



## TIMELINE INFORMATION

### Past Events

- 1996 – Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Monroe Bypass
- 1997 – Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Monroe Bypass, including selection of Preferred Alternative for the Monroe Bypass
- 2000-2001 – Right of way purchased for sections of the Monroe Bypass, but construction postponed due to issues regarding the federally-endangered Carolina heelsplitter mussel
- 2003 – Draft EIS issued for Monroe Connector; but no public hearing held
- 2005 – Monroe Connector adopted as a candidate toll facility by the General Assembly
- 2006 – Draft EIS for Monroe Connector rescinded
- Monroe Bypass and Monroe Connector combined into single environmental study to be completed by North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA)
- 2007 – FHWA issued Notice of Intent to prepare a Draft EIS for the combined Monroe Connector/ Bypass project
- \* June 2007 – Citizens Informational Workshops
- March 2009 – Draft EIS published, including Recommended Alternative
- \* May 2009 – Public Hearings held for the Monroe Connector/Bypass

\* Public Involvement Opportunities