

**AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS FOR GREENSBORO WESTERN URBAN LOOP NOW
AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW**

The N.C. Department of Transportation has announced that the recently completed air quality analysis, known as the Federal PM 2.5 Qualitative Hot Spot Analysis, for the proposed Greensboro Western Urban Loop is available for public review.

The Greensboro Western Urban Loop is a freeway that will be built on a new location from north of Bryan Boulevard to east of Lawndale Drive in Guilford County. Construction is scheduled to begin on the section from north of Bryan Boulevard to U.S. 220 (Battleground Avenue) in 2013 and on the section from U.S. 220 (Battleground Avenue) to Lawndale Drive in 2017. Right-of-way acquisition is in progress for both sections of the project.

The air quality analysis is required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for proposed transportation projects that meet specific criteria and assesses localized emissions impacts to determine project-level air quality conformity. The analysis indicated that both sections of the Greensboro Western Urban Loop project meet all of the related project-level conformity requirements and will not increase the frequency or severity of, or cause or contribute to a new violation of these requirements.

The Federal PM 2.5 Qualitative Hot Spot Analysis is available for public review on the project website at <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/greensborourbanloop>. Copies are also available for review at the following locations:

Central Library, 219 N. Church St., Greensboro
NCDOT Division 7 Office, 1584 Yanceyville St., Greensboro

Comments regarding the analysis should be submitted by October 7 to:

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