



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Roy Cooper
GOVERNOR

Pamela B. Cashwell
Secretary

July 30, 2021

Kimberley Campbell
North Carolina Department of Commerce
Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4325

Re: SCH File # 21-E-4600-0931 Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC for Certificate to construct approximately 6.0 miles of Transmission Line in Chowan County. Docket #EMP-118 Sub 1. View document at <http://starw1.ncuc.net/NCUC/portal/ncuc/page/Dockets/portal.aspx>, Type EMP-118 Sub 1 in the Docket Number search line.

Dear Kimberley Campbell:

The above referenced environmental impact information has been reviewed through the State Clearinghouse under the provisions of the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

Attached to this letter are comments made in the review of this document. Because of the nature of the comments, it has been determined that no further State Clearinghouse review action on your part is needed for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act. The attached comments should be taken into consideration in project development.

Sincerely,

CRYSTAL BEST

Attachments

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1301 MAIL SERVICE CENTER
RALEIGH, NC 27699-1301

Telephone: (919)807-2425
Fax: (919)733-9571
COURIER: #51-01-00
Email: state.clearinghouse@doa.nc.gov
Website: www.ncadmin.nc.gov

Location:
116 WEST JONES STREET
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

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Control No.: 21-E-4600-0931

Date Received: 6/28/2021

County.: CHOWAN

Agency Response: 7/28/2021

Review Closed: 7/28/2021

LYN HARDISON
CLEARINGHOUSE COORDINATOR
DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Project Information

Type: State Environmental Policy Act Environmental Review

Applicant: North Carolina Department of Commerce

Project Desc.: Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC for Certificate to construct approximately 6.0 miles of Transmission Line in Chowan County. Docket #EMP-118 Sub 1. View document at <http://starw1.ncuc.net/NCUC/portal/ncuc/page/Dockets/portal.aspx>, Type EMP-118 Sub 1 in the Docket Number search line.

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As a result of this review the following is submitted:

No Comment

Comments Below

Documents Attached

Reviewed By: LYN HARDISON

Date: 7/28/2021



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Environmental Quality

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ELIZABETH S. BISER
Secretary

To: Crystal Best
State Clearinghouse
NC Department of Administration

From: Lyn Hardison
Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service
Washington Regional Office

RE: 21-0931
Environmental Review - Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC
for Certificate to construct approximately 6.0 miles of
Transmission Line, Docket #EMP-118 Sub 1.
Chowan County

Date: July 28, 2021

The Department of Environment Quality has reviewed the proposal for the referenced project. Based on the information provided, several of our agencies have identified permits that may be required and offered some valuable guidance to follow. The comments are attached for the applicant's review.

The Department will continue to be available to assist the applicant with any question or concerns.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond.

Attachments



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<input type="checkbox"/> Wilmington			<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife/DOT
<input type="checkbox"/> Winston-Salem			

Manager Sign-Off/Region:	Date: 7-16-2021	In-House Reviewer/Agency: M. J. D. / NCNRC
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Response (check all applicable)

No objection to project as proposed. No Comment
 Insufficient information to complete review Other (specify or attach comments)

NCNRC will review during the
 NCDNR, USACE, & USFWS
 review process.
 NUMEROUS bat species
 are in the area but here
 not listed. While
 no individuals have been
 recorded, Northern long-eared bat

If you have any questions, please contact:
Lyn Hardison at lyn.hardison@ncdenr.gov or (252) 948-3842
943 Washington Square Mall Washington NC 27889
Courier No. 16-04-01

Transmission line maintenance should avoid
4/1 - 10/1 of any year

is found very close by, surrounding
Chowan county, and is suspected
to be within Chowan county.



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Environmental Quality

ROY COOPER

Governor

ELIZABETH S. BISER

Secretary

MICHAEL SCOTT

Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael Scott, Division Director through Sharon Brinkley

FROM: Drew Hammonds, Eastern District Supervisor - Solid Waste Section

DATE: July 7, 2021

SUBJECT: Review: SW 21-0931– Chowan County (ER – NC Dept of Commerce – Application for Timbermill Wind LLC for Certificate to construct approximately 6.0 miles of Transmission line in Chowan County)

The Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section (Section) has reviewed the documents submitted for the subject project in Chowan County, NC. Based on the information provided in these documents, the Section at this time does not see an adverse impact on the surrounding communities and likewise knows of no situations in the communities, which would affect this project.

