

**NCDOT TO HOLD A COMBINED PUBLIC MEETING  
FOR THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF  
BRIDGE NO. 296 OVER NORTH FORK NEW RIVER ON CAMPBELL ROAD (S.R. 1351)  
AND BRIDGE NO. 49 OVER BUFFALO CREEK ON N.C. 194 / N.C. 88  
ASHE COUNTY  
TIP PROJECT NOS. B-3804 & B-4704**

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting regarding the proposed bridge replacement projects in Warrensville, Ashe County. Project B-3804 will replace Bridge No. 296 over North Fork New River on Campbell Road (S.R. 1351) and Project B-4704 will replace Bridge No. 49 over Buffalo Creek on N.C. 194 / N.C. 88. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Ashe County Middle School, Media Room located at 255 Northwest Lane in Warrensville.

The purpose of these projects is to provide safer and more efficient traffic operations. Existing Bridge No. 296 is functionally obsolete and Bridge No. 49 is structurally deficient and functionally obsolete.

It is proposed to keep N.C. 194 / N.C. 88 open to traffic during construction of Project B-4704, except during short term operations such as rock blasting. The proposed offsite detour includes N.C. 88, North Main Street / Old Highway 16 (S.R. 1573), Deep Ford Road (S.R. 1501), and West Deep Ford Road (S.R. 1514). This detour would result in 3.5 miles of additional travel for the typical user.

The purpose of the public meeting will be to present information on the projects and gather public input on the proposed designs.

The public may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. The opportunity to submit written comments will also be provided at the meeting or via phone, email, or mail by March 29, 2017. Comments received will be taken into consideration as the project develops. Please note that no formal presentation will be made.

Project information and materials can be viewed as they become available online at <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/publicmeetings>.

For additional information, contact Michael G. Wray, NCDOT Project Development Engineer by mail: 1548 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1548, by phone: (919) 707-6050, or via email: [mgwray@ncdot.gov](mailto:mgwray@ncdot.gov).

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this meeting. Anyone requiring special services should contact Jamille Robbins, Human Environment Section, Public Involvement Group Leader via e-mail at [jarobbins@ncdot.gov](mailto:jarobbins@ncdot.gov) or by phone (919) 707-6085 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.

Aquellas personas que hablan español y no hablan inglés, o tienen limitaciones para leer, hablar o entender inglés, podrían recibir servicios de interpretación si los solicitan antes de la reunión llamando al 1-800-481-6494.