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Approval – US 421 STAA Designation from US 64 in Chatham County to Interstate 85 in Guilford County

Upon a recommendation of the Safety and Emerging Issues Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Helms and seconded by Board Member Perkins to approve the US 421 STAA Designation from US 64 in Chatham County to Interstate 85 in Guilford County.

A copy of this agenda item is made a part of the record of this meeting and filed as an addendum to Minute Book 24A.

Approval – Motion to Defer EEP’s Request

Upon a recommendation of the Finance and Programming Committee a motion was made by Board Member Blount and seconded by Board Member White to approve the motion to defer EEP’s request for approval of its bi-annual budget for 90 days. During the 90 day period, EEP will receive its current level of funding necessary to maintain EEP’s existing program and schedules.

Board Member Szlosberg opposed the vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman,
North Carolina Board of Transportation

Attest: _____
Secretary to the Board of Transportation

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2007



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April 13, 2007

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Dear Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Section 20-115.1, it has been requested that US 421 from US 64 in Chatham County northward through Randolph County to I-85 in Guilford County be designated to the North Carolina National Truck Network. Attached is a map of this highway segment that is being proposed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

An engineering investigation has shown that this route meets the necessary criteria required and is capable of carrying STAA dimensioned vehicles. Concurrence is required by any municipality affected by this designation. There are no municipalities located on this route.

As required by General Statute, there were three public hearings held for the designation of US 421 as a STAA route. They were held in Siler City, Liberty, and Greensboro. The comments received during these hearings fall into one of the three categories:

- Many participants spoke favorably of the proposed designation and pointed out the advantages of moving some truck traffic off of the congested US 64 corridor.
- A few participants spoke against the designation; however, their comments were directed primarily at increased truck traffic and not necessarily against the specific designation of US 421.
- Other participants did not speak for or against the designation of US 421; however, they used the opportunity to make comments on past construction projects, future projects or to make suggestions on other projects not currently under development by NCDOT.

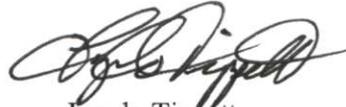
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Please let us know if additional information or clarification is needed.

Sincerely,

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William F. Rosser, P.E.
State Highway Administrator