As always for any planned or proposed projects, it is recommended that during any land clearing, demolition, and construction, Timbermill Wind LLC and/or its contractors would make every feasible effort to minimize the generation of waste, to recycle materials for which viable markets exist, and to use recycled products and materials in the development of this project where suitable. **Any waste generated by and of the projects that cannot be beneficially reused or recycled must be disposed of at a solid waste management facility permitted by the Division. The Section strongly recommends that Timbermill Wind LLC require all contractors to provide proof of proper disposal for all generated waste to permitted facilities.**

Permitted solid waste management facilities are listed on the Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section portal site at: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/waste-management-rules-data/solid-waste-management-annual-reports/solid-waste-permitted-facility-list>

Questions regarding solid waste management for this project should be directed to Mr. John College, Environmental Senior Specialist, Solid Waste Section, at (919) 268-1524.

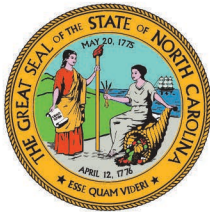
cc: John College, Environmental Senior Specialist



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Waste Management
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Date: July 21, 2021

To: Michael Scott, Director
Division of Waste Management

Through: Janet Macdonald
Inactive Hazardous Sites Branch – Special Projects Unit

From: Bonnie S. Ware
Inactive Hazardous Sites Branch

Subject: NEPA Project # 21-0931, North Carolina Department of Commerce, Chowan County, North Carolina

The Superfund Section has reviewed the proximity of sites under its jurisdiction to the North Carolina Department of Commerce project. Proposed project Environmental Review - Application of Timbermill Wind, LLC for Certificate to construct approximately 6.0 miles of Transmission Line in Chowan County. Located between the Collector Substation and the Interconnection Switching Station and sited within easements on participating landowner property.

No Superfund Section sites were identified within one mile of the project as shown on the attached report.

Please contact Janet Macdonald at 919.707.8349 if you have any questions concerning the Superfund Section review portion of this SEPA/NEPA inquiry.



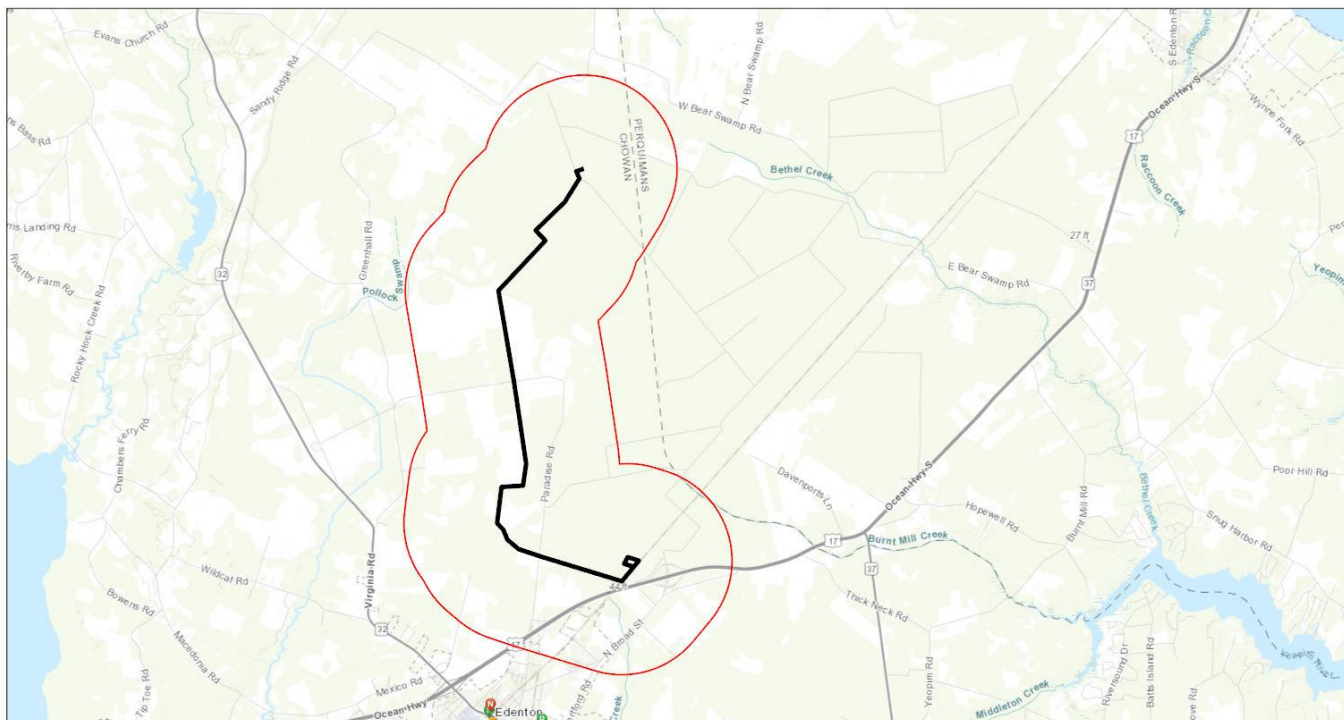
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Waste Management
217 West Jones Street | 1646 Mail Service Center | Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1646
919.707.8200

