

# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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J. ERIC BOYETTE
SECRETARY

April 7, 2022

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 151 Patton Avenue, Room 208 Asheville, NC 28801-5006

ATTN: Ms. Lori Beckwith

NCDOT Coordinator

Subject: Application for Section 404 Reginal General Permit 50, and Section 401

**Water Quality Certification** for the Proposed Replacement of Bridge 80 on SR 1512 over Unnamed Tributary to North Deep Creek in Yadkin County, Division

11, TIP No. BR-0109, Debit \$240 from WBS 49217.1.1.

Dear Madam:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to replace bridge number 80 on SR 1512 (Abraham Road) over an unnamed Tributary to North Deep Creek. The bridge will be replaced on the existing alignment while detouring traffic offsite during construction.

As a result of replacing the existing bridge, there will be 105 linear feet of permanent stream impact (95 linear feet from roadway fill/ditch and 10 linear feet of bank stabilization), and 114 linear feet of temporary stream impacts (101 linear feet [0.02 acre] from impervious dike and 13 linear feet [<0.01 acre] associated with the roadway fill/ditch impact).

Please see enclosed copies of the Pre-Construction Notification (PCN), which includes the following attachments: Stormwater Management Plan, Permit Drawings, CE Classification Form, Historic Archaeological Letter, Historic Architecture Letter, Tribal Coordination Response Letter, Twiman Mitigation Bank summary document, NLEB Memo, and Schweinitz's sunflower survey Memo. The CE Classification Form was completed in May 2020 and distributed shortly thereafter.

This project calls for a letting date of July 19, 2022, and a review date of May 31, 2022.

A copy of this permit application and its distribution list will be posted on the NCDOT Website at: http://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Environmental. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Bill Barrett at wabarrett@ncdot.gov or (919) 707-6103.

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1000 BIRCH RIDGE DRIVE

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Sincerely,

Philip S. Harris III, P.E., C.P.M.
\ Environmental Analysis Unit Hea

Michael Ly

cc: NCDOT Permit Application Standard Distribution List





# **Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Form**

For Nationwide Permits and Regional General Permits (along with corresponding Water Quality Certifications)

December 6, 2021 Ver 4.2

Please note: fields marked with a red asterisk \* below are required. You will not be able to submit the form until all mandatory questions are answered.

Also, if at any point you wish to print a copy of the E-PCN, all you need to do is right-click on the document and you can print a copy of the form.

Below is a link to the online help file.

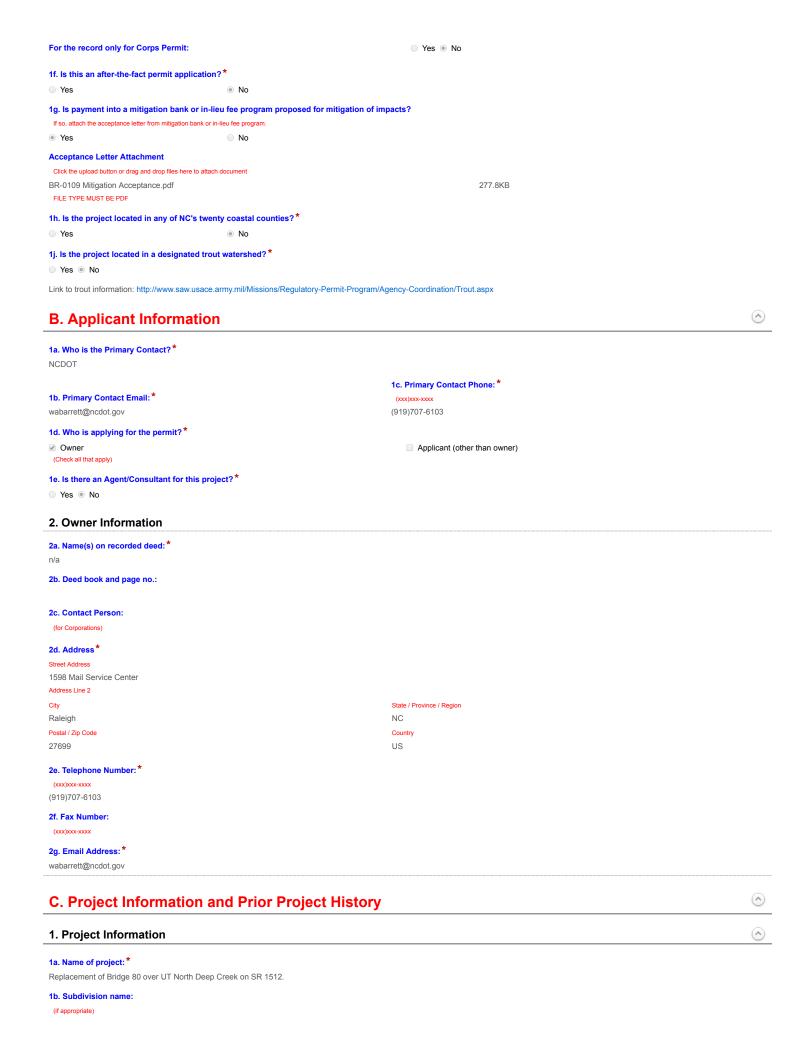
https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WaterResources/0/edoc/624704/PCN%20Help%20File%202018-1-30.pdf

