#### Categorical Exclusion Action Classification Form

| STIP Project No.    | R-4436CI   |
|---------------------|------------|
| WBS Element         | 34625.2.67 |
| Federal Project No. |            |

A. <u>Project Description</u>: (Include project scope and location, including Municipality and County. Refer to the attached project location map and photos.)

Construction of a Stormwater BMP Infiltration Basin at the US 74 exit ramp to McRae St. in New Hanover County.

B. <u>Description of Need and Purpose</u>:

To maintain compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program.

C. <u>Categorical Exclusion Action Classification:</u> (Check one)

| X | TYPE I   |
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|   | TYPE II  |
|   | TYPE III |

D. <u>Proposed Improvements</u> – Include ALL Type I and Type II Action Classifications. For Type III CEs, leave blank.

Type I Action 25: Environmental restoration and pollution abatement actions to minimize or mitigate the impacts of any existing transportation facility (including retrofitting and construction of stormwater treatment systems to meet Federal and State requirements under Sections 401 and 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1341; 1342)) carried out to address water pollution or environmental degradation.

E. <u>Special Project Information:</u> (Provide a description of relevant project information, which may include: vicinity map, costs, alternative analysis (if any), traffic control and staging, and resource agency/public involvement).

#### **Estimated Costs:**

| Total Construction | \$ 65,000 |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Right of Way       | \$ 0      |
| Total              | \$ 65,000 |

### F. Project Impact Criteria Checklists:

| Type I - Non-Ground Disturbing Action                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  | No |
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| Action fo                                                                                                                                                                                                                | If the proposed improvement (described above in Sections C & D) is a Non-Ground Disturbing Type I Action for 1, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, &/or 29 then answer questions 1, 2, & 3. If question 3 is marked "yes," FHWA signature is required. |  |    |
| 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Is the project not consistent with the State Transportation Improvement Program?                                                                                                                                                                              |  |    |
| 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Is the project located within a Historic District? If yes, FHWA coordination is required to determine the effects of the project on the district. FHWA signature (Section I of this Form) on the CE may not be required (see Question 3).                     |  |    |
| Does the project include adverse effects that cannot be resolved with a  Memorandum of Agreement under Section 106 of the National Historic  Preservation Act or have an adverse effect on a National Historic Landmark? |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |    |

| Type I & II - Ground Disturbing Actions                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     | No          |
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| FHWA APPROVAL ACTIVITIES THRESHOLD CRITERIA (FHWA Signature Required If "Yes" Selected)                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     | Х           |
| • Ty                                                                                                                             | posed improvement (identified above in Sections C & D) is a: upe I Action for #s 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, &/or 30; & upe II Action uper the threshold criteria questions (below) and questions 8 - 31 for ground distur |     | tions.      |
| In addition                                                                                                                      | n, if any of questions 1-7 are marked "yes" then the CE will require FHWA approv                                                                                                                                                                         | al. |             |
| 1                                                                                                                                | Does the project require formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)?                                                                                                                    |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 2                                                                                                                                | Does the project result in impacts subject to the conditions of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGPA)?                                                                                                                                         |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 3                                                                                                                                | Does the project generate substantial controversy or public opposition, for any reason, following appropriate public involvement?                                                                                                                        |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 4                                                                                                                                | Does the project cause disproportionately high and adverse impacts relative to low-income and/or minority populations?                                                                                                                                   |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 5                                                                                                                                | Does the project involve a residential or commercial displacement, or a substantial amount of right of way acquisition?                                                                                                                                  |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 6                                                                                                                                | Does the project require an Individual Section 4(f) approval?                                                                                                                                                                                            |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 7                                                                                                                                | Does the project include adverse effects that cannot be resolved with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) or have an adverse effect on a National Historic Landmark (NHL)?                |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| If any of questions 8 through 31 are marked "yes" then additional information will be required for those questions in Section G. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |             |

| Other Considerations Yes N |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |     |             |
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| 8                          | Does the project result in a finding of "may affect not likely to adversely affect" or less for listed species, or designated critical habitat under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 9                          | Does the project impact anadromous fish?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 10                         | Does the project impact waters classified as Outstanding Resource Water (ORW), High Quality Water (HQW), Water Supply Watershed Critical Areas, 303(d) listed impaired water bodies, buffer rules, or Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV)?                                                                                                                                                                                        |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 11                         | Does the project impact waters of the United States in any of the designated mountain trout streams?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 12                         | Does the project require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Individual Section 404 Permit?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 13                         | Will the project require an easement from a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licensed facility?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 14                         | Does the project include a Section 106 of the NHPA effects determination other than a no effect, including archaeological remains? Are there project commitments identified?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| Other Co                   | nsiderations (continued)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes | No          |
| 15                         | Does the project involve hazardous materials and landfills?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 16                         | Does the project require work encroaching and adversely affecting a regulatory floodway or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 23 CFR 650 subpart A?                                                                                                                                                                                 |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 17                         | Is the project in a Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) county and substantially affects the coastal zone and/or any Area of Environmental Concern (AEC)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 18                         | Does the project require a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) permit?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 19                         | Does the project involve construction activities in, across, or adjacent to a designated Wild and Scenic River present within the project area?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 20                         | Does the project involve Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) resources?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 21                         | Does the project impact federal lands (e.g. U.S. Forest Service (USFS), USFWS, etc.) or Tribal Lands?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 22                         | Does the project involve any changes in access control?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 23                         | Does the project have a permanent adverse effect on local traffic patterns or community cohesiveness?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 24                         | Will maintenance of traffic cause substantial disruption?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 25                         | Is the project inconsistent with the STIP or the Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (where applicable)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 26                         | Does the project require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property? |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 27                         | Does the project involve Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) buyout properties under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     | $\boxtimes$ |

