

Agency Name:	Department Of Transportation		
Agency Code:	U120	Section:	84



**Fiscal Year FY 2025-2026**

**Agency Budget Plan**

**FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY**

<b>OPERATING REQUESTS</b>  <i>(FORM B1)</i>	<b>For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):</b>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
<b>NON-RECURRING REQUESTS</b>  <i>(FORM B2)</i>	<b>For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):</b>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
<b>CAPITAL REQUESTS</b>  <i>(FORM C)</i>	<b>For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
<b>PROVISOS</b>  <i>(FORM D)</i>	<b>For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):</b>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any proviso changes.

Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
<b>PRIMARY CONTACT: SECONDARY CONTACT:</b>	Kevin Baker	(803) 737-7119	bakerjk@scdot.org
	Quincy Swygert	(803) 737-3089	swygertjq@scdot.org

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2025-2026 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	<u>Agency Director</u>	<u>Board or Commission Chair</u>
<b>SIGN/DATE:</b>		
<b>TYPE/PRINT NAME:</b>		

*This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.*

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BUDGET REQUESTS			FUNDING					FTES				
Priority	Request Type	Request Title	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total
1	B1 - Recurring	Engineering and Construction / Highway Fund	0	0	0	38,827,851	38,827,851	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.04
2	B1 - Recurring	Bridges	200,000,000	0	0	0	200,000,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	B2 - Non-Recurring	Hurricane Helene	150,000,000	0	0	0	150,000,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	B1 - Recurring	Litter - Off Interstate	5,000,000	0	0	0	5,000,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	B2 - Non-Recurring	Welcome Centers	5,140,727	0	0	0	5,140,727	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS			360,140,727	0	0	38,827,851	398,968,578	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.04

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# **FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST**

<b>AGENCY PRIORITY</b>	1
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*Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.*

<b>TITLE</b>	Engineering and Construction / Highway Fund
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*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<p><b>General: \$0</b></p> <p><b>Federal: \$0</b></p> <p><b>Other: \$38,827,851</b></p> <p><b>Total: \$38,827,851</b></p>
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*What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.*

<b>NEW POSITIONS</b>	0.04
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*Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.*

<b>FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST</b>	<p><b>Mark “X” for all that apply:</b></p> <table> <tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td>Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>IT Technology/Security related</td></tr> <tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td>HR/Personnel Related</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Consulted DTO during development</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #</td></tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program	<input type="checkbox"/>	IT Technology/Security related	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HR/Personnel Related	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #
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<b>STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES</b>	<p><b>Mark “X” for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:</b></p> <table> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Education, Training, and Human Development</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Healthy and Safe Families</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security</td></tr> <tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td>Public Infrastructure and Economic Development</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Government and Citizens</td></tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families										
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security										
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development										
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens										

<b>ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS</b>	<p>1.2.1 ; 1.3.1 ; 2.1.1 ; 2.2.1 ; 2.2.2 ; 2.3.1 ; 2.4.1 ; 2.4.2 ; 2.4.3 ; 2.4.4 ; 2.5.1 ; 2.6.1 ; 3.1.1 ; 3.2.1 ; 3.3.1 ; 3.3.2 ; 3.3.3 ; 3.4.1 ; 3.5.1 ; 3.6.1 ; 3.7.1 ; 3.8.1 ; 3.9.1 ; 3.9.2 ;</p>
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*What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency’s accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?*

<b>RECIPIENTS OF</b>	Vendors providing services to SCDOT, For example: contractors for road construction and maintenance work, and liability insurance.
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**FUNDS**

*What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?*

**JUSTIFICATION OF  
REQUEST**

Adjustment in authorization for payments for ongoing project expenditures in the federally eligible road construction and maintenance program.

We are requesting 0.04 of an FTE to make it a fulltime position that can be used within the agency. This will change our agency from 4505.96 to a total number of 4506 FTE.

*Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.*

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**FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST**

AGENCY  
PRIORITY

2

*Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.*

TITLE

Bridges

*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

AMOUNT

General: \$200,000,000

Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$200,000,000

*What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.*

NEW POSITIONS

0.00

*Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.*

FACTORS  
ASSOCIATED  
WITH THE  
REQUEST

Mark “X” for all that apply:

X

Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience

Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines

Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program

Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas

Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative

Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program

Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program

IT Technology/Security related

HR/Personnel Related

Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE  
ENTERPRISE  
STRATEGIC  
OBJECTIVES

Mark “X” for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:

X

Education, Training, and Human Development

Healthy and Safe Families

Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security

Public Infrastructure and Economic Development

Government and Citizens

ACCOUNTABILITY  
OF FUNDS

2.3.1

*What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency’s accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?*

RECIPIENTS OF

Vendors providing bridge construction and repair services to SCDOT

**FUNDS**

*What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?*

**JUSTIFICATION OF  
REQUEST**

\$200M Recurring for bridges: Five years to ensure long-term mobility and freight movement by tackling bridges in corridor-specific approach.

