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Ms. Dianna Myers
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Dear Ms. Myers:

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Please contact Mr. Eddie Dancausse at 919-747-7026, if you have questions or need additional information for your review.

Sincerely,

For John F. Sullivan, III, P.E.
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Project TIP or Project ID Number	FHWA Comment	EPA Comment	NCDAQ Comments	MPO/NCDOT Reply	Comment(s) Addressed
R- R-	2413 2413 A-C	Mileage mismatch TIP=12.1 MTP=12.4 ?		MPO to match TIP mileage.	YES
R-	2524	No mileage in MTP for U-2524C	What is the mileage for U-2524C on the 6 lane fwy?	3.2 miles from traffic demand model.	YES
U-	2525 B		What is the mileage for U-2525B on the 4 lane fwy?	4.6 miles from traffic demand model.	YES
U-	2525 C		What is the mileage for U-2525C on the 6 lane fwy?	5.9 miles from traffic demand model.	YES
R-	2577	Could not find in the MTP		Listed in the 2040 Horizon Year. ID 40-28	YES
U-	2581 B	Could not be found in the TIP		Unfunded project, 2030 HY	YES
R-	2611		Project not in MTP.	Listed in the Completed Projects. ID CP- 17	YES
R-	2612	Mileage mismatch TIP=0 MTP=0.6	Discrepancy in project location. Project in the TIP specifies Neelley Rd & Woody Mill Rd but the MTP specifies Neelley Rd & Williams Dairy Rd.	R-2612 A was an interchange constructed at Woody Mill Road that is completed. Part B is under construction. MPO to match TIP Mileage.	Yes

C-	4936	Not in MTP		Funds not by Greensboro MPO and not a roadway project, PART's Air Awareness Campaign.	YES
I-	5110		MTP specifies 4 lane fwy and TIP specifies 6 lane fwy.	MPO to match TIP description.	YES
U-	5162	Mileage mismatch TIP=1.38 MTP=1.4		Project Complete. Final invoice date: 2/10/2014	YES
U-	5532 A	Not in TIP		On CMAQ listed from Eddie and in Draft STIP. Group project not shown separately. Sidewalk Projects.	YES
C-	5555	Not in MTP		On CMAQ listed from Eddie and is an umbrella number for CMAQ sidewalk projects.	YES
C-	5607	Not in MTP		On CMAQ listed from Eddie and is holding funds yet to be obligated by the MPO.	YES
I-	5712	Not in MTP		MAP ID 21-17, TIP number to be added.	yes

U-	5849	Mileage mismatch TIP=0.2 MTP=0		MPO to match TIP mileage.	YES
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U-	5852		Discrepancy in project location. Project in the TIP specifies Northampton Dr to Holden Rd but the MTP specifies Holden Rd to Wendover Ave.	Project specifics as written in MTP has been resolved with PDEA; Should be Holden to Wendover.	YES
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13 B			MTP project in HY 2015 but not included in the TIP.	City Bond Project	YES
21 U		Project is exempt, however you are widening. More details need to explain "widening"		A lane bond project with curb and gutter. Will add language to explain the widening.	YES
30		Please explain what makes this project exempt?		This project is widening to add sidewalk and median	YES
30 X		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		This is a interchange replacement at I- 85 and Main Street	YES
30 Y		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		This project is just adding a center turn lane. It should be exempt.	YES
40 A		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		Reconstructing a Turn Lane. Exempt.	YES
R- 2220 B		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		Will change to regionally significant	YES
R- 2300 BA		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		Will change to regionally significant	YES

I-	2304	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
U-	2412	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
U-	3400	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
U-	3615	What is the MTP mileage? There is a mismatch on the number of lanes in the MTP(4) versus the TIP (5)?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
R-	4750	What are these project regionally significant?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	This project is exempt. Regionally significant designation will be changed to no.	YES
U-	4758	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?	Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
C-	5208	Not in MTP		Will be added to MTP	YES
C-	5217	Not in MTP		Will be added to MTP	YES
C-	5232	Not in MTP		Will be added to MTP	YES
W-	5305	Not in MTP		Will be added to MTP	YES

U-	5308	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?		Mileage not indicated in the MTP? What is the mileage that was modeled?	mileage added	YES
U-	5308		Why is this project NOT regionally significant?		Other roads serve regional acces.	YES
I-	5314		Why is this project regionally significant?		This project is exempt. Regionally significant designation will be changed to no.	YES
I-	5329		Why is this project regionally significant?		This project is exempt. Regionally significant designation will be changed to no.	YES
C-	5559	Not in MTP			Will be added to MTP	YES
C-	5560	Not in MTP			Will be added to MTP	YES
C-	5609	Not in MTP			Will be added to MTP	YES
B-	5714		Could not find project in TIP		Guilford Co Project. Exempt.	YES
R-	5737	What is the MTP mileage? Does it match the TIP mileage?	Why is this project regionally significant?		This is a new interchange. It is regionally significant.	YES

U-	5757	Project is adding sidewalks and side lanes. Does not appear to add traffic. Could this be considered exempt (93.126). This is similar to 30AA/U-5855 and 40E	Is streetscape, as indicated in TIP, the same as widening to four lane divided with median (in MTP)?	Exempt status will be updated	YES
B-	5779	Could not find projects in TIP		This project is exempt	YES
	MTP 2030 and 2040 Horizon Year projects	MPO should note projects in the future years of TIP		Only fiscally constrained projects are included in MTP.	YES
	PY-C	What are these project regionally significant?		Post Year Projects may not be fiscally constrained.	YES
	PY-D	What are these project regionally significant?		Post Year Projects may not be fiscally constrained.	YES
	PY-F	What are these project regionally significant?		Post Year Projects may not be fiscally constrained.	YES
	PY-L	What are these project regionally significant?		Post Year Projects may not be fiscally constrained.	YES
	PY-N	What are these project regionally significant?		Post Year Projects may not be fiscally constrained.	YES
		The MTP does not have column to make a mileage comparison		Mileage added	YES

