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## **Corps of Engineers seeks public comments on NCDOT project**

**WILMINGTON, N.C.** - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Wilmington District has received an application from the North Carolina Department of Transportation seeking Department of the Army authorization to impact between 2.10 and 3.01 acres of wetlands and between 2,280' and 3,680 linear feet of stream channel associated with widening 8.5 miles of NC 73 from NC 16 in Lincoln County and Northcross Drive in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. The project has the primary purpose of increasing traffic capacity of NC 73 within the project area, to operate at a level of service D or better through the design year of 2040. A secondary purpose of the project is to accommodate multi-modal uses of the corridor (sidewalks, multi-use paths).

Comments received will be considered by the USACE to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects and all other appropriate public interest factors. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The Public Notice, including specific plans and site information, is available on the Wilmington District Web Site at <http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/RegulatoryPermitProgram/PublicNotices.aspx>.

Comments must be received by close of business on December 7, 2018, and may be addressed to Ms. Nicholle Braspennickx, Asheville Regulatory Field Office, 151 Patton Ave., Room 208, Asheville, N.C. 28801.

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