

ID	Name	Organization	Received Via	Date Received	Project(s)	Public Comment Summary	Public Comment Response
1	Victoria Nwasike	South Charlotte Partners	E-Mail	3/5/2019	U-6030 - Widening of Ballantyne Commons Parkway from Annalexa Ln. to Rea Rd.	Right-of-way for U-6030 is now delayed from FY23 to FY29 and construction is delayed from FY25 to FY29. This delay is problematic because the major thoroughfare is an important east/west connector and must be widened to accommodate the growing traffic and congestion. Additionally, because the NC Turnpike Authority will be widening the bridge from 2 to 4 lanes within the project boundaries for the I-485 Express Lane project, and in order keep traffic following and minimize inconvenience for area residents, it is advisable that the Ballantyne Commons widening project be included in the STIP 2020-2029 draft and be completed sooner than later.	Thank you for your comment. The U-6030 project was funded through the NCDOT Prioritization 5.0 process with state highway trust funds. NCDOT cash balances used to fund projects funded through STI have been significantly diminished due to unexpected storm costs associated with Hurricane Matthew (October 2016) and Hurricane Florence (September 2018), Map Act settlements, and increased project costs. NCDOT has attempted to address the cash balance limitations by delaying over 500 funded projects throughout the state. Within the CRTPO planning area, 63 projects were delayed in the 2020-2029 TIP. It is anticipated that NCDOT may be able to restore previous project schedules as cash flow balances continue to normalize throughout 2020.
2	Nanci De Felippe	N/A	E-Mail	12/12/2019	Hwy 160 and Shopton Road West in Steele Creek	<p>I have 3 comments that I would like to share regarding roads in general in Steele Creek.</p> <p>1) Rezoning increasing density are being approved left and right and all transit reports do not account for the cumulative effect of all the cars that are being added to our roads. A rezoning should not receive a low traffic impact qualification when 3 or 4 other rezonings in the adjacent areas have already been approved.</p> <p>2) Construction sites disturb traffic tremendously. Please make it mandatory that all road improvements requested by the city be done prior to beginning of construction.</p> <p>3) Hwy 160 must be widened. Several rezonings have already been approved in the area and more are expected in the near future. Shopton Road West is overloaded due to problems with Hwy 160. Please widen Shopton Road West or install traffic lights or roundabouts.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments.</p> <p>1) Rezoning petitions that generate more than 2500 daily trips are required to provide a traffic impact analysis. As part of the study, they take into account the cumulative impacts because we provide a growth year to the traffic (based on the approved development in the area), as well other larger approved developments.</p> <p>2) Developments are required to provide the infrastructure before the receive a certificate of occupancy.</p> <p>3) Developments in the area that impact adjacent intersections are required to provide roadway mitigations.</p>
3	Wayne Herron	Town of Cornelius	E-Mail	12/18/2019	West Catawba Ave., Statesville Road (US 21), NC 115 and Hickory St. Intersection, Bailey Road Extension	The Town of Cornelius is concerned with the following delays due to NCDOT funding shortfall: Construction for West Catawba Avenue is delayed from 2020 to 2023, Statesville Road (US 21) is delayed from 2021 to 2024, the intersection of Hickory Street at NC 115 roadway project is delayed without a specific date, and the schedule for Bailey Road Extension. The Town is concerned because delay of critical transportation improvements will negatively affect local and regional economic growth and the safety of our citizens is jeopardized due to increased congestion. The Town is desirous of progressing each of these funded roadway projects and requests the projects experience no delays and continue as originally planned in the original draft 2020-2029 STIP.	Comment noted. The widening projects along West Catawba Avenue and the US 21 corridors have been funded by NCDOT through the Prioritization process and have been delayed by NCDOT in an attempt to resolve its diminished cash balances. Both of these projects are committed for funding, meaning that they will not have to be re-prioritized in P6.0. The Bailey Road extension project is in the developmental program of the 2020-2029 TIP, meaning that it will be reprioritized in P6.0. Depending on the amount of available funding within the Division Needs tier for P6.0, the Bailey Road project may receive an accelerated project schedule in the development of the 2023-2032 TIP development process. Division 10 will be working with the NCDOT-Central Office staff to restart the pre-construction activities for these projects in 2020. In regards to the NC 115 and Hickory Street project, NCDOT will continue to work with local governments in 2020 on options to allow locally administered projects to move forward.