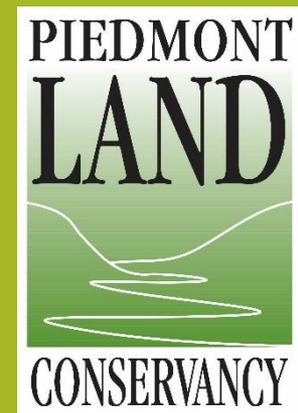


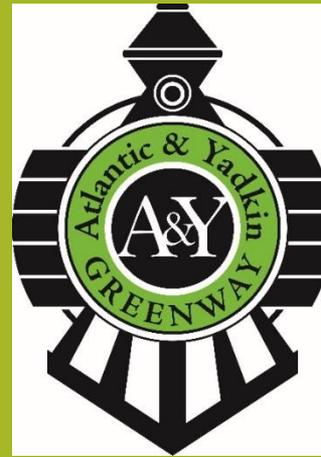
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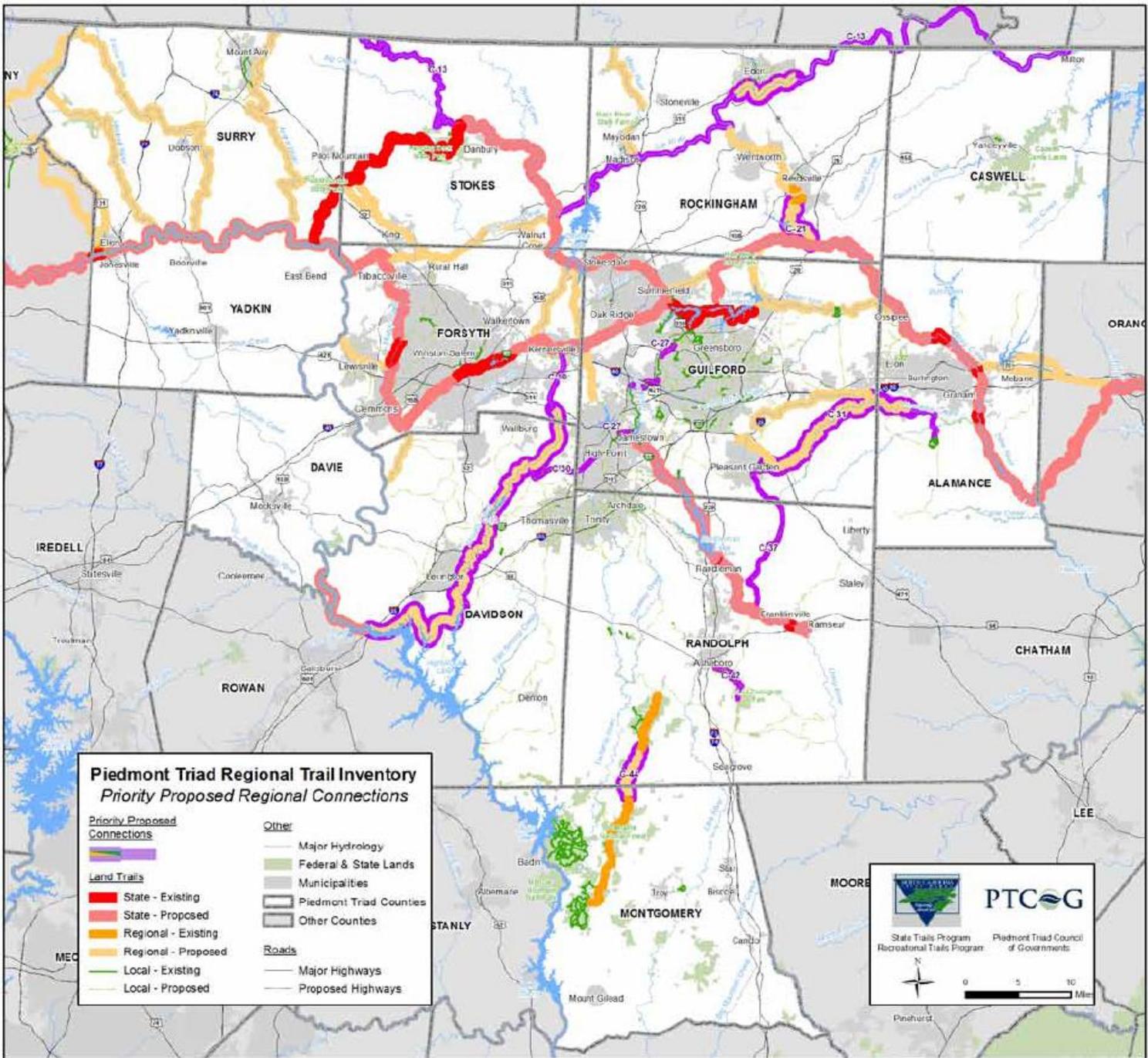
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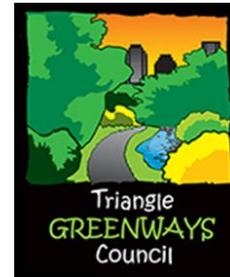


