

**NOTICE OF A DESIGN PUBLIC MEETING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO
LEICESTER HIGHWAY (NC 63) FROM GILBERT ROAD TO NEW FOUND ROAD /
DIX CREEK CHAPEL ROAD**

TIP Project No. U-3301

Leicester, Buncombe County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold an informal, open house-style meeting known as a Design Public Meeting on December 6, 2012 at the Leicester Community Center, 2979 New Leicester Highway from 4 to 7 pm.

This project proposes to improve Leicester Highway (NC 63) from near Gilbert Road (State Road 1615) to about 600 feet past the New Found Road (SR 1004) / Dix Creek Chapel Road (SR 1375) intersection. The project will include a four-lane divided roadway with a narrow 23-foot grass median and a three-lane undivided roadway with curb & gutter on both sides of the roadway in the Leicester community. In addition, five roundabouts are proposed at the following intersections: Gilbert Road (SR 1615), Leicester Elementary School Entrance, Martins Branch Road (SR 1610), Old Newfoundland Road (SR 1378), and Alexander Road (SR 1620).

NCDOT representatives will be available at the open house meeting in an informal setting to answer questions and receive comments. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time. There will not be a formal presentation.

A map displaying the location and design of the project is available for public review at the NCDOT Division Thirteen Office located at 55 Orange Street, Asheville and the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization, 339 New Leicester Highway, Suite 140, Asheville. The maps are online. Search the project using "U-3301" and click on "Show More" in order to view the Design Public Hearing Maps at <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/publicmeetings/>.

For more information, contact NCDOT Project Planning Engineer Michael Wray of the Project Development and Environmental Analysis Branch at 1548 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, 27699-1548, by phone at (919) 707-6050 or by email at mgwray@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 NCDOT Senior Public Involvement Officer Kimberly Hinton at (919) 707-6072 or by email at khinton@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.