

NCDOT TO CONDUCT A COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING
FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO INTERSTATE 440
(CLIFF BENSON BELTLINE)
FROM SOUTH OF WALNUT STREET (S.R. 1313) IN CARY
TO NORTH OF WADE AVENUE (S.R. 1728) IN RALEIGH
WAKE COUNTY
TIP Project No. U-2719

The N.C Department of Transportation will hold an open-house public meeting and a combined public hearing on **Tuesday, August 8, 2017** at the **McKimmon Center**, located at **1101 Gorman Street** in **Raleigh**. A pre-hearing open house will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. followed by a formal presentation at 7:00 p.m.

NCDOT, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has published the Draft I-440 Improvement Project Environmental Assessment (EA). The Draft EA contains a summary of the impacts associated with the various alternatives under consideration for the project. With the Draft EA now available to the public, the formal review period has begun. The public meeting and hearing will provide an opportunity for the public to make formal comments that will be included in the project record. These comments will be considered in the selection of the Preferred Alternative for the improvements along the project corridor.

NCDOT representatives will be available at the public meeting to answer questions and receive comments regarding the I-440 Walnut to Wade project. The opportunity to submit written comments and questions will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above hours.

The formal Public Hearing will include an explanation of the location of the detailed study alternatives, land acquisition and relocation requirements, and project procedures. Citizens will have the opportunity to comment. The presentation and comments will be recorded and a written transcript will be prepared.

The Draft EA, along with maps showing the location of the detailed study alternatives are available for review at the following locations:

NCDOT – Division 5 Office: 2612 N. Duke Street, Durham
NCDOT – Division 5, District 1 Office: 4005 District Drive, Raleigh
Method Community Park: 514 Method Road, Raleigh
Thomas Crowder Woodlands Center: 5611 Jaguar Park Drive, Raleigh
Athens Drive Community Library: 1420 Athens Drive, Raleigh

The Draft EA and maps are also available for review on the project website at www.ncdot.gov/projects/i440improvements.

The US Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District, will be issuing a public notice describing the ongoing process in choosing the LEDPA (Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative) for the subject project, under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. That public notice will be available at this website:

www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/RegulatoryPermitProgram.aspx

Please visit the project's online interactive public engagement portal (<https://ncdot.publicinput.com/1851>) to review information and provide comments or questions on individual parts of the project as well as general comments.

For additional information on this project, contact Diane Wilson, NCDOT Senior Public Involvement Officer, Environmental Analysis Unit at (919) 707-6073, or via email at pdwilson1@ncdot.gov.

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

For persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, interpretive services will be available at the meeting upon request. For more information, please call 1-800-481-6494 prior to the meeting.

Aquellas personas que hablan español y no hablan inglés, o tienen limitaciones para leer, hablar o entender inglés, podrían recibir servicios de interpretación si los solicitan de la reunión llamando al 1-800-481-6494.