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WS- L	U-5760 - Bus I-40 Big Mill Farm Road 011 Interchange		Could not find in MTP		This is a new project in the draft TIP - U-5760. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022-2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP	YES
WS- T	012 I-911A - I-40		Could not find project in TIP		This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP; however environmental documentation has been completed. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022-2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations.	YES
WS- L	Peace Haven Styers 013 Ferry Connector		Could not find project in TIP		This is a local project to be done through development.	YES
WS- T	U-3617 - East Mountain 014 Street		Could not find project in TIP		This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022-2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations.	YES
WS- L	FS-1509A - Forum Parkway feasibility 014 Study		Could not find project in TIP		This is a new feasibility study for the project in the draft TIP - FS-1509A. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022-2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation of future funding. The FS-1509A Forum Parkway Feasibility Study is also listed in the Exempt Projects list.	YES

WS- T	U-3617 - East Mountain 014 Street	Could not find project in TIP	See above.	YES
WS- T	U-4734 - Macy Grove 015 Road Extension	Why is this project regionally significant	We do not list this project as regionally significant. Business 40, Reedsville Road, and East Mountain Road serve the regional need.	YES
WS- T	U-2729 (U-5755) Hanes 017 Mill Road	Mileage mismatch TIP-.4, MTP- 0.5, Could not find in MTP as noted by MPO	The MPO's MTIP and MTP will be modified to reflect the change in distance in the draft TIP. The project was listed in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022- 2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP due to the anticipated completion being post 2021.	YES
WS- L	018 Piney Grove Road	Could not find project in TIP	This is a local project to be done through local funds or development.	YES
WS- T	022 U-2826 US 52	Could not find project in TIP	This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2026-2035. The MPO has placed this project in the 2031-2040 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations.	YES

WS- T	026 R-3610 NC 801	Could not find project in TIP	This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2026-2035. The MPO has placed this project in the 2031-2040 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations.	YES
WS- T	U-2730B NC 65 - Bethania Rural Hall 027 Road	Could not find project in TIP. Why is this project regionally significant	This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2026-2035. The MPO has placed this project in the 2031-2040 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations. We do not list this project as regionally significant. NC 8 and University Parkway serve the regional need.	YES
R-	Northern Beltway Western Section - 2247 Stratford to I-40	Could not find project in TIP	This project did not receive funding in the draft TIP. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2026-2035. The MPO has placed this project in the 2031-2040 timeframe for the 2040 MTP in anticipation that the project will be successful during future STI evaluations.	YES
R-	2577 US 158 - Reidsville Road	Project in MTP extends from NC 66 to Guilford Co. line. In the TIP, the project extends from SR 1965 (Belews Creek Rd) to SR 2034 (Anthony Rd). Are these roadways the same?	The R-2577 project is in 3 parts. Parts A and B are wholly or partially located in the MPO. The MPO will change the Part A description to end at SR 1965 (Belews Creek Road) to match the TIP. The Part B will begin at SR 1965 (Belews Creek Road) and end at the Guilford County line to match the WSMPO Urban Area boundary. The total Part B project extends into Guilford County to SR 2034 (Anthony Road).	YES

U-	Northern Beltway Eastern Section - Bus 40 2579 to US 158	Will section B be open by 12/31/21		In consultation with the Division 9 office, the MPO has placed the U-2579 B and C sections in the 2016-2021 horizon year for completion. Complete April 2019.	YES
U-	2800 Macy Grove Road	Not in MTP		This project is scheduled for completion in October 2015	YES
U-	2923 Clemmonsville Road	Not in MTP		This project is complete	YES
U-	Intersection 4742 Improvement Projects	Not in MTP		These STP-DA intersection projects are included in the Exempt project list - non-capacity improvements.	YES
U-	4909 Union Cross Road	Not in MTP		This project is scheduled for completion in November 2015	YES
U-	4918 Research Park Blvd	Not in MTP		The Research Park Boulevard project is complete. The pedestrian and trail improvements are in the Exempt Project List	YES
W-	5510 S. Main Street K-ville	Not in MTP		This project includes safety improvements and I believe went through a hot spot analysis. Currently it is listed in the Exempt Projects list but can be included in the MTP if that is appropriate.	YES
U-	5512 Piney Grove Road	Not in MTP		This project is complete	YES
U-	5536 The Great Wagon Road		Could not find in MTP	This is a new project in the draft TIP - U-5536 for the Great Wagon Road which is WS-L008. The project was in the 2035 MTP in 2022-2025. The MPO has placed this project in the 2022-2030 timeframe for the 2040 MTP.	YES
I-	5880 I-40 at NC 109	Mileage mismatch TIP=0.8 MTP=2	Mileage mismatch TIP=.8, MTP- 2.0	This was a longer project in the previous TIP, the MTIP and MTP will be modified to reflect the change in distance.	YES

I-	US 52 at Trinity Church 5887 Rd.	Mileage mismatch TIP=0.8 MTP=2	Mileage mismatch TIP-0, MTP- 2.0	Include mileage from MTP in TIP.	This was a longer project in the previous TIP, the MTIP and MTP will be modified to reflect the change in distance.	YES
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Status

The WSMPO creates a separate
Exempt Project list for both
Street and Highway and Transit
projects

YES