



PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY

CULLOWHEE CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

AND MONTEITH GAP ROAD IMPROVEMENTS CULLOWHEE,
JACKSON COUNTY

Bridge No. 159 Project No. 17BP.14.R.212

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The N.C. Department of Transportation has chosen a project alternative for replacing the bridge over Cullowhee Creek and making intersection improvements on Monteith Gap Road in Cullowhee, Jackson County. The department has selected **Alternative 1**, which includes the roundabout. NCDOT made the decision based on public input, slightly cheaper cost, and a shorter construction schedule.

Public Input

A total of 22 comments were received as a result of the public meeting. These comments were received in the form of written comments from the public meeting, written letters sent by mail, and comments sent via email.

- 11 comments were in favor of Alternative 1.
- 1 comment was in favor of Alternative 2.
- 4 comments strongly opposed the project.
- 18 comments recognized the need for the project but had questions or suggestions.
 - 1 was concerned about ensuring adequate and clear signage be posted for the roundabout.
 - 1 requested the stop signs on Ledbetter Road be doubled up and/or made larger.
 - 1 requested bicycle consideration.
 - 3 requested sidewalks on Ledbetter Road.
 - 1 requested a merge lane in between Monteith Gap Rd and South Painter Rd.
 - 1 requested Alternative 2 to use a cored slab bridge and the lane width to be 10'.
 - 3 requested a left turn lane onto Monteith Gap Rd from the university area.
 - 3 are concerned about the amount of property being taken from landowners.
 - 2 are concerned about the speed limit.
 - 2 are concerned about access to the community gardens.

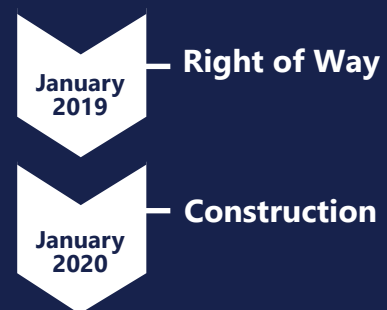
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Project Schedule



Alternative 1

Preferred Alternative

