Public Comment Opportunity Next Week for NCDOT Division 10 Projects

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ALBEMARLE – Area residents will get a chance to learn more about the North Carolina Department of Transportation's draft 10-Year transportation plan for 2020-2029 at a week-long open house in Albemarle next week. The department unveiled its proposed funding and construction plan in January with more than 1,600 transportation projects across the state.

The list includes 23 new projects for Division 10, which covers Anson, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Stanly and Union counties. Projects were selected based on technical data, as well as input from local officials and the public. A list of the projects in the draft plan and additional information is available on the NCDOT website.

The transportation plan is updated every two years. Projects scheduled in the first five years are considered committed, while projects in the final five years of the draft 10-year plan will be re-evaluated again as part of the development process for the 2022-2031 plan. That will start later this year.

Each of the department's 14 highway divisions are hosting a week-long public comment opportunity on the projects in the current draft plan. In Division 10, it will be from Feb. 25-March 1 at the Division office at 716 West Main Street in Albemarle during normal business hours.

The session will serve as an opportunity for interested residents to review maps and handouts about the projects, ask questions of local NCDOT staff, and submit comments.

If someone can't attend the public comment sessions, there is also an opportunity to submit comments online through April 15. The draft plan will be considered for final approval by the Board of Transportation this summer.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to provide input. Anyone requiring special services should contact Stuart Basham at slbasham@ncdot.gov or 980-262-6275 as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

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