

# CAPE FEAR SKYWAY

Transportation Improvement Program, Project No. U-4738

The North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA) and the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) are conducting the project development, environmental and preliminary design studies for the proposed Cape Fear Skyway. The Skyway would be a 9.5 mile, median-divided roadway on new location with a high-level structure over the Cape Fear River. The NCTA has approved the Cape Fear Skyway as a candidate toll road project.

## WELCOME TO THE CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP!

This workshop is being held to introduce local citizens to the candidate toll road project and the project development, environmental and design processes. Please attend and tell us what you think – your input is important for a successful project.

### Wilmington

April 10<sup>th</sup> 4:30 to 8:00 PM  
Codington Elementary School

### Belville-Leland

April 11<sup>th</sup> 4:30 to 8:00 PM  
Belville Elementary School

## CANDIDATE TOLL ROAD PROJECT

In October 2002, the North Carolina General Assembly established the North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA). The NCTA is authorized to study, develop, construct, operate, and maintain up to nine (9) toll roads in the state. The law prohibits the NCTA from tolling an existing roadway. The Cape Fear Skyway is one of the nine projects under consideration for development as a toll road.



## Purposes for the project could include:

- Provide alternative access to the North Carolina Ports
- Address the needs of local commuters and tourists
- Provide a direct gateway to the city
- Allow safer and faster evacuation during emergencies
- Provide improved access to Military Ocean Terminal at Sunny Point
- Provide improved access to port facilities for military deployments from Camp LeJeune and Fort Bragg
- Continue the planned urban loop around the City of Wilmington
- Alleviate traffic congestion
- Improve regional transportation system operations

# PROJECT SCHEDULE

(Subject to Change)

## MILESTONE

## DATE

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Financial Feasibility Study	Summer 2006
Draft Environmental Impact Statement	Summer 2008
Selection of Preferred Alternative	Winter 2008
Final Environmental Impact Statement	Spring 2009
Record of Decision	Fall 2009
Construction	Year 2010

### **PUBLIC INPUT KEY ELEMENT IN STUDY**

Input from the public is a key component in the development of transportation projects throughout the state of North Carolina. Comments received from citizens will assist NCTA, NCDOT and technical specialists to develop a project that meets important local and regional goals and minimizes impacts to the human, natural and physical environments.

**Citizens are encouraged to ask questions and submit comments.  
Please see project contacts listed below.**

Future public workshops will ensure face-to-face interactions between citizens and project staff. Project newsletters will go out to everyone on the mailing list.

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