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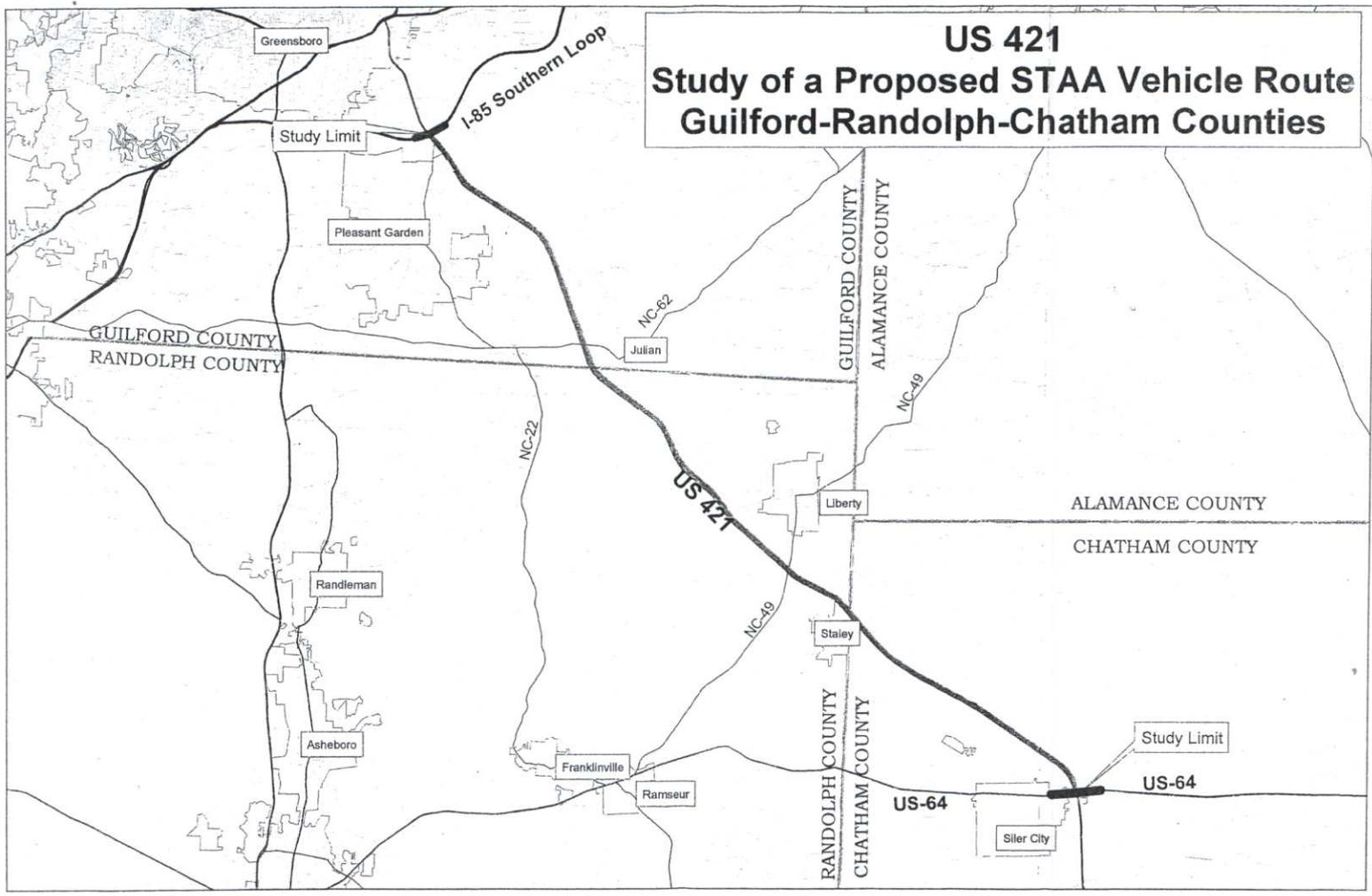
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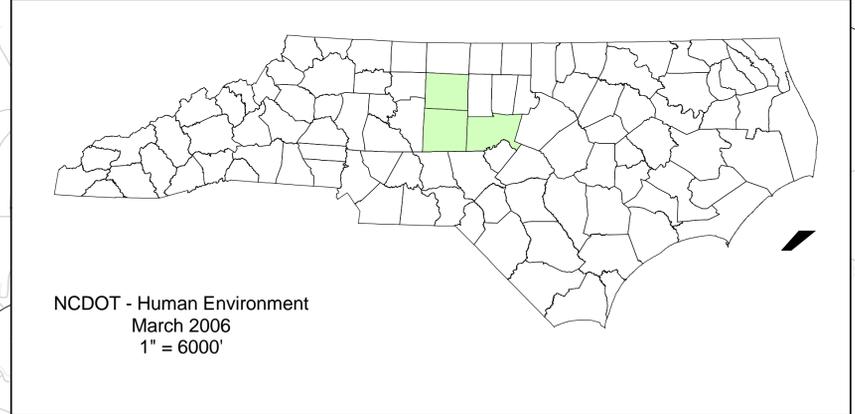
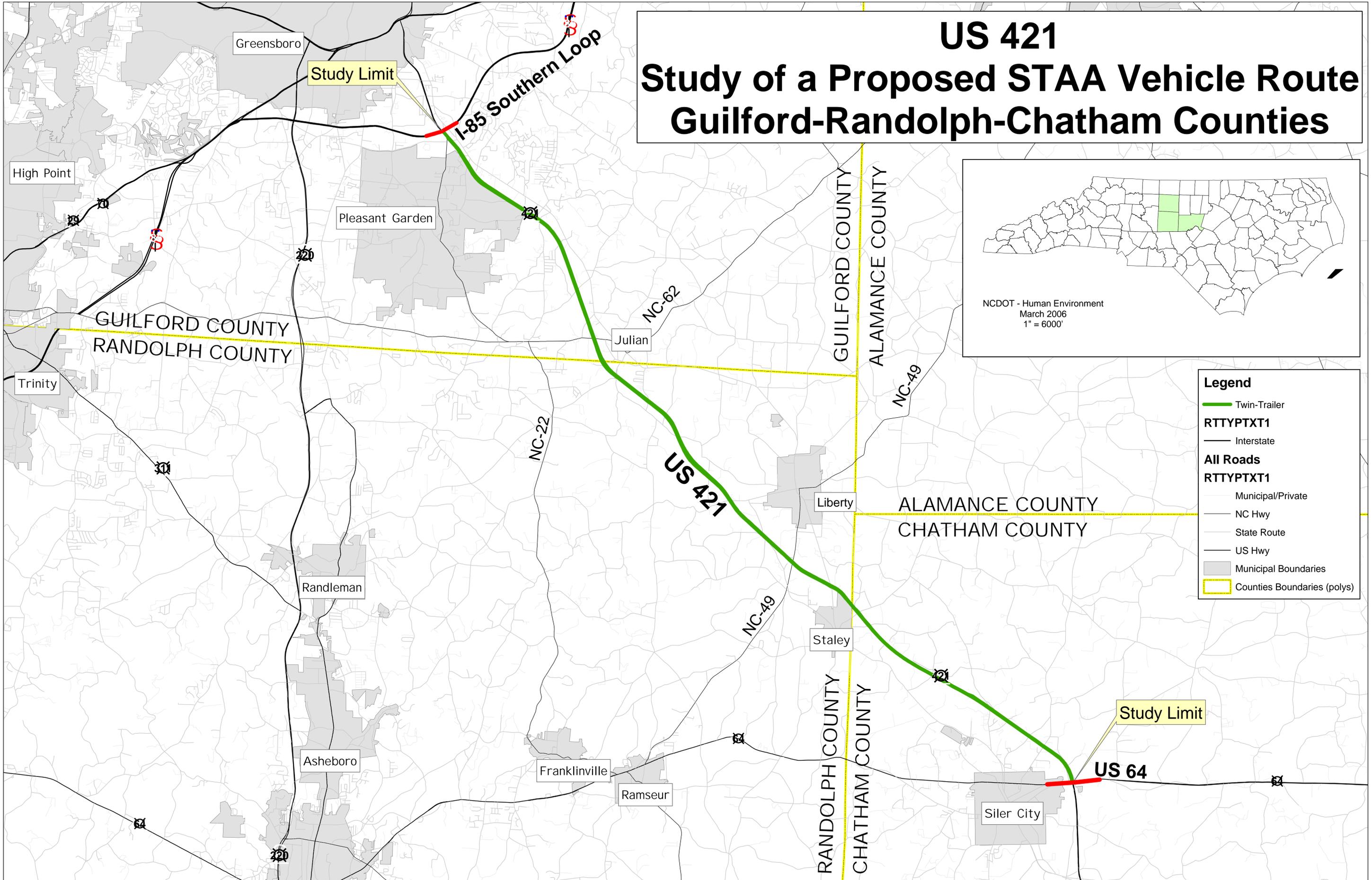
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US 421 Study of a Proposed STAA Vehicle Route Guilford-Randolph-Chatham Counties



