

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED  
INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD (U.S. 74) IMPROVEMENTS FROM  
ALBEMARLE ROAD (N.C. 27) TO WALLACE LANE

TIP Project No. U-209B

Mecklenburg County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is widening Independence Boulevard (U.S. 74) to a median-divided, eight-lane roadway from Albemarle Road (N.C. 27) to Wallace Lane. Interchanges will be constructed at Sharon Amity Road and Idlewild Road. The project will include the construction of a bridge to carry Conference Drive over Independence Boulevard and extend Conference Drive northward to Idlewild Road, as well as the extension of the existing CATS busway, and safety improvements. Existing signals at Sharon Amity Road, Idlewild Road and Conference Drive will be removed. The project will also include accommodations for future transit service. The proposed project is about 1.6 miles long.

The purpose of the project is to provide relief from present and future congestion and provide a higher level of efficiency on US 74. The acquisition of additional right-of-way and relocation of homes and businesses will be required for this project.

NCDOT will hold a citizens' informational workshop for the above project on **Tuesday, May 21, 2013** from **4 p.m.** until **7 p.m.** at **Charlotte Mecklenburg Library-Independence Regional Branch**, located at **6000 Conference Drive** in **Charlotte**.

The purpose of the meeting is to present the final design of the project, construction phasing, and pedestrian access during construction. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the meeting hours. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and receive comments regarding the proposed project. Citizens will also have the opportunity to submit comments and questions in writing. The comments and information received will be taken into consideration as the project develops. Copies of the map are available on the project website at: <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/US74WideningImprovements>.

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NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Ms. Thompson as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling 1-800-481-6494.