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In Reply Refer To
Application 2048

Mr. C. Stephen Dula
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4455 Lansing Drive
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27114-4788

Dear Mr. Dula:

Our investigation of your six STAA reasonable access route requests for Salem Carriers, Inc. is complete.

At this time, we have found the following four routes to be acceptable by traffic engineering standards and hereby grant approval for your firm to run STAA dimensioned vehicles along these routes. The approved routes are described as follows:

- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-1: NC 770 from US 220 Bypass in Rockingham County eastward to SR 1533 (Harrington Highway), then southeastward on SR 1533 to NC 14, then northward on NC 14 to NC 700/NC 770 (Meadow Road), then eastward on NC 700/NC 770 to SR 1743 (Gant Road), then north on SR 1743 to National Textile LLC terminal in Rockingham County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-2: NC 801 from I-40 south to US 158, then south on US 158 to SR 1630, then south on SR 1630 to SR 1616, then west on SR 1616 to National Textile LLC terminal in Davie County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-4: NC 14 from US 158 in Rockingham County northwestward to NC 700/NC 770, then east on NC 700/NC 770 to SR 1743 (Gant Road), then north on SR 1743 to National Textile LLC terminal in Rockingham County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-6: US 421 from NC 16/18 in Wilkes County west into Watauga County and Boone to US 221, then south on US 221 to US 321, continuing south across US 321 on NC 105 to SR 1107, then north along SR 1107 to US 421, then north on US 421 to the Tennessee/North Carolina state line.

All weight limits that may exist on these routes must be observed.

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During our investigation of 2048-5 (listed below), it was determined that two other alternate routes more conducive for travel by STAA dimensioned vehicles are available. As you discussed with Assistant Area Traffic Engineer Bryan Staley, you may reapply for an alternate route. Therefore, this route is not approved.

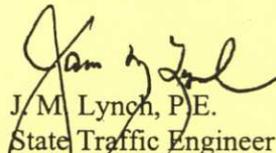
Route 2048-7 (listed below) is also not approved due to access being provided to the National Truck Network via route 2048-6. Additionally, construction on US 321 requires the lanes be narrowed, making US 321 unsuitable for wide trucks. If desired, Salem Carriers, Inc. may reapply for this route upon completion of the project.

Therefore, the following routes are **not approved**.

- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-5: US 158 from I-40 south to SR 1103, then south on SR 1103 to SR 3000, then east on SR 3000 to SR 2999, then south on SR 2999 to SR 3104, then east on SR 3104 to National Textile LLC terminal in Davie County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2048-7: US 321 from US 64 in Lenoir, Caldwell County, north into Watauga County, through Blowing Rock and into Boone to NC 105, then south on NC 105 to SR 1107, then north along SR 1107 to US 421, then north on US 421 to the Tennessee/North Carolina state line.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Yours very truly,

