



I-85 IMPROVEMENTS FACT SHEET

Project Description and Status

The I-85 Widening Project is three combined TIP projects: **I-3802** will add four additional travel lanes to I-85 from north of NC 73 in Cabarrus County to US 29-601 Connector in Rowan County. Interchange improvements, including reconstruction of existing structures to meet current design standards for vertical clearance, are proposed at US 29-601, Dale Earnhardt Boulevard and Lane Street. The Project is divided into two sections for construction phasing – I-3802A extends from NC 73 to Lane Street in Cabarrus County and I-3802B extends from Lane Street to the US 29-601 Connector in Rowan County.

I-3610 proposes to reconstruct the existing cloverleaf interchange at NC 152 and US 29-601, reconstruct the interchange at NC 152 and I-85, and improve existing NC 152, which provides access to I-85 between the two interchanges.

B-5365 proposes to replace Bridge No. 21 and Bridge No. 34 over the Norfolk Southern Railroad and US 29 in China Grove.

I-3802A is currently in the Design-Build process. Designs have been revised in the areas of Winecoff School Road, US 29-601 interchange, and Dale Earnhardt Boulevard interchange.

Project Schedule

Right of Way Acquisition

I-3802A: Section A – 2014; Section B – 2018 (includes I-3610)

B-5365: 2017

Construction

I-3802A: Section A – 2015 (begin); Section B – 2020 (includes I-3610)

B-5365: 2019

These dates are subject to change pending the outcome of NCDOT’s reprioritization process. The draft State Transportation Improvement Plan, which will include the results of the reprioritization effort, will be available for public review and comment in December. The plan is expected to be adopted in June, 2015.

Project Cost

Section A: \$204,000,000

Section B: \$124,000,000

Design-Build

Design-Build is a construction process that allows a project to be completed more quickly. Under the traditional model, contracts are awarded separately for design and construction, and those steps occur sequentially. With Design-Build, one contract is awarded for design, right of way and construction. This allows teams of designers and contractors to simultaneously design, acquire right of way and build to complete the project sooner. NCDOT selected the team of Blythe Construction and Parsons Brinckerhoff for the I-3802A Design-Build project.

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