated kiosk areas will be available for use by Commerce, DOT, EDPNC, NCDENR, and others.

EDPNC Referrals and NCDENR Follow-up

As a result of interagency collaboration, EDPNC staff has referred 14 companies to NCDENR/DEACS for assistance within the past 45 days. These referrals have resulted in multiple site visits as well as additional memberships in the NCDENR Environmental Stewardship Initiative (ESI) program. The companies assisted are typically interested in achieving cost savings through environmentally sustainable business practices like recycling, energy & water conservation, and enhanced waste management.

NCDENR Office Space

NCDENR and EDPNC have discussed options for the physical co-location of staff within NCDENR regional offices. While there may be opportunities to utilize space at some locations, the options within most offices will be somewhat limited. Each NCDENR Office is located in privately owned leased space, and there are existing leases and MOU's in place governing all areas within the NCDENR footprint. Any costs imposed by the landlord would have to be passed along to occupants on a "per-square-foot" basis.

NCDENR/EDPNC Meeting

John Loyack, Chris Chung, and others from EDPNC hosted a meeting with the NCDENR Ombudsman and managers of the NCDENR Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service (DEACS) on March 3, 2015. Among other things, the meeting was scheduled to facilitate staff introductions and promote interactions between NCDENR and EDPNC staff. NCDENR/DEACS designated Stacy J. Smith as its primary Economic Development Liaison for ongoing interactions with EDPNC and the NC Department of Commerce.

Mapping Information

NCDENR provided physical addresses for each of its Regional Offices to Jeff Debellis on February 27, 2015 in an effort to help create a comprehensive GIS map of the state which includes office space of all agencies involved in the co-locational effort.

NCDENR Liaisons

A NCDENR liaison for each of the eight Prosperity Zones has been identified utilizing existing staff in the NCDENR Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service. These individuals work very closely with NCDENR regulatory staff in each regional office and will be used to provide agency-related information to Prosperity Zone customers. The names are tentative and are subject to change dependent upon workflow, incoming project locations, and a final determination of the type of assistance required. The liaison for each Prosperity Zone* is as follows:

Northwest	Alison Davidson
Piedmont-Triad	Marcia Allocco
North Central	David Lee
Northeast	Lyn Hardison
Western	Alison Davidson
Southwest	Marcia Allocco
Sandhills (South Central)	David Lee
Southeast	Cameron Weaver

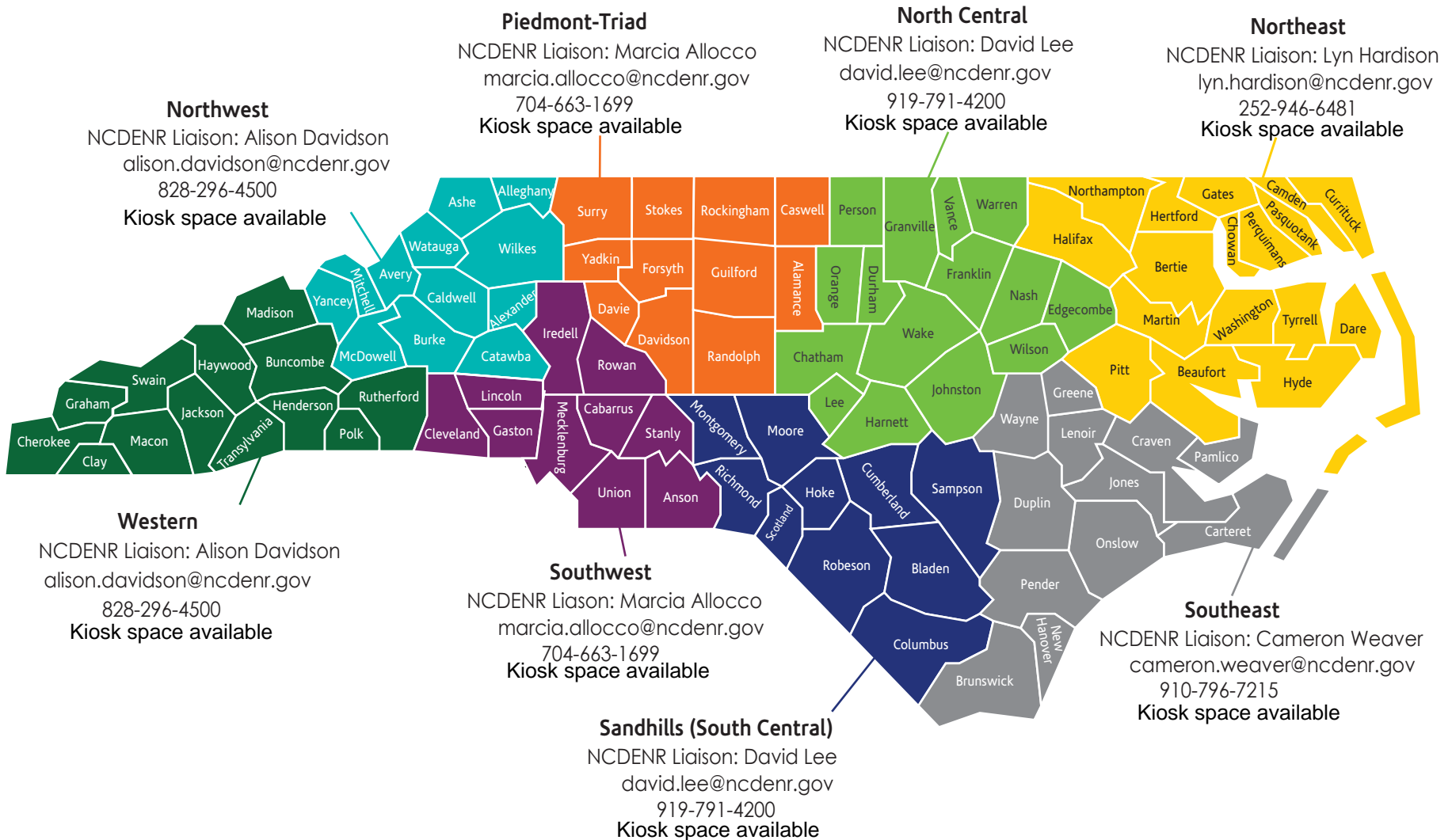
Next Steps

NCDENR will continue to work closely with the other agencies involved with the Prosperity Zones to identify further means to coordinate work efforts.

*See attached map

North Carolina Prosperity Zones

NCDENR Liaisons



Designated kiosk space will be made available in NCDENR Regional Offices per requests by EDPNC and others.