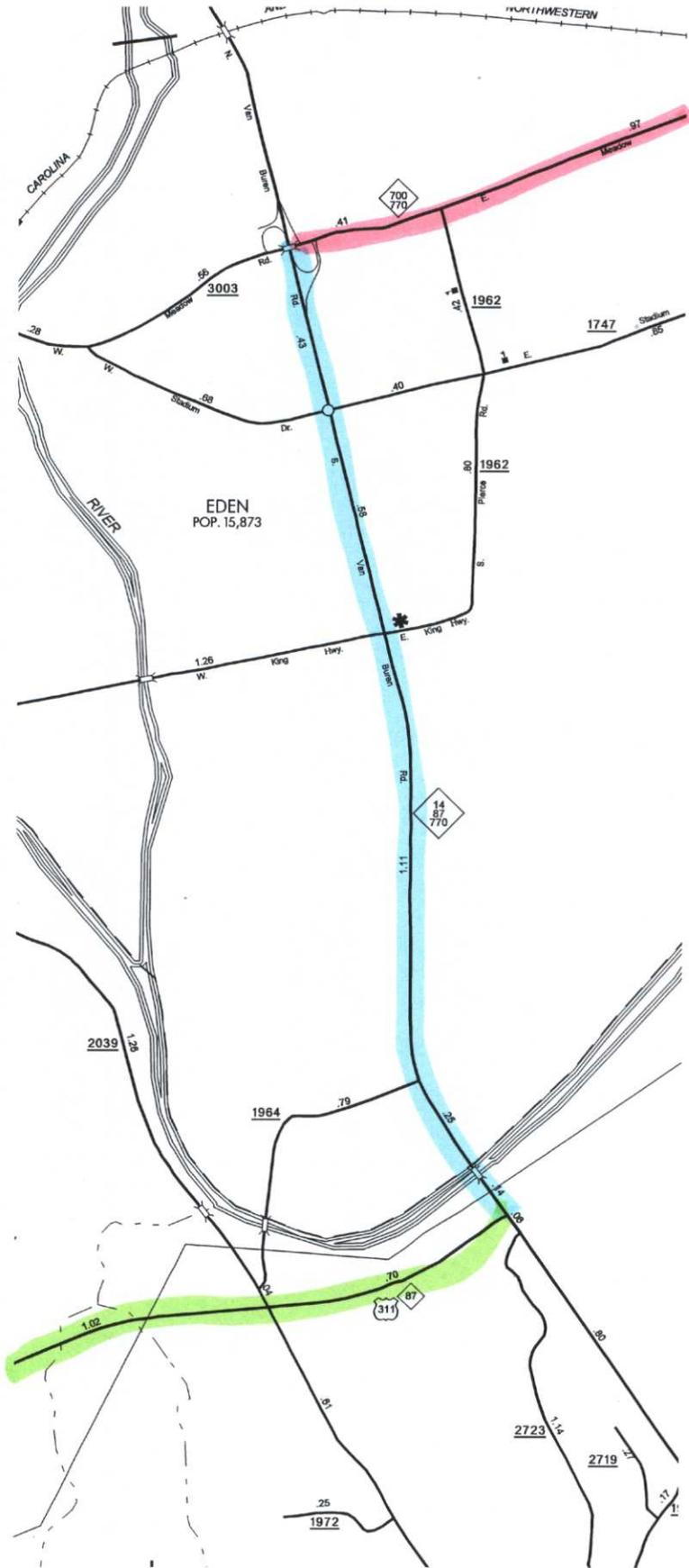


J. M. Lynch, P.E.
State Traffic Engineer

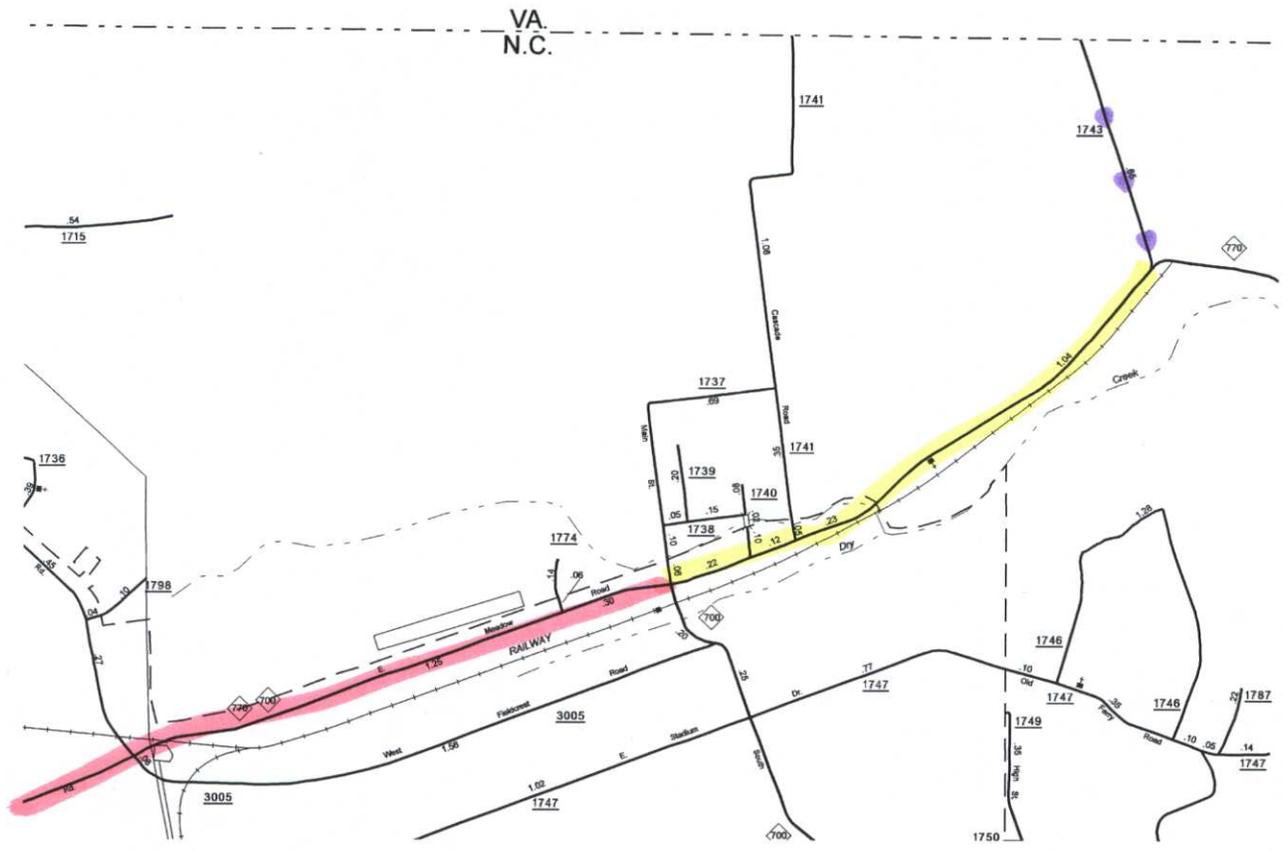
