

NOTICE OF PRE-HEARING WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS
FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE HERBERT C. BONNER BRIDGE ON NC 12

TIP Project No. B-2500

Dare County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold pre-hearing workshops and public hearings at the following times and places:

- **Tuesday, July 6, 2010: Pre-Hearing Open House - 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**
Dare County Administration Building, 954 Marshall Collins Drive, Manteo
- **Wednesday, July 7, 2010: Pre-Hearing Open House - 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**
Rodanthe-Waves-Salvo Community Center, 23186 Myrna Peters Road, Rodanthe
- **Thursday, July 8, 2010: Pre-Hearing Open House - 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**
Cape Hatteras Elementary School, 47500 Middle Ridge Trail, Buxton

Department of Transportation representatives will be available in an informal setting during the hours indicated above to answer questions and receive comments relative to the proposed project. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions also will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the hours on the days indicated above.

The formal public hearings will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010 in the Dare County Administration Building – County Commissioners’ Room and Thursday, July 8, 2010 in the Cape Hatteras Elementary School Cafeteria. Both hearings will begin at 7:00 p.m. The presentation will consist of an explanation of the proposed design, right-of-way and relocation requirements/procedures. The hearing will be open to those present for statements, questions and/or comments. Additional comments will be accepted until Aug. 9, 2010.

Anyone wishing to speak at the formal hearings may register at the pre-hearing workshops or by calling 1-866-803-0529. Speakers will be called in the order they signed up. A three-minute time limit will be requested to give all speakers equal opportunity to ask questions and express their thoughts. Citizens who did not sign up may speak after those who registered finish their comments.

This project proposes to replace the Herbert C. Bonner Bridge on NC 12. An additional alternative (Parallel Bridge Corridor with NC 12 Transportation Management Plan) was evaluated and selected as the Preferred Alternative in an Environmental Assessment, published in May 2010. This alternative is being considered for the replacement along with refinements made to the detailed study alternatives since the release of the September 2008 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The proposed project will require additional right of way, and the purchase of homes and businesses.

A map displaying the location and design of the project, as well as a copy of the Environmental Assessment are available for public review at the Dare County Planning and Inspections Satellite Office, 49815 NC HWY 12, Buxton and at the NCDOT Resident Engineer’s Office, 349 Waterplant Road, Unit B, Manteo. Project maps, documents and related project information are also available online at: <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/bonnerbridgerepairs/>.

Copies of the Environmental Assessment are also available for review at the Dare County Libraries in Manteo at 700 HWY 64/264, in Hatteras at 56658 NC HWY 12, and in Kill Devil Hills at 400 Mustian Street and the Fessenden Recreation Center, 46830 NC HWY 12, Buxton.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Drew Joyner, P.E., NCDOT-Human Environment Unit, at 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1598, phone (919) 431-6700, or e-mail: djoyner@ncdot.gov. Additional written comments may be submitted to Mr. Joyner until Aug. 9, 2010.

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