

NCDOT TO HOLD PROJECT UPDATE MEETING REGARDING PROPOSED BUSINESS 85 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN LEXINGTON

TIP Project R-4750

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting on **Thursday, Oct. 17** from **4 p.m. - 7 p.m.** to update the public on a proposed project to rehabilitate the asphalt on a section Business 85 (U.S. 29/52/70) and reconfigure the southbound exit ramp on Business 85 to Green Needles Road (S.R. 1297). This will involve moving Marco Boulevard (S.R. 1299) slightly north, to a new entrance onto Green Needles Road and giving the Business 85 exit ramp its own entrance onto Green Needles Road. The Business 85 bridges over Swearing Creek on will also be rehabilitated during this project.

Work on the 2.5 mile project will begin just south of Salisbury Road at the Business 85 bridges over Swearing Creek and end where Business 85 joins the new construction at I-85. The project includes milling and replacing the pavement, as well as improving the shoulders, drainage and fencing on this section of Business 85. Construction of the project will begin March 2014 with completion scheduled for June 2015.

The project update meeting will take place at **Southwest Elementary School** located at **424 Central Ave** in **Lexington**. 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 Chris Corriher, District Engineer, NCDOT – Division 9 at 4770 South Main Street, Salisbury 28147, by phone at: (704) 639-7560 or by e-mail at: ccorriher@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this meeting. 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.