

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

Date: _____

RESOLUTION NO. ____ (2026)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians recognizes the importance of maintaining a current Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to identify present and future transportation needs and priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) serves as the foundation for the development of the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP) and supports continued eligibility for funding under the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP); and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the current Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), additional transportation needs and priorities have been identified by the Cherokee Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Tribal Roads Commission, including the Graham County Bridge Replacement Project and other transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to accurately reflect current transportation priorities, planned projects, and future funding needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Annual Council assembled, with a quorum present, that the Tribal Council hereby approves the amendment of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to incorporate updated transportation priorities, including the Graham County Bridge Replacement Project, and any other revisions recommended by the Cherokee Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Tribal Roads Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cherokee Department of Transportation (CDOT) is authorized to prepare and submit the amended Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and any supporting documentation required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), or any other appropriate agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cherokee Department of Transportation (CDOT) is directed to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by the Cherokee Department of Transportation (CDOT)