SUPERFUND SECTION SITES ONLY : SEPA/NEPA

Area of Interest (AOI) Information

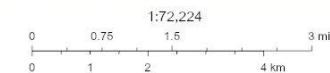
Area : 9,617.03 acres

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NC Brownfields Location_View

-  Recorded
-  No Further Interest
-  Inactive Hazardous Sites



State of North Carolina DOT, Esri, HERE, Garmin, INCREMENT P, USGS, METINASA, NGA, EPA, USDA

Superfund Section Sites Only : 21-0931 Chowan County

Summary

Name	Count	Area(acres)	Length(mi)
Certified DSCA Sites	0	N/A	N/A
Federal Remediation Branch Sites	0	N/A	N/A
Inactive Hazardous Sites	0	N/A	N/A
Pre-Regulatory Landfill Sites	0	N/A	N/A
Brownfields Program Sites	0	N/A	N/A

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Manager Sign-Off/Region:	Date: 7/20/21	In-House Reviewer/Agency: Melodi Deaver, Hazardous Waste Section
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Response (check all applicable)

No objection to project as proposed.
 No Comment

Insufficient information to complete review
 Other (specify or attach comments)

If you have any questions, please contact:

Lyn Hardison at lyn.hardison@ncdenr.gov or (252) 948-3842
943 Washington Square Mall Washington NC 27889
Courier No. 16-04-01

State of North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW PROJECT COMMENTS

Reviewing Regional Office: Washington
 Project Number: 21-0931 Due Date: 7/21/2021
 County: Chowan

After review of this project it has been determined that the DEQ permit(s) and/or approvals indicated may need to be obtained in order for this project to comply with North Carolina Law. Questions regarding these permits should be addressed to the Regional Office indicated on the reverse of the form. All applications, information and guidelines relative to these plans and permits are available from the same Regional Office.

	PERMITS	SPECIAL APPLICATION PROCEDURES or REQUIREMENTS	Normal Process Time (statutory time limit)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Permit to construct & operate wastewater treatment facilities, non-standard sewer system extensions & sewer systems that do not discharge into state surface waters.	Application 90 days before begins construction or award of construction contracts. On-site inspection may be required. Post-application technical conference usual.	30 days (90 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Permit to construct & operate, sewer extensions involving gravity sewers, pump stations and force mains discharging into a sewer collection system	Fast-Track Permitting program consists of the submittal of an application and an engineer's certification that the project meets all applicable State rules and Division Minimum Design Criteria.	30 days (N/A)
<input type="checkbox"/>	NPDES - permit to discharge into surface water and/or permit to operate and construct wastewater facilities discharging into state surface waters.	Application 180 days before begins activity. On-site inspection. Pre-application conference usual. Additionally, obtain permit to construct wastewater treatment facility-granted after NPDES. Reply time, 30 days after receipt of plans or issue of NPDES permit-whichever is later.	90-120 days (N/A)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Use Permit	Pre-application technical conference usually necessary.	30 days (N/A)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Well Construction Permit	Complete application must be received and permit issued prior to the installation of a groundwater monitoring well located on property not owned by the applicant, and for a large capacity (>100,000 gallons per day) water supply well.	7 days (15 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dredge and Fill Permit	Application copy must be served on each adjacent riparian property owner. On-site inspection. Pre-application conference usual. Filling may require Easement to Fill from N.C. Department of Administration and Federal Dredge and Fill Permit.	55 days (90 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Permit to construct & operate Air Pollution Abatement facilities and/or Emission Sources as per 15 A NCAC (2Q.0100 thru 2Q.0300)	Application must be submitted and permit received prior to construction and operation of the source. If a permit is required in an area without local zoning, then there are additional requirements and timelines (2Q.0113).	90 days
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Any open burning associated with subject proposal must be in compliance with 15 A NCAC 2D.1900	N/A	60 days (90 days)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demolition or renovations of structures containing asbestos material must be in compliance with 15 A NCAC 20.1110 (a) (1) which requires notification and removal prior to demolition. Contact Asbestos Control Group 919-707-5950	Please Note - The Health Hazards Control Unit (HHCU) of the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, must be notified of plans to demolish a building, including residences for commercial or industrial expansion, even if no asbestos is present in the building.	60 days (90 days)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973 must be properly addressed for any land disturbing activity. An erosion & sedimentation control plan will be required if one or more acres are to be disturbed. Plan must be filed with and approved by applicable Regional Office (Land Quality Section) at least 30 days before beginning activity. A NPDES Construction Stormwater permit (NCG010000) is also usually issued should design features meet minimum requirements. A fee of \$65 for the first acre or any part of an acre. An express review option is available with additional fees.		20 days (30 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sedimentation and erosion control must be addressed in accordance with NCDOT's approved program. Particular attention should be given to design and installation of appropriate perimeter sediment trapping devices as well as stable Stormwater conveyances and outlets.		(30 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sedimentation and erosion control must be addressed in accordance with _____ Local Government's approved program. Particular attention should be given to design and installation of appropriate perimeter sediment trapping devices as well as stable Stormwater conveyances and outlets.		Based on Local Program
<input type="checkbox"/>	Compliance with 15A NCAC 2H .0126 - NPDES Stormwater Program which regulates three types of activities: Industrial, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System & Construction activities that disturb ≥1 acre.		30-60 days (90 days)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Compliance with 15A NCAC 2H 1000 -State Stormwater Permitting Programs regulate site development and post-construction stormwater runoff control. Areas subject to these permit programs include all 20 coastal counties, and various other counties and watersheds throughout the state.		45 days (90 days)