# **A. Processing Information**



County (or Counties) where the project is located: *									
Yadkin									
Is this a NCDMS Project *									
● Yes ● No Click Yes, only if NCDMS is the applicant or co-applicant.									
Is this project a public transportation project? *  • Yes • No  This is any publicly funded by municipal, state or federal funds road, rail, airport trail	nsportation project.								
Is this a NCDOT Project?*  ● Yes ○ No									
(NCDOT only) T.I.P. or state project number: BR-0109									
WBS #* 67109.1.1 (for NCDOT use only)									
1a. Type(s) of approval sought from the Corps:*  ✓ Section 404 Permit (wetlands, streams and waters, Clean Water Act)  Section 10 Permit (navigable waters, Rivers and Harbors Act)									
Has this PCN previously been submitted?*  ○ Yes  ○ No									
1b. What type(s) of permit(s) do you wish to seek authorizatio  Nationwide Permit (NWP)  Regional General Permit (RGP)  Standard (IP)	n?*								
1c. Has the NWP or GP number been verified by the Corps?*  ○ Yes ◎ No									
Regional General Permit (RGP) Number:	201902350 - Work associated with bridge construction, widening, replacement, and interchanges								
RGP Numbers (for multiple RGPS): List all RGP numbers you are applying for not on the drop down list.									
1d. Type(s) of approval sought from the DWR: * check all that apply									
<ul> <li>401 Water Quality Certification - Regular</li> <li>Non-404 Jurisdictional General Permit</li> <li>Individual 401 Water Quality Certification</li> </ul>	<ul><li>401 Water Quality Certification - Express</li><li>Riparian Buffer Authorization</li></ul>								
1e. Is this notification solely for the record because written ap	pproval is not required?								

Yes No



1c. Nearest municipality / town:* Boonville				
2. Project Identification				<u>^</u>
2a. Property Identification Number:		2b. Property size:		
(tax PIN or parcel ID)		(in acres)		
2c. Project Address				
Street Address				
Address Line 2 City		State / Province / Region		
Postal / Zip Code		Country		
2d. Site coordinates in decimal degrees				
			e decimal place as appropriate, based on how the location was 6 digits after the decimal place.)	
Latitude:*	Longitude: *			
36,208231	-80.684100			
ex: 34.208504	-77.796371			
3. Surface Waters				
3a. Name of the nearest body of water to proposed project North Deep Creek	ct: *			
3b. Water Resources Classification of nearest receiving v	vater: *			
С				
Surface Water Lookup				
3c. What river basin(s) is your project located in?*				
Yadkin-PeeDee				
3d. Please provide the 12-digit HUC in which the project i	is located.*			
River Basin Lookup				
4. Project Description and History			*	
4a. Describe the existing conditions on the site and the g Undeveloped woods and agricultural land.	eneral land use in the vicinity o	of the project at the time of this appli	cation:	
4b. Have Corps permits or DWR certifications been obtain	ned for this project (including a	Il prior phases) in the past?*		
○ Yes ● No ○ Unknown				
<b>4f.</b> List the total estimated acreage of all existing wetland 0.08	s on the property:			
4g. List the total estimated linear feet of all existing strea	ms on the property:			
(intermittent and perennial) 707				
4h. Explain the purpose of the proposed project: *  The purpose of the proposed project is to replace a functiona indicate Bridge 80 has a sufficiency rating of 55.46 out of 100		ow lanes and insufficient load-carrying of	capacity. NCDOT Structure Management Unit records	
4i. Describe the overall project in detail, including indirect.  The NCDOT proposes to replace Bridge 80 on Abraham Roa construction. The existing structure is 26 feet long and 20 fee	d (SR 1512) over UT to North Dee	ep Creek in Yadkin County on existing		
5. Jurisdictional Determinations				
5a. Have the wetlands or streams been delineated on the	property or proposed impact a	reas?*		
Yes	O No		Unknown	
Comments:				
5b. If the Corps made a jurisdictional determination, what		de?*		
○ Preliminary ○ Approved ◎ Not Verified ○ Unknown ○ Corps AID Number:	IV/A			
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Example: SAW-2017-99999

#### 5c. If 5a is yes, who delineated the jurisdictional areas?

Name (if known):

Agency/Consultant Company:

Other:

6. Future Project Plans

6a. Is this a phased project?\*

Are any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permits(s) used, or intended to be used, to authorize any part of the proposed project or related activity? This includes other separate and distant crossing for linear projects that require Department of the Army authorization but don't require pre-construction notification.

### **D. Proposed Impacts Inventory**



## 1. Impacts Summary

Yes

1a. Where are the impacts associated with your project? (check all that apply):							
✓ Wetlands	Streams-tributaries	Buffers					
Open Waters	■ Pond Construction						

# 2. Wetland Impacts

If there are wetland impacts proposed on the site, then complete this question for each wetland area impacted.

"W." will be used in the table below to represent the word "wetland".

2a. Site #* (?)	2a1 Reason * (?)	2b. Impact type * (?)	2c. Type of W.*	2d. W. name*	2e. Forested*	2f. Type of Jurisdicition *	2g. Impact area *
1	roadway fill	Р	Headwater Forest	WD	Yes	Corps	0.007 (acres)

#### 2g. Total Temporary Wetland Impact

0.000

#### 2g. Total Permanent Wetland Impact

0.007

#### 2g. Total Wetland Impact

0.007

#### 2i. Comments:

This is a mechanized clearing impact to this wetland.

#### 3. Stream Impacts

If there are perennial or intermittent stream impacts (including temporary impacts) proposed on the site, then complete this question for all stream sites impacted.

"S." will be used in the table below to represent the word "stream".

	3a. Reason for impact * (?)	3b.Impact type *	3c. Type of impact*	3d. S. name*	.,,,,,	3f. Type of Jurisdiction*	3	3h. Impact length*
S1	Bank Stabilization	Permanent	Bank Stabilization	SB	Perennial	Both	40 Average (feet)	10 (linear feet)
S2	Impervious dike	Temporary	Dewatering	SB	Perennial	Both	40 Average (feet)	101 (linear feet)
S3	Roadway widening	Permanent	Fill	SA	Perennial	Both	5 Average (feet)	95 (linear feet)
S4	Roadway widening	Temporary	Fill	SA	Perennial	Both	5 Average (feet)	13 (linear feet)

<sup>\*\*</sup> All Perennial or Intermittent streams must be verified by DWR or delegated local government.