| 28                                     | Does the project include a de minimis or programmatic Section 4(f)?                                                                                                                                                                              |     |             |
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| 29                                     | Is the project considered a Type I under the NCDOT's Noise Policy?                                                                                                                                                                               |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 30                                     | Is there prime or important farmland soil impacted by this project as defined by the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)?                                                                                                                      |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| 31                                     | Are there other issues that arose during the project development process that                                                                                                                                                                    |     | $\boxtimes$ |
| Type III A                             | Actions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes | No          |
| <ul><li>The 0</li><li>If any</li></ul> | posed improvement is identified as a Type III Class of Action answer all questions<br>Categorical Exclusion will require FHWA approval.                                                                                                          |     | n in        |
| 1                                      | Does the project involve potential effects on species listed with the USFWS or NMFS?                                                                                                                                                             |     |             |
| 2                                      | Does the project result in impacts subject to the conditions of the BGPA?                                                                                                                                                                        |     |             |
| 3                                      | Does the project generate substantial controversy or public opposition, for any reason, following appropriate public involvement?                                                                                                                |     |             |
| Type III A                             | Actions (continued)                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes | No          |
| 4                                      | Does the project cause disproportionately high and adverse impacts relative to low-income and/or minority populations?                                                                                                                           |     |             |
| 5                                      | Does the project involve substantial residential or commercial displacements or right of way acquisition?                                                                                                                                        |     |             |
| 6                                      | Does the project include a determination under Section 4(f)?                                                                                                                                                                                     |     |             |
| 7                                      | Is a project-level analysis for direct, indirect, or cumulative effects required based on the NCDOT community studies screening tool?                                                                                                            |     |             |
| 8                                      | Is a project level air quality Mobile Source Air Toxics (MSAT) analysis required?                                                                                                                                                                |     |             |
| 9                                      | Does the project impact anadromous fish?                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |             |
| 10                                     | Does the project impact waters classified as ORW, HQW, Water Supply Watershed Critical Areas, 303(d)-listed impaired water bodies, buffer rules, or SAV?                                                                                         |     |             |
| 11                                     | Does the project impact waters of the United States in any of the designated mountain trout streams?                                                                                                                                             |     |             |
| 12                                     | Does the project require a USACE Individual Section 404 Permit?                                                                                                                                                                                  |     |             |
| 13                                     | Will the project require an easement from a FERC licensed facility?                                                                                                                                                                              |     |             |
| 14                                     | Does the project include Section 106 of the NHPA effects determination other than a no effect, including archaeological remains? Are there project commitments identified?                                                                       |     |             |
| 15                                     | Does the project involve hazardous materials and landfills?                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |             |
| 16                                     | Does the project require work encroaching and adversely effecting a regulatory floodway or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 23 CFR 650 subpart A? |     |             |
| 17                                     | Is the project in a CAMA county and substantially affects the coastal zone and/or any AEC?                                                                                                                                                       |     |             |

| 18         | Does the project require a USCG permit?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |    |
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| 19         | Does the project involve construction activities in, across, or adjacent to a designated Wild and Scenic River present within the project area?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |    |
| 20         | Does the project involve CBRA resources?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |    |
| 21         | Does the project impact federal lands (e.g. USFS, USFWS, etc.) or Tribal Lands?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |    |
| 22         | Does the project involve any changes in access control?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |    |
| 23         | Does the project have a permanent adverse effect on local traffic patterns or community cohesiveness?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |    |
| 24         | Will maintenance of traffic cause substantial disruption?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |    |
| Type III A | Type III Actions (continued)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | No |
| 25         | Is the project inconsistent with the STIP or the MPO's TIP (where applicable)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |    |
|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |    |
| 26         | Does the project require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, TVA, Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property? |  |    |
| 26         | Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, TVA, Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the                                                                                     |  |    |
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| 27         | Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, TVA, Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property?  Does the project involve FEMA buyout properties under the HMGP?          |  |    |

#### G. Additional Documentation as Required from Section F

(17) Per the attached e-mail from the NC Division of Coastal Management (DCM), the project is located within an AEC, however the activity is considered maintenance of an existing facility and will not require a permit from DCM.