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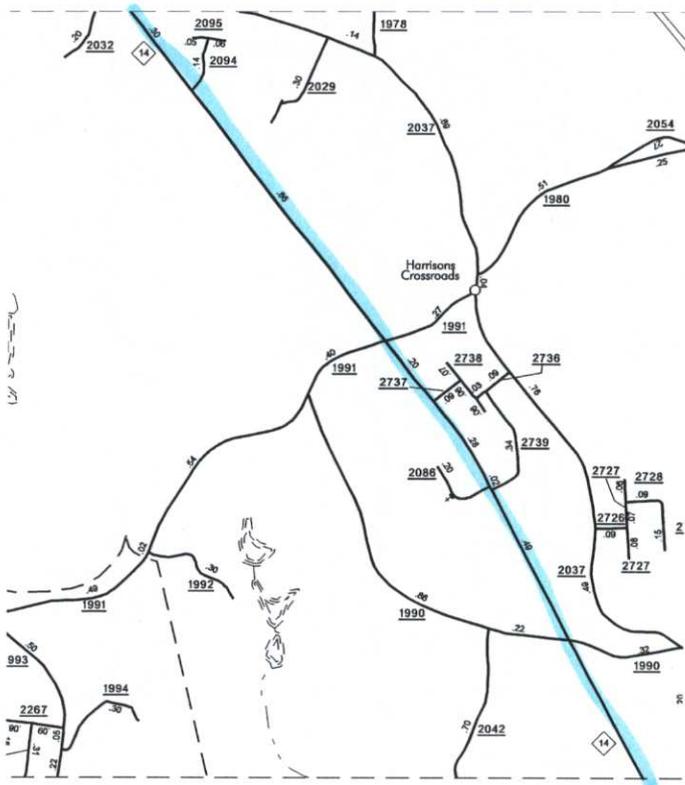
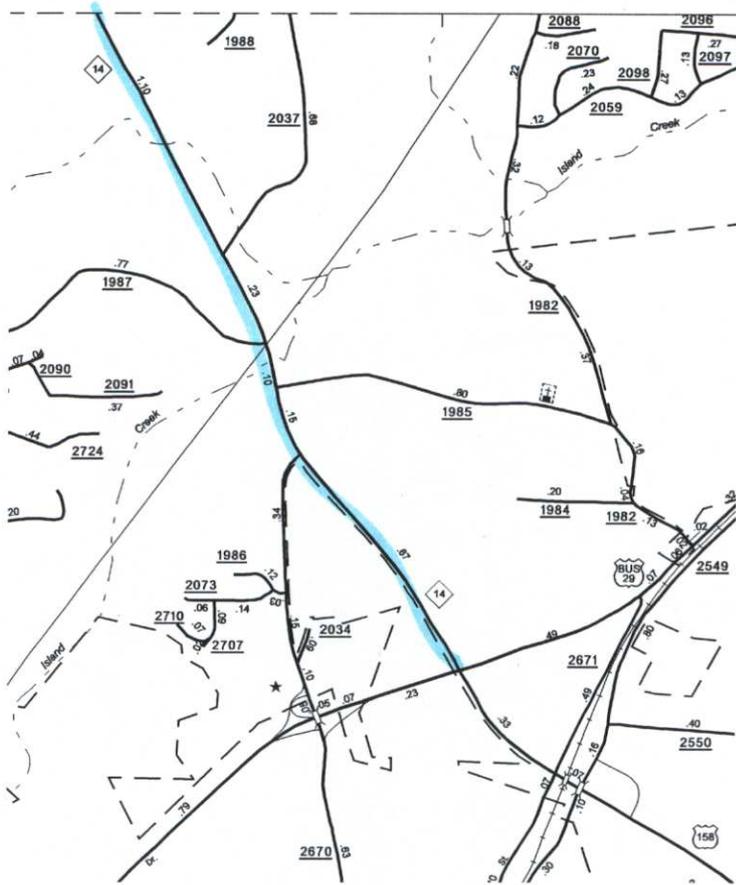


