

*In accordance with NEPA, NCDOT published a DEIS for the I-26 Connector project in October 2015. The DEIS described the purpose of and need for the project, identified project alternatives, and evaluated them for potential environmental effects. Since the DEIS was published, a preferred alternative has been chosen based on feedback from the public and environmental and regulatory resource agencies. This FEIS is presented in the same order as the DEIS, with clarification and updates such as changes in the existing environment, updated impacts anticipated from the preferred alternative, and responses to comments received on the DEIS. Some information from the DEIS is summarized, and substantive new information is noted in italics.*

## **CHAPTER 7. LIST OF AGENCIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND PERSONS TO WHOM COPIES OF THE STATEMENT ARE SENT**

In order to facilitate review and comment, the following agencies, local officials, and public libraries were provided copies of this document.

### **7.1 FEDERAL AGENCIES**

- United States Environmental Protection Agency (Region IV, Environmental Review Branch)
- United States Department of Transportation
- United States Department of the Interior
- United States Department of Agriculture
- United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Environmental Affairs
- Federal Railroad Administration
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- United States Geological Survey
- Tennessee Valley Authority
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

### **7.2 REGIONAL OFFICES**

- United States Environmental Protection Agency
- Department of Housing and Urban Development
- United States Army Corps of Engineers
  - Asheville Regulatory Field Office
  - Wilmington District
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service
- United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- General Services Administration

### 7.3 STATE AGENCIES

- North Carolina Office of State Human Resources
- North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
- North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission
- North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
- North Carolina Department of Public Instruction
- North Carolina Department of Commerce – Travel and Tourism Board
- North Carolina Department of Economic and Community Development
- North Carolina Department of Administration – State Environmental Review Clearinghouse
- North Carolina Department of Transportation – Board of Transportation Division 13
- North Carolina Department of Transportation – Division 13 Engineer
- North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality – Division of Water Resources
- North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office

### 7.4 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES

- Chairman, Buncombe County Commissions
- Manager, Buncombe County
- Mayor, City of Asheville
- City Manager, City of Asheville
- City of Asheville Transportation Department
- City of Asheville Parks and Recreation Department
- City of Asheville Public Works Department
- City of Asheville Planning Department
- Buncombe County Planning and Development
- French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Land of Sky Regional Council (local rural planning organization)
- Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency
- Town of Woodfin

### 7.5 INTEREST GROUPS

- Amboy Road businesses
- Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce
- Asheville School
- Biltmore Estate
- Bingham Road/Emma Road Area Neighborhood
- Burton Street Neighborhood
- Coalition of Asheville Neighborhoods
- Council of Independent Business Owners
- Rotary Club of Downtown Asheville
- East-West Asheville Neighborhood Association
- Fairfax/Virginia Avenue Neighborhoods

- Haywood Road businesses
- Hillcrest Apartment Community
- I-26 Champions
- I-26 Connector Awareness Group
- Leadership Asheville Seniors
- Montford Neighborhood Association
- Mountain True
- Norfolk Southern Railway
- RiverLink, Inc.
- Riverside Drive businesses
- West Asheville Business Association
- West End/Clingman Avenue Neighborhood
- Western North Carolina Corridor Association
- Westgate/Patton Avenue businesses
- Westwood Place Neighborhood

## **7.6 PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

State Library of North Carolina  
109 East Jones Street  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Pack Memorial Library  
67 Haywood Street  
Asheville, North Carolina 28801

West Asheville Library  
942 Haywood Road  
Asheville, North Carolina 28806

Buncombe County Law Library  
60 Court Plaza  
Asheville, North Carolina 28801

## **7.7 WEBSITE**

<https://www.ncdot.gov/projects/asheville-i-26-connector>