#### H. Project Commitments

| CTID Date at N                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| STIP Project N<br>WBS Element | NO. R-4436CI 34625.2.67                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Federal Projec                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Prepared By:  2/28/17 Date    | Digitally signed by Mason Herndon DN: cn=Mason Herndon, o=NCDOT, ou=Division 3, email=tmherndon@ncdot.gov, c=US Date: 2017.02.28 15:52:57 -05'00'  Mason Herndon, Environmental Program Supervisor                                                                                                                                          |
| Prepared For:                 | North Carolina Department of Transportation, Division 3  Hydraulics Unit, Highway Stormwater Program  North Carolina Department of Transportation                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Reviewed By:                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3/1/10                        | 1. 14.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Date                          | Brian Lipscomb Project Stormwater Engineer North Carolina Department of Transportation, Hydraulics Unit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ⊠ Approv                      | <ul> <li>If Type I (Non-Ground Disturbing) Categorical Exclusion with an answer of "no" to question 3.</li> <li>If Type I or Type II (Ground Disturbing) Categorical Exclusions with an answer of "no" to all of the threshold questions (1 through 7) of Section F.</li> </ul>                                                             |
| Certifi                       | <ul> <li>If Type I (Non-Ground Disturbing) Categorical Exclusion with an answer of "yes" to question 3.</li> <li>If Type I or Type II (Ground Disturbing) Categorical Exclusions with an answer of "yes" to any of the threshold questions (1 through 7) of Section F.</li> <li>If classified as Type III Categorical Exclusion.</li> </ul> |
| 3/1/17<br>Date                | Matthew (Matt) Lauffer, Assistant State Hydraulics Engineer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| FHWA Approved:                | North Carolina Department of Transportation, Hydraulics Unit  For Projects Certified by NCDOT (above), FHWA signature required.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Date                          | John F. Sullivan, III, PE, Division Administrator<br>Federal Highway Administration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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#### Herndon, T. Mason

From: Lane, Stephen

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 2:21 PM

**To:** Herndon, T. Mason

**Subject:** RE: Stormwater BMP on McRae St., New Hanover

Hi Mason,

I have reviewed the proposed BMP retrofit project to be constructed on the right side of the exit ramp on MLK Blvd. at McRae Street as detailed in your February 16, 2017 email to me and determined that the work is maintenance and repair of an existing facility and that a CAMA permit will not be required for this project if constructed in accordance with the information provided in your email. Please let me know if I may be of any further assistance with this project.

Sincerely,

Stephen Lane

Coastal Management Representative

From: Herndon, T. Mason

**Sent:** Thursday, February 16, 2017 8:25 AM **To:** Lane, Stephen <stephen.lane@ncdenr.gov>

Subject: Stormwater BMP on McRae St., New Hanover

Good Morning Stephen,

NCDOT is proposing to install a BMP retrofit on the right side of the exit ramp on MLK at McRae St. Please look at the attached figures and let me know if I need anything from your agency to construct this project. If you need any additional information, please let me know.

Thanks!

#### **Mason Herndon**

Environmental Program Supervisor Division 3 NCDOT- Division of Highways

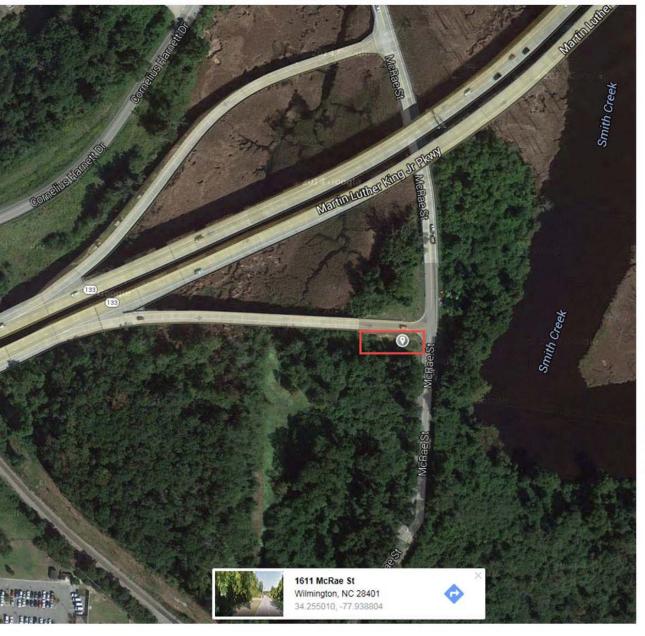
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# NPDES Sites



## Division 3

- US 74 / NC 133 & McRae St.
  - Smith Creek
    - C, Sw
    - 303d = Fecal, Temperature, Dissolved Oxygen, pH, Benthos
  - 1 credit
    - Existing Basin across the road. Can modify existing ditch with check dams to promote infiltration

Location Photos



