

## NOTICE TO POTENTIAL PROPOSERS

### I-5719/U-5800/U-6044

I-85 widening from US 321 (Exit 17) to east of NC 273 (Exit 27); NC 7 (Main St.) at NC 7 / US 74 and NC 7 / US 29 - 74 (Wilkinson Blvd.) in Belmont, SR 2200 (Cox Road) from I-85 to US 29 / 74 in Gastonia

NCDOT will hold a Pre-Advertisement Update meeting via Microsoft Teams with prospective proposers interested in submitting responses to the upcoming Request for Qualifications for the I-85 Widening Design-Build Project in Gaston County. The purpose of this meeting is to update the Industry on advertisement and procurement. We will also give a synopsis on the Optimization & Refinement component that will be included in the RFP.

- The meeting will take place on Thursday, June 13, 2024
- The meeting time will take place from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Registration for the meeting is at the following link:

[I-5719 Pre-Advertisement Update Meeting Registration Link](#)

Project information is at the following link:

[https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Design-Build-Letting-Details.aspx?let\\_id=I-5719%20and%20U-5800](https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Design-Build-Letting-Details.aspx?let_id=I-5719%20and%20U-5800)

This meeting is not mandatory and will not have bearing on the potential short-listing process.

### **Anticipated Procurement Type**

NCDOT plans to utilize a two-phase design-build best value procurement incorporating a weighted criteria formula.

## **Anticipated Scope of Work**

In general, the I-5719 / U-5800 / U-6044 Design-Build Project adds lanes to I-85 from US 321 (North Chester Street – Exit 17) to east of NC 273 (Beatty Drive – Exit 27), improves the NC 7 (Main Street) and US 29 / 74 (Wilkinson Boulevard) intersection in Belmont, and widens SR 2200 (Cox Road) from I-85 to US 29 / 74 in Gaston County. The approximately 10.5-mile project provides an eight-lane divided facility along I-85. The project also reconstructs approximately 0.7 miles of railroad for Piedmont and Northern Railway.

The purpose of this project is to reduce congestion and improve mobility along I-85 and improve traffic operations and safety at the NC 7 (Main Street) and / US 29 / 74 (Wilkinson Boulevard) intersection, and along SR 2200 (Cox Road) from I-85 to US 29 / 74, and the SR 2200 (Cox Road / Armstrong Park Road) / US 29 / 74 (East Franklin Boulevard) intersection.

## **Anticipated Design-Build Procurement Schedule**

July 2024 – Request for Qualifications

August 2024 – Announcement of Short-listed Teams and first industry draft RFP

December 2024 – Final Request for Proposals

February 2025 – Technical Proposals Due to NCDOT

March 2025 – Letting

Any questions regarding this open-forum meeting should be directed to Timothy T. McFadden - State Alternative Delivery Manager with the North Carolina Department of Transportation by email at [altdelivery@ncdot.gov](mailto:altdelivery@ncdot.gov) or at 1595 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1595

Additional project information can be found at the following link:

<https://www.ncdot.gov/projects/i-85-widening-gaston-county/Pages/default.aspx>