

Yadkin River Bridge Project Planning/Environmental Issues Summary

1. Reevaluation of FONSI must be completed
2. In the reevaluation - must assess the effects of tolling
 - Diversion
 - Environmental Impacts
3. 6002 Coordination required to resolve effects on historical district in APE
4. Reevaluation to consider potential Environmental Justice impacts
5. Project Scope must be consistent with MPO
6. Re-evaluation will need to determine if FONSI is still valid (does it go to an EIS?)
7. FHWA 129 Agreement will have to be executed
8. Traffic modeled must be modeled appropriately - free? tolled?
9. EA/FONSI must be updated for following items:
 - Current Federal planning regulations
 - Model as toll
 - Model appropriate horizon year
 - TIP and STIP amended for toll funding
 - USDOT makes a Transportation Conformity Determination
10. 6001 planning update – standards are new and may take a little longer to update.

Decision date for toll/no toll for Air Quality is no later than **May 2008**. If Air Quality Determination is completed with this as a toll facility and a decision is made to construct it as a free facility, it will take 8-12 months to go back through Air Quality.