

NCDOT TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING DEC. 2 FOR THE PROPOSED
CONSTRUCTION OF A GRADE SEPARATION AT SUGAR CREEK ROAD AND THE
NORTH CAROLINA / NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD; AND THE PROPOSED
CLOSURE OF THE CRAIGHEAD ROAD AT-GRADE RAILROAD CROSSING IN
CHARLOTTE

TIP Project No. U-5008

The N. C. Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed project to eliminate the existing Sugar Creek Road (S.R. 2975) railroad crossing and construct a new bridge to carry Sugar Creek Road over the North Carolina Railroad (NCR) and Norfolk Southern Railroad (NS). The project would also include the permanent closure of the Craighead Road at-grade railroad crossing.

The hearing will take place on **Monday, Dec. 2nd** at **Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church (Fellowship Hall)** located at **101 West Sugar Creek Road** in **Charlotte** from **4 to 7 p.m.** Interested citizens may attend at any time during the meeting hours, as there will be no formal presentation. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. Citizens will also have the opportunity to submit comments and questions in writing. Comments received will be taken into consideration as the project develops.

The purpose of the project is to address existing and projected rail and vehicular traffic volumes. The NCR Corridor is expected to host up to 20 passenger trains and 68 freight trains daily by the year 2035.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation was approved on November 6, 2013. The Draft EA and Section 4(f) Evaluation identified resources that will be impacted by the proposed improvements to Sugar Creek Road. These impacted resources include: businesses, community access, and historic resources.

Maps displaying the location and design of the project and a copy of the EA are available for public review at the following locations:

- City of Charlotte – Office of the City Manager
600 East 4th St., Charlotte
- Division 10 District Engineer's Office
7605 District Dr., Charlotte

Copies of the maps and EA are also available on the project website at:

<http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/sugarcreekroad/>

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Diane Wilson NCDOT-Human Environment Section at 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1598 (919) 707-6073 or email: pdwilson1@ncdot.gov. All comments must be received no later than Friday, December 20, 2013.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone

requiring special services should contact Wilson as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling 1-800-481-6494.