#### 3i. Total jurisdictional ditch impact in square feet:

0

#### 3i. Total permanent stream impacts:

105

# 3i. Total temporary stream impacts: 114 3i. Total stream and ditch impacts: 3i. Comments: S1 and S2 are impacts at Site 1. S3 and S4 are impacts at Site 2. E. Impact Justification and Mitigation 1. Avoidance and Minimization 1a. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts in designing the project: \* The proposed bridge will be more than double the length of the current bridge, completely spanning UT to North Deep Creek, thus increasing hydraulic connectivity to the overall system. The bridge will be replaced on existing location. There will be no direct discharge into UT to North Deep Creek, as bridge drainage will be directed to a riprap pad. 1b. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts through construction techniques: \* Best Management Practices for Surface Waters will be used during all phases of construction. 2. Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State 2a. Does the project require Compensatory Mitigation for impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State? 2c. If yes, mitigation is required by (check all that apply): DWR ✓ Corps 2d. If yes, which mitigation option(s) will be used for this project? ■ Mitigation bank Payment to in-lieu fee program Permittee Responsible Mitigation 4. Complete if Making a Payment to In-lieu Fee Program 4a. Approval letter from in-lieu fee program is attached. Yes No 4b. Stream mitigation requested: 4c. If using stream mitigation, what is the stream temperature: NC Stream Temperature Classification Maps can be found under the Mitigation Concepts tab on the Wilmington District's RIBITS website. 4e. Riparian wetland mitigation requested: 4d. Buffer mitigation requested (DWR only): 0.01 (square feet) 4f. Non-riparian wetland mitigation requested: 4g. Coastal (tidal) wetland mitigation requested: 4h. Comments Mitigation is proposed for the 95 If of fill/loss of water impacts. Mitigation is not proposed for the 10 If of bank stabilization as there will be no "loss of waters" of the US for this impact. F. Stormwater Management and Diffuse Flow Plan (required by DWR) \*\*\* Recent changes to the stormwater rules have required updates to this section .\*\*\* 1. Diffuse Flow Plan 1a. Does the project include or is it adjacent to protected riparian buffers identified within one of the NC Riparian Buffer Protection Rules? For a list of options to meet the diffuse flow requirements, click here. If no, explain why:

# 2. Stormwater Management Plan

2a. Is this a NCDOT project subject to compliance with NCDOT's Individual NPDES permit NCS000250?\*

Yes No

# 1. Environmental Documentation

1a. Does the project involve an expenditure o	of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use	e of public (federal/state) land? *
Yes	○ No	
1b. If you answered "yes" to the above, does Environmental Policy Act (NEPA/SEPA)?*	the project require preparation of an environ	nmental document pursuant to the requirements of the National or State (North Carolina)
Yes	○ No	
1c. If you answered "yes" to the above, has the	he document review been finalized by the St	ate Clearing House? (If so, attach a copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter.)*
Yes	O No	
2. Violations (DWR Requirem	ient)	
2a. Is the site in violation of DWR Water Quali Riparian Buffer Rules (15A NCAC 2B .0200)?	.*	Isolated Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .1300), or DWR Surface Water or Wetland Standards or
○ Yes	No	
3. Cumulative Impacts (DWR	Requirement)	
3a. Will this project (based on past and reaso	nably anticipated future impacts) result in a	dditional development, which could impact nearby downstream water quality?*
○ Yes	No	
3b. If you answered "no," provide a short nar	rative description.	
Due to the minimal transportation impact resultin growth. Therefore, a detailed indirect or cumulati		ect will neither influence nearby land uses nor stimulate
4. Sewage Disposal (DWR Re	equirement)	
4a. Is sewage disposal required by DWR for t	his project?*	
○ Yes ● No ○ N/A		
5. Endangered Species and I	Designated Critical Habitat (	Corps Requirement)
5a. Will this project occur in or near an area v  • Yes	with federally protected species or habitat? *  No	
5b. Have you checked with the USFWS conce   Yes	erning Endangered Species Act impacts?*  No	
<b>5c. If yes, indicate the USFWS Field Office yo</b> Asheville	u have contacted.	
5d. Is another Federal agency involved?*		
○ Yes	No	<ul><li>Unknown</li></ul>
5e. Is this a DOT project located within Division  One Yes   No	on's 1-8?*	
5f. Will you cut any trees in order to conduct	the work in waters of the U.S.?*	
5g. Does this project involve bridge maintena	nce or removal?*	
Yes ○ No		
5g(1). If yes, have you inspected the bridge for F, pages 3-7.	or signs of bat use such as staining, guano,	bats, etc.? Representative photos of signs of bat use can be found in the NLEB SLOPES, Appendix
○ Yes   No		
Link to the NLEB SLOPES document: http://saw-reg	g.usace.army.mil/NLEB/1-30-17-signed_NLEB-SLC	PES&apps.pdf
If you answered "Yes" to 5g(1), did you disco  ○ Yes ○ No ○ Unknown	ver any signs of bat use?*	
*** If yes, please show the location of the brid	lge on the permit drawings/project plans.	
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5h. Does this project involve the construction  ○ Yes   ○ No	vinstaliation of a wind turbine(s)?**	

