



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

EUGENE A. CONTI, JR.
SECRETARY

April 9, 2012

Mr. John F. Sullivan, III
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
310 New Bern Avenue
Suite 410
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-1418

Dear John:

This letter is a request for addition of the Interstate Route 785 to the Interstate System in Guilford County. This segment in Guilford County has been constructed to Interstate design standards and is open to traffic.

The Greensboro corridor was approved by the U.S. Congress as a High Priority Corridor under TEA-21 Section 1211(h)(1)(G) from Greensboro, North Carolina to Danville, Virginia. In addition, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) received approval from AASHTO on November 26, 1997 for I-785 route number designation from Greensboro to the North Carolina/ Virginia State line.

The portion of the proposed I-785 in Guilford County from Interstate 40 to US 70 was completed to current Interstate standards and open to traffic. The proposed I-785 route is a controlled access, divided, multi-lane freeway on new location. This segment of roadway will coincide with the current Interstate designation of Interstate 840.

We request Federal Highway Administration approval for the addition of the Greensboro Corridor from Interstate 40/85 to US 70 in Guilford County to the Interstate system under Section 1105(e) of ISTEA a total distance of 2.21 miles and verification that this high priority segment will be eligible for Interstate Maintenance funding.

We would appreciate your favorable consideration of this request and prompt submission to your Washington office.

MAILING ADDRESS:
NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR
1536 MAIL SERVICE CENTER
RALEIGH NC 27699-1536

TELEPHONE: 919-733-7384
FAX: 919-733-9428

WEBSITE: WWW.DOH.DOT.STATE.NC.US

LOCATION:
TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
1 SOUTH WILMINGTON STREET
RALEIGH NC

Mr. John F. Sullivan, III
March 1, 2012
Page 2

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,



Terry R. Gibson, P.E.
State Highway Administrator

TRG:JKL:rbr

Attachments

cc: Secretary Eugene A. Conti, Jr., w/attachments
Jon G. Nance, P.E., Chief Engineer – Operations, w/attachments
Deborah M. Barbour, P.E., Director of Preconstruction, w/attachments
J. Kevin Lacy, P.E., State Traffic Engineer, w/attachments
M. Mills, P.E., Division Engineer, w/attachments
Renee B. Roach, P.E., Mobility and Safety Staff Engineer, w/attachments
A. Wyatt, P.E., Central Regional Field Operations, w/attachments
Vickie Embry, P.E., Triad Region Traffic Engineer, w/attachments
Bradley Hibbs, P.E, FHWA, w/attachments
Uwanna Dabney, FHWA, w/attachments
Bill Marley, FHWA, w/attachments
Erin Harrington, FHWA, w/attachments

Guilford County I-785

Map Date: 02/28/12

I-785 From I-40/I-85
East of Greensboro
To US 70
2.21 miles

Legend

- Interstate
- US Route
- NC Route
- Secondary Road
- Ramp
- Municipal Boundaries

