

## Project History

- **1990:** The relocation of NC 119 is presented in the Alamance County Urban Area Thoroughfare Plan and adopted.
- **1992:** At the request of the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Alamance County Urban Area, the NCDOT adds the proposed project to the State's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- **1994:** The NCDOT starts planning studies for the relocation of NC 119 in Mebane, Alamance County.
- **1995:** A Citizens Informational Workshop is held in January at South Mebane Elementary School to present the project study area to the public. Following the workshop, the study area is expanded.
- **1996:** In June, a second workshop is held at the Mebane Arts and Community Center Complex to show the expanded study area to the public and to get additional comments.
- **1997-2002:** Several small group meetings are held in various communities, such as West End, in the project study area to get more input from residents and listen to concerns about the proposed project. Several meetings are also held with federal and state resource and permitting agencies to identify detailed study alternatives.
- **2002:** In September, 74 project area residents are asked their opinions on the project. Interviews are conducted with residents from downtown Mebane and surrounding communities. A newsletter was also distributed in September to local residences and businesses to provide updated information about the project.
- **2003:** In June, a second newsletter was distributed informing the public about an upcoming workshop. In July, a third workshop was held at the Mebane Arts and Community Center Complex to show the detailed study alternatives to the public and to get citizens' input. Project data collection and agency coordination continue. In November, results of the interviews previously conducted are documented in a Community Impact Assessment report.
- **2004:** The NCDOT selected a Private Engineering Firm, Baker Engineering NY, Inc., to complete the project development, environmental, and design related services related to the preparation of the environmental documents as well as the functional and preliminary designs for the project. Project data collection, agency coordination, and plans for additional public involvement continued. Meetings were held with the NC 119 Relocation Steering Committee in June and October. A newsletter providing updated project information was issued in December.
- **2005:** Data collection and field work was completed for the project alternatives. Documentation of the current and future travel conditions, and project impacts analyses was begun. Additional modifications were made to the preliminary design plans for the proposed alternatives.
- **2006:** Work continued on evaluating the project alternatives and the potential impacts associated with each alternative that are included in the environmental documents being prepared. A meeting was held with the NC 119 Relocation Steering Committee in March to discuss the current activities of the project. A newsletter was issued in June that provided an update on the project development process.
- **2007:** The DEIS and Section 4(f) document for the NC 119 Relocation project was issued for agency and public review in October 2007. A newsletter was issued in December that provided an update on the project and discussed the upcoming public hearing.
- **2008:** An Open House and Corridor Public Hearing was held in January to provide an opportunity for the public to offer oral and written comments on the proposed project. Comments and concerns received at the public hearing were discussed at a post-hearing meeting at NCDOT. A meeting was held in June where federal and state environmental resource agencies, as well as NCDOT selected Alternative 9 as the Preferred Alternative. A meeting was held with the NC 119 Relocation Steering Committee in November to discuss the current activities of the project, including the preferred alternative selected.
- **2009:** The FEIS and Section 4(f) document for the NC 119 Relocation project was issued for agency and public review in June. The ROD document for the NC 119 Relocation project was issued for agency and public review in December.