

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR PROPOSED HICKS GROVE ROAD REALIGNMENT PROJECT IN RUTHERFORD COUNTY

TIP Project Number R-5522

Rutherford County

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting for the proposed Hicks Grove Road realignment project in Rutherford County.

The informal meeting will be held on Thursday, March 29, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Chase High School, located at 1603 Chase High Road in Forest City. NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal setting to answer questions regarding the proposed project. Citizens may attend at any time during the meeting. There will not be a formal presentation.

NCDOT proposes to relocate Hicks Grove Road to a new location between the existing Hicks Grove Road (near Hicks Grove Baptist Church) and U.S. 221 in Forest City. The new section of road will consist of two 12-foot lanes about 0.4 miles in length, with a speed limit of 35 miles per hour. The CSX railroad tracks that would cross under the new road will be removed and a new bridge will be constructed on the new Hicks Grove Road at that location.

The project will restore the direct access between the Hicks Grove community and U.S. 221, and serve a new industry relocating to Rutherford County. Construction is scheduled to begin this summer.

For more information, contact Marshall Edwards, NCDOT Project Development and Environmental Analysis, at (919) 707-6019, or via email at medwards@ncdot.gov.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Edwards as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.