



Steering Committee

Workgroups

Economic Development – vacant

Transportation – Michael Sorrells, Haywood County Commissioner, RPO/MPO member

Cultural Resources – Angie Chandler, Executive Director, Blue Ridge National Heritage Area

Energy – Jon Snover, Director, GIST, AB Tech

Housing – Sheryl Fortune, Housing Director, WCCA

Health – Robert Ford, Executive Director, Hot Springs Health Program

Natural Resources – Lang Hornthal, Private Business Owner, Appalachian Designs

Land Use – Sue Anderson, Planning Director, City of Hendersonville

Communications – Tracy Kunkler, Partner, Sims and Steele Consulting

At-Large – Stephanie Swepson-Twitty, President and CEO, Eagle Market Streets Development Corporation

At-Large – Gwynne Rukenbrod, Executive Director, Handmade in America

At-Large – Gibbie Harris, Health Director, Buncombe County

Local Governments

Transylvania County – vacant

Buncombe County – Jon Creighton, Director, Buncombe County Planning and Development

Henderson County – To be determined

Madison County – vacant

Haywood County – To be appointed by the County Commissioners

City of Asheville – Shannon Tuch, Assistant Planning Department Director, City of Asheville

Ex-Officio

NCDOC – Libby Smith, Senior Policy Advisor for Community Development, Sustainability, ARRA Recovery & Assistant ARC Program Manager, NC Department of Commerce

NCDENR – Judy Francis, NCDENR Asheville Regional Office, Conservation and Community Affairs

NCDOT – Jay Swain, Division 13 Engineer