

**NCDOT TO HOST COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING MAY 23 REGARDING THE PROPOSED
CONVERSION OF THE LIBERTY ROAD (S.R. 1228) GRADE SEPARATION OVER I-40 TO AN
INTERCHANGE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A TWO LANE ROADWAY BETWEEN U.S. 19 (SMOKEY
PARK HIGHWAY) / N.C. 151 AND MONTE VISTA ROAD (S.R. 1224), PART ON NEW LOCATION
IN ASHEVILLE**

TIP Project No. I-4759

Buncombe County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold an informal, Combined Public Hearing for the proposed conversion of Liberty Road (S.R. 1228) Grade Separation over I-40 to an interchange, and construction of a new roadway between U.S. 19 (Smokey Park Highway) / N.C. 151 and Monte Vista Road (S.R. 1224) in Asheville.

The project addresses the lack of connectivity along I-40 between U.S. 19/23 and Wiggins Road by providing an alternate access point to I-40.

The informal style public hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 23 from 4 to 7 p.m.** in the **Gymnasium at St. Francis Asbury United Methodist Church**, located at **725 Asbury Road**, in **Candler**. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend at any time during those hours. NCDOT and Consultant staff will be available to provide information on the project, answer questions and receive comments. Please note there will be no formal presentation.

A map of the proposed project is available on the NCDOT Public Meetings Website at: <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/publicmeetings/>.

Maps of the project alternatives as well as the Environmental Document (an Environmental Assessment) are available for viewing at the following locations:

- NCDOT Highway Division 13
55 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801
- Land of Sky Regional Council
339 New Leicester Highway, Suite 140, Asheville, NC 28806
- Enka-Candler Library
1404 Sand Hill Road, Candler, NC 28715

Anyone desiring additional information regarding the project may contact Ahmad Al-Sharawneh, NCDOT Project Development Engineer at (919) 707-6010 or by email: aalsharawneh@ncdot.gov. Comments may be submitted until **June 23, 2017**.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Ms. Diane Wilson, Senior Public Involvement Officer at (919) 707-6073 or email: pdwilson1@ncdot.gov as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Aquellas personas que hablan español y no hablan inglés, o tienen limitaciones para leer, hablar o entender inglés, podrían recibir servicios de interpretación si los solicitan antes de la reunión llamando al 1-800-481-6494.