5i. Does this project involve	(1) blasting, and/or (2) other percussive activities that wi	ill be conducted by machines, such as jackhammers, mechanized pile drivers, etc.?*
● Yes ○ No		
5j. What data sources did yo	ou use to determine whether your site would impact Enda	angered Species or Designated Critical Habitat?*
	am (NHP) Biotics database, field survey.	
NLEB: 4(d) Memo (attached).		
Schweinitz's sunflower: field s	surveys (Memo attached).	
6. Essential Fish I	Habitat (Corps Requirement)	
62 Will this project occur in	n or near an area designated as an Essential Fish Habitat?	o*
<ul><li>Yes</li></ul>	No     No	
O Tes	₩ NO	
<b>6b. What data sources did y</b> NMFS County Index.	you use to determine whether your site would impact an E	essential Fish Habitat? *
7. Historic or Preh	historic Cultural Resources (Corps R	equirement)
Link to the State Historic Pres	servation Office Historic Properties Map (does not include arch	naeological data: http://gis.ncdcr.gov/hpoweb/
	n or near an area that the state, federal or tribal governmen ignificant in North Carolina history and archaeology)?*	ints have designated as having historic or cultural preservation status (e.g., National Historic Trust
○ Yes	No	
7h What data sources did v	you use to determine whether your site would impact histo	oric or archeological resources?*
	ttachments (Archaeology Memo, Historic Architecture Memo, a	
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8. Flood Zone Des	signation (Corps Requirement)	
Link to the FEMA Floodplair	n Maps: https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search	
8a. Will this project occur in	n a FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain?*	
○ Yes	No	
8c. What source(s) did you	use to make the floodplain determination?*	
FEMA Floodmap.		
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Miscellaneous		(a)
Comments		
		n Mitigation Site which abuts the existing ROW on both sides of the bridge. The Twiman sed out by the Interagency Review Team (IRT). NCDOT presented the proposed design for BR-
•		ncroachment would result in a loss of mitigation credits from the mitigation bank. However,
		ncroachment was allowable, and that the affected credits would be subtracted from the available
		e mitigation bank developers for the value of any lost credits. Due to encroachment of the project
into the Twiman Mitigation Site	te, there will be 10.6 Stream Mitigation Units (SMUs) of credit v	which requires compensation. Information attached.
Please use the space below	to attach all required documentation or any additional in	formation you feel is helpful for application review. Documents should be combined into one file when
	er, Table of Contents, and a Cover Sheet for each Section	preferred.
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BR-0109_Permit Drawings.pd	if	4.01MB
BR-0109 Archaeology.pdf		381.29KB
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	atawba Indian Nation_2020-193-84.pdf	482.11KB
BR-0109 Twiman Mitigation S	•	51.83KB
BR-0109_CE_Signed May 20	72U.pat	3.86MB
BR-0109 Cover Letter.pdf		242.99KB
BR-0109 2021-11-29 Sunflow		1.78MB
BR-0109 2019-09-12 NLEB 4	(а) мето.рат	401.84KB
File must be PDF or KMZ		

#### ☑ By checking the box and signing below, I certify that:

**Signature** 

- The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief'; and
- The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time.

- I have given true, accurate, and complete information on this form;
- I agree that submission of this PCN form is a "transaction" subject to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I agree to conduct this transaction by electronic means pursuant to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I understand that an electronic signature has the same legal effect and can be enforced in the same way as a written signature; AND
- I intend to electronically sign and submit the PCN form.

#### Full Name: \*

Michael Turchy

Signature \*

Michael Tunchy

#### Date

4/7/2022

**ROY COOPER** Governor **ELIZABETH S. BISER** Secretary MARC RECKTENWALD Director



March 30, 2022

Mr. Philip S. Harris, III, P.E. Environmental Analysis Unit North Carolina Department of Transportation 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1598

Dear Mr. Harris:

Subject: Mitigation Acceptance Letter:

BR-0109, Replace Bridge 80 over Farmers Creek on SR 1512, Yadkin County

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Division of Mitigation Services (DMS) will provide the compensatory mitigation for the subject project. Based on the information supplied by you on March 28, 2022, the impacts are located in CU 03040101 of the Yadkin River basin in the Central Piedmont (CP) Eco-Region, and are as follows:

Stream and	River	CU	Eco-	Stream			Wetlands		
Wetlands	Basin	Location	Region	Cold	Cool	Warm	Riparian	Non- Riparian	Coastal Marsh
Impacts	Yadkin	03040101	СР	0	0	95.000	0.010	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>Some of the stream and/or wetland impacts may be proposed to be mitigated at a 1:1 mitigation ratio. See permit application for details.

The impacts and associated mitigation needs were under projected by the NCDOT in the 2022 impact data. NCDEO-DMS will commit to implement sufficient compensatory mitigation credits to offset the impacts associated with this project as determined by the regulatory agencies using the delivery timeline listed in Section F.3.c.iii of the In-Lieu Fee Instrument dated July 28, 2010. If the above referenced impact amounts are revised, then this mitigation acceptance letter will no longer be valid and a new mitigation acceptance letter will be required from NCDEQ-DMS.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Beth Harmon at 919-707-8420.

Clizabeth Harmon **DMS** Asset Management Supervisor

Mr. Monte Matthews, USACE – Raleigh Regulatory Field Office cc:

