

**North Carolina Turnpike Authority and  
North Carolina Department of Transportation  
Optional Industry Forum and DBE Outreach Session**

**Complete 540 Project  
STIP Projects R-2721A, R-2721B and R-2828**

The North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA), in concert with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), intend to begin procurement for three separate Design-Build contracts that will extend the Triangle Expressway toll facility from the NC 55 Bypass in Apex, NC to I-40 southeast of Raleigh, NC. The contract value for the three projects, spanning 16 miles, is estimated at nearly \$1 billion. For more information about this project, visit:

[www.ncdot.gov/projects/complete540](http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/complete540).

In anticipation of these procurements, the first of which will begin in April 2018, the NCTA and NCDOT will host an optional industry event to discuss the projects and the upcoming procurements. The industry event will be held on **April 12, 2018** at the **McKimmon Center at NC State University**, located at 1101 Gorman Street in Raleigh. The industry event will be comprised of two sessions, with the opportunity for networking among the sessions' participants. The first session will be a DBE Outreach Session and the second session will be a traditional Industry Forum.

The DBE Outreach Session will include information on certification, support services, DBE utilization and compliance, laws governing DBE work with NCDOT, as well as a discussion on project scope, DBE goals and project contracting opportunities. **The DBE Outreach Session will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** with a targeted audience of DBE firms interested in contracting opportunities for these projects.

The DBE Outreach Session will be followed by an Industry Forum with a targeted audience of prime contractors, subcontractors, private engineering firms and professional services firms interested in pursuing work as part of a Design-Build Team. Toll system equipment and integration will not be a part of these contracts. **The Industry Forum will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Prospective Design-Build Team members are encouraged to attend the Industry Forum to review the projects and the Design-Build procurement process. This Industry Forum will include a discussion on the project scope, opportunities for innovation in the project design and construction, contract procurement timelines, right of way acquisition, permitting status, major utility coordination and other project details, as well as a discussion regarding the NCTA Design-Build procurement process for these contracts. There will also be ample time for a question and answer session.

For questions about the DBE Outreach Session, please contact Mr. Michael Gerald at (919) 508-1881 or [mgerald@ncdot.gov](mailto:mgerald@ncdot.gov). For questions about the Industry Forum, please contact Mr. Rodger Rochelle at (919) 707-2710 or [rdrochelle@ncdot.gov](mailto:rdrochelle@ncdot.gov).