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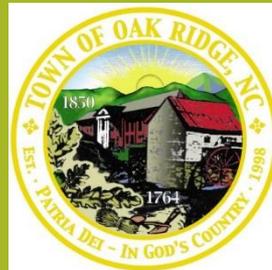
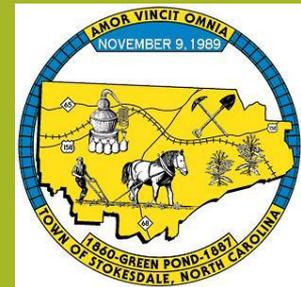
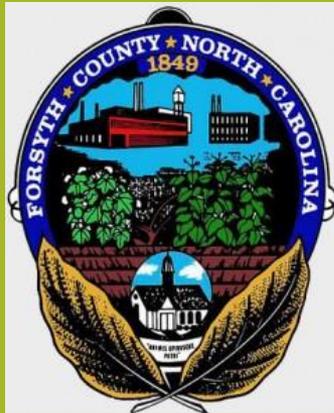
# Origins/Vision

- Regional Trails Organizations Elsewhere
  - Triangle Greenways
  - Carolina Thread Trail



# Progress/Status

- May 2015 Trail Summit
- July 2015 Focus Group
- April 2016 Steering Committee Launch

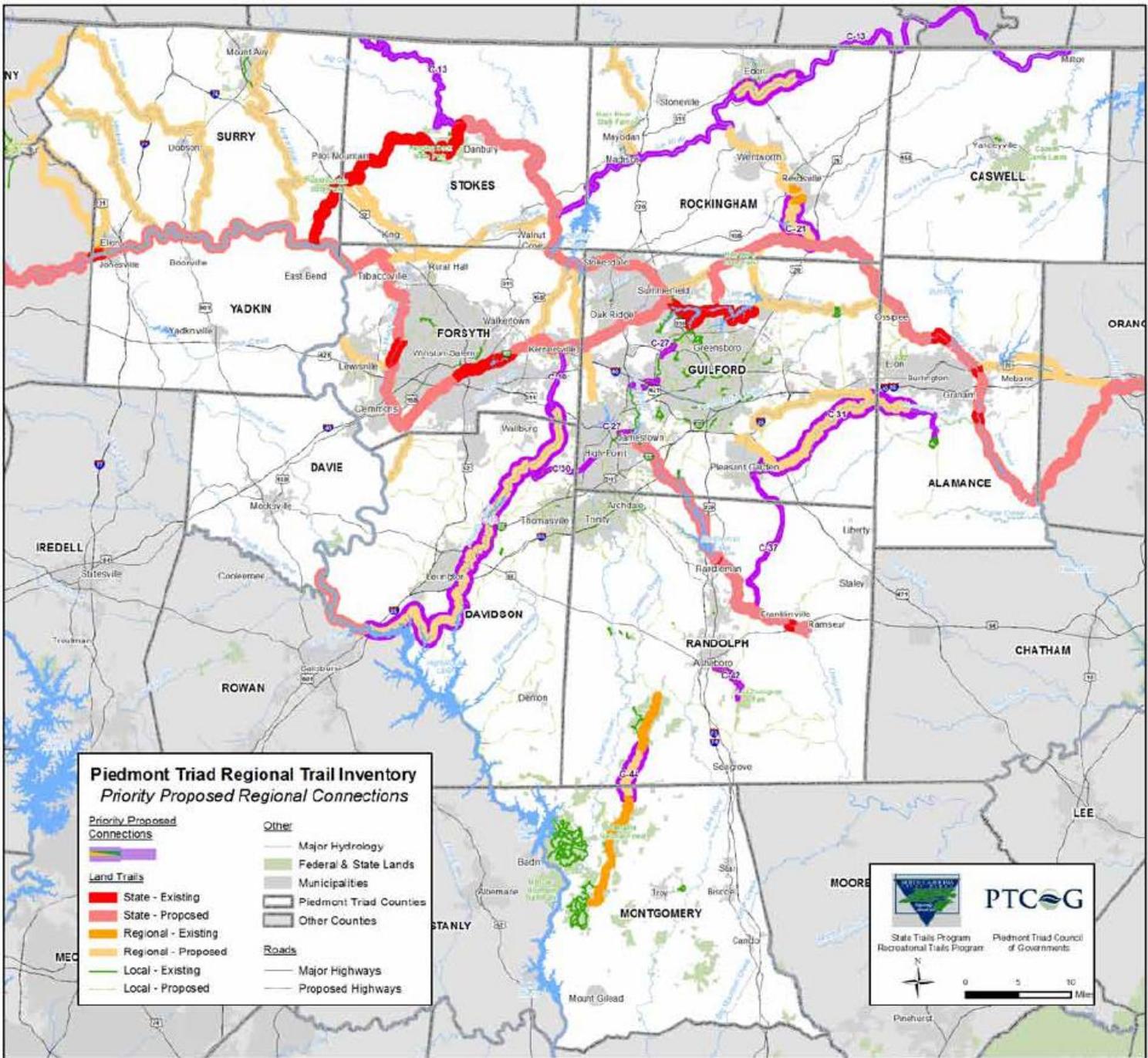


# Statement of Purpose

*Advocate for regional trail connections and provide technical assistance, education and resource support across the region.*

## Proposed Outcomes:

- Region as gateway for trails and greenways
- Connect major trail trunks/identify gaps
- Coordinate/collaborate re: funding sources
- Branding – logo for wayfinding signage and website with consolidated map app
- Generate public support
- Develop design/construction standards and best practices – urban vs. rural



**Piedmont Triad Regional Trail Inventory**  
*Priority Proposed Regional Connections*

<b>Priority Proposed Connections</b>	<b>Other</b>
Priority Proposed Connections	Major Hydrology
<b>Land Trails</b>	Federal & State Lands
State - Existing	Municipalities
State - Proposed	Piedmont Triad Counties
Regional - Existing	Other Counties
Regional - Proposed	<b>Roads</b>
Local - Existing	Major Highways
Local - Proposed	Proposed Highways

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0 5 10 Miles

North arrow and scale bar.

# Next Steps

## Establish Committees

### • Operations

- Identify priority projects by county
- Develop list of trail standards and cost parameters
- Build contact list

### • Funding/Branding

- Seek early foundation support
- Develop funding guide
- Develop logo

### • Public Relations

- Web presence with links to local trail organizations
- Campaign
- Power point with local success stories
- Economic impact
- Resolutions of support
- Map app



# Needs for More Trails

- **Committed and sustainable local funding for trails & greenways**
  - Federal funding can sometimes be used for greenways but it cannot be counted on and funding levels are stagnant
  - Additionally as match for federal funds (80/20)
  - Local Bond \$ for greenways and trails
  - County/City/Town support for trails and greenways
- **Continued community support, engagement, and dialogue**
  - Could be in the form of coalitions, interest groups, advocacy
- **Maintenance and Modernization**
  - Resurfacing
  - Upgrade and fix inadequate areas
- **Cohesive Design Standards**
  - Smart Trails Guide? BMPs. Urban vs. rural standards. Bridge standards.
- **Data addressing Local Economic Benefits/Security Issues**