Ms. Amy Chapman, NCDWR

File: BR-0109



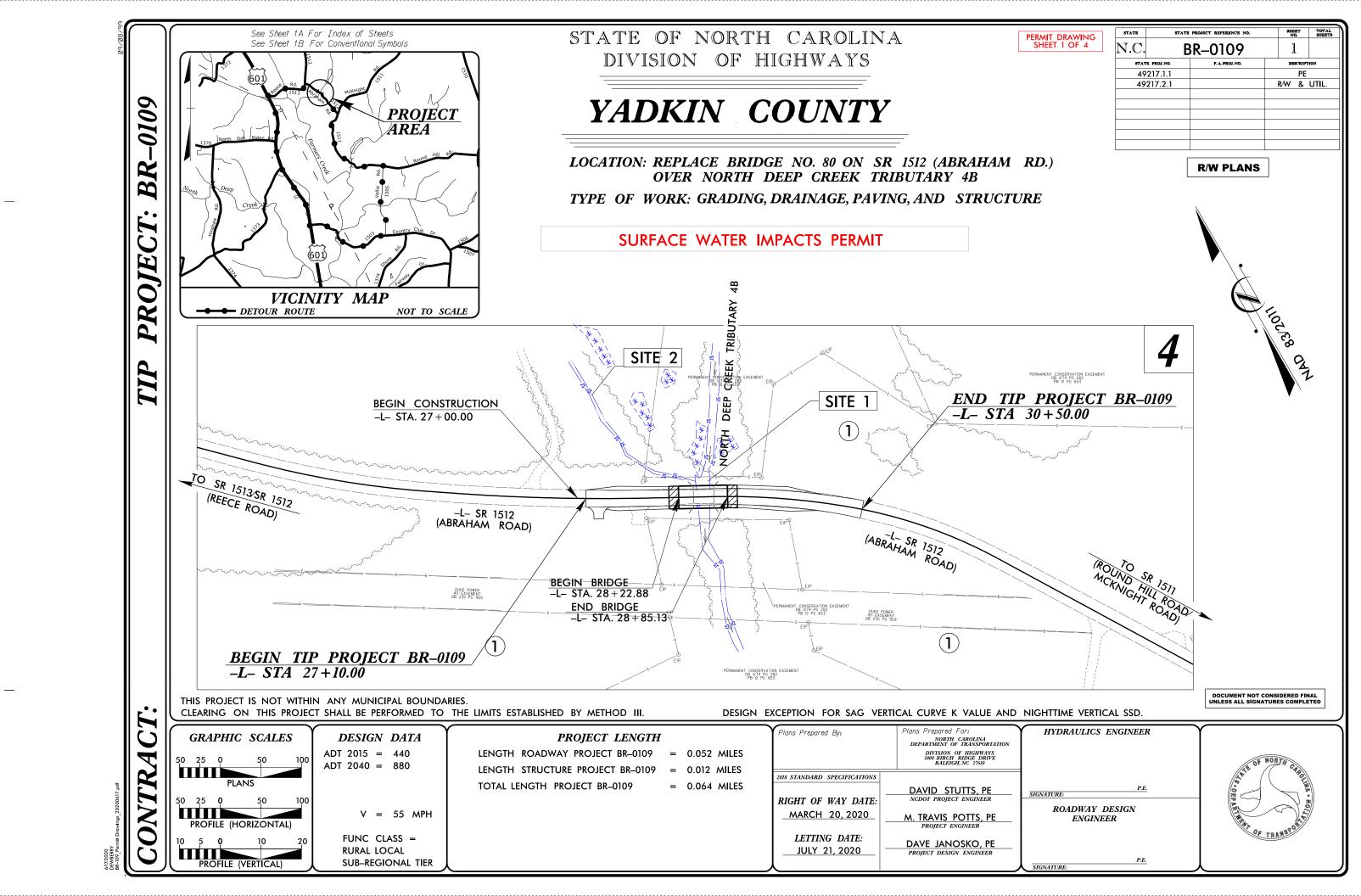


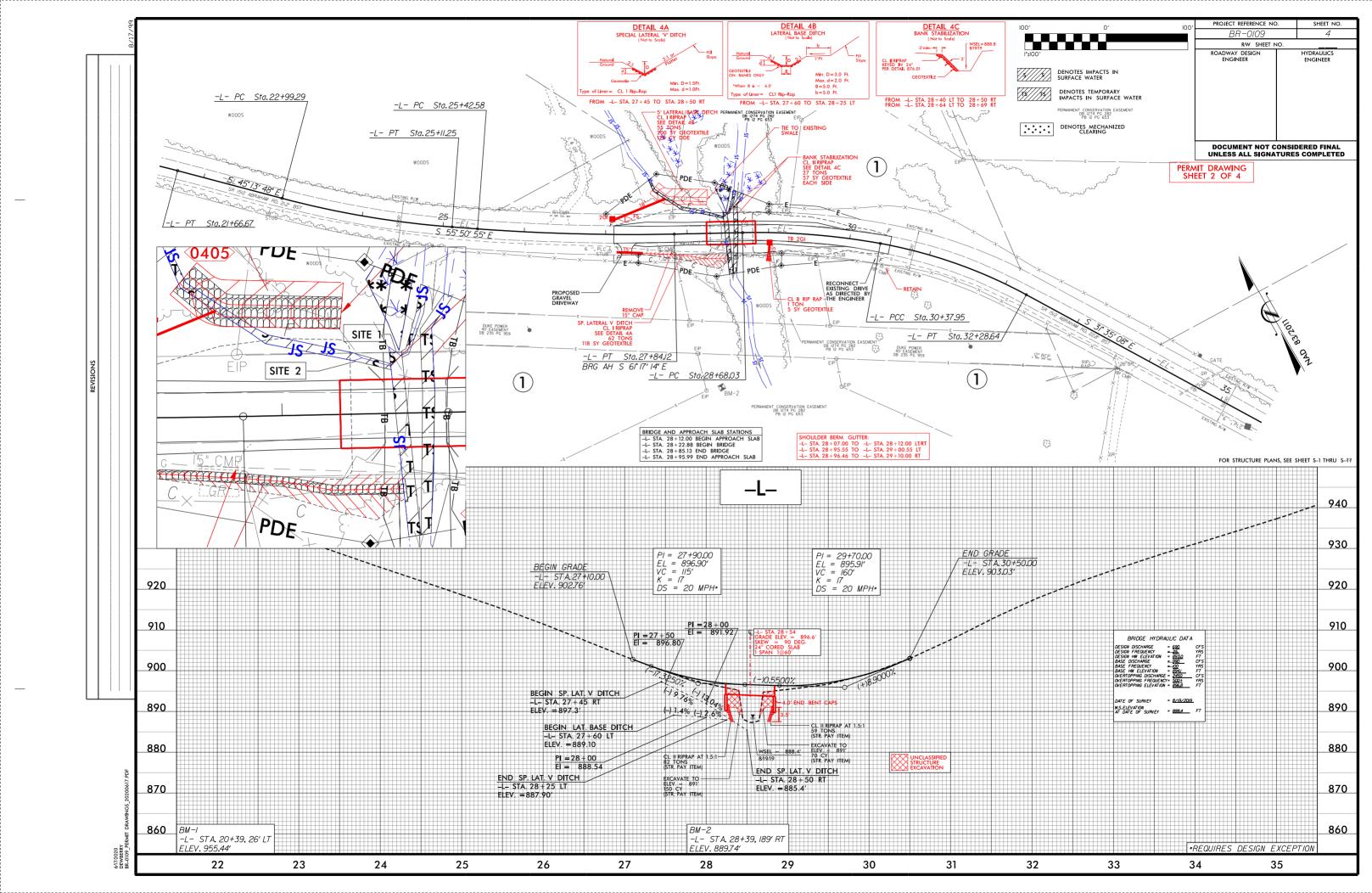
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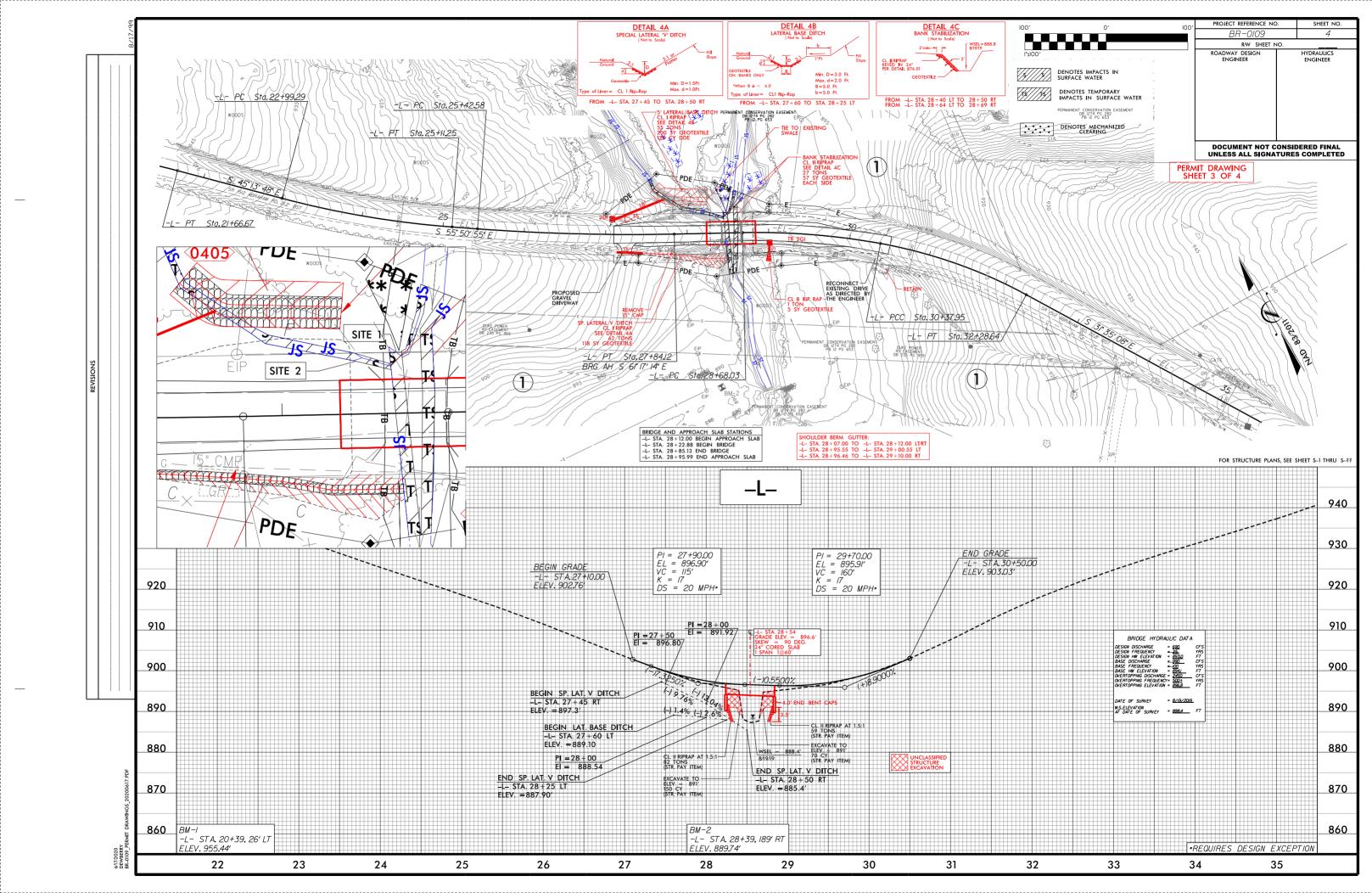
# Highway Stormwater Program STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN



(Version 2.08; Released A	April 2018)			FOR NCD	OT PROJECTS					
WBS Element:		TIP No.:	BR-0109		s): Yadkin				Page 1	of 1
				General Proj	ect Information					
WBS Element:				TIP Number: BR-0109		Projec	t Type:	Bridge Replacement	Date:	6/18/2020
NCDOT Contact:		David Stutts			Contractor / Desi		Steve Bone	dor		
	Address:	Structures Manage	ement Unit			Address	Dewberry			
		1000 Birch Ridge						iff Rd Suite 410		
		Raleigh, NC 2761	0				Raleigh, N	C 27607		
	Phone:	919-707-6442				Phone	919-636-63	334		
	Email:	dstutts@ncdot.gov	/			Email	sbondor@c	dewberry.com		
City/Town:					County(ies):	Yad	lkin			
River Basin(s):		Yadkin-P	ee Dee		CAMA County?		0			
Wetlands within Proj	ject Limits?	No		•	•			!	!	
				Proiect I	escription					
Project Length (lin. n	niles or feet):	0.0	6	Surrounding Land Use:	Rural Agricultural					
.,g (		0.0		Proposed Project				Existing Sit	te	
Project Built-Upon A	rea (ac.)		0.21	ac.			0.16	ac.		
Typical Cross Section		10' travel lanes wit		vith 0.02 cross slope normal cro	own.	10' travel lan		s slopes normal crown.		
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Annual Avg Daily Tra	affic (veh/hr/day):	Design/Future:		880 Y	ear: 2040	Existing		440	Ye	ear: 2015
