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ADDENDUM #0

MEMO TO: Plan Holders

FROM: Jennifer A. Sour
Division Proposal Engineer

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CONTRACT ID: DG00583
WBS ELEMENT NO.: 47161.3.1
COUNTY: GUILFORD
LOCATION: INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT SR 2124 (LEWISTON
RD)/SR2136 (FLEMING RD) IN GREENSBORO
TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, PAVING, DRAINAGE AND SIGNAL

To whom it may concern:

The NEPA/SEPA Consultation was left out of the contract Please add these sheets to the proposal after sheet TS-36.

There will be no update to the ebx file.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (336) 487-0075. Thank you.

JAS

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North Carolina Department of Transportation

NEPA/SEPA Consultation Form

STIP Project No.	<u>U-6016</u>
WBS Element	<u>47161.1.1</u>
Federal Aid Project No.	<u>NA</u>

A. Project Description, Location, and Purpose:

Intersection improvements at Lewiston Road (SR 2124) and Fleming Road (SR 2136). The primary purpose of the proposed project is to improve traffic capacity at the existing intersection. In particular, additional capacity is needed for southbound left-left turns on Lewiston Road and westbound right-turns on Fleming Road. In addition, the 2018-2027 MTIP indicated that sidewalk and curb and gutter improvements are needed at the intersection. The existing sidewalk in the northwestern quadrant of the intersection has numerous lengthy gaps that need to be connected to form a continuous sidewalk and make conditions safer for pedestrians.

Intersection Improvements will include:

- Adding a separate right-turn lane on westbound Fleming Road, as well as a four-foot-wide paved shoulder adjacent to the new right-turn lane;
- Adding a separate left-turn lane on westbound Fleming Road;
- Adding a separate right-turn lane on southbound Lewiston Road;
- Realigning the Cardinal Crossing Shopping Center rear driveway so that it aligns with Lewiston Road and adding signal heads so that the driveway is also controlled by the traffic signal at the intersection;
- Providing a continuous six-foot-wide sidewalk in the northwest quadrant of the intersection from the south side of the Dollar General shopping center driveway on Lewiston Road to the east side of the Dollar General shopping center driveway on Fleming Road, with curb ramps at both driveways;
- Providing curb-and-cutter in the northeast and northwest quadrants of the intersection, with curb ramps; and
- Increasing the width of outside lanes in the curb and gutter sections on both Fleming Road and Lewiston Road to 14 feet.

B. Consultation Phase: (Check one)

- Right-of-Way
- Construction
- Other:

C. NEPA/SEPA Class of Action Initially Approved as: (Check one)

- FHWA Class I (EIS/ROD)
- FHWA Class II (CE)
- FHWA Class III (EA/FONSI)
- SEPA MCDC 8/29/2019
- SEPA EA/FONSI
- SEPA EIS/ROD
- Other: FHWA Class IA (CE)

D. Changes in Proposed Action & Environmental Consequences:

The US Fish and Wildlife Service has revised the previous programmatic biological opinion (PBO) with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and NCDOT for the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentionalis*) or NLEB in eastern North Carolina. The PBO covers the entire NCDOT Program in Divisions 1-8, including all NCDOT projects and activities. Although this PBO covers Divisions 1-8, NLEBs are currently only known in 19 counties, but may potentially occur in 11 additional counties within Divisions 1-8. Since Guilford County is not included as of these 30 counties, the biological conclusion is May Affect, Not Likely to Adversely Affect, and the two conservation measures found in the PBO will not apply to this project. This PBO will ensure compliance for projects with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for ten years for all NCDOT projects with a federal nexus (effective through December 31, 2030).

The US Fish and Wildlife Service has issued a programmatic conference opinion (PCO) in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and NCDOT for the tricolored bat (TCB) (*Perimyotis subflavus*) in eastern North Carolina. The PCO covers the entire NCDOT program in Divisions 1-8, including all NCDOT projects and activities. NCDOT, FHWA, and USACE have agreed to three conservation measures (listed in the PCO) which will avoid/minimize take to TCBs. These conservation measures apply to all counties in Divisions 1-8. The programmatic determination for TCB for the NCDOT program is **May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect**. Once the TCB is officially listed, the PCO will become the programmatic biological opinion (PBO) by formal request from FHWA and USACE. The PBO will ensure compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for approximately five years

(effective through December 31, 2028) for all NCDOT projects with a federal nexus in Divisions 1-8, which includes Guilford County, where Project U-6016 is located.

E. Conclusion:

The above NEPA/SEPA documentation has been reevaluated (as required by either 23 CFR 771 or by NC General Statute Chapter 113A Article 1). It has been determined that the current proposed action is essentially the same as the original proposed action. Proposed changes, if any, are noted in Section D. It has been determined that anticipated social, economic, and environmental impacts were accurately described in the above referenced document(s) unless noted otherwise herein. Therefore, the original Administration Action remains valid.

F. Coordination

NCDOT personnel have discussed the current project parameters with qualified NCDOT representatives and FHWA (where applicable). The NCDOT Project Manager, Chad Reimakoski, hereby verifies the involvement of the following staff and the incorporation of their technical input:

Planning Engineer:	Chad Reimakoski	7/24/24
Environmental Specialist:	Jerry Parker	7/24/24
FHWA (if applicable):	NA	Click or tap here to enter
Other:	NA	Date

G. Consultation Approval for NCDOT Project U-6016

Prepared By:

07/25/2024

Date

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Chad Reimakoski

Chad Reimakoski, NCDOT, Division 7 Planning Engineer

Prepared For:

Chris Smitherman, PE
NCDOT, Division 7 Division Design Engineer

Reviewed By:

07/25/2024

Date

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Jerry Parker

Jerry Parker, Division 7 Planning & Environmental Engineer, NCDOT



Approved

In adherence with 23 CFR 771 (NEPA) or NC General Statute Chapter 113A Article 1 (SEPA), NCDOT approves this Consultation.

or



Certified

NCDOT staff certifies if FHWA signature was previously required or where changes have resulted in FHWA signature being required.

07/25/2024

Date

DocuSigned by:

Chris Smitherman

Chris Smitherman, PE, NCDOT, Division Project Development Engineer

FHWA Approved: FHWA signature required for Type I(B) CE, Type II(B) CE, Type III CE, FONSI or ROD.

Date

NA
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Federal Highway Administration.

Project Commitments

**Guilford County
Proposed SR 2124 (Lewiston Road)/SR 2136 (Fleming Road)
Intersection Improvements
WBS No. 47161.1.1
STIP No. U-6016**

- Standard Environmental Commitments
 - All standard procedures will be implemented to avoid or minimize environmental impacts.
 - All practical Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be included and properly maintained during project construction.