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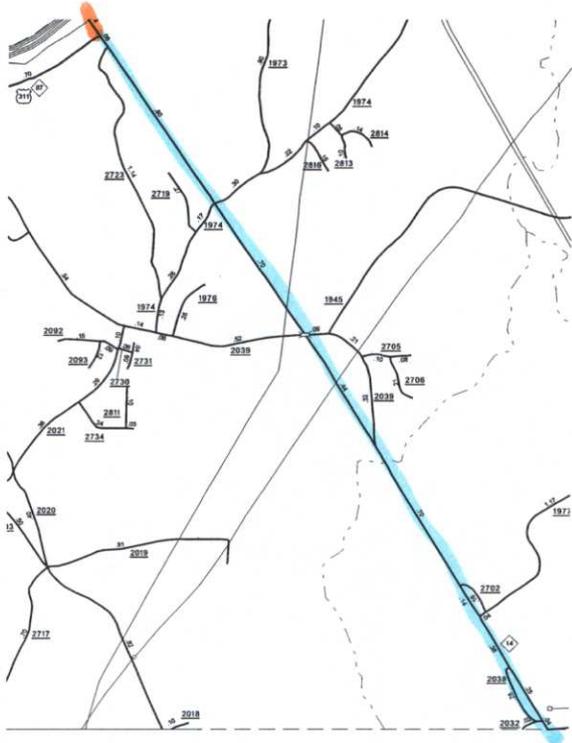
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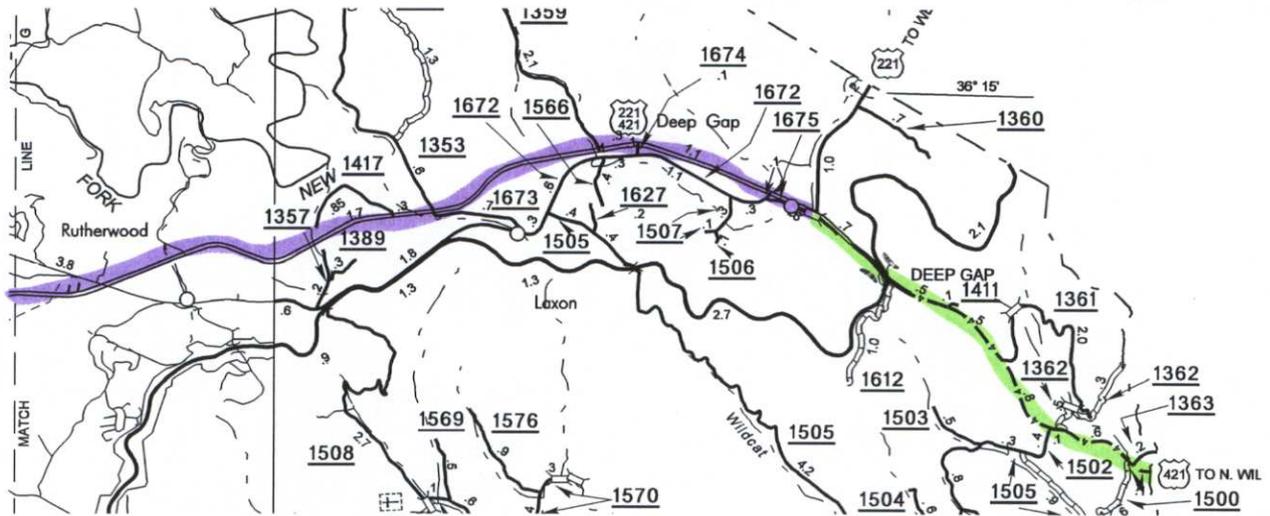


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