General Project Narr	rative:			5'-7" span timber deck, vertical		with 1@60's	oan 24" core			
(Description of Minin	mization of Water			am. In the proposed condition						
Quality Impacts)		bridge drainage ar	nd discharge into	a riprap pad outlet at bottom	of existing embankment	<b>.</b>				
				Waterhody	Information					
Surface Water Body	(1):		Deep Creek	Tributary 4B	NCDWR Stream I	ndex No.:		12-84-1-(	0.5)ut14ut13	
-	. ,			Primary Classification:	Class			,		
NCDWR Surface War	ter Classification fo	r Water Body		Supplemental Classification						
Other Stream Classi	fication:			- appromontal olassinoation						
Impairments:										
Aquatic T&E Species	s?		Comments:							
NRTR Stream ID:	J.		Comments.				Buffor Du	les in Effect:		N/A
Project Includes Brid	dao Spannina Water	r Rody?	Yes	Deck Drains Discharge Ove	Puffor?	No		r Pads Provided in Buf	for?	N/A
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Site No.	Station (From/To)	Structure Size / Type	Permanent Fill In Wetlands (ac)	Temp. Fill In Wetlands (ac)		Mechanized Clearing in Wetlands (ac)	Hand Clearing in Wetlands (ac)	Permanent SW impacts (ac)	Temp. SW impacts (ac)	Existing Channel Impacts Permanent (ft)	Existing Channel Impacts	Natural Stream Design (ft)
1	L 28+40 LTTO L 28+50 RT L 28+40 LTTO L 28+61 RT	Bank Stabilization Impervious Dike						< 0.01	0.02	10	101	
2	L 27+57 LT TO 28+33 LT L 28+35 TO L 28+56 LT	Roadway and Ditch Roadway and Ditch				< 0.01		< 0.01		95	13	
TOTAL	S*:					< 0.01		< 0.01	0.02	105	114	0

