Type I or II Categorical Exclusion Action Classification Form

STIP Project No.	R-5788GC
WBS Element	44918.1.18
Federal Project No.	TAP-0801(037)

A. <u>Project Description:</u>

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is proposing to upgrade existing concrete curb ramps to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The project consists of locations in Chatham County.

B. Description of Need and Purpose:

Construction, replacement, and repair of concrete curb ramps for ADA compliance.

C. Categorical Exclusion Action Classification:

Type I(A) - Ground Disturbing Action

D. Proposed Improvements:

3. Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities. Construction, replacement, or repair of curb ramps at various intersections. (Attached vicinity maps)

NOTE: The following Type I(C) Actions (NCDOT-FHWA 2019 CE Agreement, Appendix A) only require completion of Sections A through D to substantiate and document the CE classification: 1, 5, 8 (signs and pavement markings only), 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20; or several other Type I Action subcategories identified in past NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreements (see Appendix D). **Pre-approval as a CE does not exempt activities from compliance with other federal environmental laws.**

E. <u>Special Project Information:</u>

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F2. Ground Disturbing Actions – Type I (Appendix A) & Type II (Appendix B)

Proposed improvement(s) that fit Type I Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement, Appendix A) including 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 18, 21, 22 (ground disturbing), 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, &/or 30; &/or Type II Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement, Appendix B) answer the project impact threshold questions (below) and questions 8 – 31.

- If any question 1-7 is checked "Yes" then NCDOT certification for FHWA approval is required.
 - If any question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for those questions in Section G.

PROJECT IMPACT THRESHOLDS (FHWA signature required if any of the questions 1-7 are marked "Yes".)		Yes	No
1	Does the project require formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)?		A
2	Does the project result in impacts subject to the conditions of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA)?		$\mathbf{\overline{N}}$
3	Does the project generate substantial controversy or public opposition, for any reason, following appropriate public involvement?		
4	Does the project cause disproportionately high and adverse impacts relative to low- income and/or minority populations?		
5	Does the project involve a residential or commercial displacement, or a substantial amount of right of way acquisition?		A
6	Does the project require an Individual Section 4(f) approval?		V
7	Does the project include adverse effects that cannot be resolved with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) or have an adverse effect on a National Historic Landmark (NHL)?		V
If any question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for those questions in Section G.			
Other Considerations		Yes	No
8	Is an Endangered Species Act (ESA) determination unresolved or is the project covered by a Programmatic Agreement under Section 7?		A
9	Is the project located in anadromous fish spawning waters?		V
10	Does the project impact waters classified as Outstanding Resource Water (ORW), High Quality Water (HQW), Water Supply Watershed Critical Areas, 303(d) listed impaired water bodies, buffer rules, or Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV)?		$\mathbf{\overline{\mathbf{A}}}$
11	Does the project impact Waters of the United States in any of the designated mountain trout streams?		N
12	Does the project require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Individual Section 404 Permit?		\mathbf{N}
13	Will the project require an easement from a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licensed facility?		\mathbf{N}

Other Considerations for Type I and II Ground Disturbing Actions (continued)		Yes	No
14	Does the project include a Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) effects determination other than a No Effect, including archaeological remains?		$\mathbf{\overline{\mathbf{A}}}$
15	Does the project involve GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concerns such as gas stations, dry cleaners, landfills, etc.?		\checkmark
16	Does the project require work encroaching and adversely affecting a regulatory floodway or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 23 CFR 650 subpart A?		V
17	Is the project in a Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) county and substantially affects the coastal zone and/or any Area of Environmental Concern (AEC)?		\mathbf{N}
18	Does the project require a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) permit?		\checkmark
19	Does the project involve construction activities in, across, or adjacent to a designated Wild and Scenic River present within the project area?		
20	Does the project involve Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) resources?		\checkmark
21	Does the project impact federal lands (e.g. U.S. Forest Service (USFS), USFWS, etc.) or Tribal Lands?		\mathbf{N}
22	Does the project involve any changes in access control or the modification or construction of an interchange on an interstate?		
23	Does the project have a permanent adverse effect on local traffic patterns or community cohesiveness?		\mathbf{N}
24	Will maintenance of traffic cause substantial disruption?		V
25	Is the project inconsistent with the STIP, and where applicable, the Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?		V
26	Does the project require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property?		V
27	Does the project involve Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) buyout properties under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)?		V
28	Does the project include a <i>de minimis</i> or programmatic Section 4(f)?		\mathbf{N}
29	Is the project considered a Type I under the NCDOT Noise Policy?		N
30	Is there prime or important farmland soil impacted by this project as defined by the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)?		\mathbf{N}
31	Are there other issues that arose during the project development process that affected the project decision?		

NCDOT PROJECT COMMITMENTS

STIP Project No. **R-5788GC** Upgrading Concrete Curb Ramps Chatham County Federal Aid Project No. TAP-0801(037) WBS Element 44918.1.18

NCDOT Division 8 Project Development: Municipal Agreement with Siler City for 20% of costs on non-system routes.

I. <u>Categorical Exclusion Approval:</u>

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Prepared By:	DocuSigned by:
9/30/2021	Michael Ricketts 3B420DAD60B44EB
Date	Michael Ricketts, PE, Division Design/Construct Engineer North Carolina Department of Transportation
Prepared For:	NCDOT – Division 8
Reviewed By:	DocuSigned by:
9/30/2021	Rep Badgett
Date	Rex Badgett, Environmental Specialist II North Carolina Department of Transportation
Approv	 If NO grey boxes are checked in Section F (pages 2 and 3), NCDOT approves the Type I or Type II Categorical Exclusion.
Certifie	 If ANY grey boxes are checked in Section F (pages 2 and 3), NCDOT certifies the Type I or Type II Categorical Exclusion for FHWA approval. If classified as Type III Categorical Exclusion.
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9/30/2021	Patrick Norman
Date	Patřtčk ⁴ X ³¹ No ⁵ man, PE, Division Engineer – Division 8 North Carolina Department of Transportation

FHWA Approved: For Projects Certified by NCDOT (above), FHWA signature required.

Date

for John F. Sullivan, III, PE, Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration

Note: Prior to ROW or Construction authorization, a consultation may be required (please see Section VII of the NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement for more details).



