

FRA Corridor Identification and Development (CID) Program

Virginia and North Carolina Corridors

The Federal Railroad Administration's Corridor Identification and Development (CID) Program is a comprehensive intercity passenger rail planning and development program created by IIJA in 2021 that will help guide intercity passenger rail development throughout the country and create a pipeline of projects ready for implementation. For each selected Corridor, FRA awarded the grantee \$500,000 for eligible activities related to the initiation of a grantee's Corridor development efforts including the development of a scope, schedule and cost estimate for preparing a service development plan (SDP) for a Corridor. Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation entered two Corridors in 2023: Commonwealth Corridor (an east-west corridor between Hampton Roads and the New River Valley that would include service between Richmond and Charlottesville) and Washington, D.C. to Bristol. Two Corridors with other sponsors include Cardinal Daily Service sponsored by Amtrak and Charlotte to Washington, D.C., co-sponsored with the North Carolina Department of Transportation along the S-Line. North Carolina's additional six Corridors include Salisbury to Asheville, Raleigh to Wilmington, Raleigh to Fayetteville, Raleigh to Winston-Salem, Charlotte to Kings Mountain, and Charlotte to Atlanta.

