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## NC 109 Citizens Informational Workshops Scheduled for November

The NCDOT has scheduled two Citizens Informational Workshops to review the project study area with the public and receive comments on the preliminary corridors that are under development (see map on pg 3). The workshops will be an open house format with stations showing current and future traffic, corridor maps, the project development process, and community input.

## NC 109 Citizens Informational Workshops

Thursday, November 10  
Monday, November 14

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In April 2004, NC 109 Citizens Informational Workshops were held at the Ledford Senior High School and the Division 9 Office. Over 350 people attended the two workshops and nearly 50 filled out comment sheets. The following is a summary of public comments made at the workshop; the number in parenthesis indicates the number of responses.

- There is no need for improvements to NC 109—(1).
- There is no need to widen NC 109, but turn lanes should be added at Ledford Senior High School, Wallburg Elementary, and Wallburg Road — (1).
- The only improvement needed is to widen existing bridges— (2).
- NC 109 should be improved with a Bypass around the Town of Wallburg — (19).
- A new roadway should be constructed connecting existing NC 109 with US 52 — (2).
- A new roadway should be constructed near Friendship-Ledford Road (or to the west of existing NC 109), tying into I-40 — (5).
- A new roadway should be constructed linking existing NC 109 with US 311 — (14).

## NCDOT Listens!

As a result of these workshops, the Project Team is working to develop corridors that avoid and minimize impacts to your community and environment. Preliminary corridors on aerial maps will be available during the two

upcoming workshops on **November 10th at St. Peter's World Outreach Center and November 14th at Ledford Senior High School (see back of this newsletter for addresses and times)**. Project Team staff will be available to provide assistance and answer questions, and will review the project history, the project development process, and the project schedule.

Your participation and attendance at these workshops is important as NCDOT wants to hear your ideas, concerns, and needs. You will have the opportunity to speak with Project Team staff and fill out comment sheets which will be provided at the workshops. Completed comment sheets may be put in the Comment Box at the workshop or mailed to NC 109 Improvement Study, P.O. Box 30923, Raleigh, NC 27622.

You may also submit comments to the project email address at [NC109@hwlochner.com](mailto:NC109@hwlochner.com). Or to speak with staff, please call the project hotline at **1-800-554-7849** (during the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm).

# THE NC 109 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

## Steps in the NC 109 Project Development Process

### Step 1

Data Collection  
Inventory of Planning Issues  
Transportation Needs Study  
First Citizens Informational Workshops

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### Step 2

Development of Preliminary Alternatives  
Documentation of Community Concerns  
Preliminary Field Studies  
Second Citizens Informational Workshops  
Selection of Alternatives for Detailed Study

### Step 3

Detailed Studies of Alternatives  
Preliminary Designs  
Detailed Field Surveys  
Environmental Analysis

### Step 4

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)  
Third Citizens Informational Workshop

### Step 5

Combined Corridor/Design Public Hearing

### Step 6

Review of Comments on the DEIS  
Review of Public Hearing Transcript  
Selection of Least Environmentally Practicable Alternative (LEDPA)

### Step 7

Preliminary Design Refinement  
Additional Field Studies  
Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)  
Record of Decision (ROD)

The project development, environmental, and engineering studies for the NC 109 Improvements Project will be conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Under NEPA, any agency (in this case NCDOT) that undertakes a project involving federal funds is required to comply with the provisions of NEPA. These provisions include the disclosure of impacts associated with each of the alternatives that meet the purpose of and need for the project.

The need to improve NC 109 is demonstrated by the following existing and projected conditions: capacity deficiencies, above-average accident rates, and deficient roadway geometry. In order to address the stated needs, the proposed project will have the following purposes:

- Improve traffic flow and levels of service on the section of NC 109 in the project study area.

- Improve safety and reduce conflicts between through traffic and local traffic along NC 109.
- Improve deficient roadway geometry.

The eight-step project development process is presented in the chart to the left.

The NC 109 project is currently in Step 2. After a thorough review of the project area and consideration of the comments received during the April 2004 workshops, we are preparing several preliminary alternatives which will be presented at the November 2005 workshops.

While at the workshop, we encourage you to comment on the alternatives and discuss any concerns. After the workshop, representatives from NCDOT, FHWA, local governments, and state agencies will meet to narrow down the list of alternatives and select alternatives for more detailed study.