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**FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST**

AGENCY PRIORITY	4
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*Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.*

TITLE	Litter - Off Interstate
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*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

AMOUNT	<p>General: \$5,000,000</p> <p>Federal: \$0</p> <p>Other: \$0</p> <p>Total: \$5,000,000</p>
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*What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.*

NEW POSITIONS	0.00
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*Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.*

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark “X” for all that apply:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	HR/Personnel Related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark “X” for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	2.4.2 ; 2.4.3 ; 2.4.4
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*What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency’s accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?*

RECIPIENTS OF	Vendors providing litter pick up services to SCDOT.
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**FUNDS**

*What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?*

**JUSTIFICATION OF  
REQUEST**

Will provide litter pick up for "off interstate" roadways

*Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.*



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## **FORM B2 – NON-RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST**

<b>AGENCY PRIORITY</b>	3
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*Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.*

<b>TITLE</b>	Hurricane Helene
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*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

<b>AMOUNT</b>	\$150,000,000
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*What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.*

<b>FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST</b>	<b>Mark “X” for all that apply:</b>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	HR/Personnel Related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Request for Non-Recurring Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/>	Request for Federal/Other Authorization to spend existing funding	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

<b>STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES</b>	<b>Mark “X” for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens	

<b>ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS</b>	2.2.1 ; 2.2.2 ; 2.2.3 ; 2.3.1
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*What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?*

<b>RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS</b>	Vendors providing services to SCDOT, For example : contractors for debris removal and monitoring, contractors for road and bridge construction and maintenance work.
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*What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon*

<b>JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST</b>	<p>\$150M for unreimbursed costs related to Hurricane Helene which will include debris removal and monitoring, FHWA road and bridge damages, and FEMA road and bridge damages.</p>
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*Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.*

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## **FORM B2 – NON-RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST**

<b>AGENCY PRIORITY</b>	5
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*Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.*

<b>TITLE</b>	Welcome Centers
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*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

<b>AMOUNT</b>	\$5,140,727
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*What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.*

<b>FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST</b>	<b>Mark "X" for all that apply:</b>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	HR/Personnel Related
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Request for Non-Recurring Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/>	Request for Federal/Other Authorization to spend existing funding	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

<b>STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES</b>	<b>Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens

<b>ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS</b>	n/a
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*What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?*

<b>RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS</b>	SCDOT to pay PRT- The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism for Welcome Center operations per FY25-26 Proviso 117.100 (GP: South Carolina Welcome Centers)
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*What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon*

<b>JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST</b>	<p>To pay PRT for Welcome Center operations per proviso 117.11 in SFY 2025.</p> <p>Accompanying proviso request to eliminate this proviso and PRT to be state funded for the operation of Welcome Centers.</p>
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*Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.*

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**FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST**

<b>NUMBER</b>	117.100
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*Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").*

<b>TITLE</b>	South Carolina Welcome Centers
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*Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.*

<b>BUDGET PROGRAM</b>	1. Administration
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*Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.*

<b>RELATED BUDGET REQUEST</b>	Form B2 \$5,140,727
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*Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2025-2026? If so, cite it here.*

<b>REQUESTED ACTION</b>	Delete
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*Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.*

<b>OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED</b>	PRT - The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism
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*Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?*

<b>SUMMARY &amp; EXPLANATION</b>	Eliminate the transfer of \$5,140,727 to the Dept. of Parks, Recreation and Tourism for their operation and maintenance of Welcome Centers
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*Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.*

## FISCAL IMPACT

\$5,140,727 would no longer be transferred from SCDOT Gas Tax funds and could then be used on construction and maintenance of the state's roads and bridges

*Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.*

## PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

~~**117.100.** (GP: South Carolina Welcome Centers) The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism and the Department of Transportation shall maintain a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that provides that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism shall control operations of all South Carolina Welcome Centers. The MOU shall include replacement, renovation, and maintenance of the facilities, daily operations, and grounds maintenance and upkeep and shall clearly define responsibility for additional portions of Welcome Centers to include paving and sidewalks. The Department of Transportation shall transfer to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism \$5,140,727 less any state funds appropriated by the General Assembly for the same purpose. These funds must be increased by an amount commensurate with any statewide state employee salary increases or statewide state employee bonuses, including employee fringes, provided by this General Appropriations Act. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism assumes responsibility for this amount and the timing of the transfer of these funds shall be defined as part of the MOU. The funds transferred to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism shall be placed in a separate and distinct fund, and these funds shall be carried forward from the prior fiscal year into the current fiscal year and be expended for the same purposes.~~

*Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.*

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**FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST**

NUMBER

84. NEW  
*Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").*

TITLE

Indirect Cost Waiver  
*Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.*

BUDGET PROGRAM

II A Engineering Admin & Project Management  
*Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.*

RELATED BUDGET REQUEST

NA  
*Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2025-2026? If so, cite it here.*

REQUESTED ACTION

Add  
*Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.*

OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED

None  
*Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?*

SUMMARY & EXPLANATION

Section 2-65-70(A) requires that "all agencies receiving federal grants or contracts must recover the maximum allowable indirect costs on these projects"....and "all indirect costs recoveries must be credited to the general fund...." (Indirect costs are administrative related costs, or overhead, that support federally funded projects.)

