

Executive Summary

This report documents the findings of the Catawba County thoroughfare plan study. Recommendations for this study are shown in Figure 1-1 and listed below with a brief description. A more detailed discussion of these recommendations can be found in Chapter 2.

Minor Arterials

- **NC 16 Bypass** - Construction on new location of a 4-lane divided facility from the Town of Lucia in Gaston County to Catawba County. This facility will merge into the existing NC 16 at a location just north of the SR 1895 intersection. This project has been funded for construction and currently listed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as project R-2206.
- **NC 16** - Widen the existing 2-lane to a combination of 4-lane divided and 5-lane facility from SR 1895 to Caleb Setzer Road. A part of this project has been funded for construction. This project is listed in the STIP as project R-3100.
- **NC 150** - Widen the existing 2-lane to a 4-lane divided (boulevard type) from Lincoln County to Iredell County. This project is in the STIP (R- 2307) but no funding has been appropriated.
- **NC 127** - Widen the existing 2-lane to a 4-lane divided (boulevard type) from NC 10 to the Jacob Fork River (Hickory-Newton-Conover Urban Area boundary).

Major Collectors

- **Robinson Road Extension** - Extend Robinson Road from a location approximately 1,500 feet north of NC 10 across Rocky Ford Road (SR 2019) and connect to West Maiden Road (SR 2007).