

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
AND RAIL RECOMMENDATIONS
Proposals that address identified needs through 2055



GASTON COUNTY

Comprehensive Transportation Plan

Public Transportation and Rail Features

	Proposal ID #	Existing	Recommended New Location
Urban Fixed Bus Corridors	#		
Regional Bus Corridors	#		
Rural Fixed Bus Corridors	#		
Fixed Guideway	#		
Amtrak / Freight Route	#		
Current Railroad	#		
Transit Facility	#		
Park and Ride Lot	#		
Amtrak Station	#		
Intermodal Terminal	#		

Studied Roads
Denotes Highway Incidental ★

Note: Microtransit operates within the City of Gastonia



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Base map date: November 20, 2024

Legal Disclaimer

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Belmont Inset

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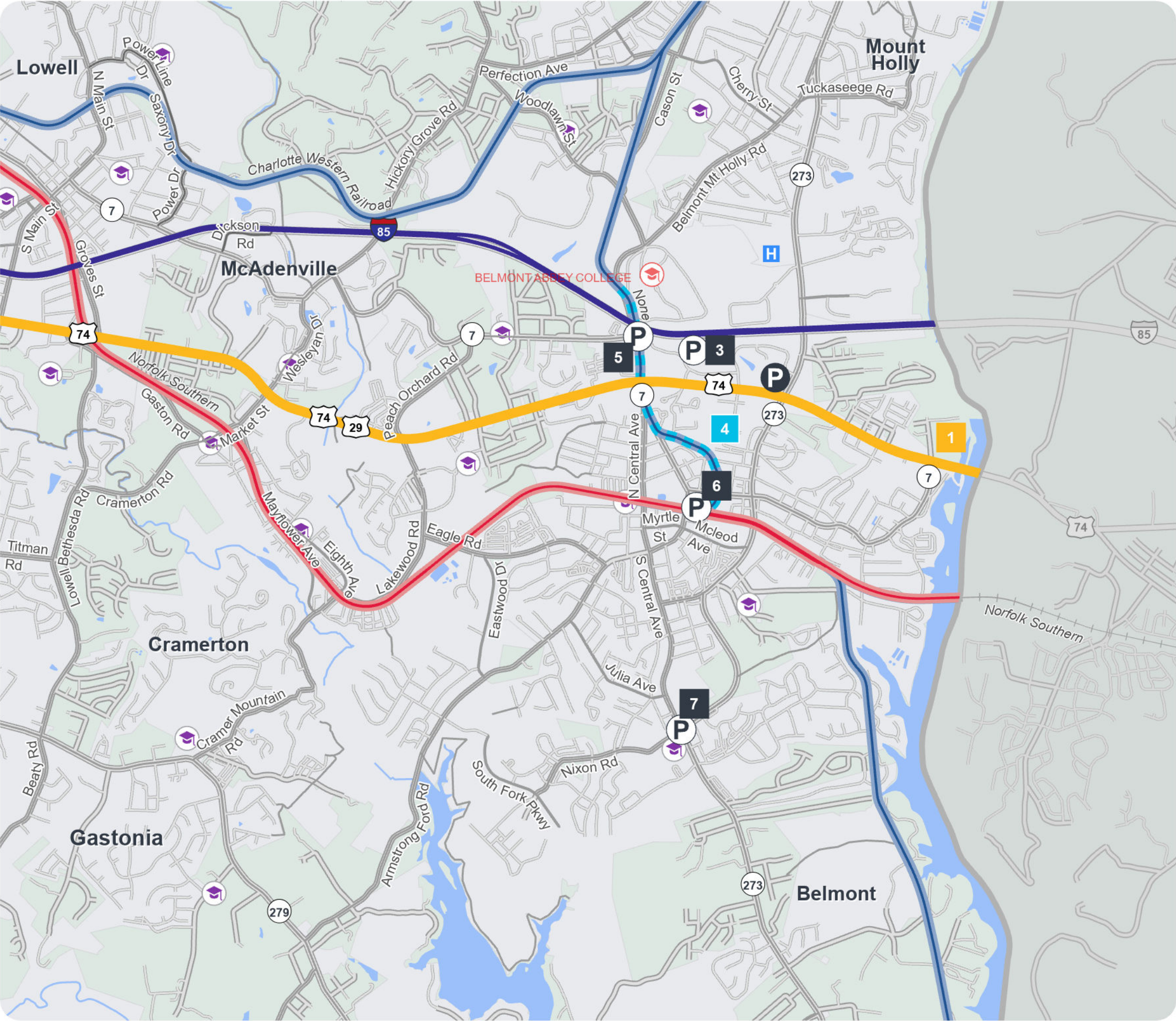


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Public Transportation and Rail Recommendations

Public Transit/Rail Class: ■ Urban Bus Corridor ■ Regional Bus Corridor ■ Rural Bus Corridor ■ Fixed Guideway			
■ Amtrak/Freight Route ■ Park and Ride or Multimodal, Amtrak/Light Rail Station or Intermodal Terminal * Denotes Highway Incidenta			
Map ID	Recommendation Name	Limits	Description
1	US 74 West High Capacity Transit Corridor	From Belmont to Kings Mountain	This is a proposed High-Capacity Transit Corridor in CONNECT Beyond. The corridor is shown as Proposed Commuter Bus, but could be light rail, bus rapid transit, express bus, or commuter rail. Future studies are needed
2	NC 16 Northwest High Capacity Transit Corridor	From Uptown Charlotte to Lowesville	This is a proposed High-Capacity Transit Corridor in CONNECT Beyond. The corridor is shown as Proposed Commuter Bus, but could be light rail, bus rapid transit, express bus, or commuter rail. Future studies are needed
3	Belmont Park and Ride	Walmart, 701 Hawley Ave	This Park and Ride lot replaces the existing Park and Ride at Abbey Plaza.
4	Belmont Trolley	From Belmont Abbey College to Downtown Belmont	The Belmont Trolley runs parallel to the Belmont Rail Trail, shuttling commuters, residents, and visitors between Belmont Abbey College and Downtown Belmont.
5	Belmont Park and Ride - McAdenville Rd	Main St/McAdenville Rd	Proposed Park and Ride along CATS 85X route and proposed Belmont Trolley.
6	Belmont Park and Ride - Trolley Car Barn	Terminus of Proposed Belmont Trolley	Proposed Park and Ride as a central destination and downtown hub.
7	Belmont Park and Ride - RL Stowe Rd	RL Stowe Rd/South Point Rowe	Proposed Park and Ride at major intersection in south central Belmont.