## Project Schedule

Draft Environmental Document

Spring 2007

Record of Decision (ROD)

Fall 2008

Right-of-Way

Post Year\*

Construction

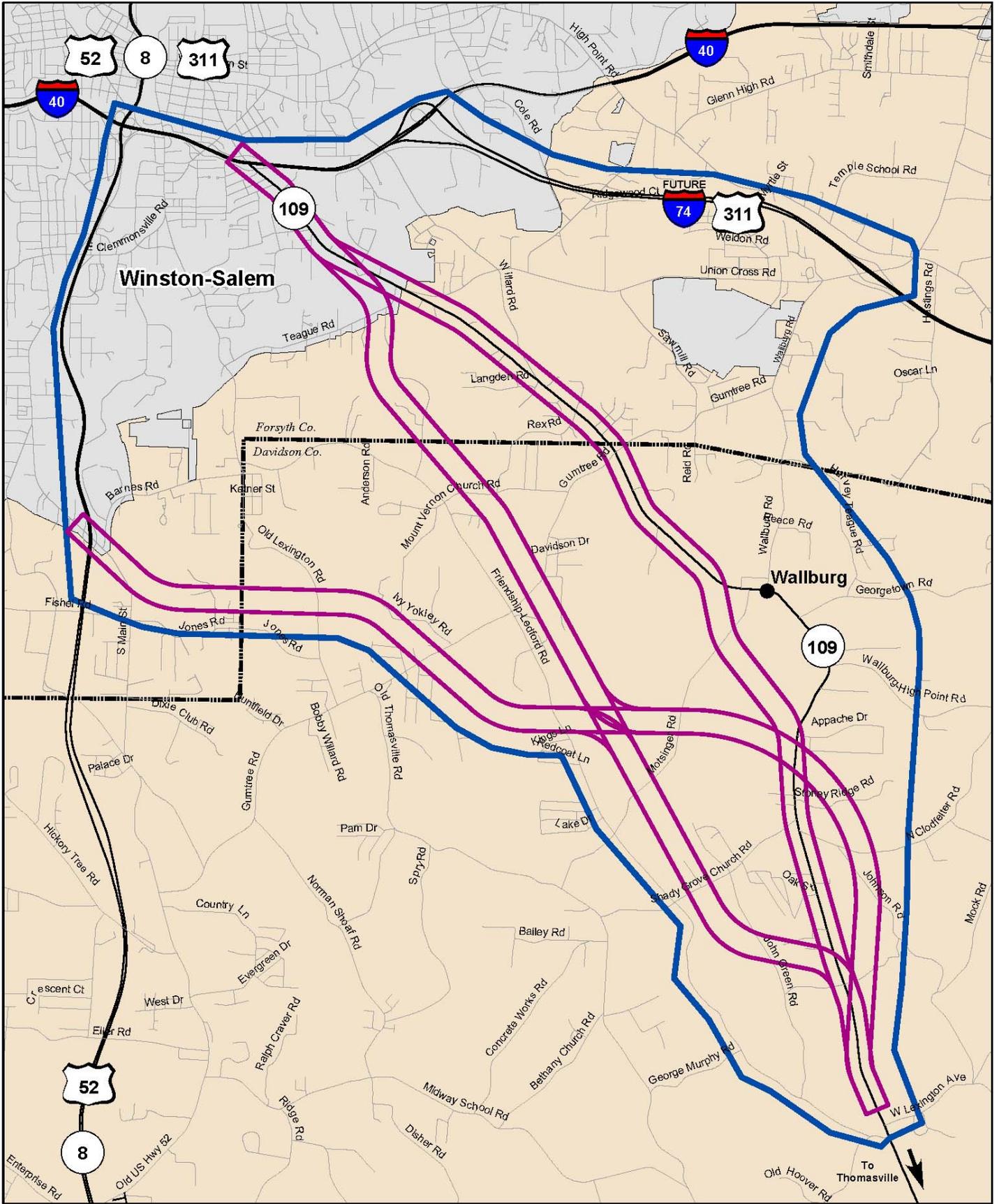
Post Year\*

\*ROW acquisition and construction for this project are not included in NCDOT's 2006-2012 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). This means funding will be set aside in the future, and ROW acquisition and construction will begin after 2012.

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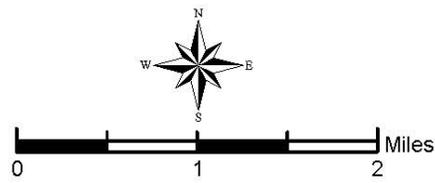


Intersection of Shady Grove Church Road and NC 109.



**Legend**

- Corridors Under Study
- Study Area Boundary
- Winston-Salem City Limits



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## **Mark Your Calendar for One of These Workshops**

### *Workshop #1*

Where: St. Peter's World  
Outreach Center

3683 Old Lexington Road

Date: **Thursday, November 10, 2005**

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### *Workshop #2*

Where: Ledford Senior High School  
140 Jesse Green Road

Date: **Monday, November 14, 2005**

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services for disabled persons who wish to participate in the workshop. Anyone requiring special services, please contact Vince Rhea so arrangements may be made.

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