US 421

Study of a Proposed STAA Vehicle Route Guilford-Randolph-Chatham Counties



Legend

- Twin-Trailer
- RTTYPTXT1**
- Interstate
- All Roads**
- RTTYPTXT1**
- Municipal/Private
- NC Hwy
- State Route
- US Hwy
- Municipal Boundaries
- ▭ Counties Boundaries (polys)



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July 23, 2004

In Reply Refer To
File No. D-98-4

MEMORANDUM

TO: A. D. Wyatt, P.T.O.E., P.E.
Traffic Field Operations Engineer

FROM: A. L. Grandy *ayb*
Regional Traffic Engineer

SUBJECT: STAA Route Designation for US 421 in Chatham, Randolph and Guilford County

This office has completed the investigation of the subject STAA reasonable access route. Our investigation included a field review of physical roadway characteristics and a review of accident data. Based on this information, route US 421 in Chatham County to Guilford County is recommended for approval. Data collected for this route is summarized below and route maps are attached.

STAA Route Designation for US 421 : US 421 from US 64 in Chatham County, northward through Randolph County to I-85 in Guilford County.

Route Length: 26.15 miles

Speed Limit: The speed limit along US 421 from US 64 in Chatham County to 0.5 mile south of SR 2434 in Randolph County is 65 mph. The speed limit from 0.5 mile south of SR 2434 to I-85 in Guilford County is 55 mph.

Traffic Volume (2001): Traffic volumes US 421 varies from 10,000 vpd to 12,000 vpd.

Roadway Features: US 421 is a four lane divided highway with the majority of the route being a partial control of access facility. The remaining portion of US 421 is a fully controlled access facility. Pavement width along US 421 is 12' per lane with 2' to 4' paved shoulders along each direction.

Intersection Geometric: Appropriate left turn lanes are provided along US 421 at intersections.

Bridges: Three sets of bridges are located in Randolph County, one set over Norfolk Southern Railway and two sets over creeks. One set of bridges are located in Guilford County over a creek. Bridge widths vary from 40 feet wide to 47 feet wide. None of the bridges are posted.

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At-Grade Railroad Crossings: No at-grade railroad crossings are located along this route.

Schools: No schools are located along this route.

Pedestrians: Pedestrian traffic is minimal

Bicycle Routes: No bicycle routes are located along this route.

Accident Experience: A total of 303 accidents occurred along this route from 12/1/00 to 11/30/03. Twenty-two accidents involved a tractor trailer. The accident rate for trucks only, 7.01 accidents/100MVM, does exceed the critical accident rate of 7.15 accidents/100MVM.

Law Enforcement Recommendations: Notifications were sent on June 9, 2004.

If you have questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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