\*Rounded totals are sum of actual impacts

NOTES:

NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS
6/17/2020
YADKIN
BR-0109

SHEET 4

OF 4

From: Ellwanger, Claire Barrett, William A To:

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] BR-0109\_Yadkin\_4(d) bat memo distribution

Date: Thursday, January 9, 2020 7:39:35 AM

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On Wed, Jan 8, 2020 at 3:53 PM Barrett, William A < wabarrett@ncdot.gov > wrote: Hi again Claire, I've got another bat memo for another project. Attached is the 4(d) bat memo for BR-0109, in Yadkin County. Per the attached Memo, NCDOT has satisfied the 4(d) requirements for this project. Thanks! Bill

#### William A. Barrett

# **Environmental Senior Specialist**

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# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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JAMES H. TROGDON, III
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September 12, 2019

TO: Michael Turchy, ECAP Western regional Team Lead

Environmental Coordination & Permitting Group, EAU

FROM: Melissa Miller, Environmental Program Consultant

Biological Surveys Group, EAU

SUBJECT: Section 7 survey results for the northern long-eared bat (Myotis

septentrionalis) associated with the replacement of Bridge No. 80 over Creek

on SR 1512 in Yadkin County, TIP No. BR-0109.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT, Division 11) proposes to replace Bridge No. 80 over Creek on SR 1512 in Yadkin County, TIP No. BR-0109. The existing bridge is a single span structure with timber deck, steel I-beams, timber end walls and guard rails. The overall length of the structure is 26 feet.

#### Northern long-eared bat

The project to replace Bridge No. 80 has been reviewed for effects on the northern longeared bat (NLEB). As of May 4, 2015, NLEB is listed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as "Threatened" under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. As of September 12, 2019. **NLEB** listed **USFWS** by (http://www.fws.gov/raleigh/species/cntvlist/nc counties.html) as "probable/potential" in Yadkin County. USFWS also established a final rule under the authority of section 4(d) of the Endangered Species Act that provides measures for the conservation of NLEB. The USFWS has tailored the final 4(d) rule to prohibit the take of NLEB from certain activities within areas where they are in decline. This incidental take protection applies only to known NLEB occupied maternity roost trees and known NLEB hibernacula. Effective February 16, 2016, incidental take resulting from tree removal is prohibited if it 1) occurs within a ¼ mile radius of known NLEB hibernacula; or 2) cuts or destroys known occupied maternity roost trees or any other trees within a 150-foot radius from the known maternity tree during the pup season (June 1-July 31).

According to the North Carolina Natural Heritage Program (NHP) Biotics Database, most recently updated July 2019, the nearest NLEB hibernacula record is 63 miles west of the project and no known NLEB roost trees occur within 150 feet of the project area.

NCDOT has also reviewed the USFWS Asheville Field office website (<a href="http://www.fws.gov/asheville/htmls/project review/NLEB in WNC.html">http://www.fws.gov/asheville/htmls/project review/NLEB in WNC.html</a>) for consistency with NHP records. This project is located entirely outside of the red highlighted areas (12-digit HUC) that the USFWS Asheville Field Office has determined to be representative of an area that may require consultation.

For the proposed action, NCDOT has committed to the conservation measures listed below:

- 1) No alterations of a known hibernacula entrance or interior environment if it impairs an essential behavioral pattern, including sheltering northern long-eared bats (January 1 through December 31);
- 2) No tree removal within a 0.25 mile radius of a known hibernacula (January 1 through December 31); and
- 3) No cutting or destroying a known, occupied maternity roost tree, or any other trees within a 150-foot radius from the known, occupied maternity tree during the period from June 1 through and including July 31.

NCDOT has determined that the proposed action does not require separate consultation on the grounds that the proposed action is consistent with the final Section 4(d) rule, codified at 50 C.F.R. § 17.40(o) and effective February 16, 2016. NCDOT may presume its determination is informed by best available information and consider Section 7 responsibilities fulfilled for NLEB.

If you need any additional information, please contact Melissa Miller at 919-707-6127.



# **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: November 29, 2021

TO: Michael Turchy FROM: John Merritt

**SUBJECT: STIP Project: BR-0109** - Protected Species Surveys

# Message

On October 21, 2021 foot surveys for the Schweinitz's sunflower were conducted within the project study area. Habitat was present in the project study area within the roadside shoulders and maintained fields. No Schweinitz's sunflowers were found within the survey limits. A review of the NC Natural Heritage Program records on October 20, 2021 indicates there are no known records within 1.0 mile of the study area. It can be concluded that the project will have No Effect on the Schweinitz's sunflower.

