

**NCDOT TO HOLD CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP IN LAKE LURE
REGARDING THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE No. 87 ON U.S. 64
OVER THE BROAD RIVER**

(TIP Project B-4811)

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold a citizens informational workshop on Monday, Oct. 7th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. regarding a proposed project to replace bridge No. 87 over the Broad River on U.S. 64 in Rutherford County.

The bridge was built in 1926 and needs to be replaced due to its age and condition. It is considered functionally obsolete, which means that its lane and shoulder width configurations do not meet current standards. It currently carries about 2,500 vehicles per day and projected to carry about 4,100 vehicles per day by year 2035. The new bridge will be able to accommodate larger, heavier vehicles and will result in safer traffic operations.

The meeting will take place at Lake Lure Baptist Church, located at 6837 U.S. 64 in Lake Lure. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the meeting hours, as there will be no formal presentation. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. Citizens will also have the opportunity to submit comments and questions in writing.

For more information, contact Natalie Lockhart, Project Development Engineer, NCDOT - Project Development and Environmental Analysis Unit, by phone at: (919) 707-6175 or by e-mail at: nnlockhart@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in these meetings. Anyone requiring special services should contact Jamille Robbins, Public Involvement Group Leader, NCDOT - Human Environment Section at 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh 27699; by phone at: (919)707-6085 or by e-mail at: jarobbins@ncdot.gov 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.