

INTERSTATE 26 CONNECTOR AND RIVERSIDE DRIVE WIDENING PROJECT ASHEVILLE, BUNCOMBE COUNTY

PUBLIC HEARING

Project Nos: I-2513 and U-5868

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Pre-Hearing Open House

7:00 p.m.

Formal Presentation

Grand Ballroom, Renaissance Asheville Hotel
31 Woodfin Street, Asheville

The N. C. Department of Transportation in partnership with the City of Asheville, has completed preliminary designs for the preferred alternative for the I-26 Connector Project (I-2513) and Riverside Drive Widening Project (U-5868). A Pre-Hearing Open House and Public Hearing on the above stated projects will be held on December 4th. NCDOT representatives will be available between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to answer questions and receive comments relative to the proposed projects. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will also be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above-mentioned hours.

A formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. Following the formal presentation, an opportunity for the public to provide verbal comments will be provided. The hearing will be open to those present for statements, questions and comments. The presentation and comments will be recorded and a transcript will be prepared.

The project calls for widening existing I-26/240 from the I-26/240 interchange to Patton Avenue (U.S. 74A) and construct on new location a fully controlled access freeway from Patton Avenue (U.S. 74A) to an interchange at U.S. 19/23/70 and Broadway Street (S.R. 1781). The proposed freeway will be median divided with eight 12-foot travel lanes and 12-foot paved shoulders. Additional right of way and the relocation of homes and businesses will be required for this project.

The maps displaying the design of the are available for public review at the following locations:

- City of Asheville Transportation, 70 Court Plaza—Mezzanine Level, Asheville, North Carolina, 28802
- NCDOT Division 13 Office, 55 Orange Street, Asheville.
- The maps are also available online at <http://www.ncdot.org/projects/I26Connector> and <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/publicmeetings/>

Persons with additional questions or who wish to submit comment may contact NCDOT Public Involvement, Community Studies and Visualization Group Leader,

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Comments will be accepted through January 4, 2019.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this hearing. Anyone requiring special services should contact Robbins as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

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Aquellas personas 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.