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# NO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

This form only pertains to ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES for this project. It is not valid for Historic Architecture and Landscapes. You must consult separately with the Historic Architecture and Landscapes Group.



#### PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	BR-0109		County:	Yadkin	
WBS No:	67109.1.1		Document:	Federal CI	E
F.A. No:			Funding:	☐ State	
Federal Permit	Required?	⊠ Yes	☐ No Permi	t Type: USA	CE

**Project Description:** Replacement of Bridge 131 on SR 1512 (Abraham Road) over an unnamed tributary to North Creek in Yadkin County, North Carolina. The archaeological Area of Potential Effects (APE) encompasses the entire project study area as depicted on the attached ARC-GIS mapping. It measures 1,000ft in length (500ft from each bridge end-point) and 150ft in width (75ft from the SR 1512 centerline).

#### SUMMARY OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

#### Brief description of review activities, results of review, and conclusions:

Permitting and funding information was reviewed for determining the level of archaeological input required by state and federal laws. Based on the submitted "request for cultural resources review" form, the project is federally-funded with federal permit interaction. As such, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will apply and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will serve as the lead federal agency. Next, construction design and other data was examined (when applicable) to define the character and extent of potential impacts to the ground surfaces embracing the project locale. The APE was primarily designed to capture any federal permit areas or areas of potential ground disturbing activity.

Once an APE was outlined, a map review and site file search was conducted at the Office of State Archaeology (OSA) on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. No NRHP eligible archaeological sites or any other previously documented archaeological sites are located within the APE or proximal.

Examination of National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), State Study Listed (SL), Locally Designated (LD), Determined Eligible (DE), and Surveyed Site (SS) properties employing resources available on the NCSHPO website is important in establishing the location of noteworthy historic occupations related to a perspective construction impact area. A cross-check of these mapped resources concluded that no meaningful historic properties with possible contributing archaeological elements were located inward of the archaeological APE margins. In addition, historic maps of Yadkin County were appraised to identify former structure locations, land use patterns, or other confirmation of historic occupation in the project vicinity. Archaeological/historical reference materials were inspected as well. In general, the cultural background review established that no NRHP listed properties or cemeteries are located within the APE. Based on cultural-historical factors, the APE is considered to have a low potential for the documentation of archaeological resources.

Further, topographic, geologic, flood boundary, and NRCS soil survey maps were referenced to evaluate pedeological, geomorphological, hydrological, and other environmental determinants that may have resulted in past occupation at this location. Aerial and on-ground photographs (NCDOT Spatial Data Viewer) and the Google Street View map application (when amenable) were also examined/utilized for additional assessment of disturbances, both natural and human induced, which compromise the integrity of archaeological sites. Environmental/impact factors do not suggest a heightened potential for archaeological resource recovery.

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Brief Explanation of why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified historic properties in the APE;

Soil data illustrates that the majority of ground surfaces within the APE are moderately eroded or occasionally flooded. Environmental and cultural-historical factors do not suggest a heightened potential for archaeological resource recovery in the APE. Intact NRHP eligible archaeological sites are unlikely to be present or preserved within the currently defined APE. No further consultation is advocated. A finding of "no archaeological survey required" is considered appropriate.

This project falls within a North Carolina County in which the Catawba Indian Nation has expressed an interest: Yadkin County. It is recommended that you contact each federal agency involved with your project to determine their Section 106 Tribal consultation requirements.

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See attached:	<ul><li>✓ Map(s)</li><li>✓ Photocopy</li></ul>	☐ Previous Survey Info of County Survey Notes	Photos Other:	Correspondence
FINDING BY	NCDOT ARC	CHAEOLOGIST		
NO ARCHAE	OLOGY SURVE	Y REQUIRED		
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NCDOT Architectural Historian

# HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES NO SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

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PROJECT INFORMATION Yadkin Project No: BR-0109 County: WBS No .: 67109.1.1 Document CE Type: Fed. Aid No: N/A Funding: Federal **USACE** Federal X Yes No Permit Permit(s): Type(s): **Project Description**: Replace Bridge No. 980080 on SR 1512 (Abraham Road) over Creek. SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHICTECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW Description of review activities, results, and conclusions: Review of HPO quad maps, HPO GIS information, historic designations roster, and indexes was undertaken on August 23, 2019. Based on this review, there are no existing NR, SL, LD, DE, or SS properties in the Area of Potential Effects, which is defined on the following maps. There are no National Register listed or eligible properties and no survey is required. If design plans change, additional review will be required. Why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified significant historic architectural or landscape resources in the project area: HPO quad maps and GIS information recording NR, SL, LD, DE, and SS properties for the Yadkin County survey, Yadkin County GIS/Tax information, and Google Maps are considered valid for the purposes of determining the likelihood of historic resources being present. There are no National Register listed or eligible properties within the APE and no survey is required. SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION Map(s) Correspondence Previous Survey Info. Photos Design Plans FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN Historic Architecture and Landscapes - NO SURVEY REQUIRED 8/23/2019

Date

Catawba Indian Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Office 1536 Tom Steven Road Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730

Office 803-328-2427 Fax 803-328-5791



January 16, 2020

Attention: David Stutts NC Department of Transportation 1581 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

Re. THPO# Project # Project Description
2020-193-84 BR-0109 Replacement of Bridge No. 80 on SR 1512 over UT to Farmers Creek in Yadkin County

Dear Mr. Stutts,

The Catawba have no immediate concerns with regard to traditional cultural properties, sacred sites or Native American archaeological sites within the boundaries of the proposed project areas. However, the Catawba are to be notified if Native American artifacts and / or human remains are located during the ground disturbance phase of this project.

If you have questions please contact Caitlin Rogers at 803-328-2427 ext. 226, or e-mail caitlinh@ccppcrafts.com.

Sincerely,

Wenonah G. Haire

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

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