20.205-3 HIGHWAY PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION RAILROAD STATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Federal Authorization:	23 U.S.C. 401 et seq., as amended, 23 CFR and 49 CFR
State Authorization:	N. C. G. S. 136-44.36

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Brief Description of Program:

Grants are made under other special purposes for the Railroad Station Improvement Program to provide assistance in the rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities. Federal funds are provided through the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Enhancement Program funds, which are matched by the state and the municipality receiving the grant. Some Railroad Station Improvement Program projects may be funded with State funds (NC Moving Ahead Rail Reserve funds) in addition to Federal funds. The project expenditures using these State funds should follow the same guidelines as the Federal fund expenditures.

The state has determined that federal Enhancement funds may be expended on approved railroad stations and transportation facilities. The Department of Transportation determines the elements of each project that will be eligible for Enhancement funds, and these elements are identified in the grant agreement. Municipalities procure architectural, engineering and construction services, incur costs, and are reimbursed for ninety percent of eligible costs. All eligible costs are on a reimbursement basis only.

Organizations Funded:	[] Private	[] Local Government	[X] Both

Source of Funds:

State _____

Federal <u>X</u>