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SUBJECT: Right-of-Way Acquisition Schedule for the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway, from US 158 to Business 40/US 421, Forsyth County, TIP Project U-2579B

Dear -----:

I am writing to inform you of recent developments regarding TIP Project U-2579B, the portion of the Eastern Section of the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway that runs between US 158 and Business 40/US 421.

On August 15, 2008, a complaint was filed in federal court challenging the environmental documents prepared for the Northern Beltway and asking the court to enjoin any activities that further construction of this project. The North Carolina Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration are reviewing this matter to determine our course of action, but the right-of-way acquisition, which was scheduled to begin this month, will have to be postponed as we work through this matter. We do not presently know the length of the postponement; however, we wanted to make you aware of this recent development, since you were expecting Right of Way agents to contact you soon.

The Department regrets the additional difficulties this may cause you and your family. NCDOT maintains that this project is an important priority to the Triad, Forsyth County, and the State, and we are making every effort to deliver it as expeditiously as possible. At this point in time, we are still on schedule to begin construction in 2013.

Please feel free to contact me (919-733-7844, ext. 293, mdickens@ncdot.gov), or Tony Houser, PE, Roadway Design Project Engineer (919-250-4016, thouser@ncdot.gov), for more information or to inquire about additional adjustments to the right of way schedule.

If you are aware of other property owners affected by Project U-2579B but who did not receive this letter, they may contact me to obtain a copy.

Sincerely,

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