Since 2005 SCDOT has been operating under the guidance that it does not receive federal grants or contracts within the meaning of this section. Rather, SCDOT receives federal funds for its road and bridge projects through the reimbursement process. That is, SCDOT expends its own funds under contract and then receives reimbursements in federal funds minus required state highway fund match amounts.

SCODT retains in its "state highway fund" the indirect cost reimbursements it receives from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). These funds are used for road and bridge projects across the state.

Additionally, Section 2-65-70 clearly applies to general fund agencies because it requires all indirect cost recoveries to be "credited to the general fund." SCDOT projects are funded by the state highway fund (and reimbursed by the FHWA) and not by the state general fund.

Lastly, Section 2-65-70 allows agencies the following: "Requests for indirect cost waivers for continuing federal projects must be made by the applicant agency as a part of its budget request and must be review in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-65-20 of this chapter." Therefore, to maintain clarity regarding SCDOT’s continuing practice of retaining federal indirect cost reimbursements, SCDOT is requesting the proviso.

*Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.*

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If SCDOT is required recover the maximum allowable indirect costs on federally funded projects and submit those cost recoveries to the general fund, approximately \$5.2 million annually could not be used for repairs, maintenance, and improvements to the existing transportation system.

*Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.*

**PROPOSED  
PROVISO TEXT**

84.XX. (DOT: Indirect Cost Waiver Federally Funded Projects) The Department of Transportation shall retain indirect cost recoveries under Section 2-65-70 relating to federally funded projects. Recoveries retained shall be deposited in the State Highway Fund and used by the agency for repairs, maintenance, and improvements to the existing transportation system.

*Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.*



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## **FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST**

<b>NUMBER</b>	84. NEW <i>Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").</i>
<b>TITLE</b>	Waiver Valuations <i>Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.</i>
<b>BUDGET PROGRAM</b>	II B Engineering Construction <i>Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.</i>
<b>RELATED BUDGET REQUEST</b>	NA <i>Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2025-2026? If so, cite it here.</i>
<b>REQUESTED ACTION</b>	Add <i>Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.</i>
<b>OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED</b>	None <i>Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?</i>

<b>SUMMARY &amp; EXPLANATION</b>	<p><u>Existing Practice</u></p> <p>For small unimproved, non-complex right-of-way acquisitions of \$20k or less, SCDOT has been using "waiver valuations" for many years to determine the value of the property. This analysis covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Possible highest and best use of the property</li><li>• Any improvements within the right-of-way</li><li>• Comparative prices in the neighborhood</li></ul> <p>These valuations, generally done on small strips or corners of property, are completed on a five page report that typically costs approximately \$200 per tract.</p> <p><u>LLR Appraisal Board Requirements</u></p> <p>LLR is now requiring a full eminent domain appraisal (with requirements beyond a general mortgage-type appraisal) to be done on these small unimproved, non-complex acquisitions. This significantly expanded process adds to the requirements above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical inspection of the property</li><li>• Collection of national, state, regional and local trends affecting market value</li><li>• Detailed analysis of social, economic and governmental forces affecting market value</li><li>• Research of sales comparisons in the county and nearby areas similar to the subject property Confirmation of those sales comps in the past five years through extensive search of county records</li><li>• If SCDOT conducts this full type of appraisal, federal regulations require an additional review by FHWA</li></ul>
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The LLR Appraisal Board's decision prohibits SCDOT from using waiver valuations in preparing cost estimates for acquisitions of \$20k or less – when mortgage lending institutions under the Federal Law are allowed to use similar practices with a much greater threshold of value (\$400,000 for Residential, \$1,000,000 for Agricultural).

A full eminent domain appraisal can comprise over 75 pages and often costs around \$2500 or more. Full eminent domain appraisals also require more time, adding as much as four months to the Right of Way acquisitions, which will delay delivery of SCDOT projects to the motoring public.

*Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.*

## FISCAL IMPACT

If SCDOT is required to use eminent domain appraisals for these small purchases of \$20,000 or less, it could cost the Department nearly \$10 million per year and add as much as four months to the time needed to acquire Right of Way.

*Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.*

## PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

84.XX. For state or federal funds appropriated to the department, cost estimates of twenty thousand dollars or less for uncomplicated acquisitions of real property, defined as those involving unimproved strips of land with no damages, no changes in highest and best use, or no significant costs to cure, are considered waiver valuations as defined by the Federal Highway Administration and shall not be subject to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

*Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.*

Agency Name:	Department Of Transportation		
Agency Code:	U120	Section:	84

**FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST**

<b>NUMBER</b>	84.11
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*Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").*

<b>TITLE</b>	DOT: Preventative Maintenance Credit
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*Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.*

<b>BUDGET PROGRAM</b>	1. Administration
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*Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.*

<b>RELATED BUDGET REQUEST</b>	None
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*Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2025-2026? If so, cite it here.*

<b>REQUESTED ACTION</b>	Delete
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*Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.*

<b>OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED</b>	n/a
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*Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?*

<b>SUMMARY &amp; EXPLANATION</b>	Proviso 84.11 is no longer needed with the sunset of Income Tax Credits related to Act 40
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*Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.*

## FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact

*Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.*

## PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

~~**84.11.** (DOT: Preventative Maintenance Credit) The Department of Transportation is authorized to transfer a portion of proceeds of the motor fuel user fee received from Section 12-28-310(D) to the Department of Revenue in order to satisfy the requirements of the preventive maintenance credit in Section 12-6-3780(B)(2).~~

*Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.*

Agency Name:	Department Of Transportation		
Agency Code:	U120	Section:	84

## **FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION CONTINGENCY PLAN**

<b>TITLE</b>	Agency Cost Savings and General Fund Reduction Contingency Plan
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<b>AMOUNT</b>	\$3,691,718
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*What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet prepared by EBO.*

<b>ASSOCIATED FTE REDUCTIONS</b>	0
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*How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?*

<b>PROGRAM / ACTIVITY IMPACT</b>	<p>\$1,718 Funding is used to assist in funding statewide transit entities that provide mass transit opportunities, and for nonfederally eligible programs that assist transit initiatives.</p> <p>\$3,600,000 Funding consists of Recurring State General Funds provided to SCDOT in SFY 2022 to provide state match for federally funded road projects.</p> <p>\$90,000 Funding consists of Recurring State General Funds provided to SCDOT in SFY 2023 to provide offinterstate litter pick up.</p>
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*What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?*

<b>SUMMARY</b>	<p>\$1,718 The 3% general fund reduction will result in a lower level of funding provided to statewide transit entities that currently provide mass transit opportunities.</p> <p>\$3,600,000 The 3% general fund reduction will result in SCDOT not having the required match to draw down federal funding for road projects.</p> <p>\$90,000 The 3% general fund reduction will result in SCDOT providing less off-interstate litter pick up.</p>
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# AGENCY COST SAVINGS PLANS

n/a	
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*What measures does the agency plan to implement to reduce its costs and operating expenses by more than \$50,000? Provide a summary of the measures taken and the estimated amount of savings. How does the agency plan to repurpose the savings?*

Agency Name:	Department Of Transportation		
Agency Code:	U120	Section:	84

## **FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS**

<b>TITLE</b>	Load Restricted Bridge Replacement Program/ Damage Claims
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*Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.*

<b>EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS</b>	<p>Resurfacing Program FY 2026 savings: \$29,800</p> <p>Load Restricted Bridge Replacement Program : \$22,127,610</p> <p>Total Savings: \$22,157,410</p>
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*What is the expected savings to South Carolina's businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.*

<b>FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST</b>	<p><b>Mark "X" for all that apply:</b></p> <table> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Repeal or revision of regulations.</td></tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.</td></tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td>Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.</td></tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Other</td></tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Repeal or revision of regulations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Other								

<b>METHOD OF CALCULATION</b>	<p>Resurfacing Program : Averaged 7 years of damage claims paid the agency, and estimated a 3% savings : \$29,800</p> <p>Load Restricted Bridge Program : Estimated the cost to the motoring public of driving around the load restricted bridges using detours. Costs include motor fuel, operating costs of trucks, and mileage driven. Estimated savings : \$22,127,610. The budget program impacted is II B Permanent Improvements Bridges, and the Highway Operating Fund 44909000.</p>
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*Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.*

<b>REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES</b>	n/a
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*Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?*

<b>REDUCTION OF REGULATION</b>	n/a
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*Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?*

<b>SUMMARY</b>	<p>The pavement resurfacing program will result in better roads, and fewer motorists repair claims paid by the agency. Estimated reduction in claims : 3%, \$29,800</p> <p>The load restricted bridge replacement program will result in repair/replacement of restricted bridges, and a savings to the motoring public not having to use detours around the bridges. Estimated savings : \$22,127,610</p>
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*Provide an explanation of the proposal and its positive results on businesses or citizens. How will the request affect agency operations?*