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	PERMITS	SPECIAL APPLICATION PROCEDURES or REQUIREMENTS	Normal Process Time (statutory time limit)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mining Permit	On-site inspection usual. Surety bond filed with DEQ Bond amount varies with type mine and number of acres of affected land. Affected area greater than one acre must be permitted. The appropriate bond must be received before the permit can be issued.	30 days (60 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dam Safety Permit	If permit required, application 60 days before begin construction. Applicant must hire N.C. qualified engineer to: prepare plans, inspect construction, and certify construction is according to DEQ approved plans. May also require a permit under mosquito control program. And a 404 permit from Corps of Engineers. An inspection of site is necessary to verify Hazard Classification. A minimum fee of \$200.00 must accompany the application. An additional processing fee based on a percentage or the total project cost will be required upon completion.	30 days (60 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil Refining Facilities	N/A	90-120 days (N/A)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Permit to drill exploratory oil or gas well	File surety bond of \$5,000 with DEQ running to State of NC conditional that any well opened by drill operator shall, upon abandonment, be plugged according to DEQ rules and regulations.	10 days N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Geophysical Exploration Permit	Application filed with DEQ at least 10 days prior to issue of permit. Application by letter. No standard application form.	10 days N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	State Lakes Construction Permit	Application fee based on structure size is charged. Must include descriptions & drawings of structure & proof of ownership of riparian property	15-20 days N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	401 Water Quality Certification	Compliance with the T15A 02H .0500 Certifications are required whenever construction or operation of facilities will result in a discharge into navigable water as described in 33 CFR part 323.	60 days (130 days)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Compliance with Catawba, Goose Creek, Jordan Lake, Randleman, Tar Pamlico or Neuse Riparian Buffer Rules is required. Buffer requirements: http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-permits/wastewater-branch/401-wetlands-buffer-permits/401-riparian-buffer-protection-program		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nutrient Offset: Loading requirements for nitrogen and phosphorus in the Neuse and Tar-Pamlico River basins, and in the Jordan and Falls Lake watersheds, as part of the nutrient-management strategies in these areas. DWR nutrient offset information: http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/planning/nonpoint-source-management/nutrient-offset-information		
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMA Permit for MAJOR development	\$250.00 - \$475.00 fee must accompany application	75 days (150 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMA Permit for MINOR development	\$100.00 fee must accompany application	22 days (25 days)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Abandonment of any wells, if required must be in accordance with Title 15A. Subchapter 2C.0100.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Notification of the proper regional office is requested if "orphan" underground storage tanks (USTS) are discovered during any excavation operation.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plans and specifications for the construction, expansion, or alteration of a public water system must be approved by the Division of Water Resources/Public Water Supply Section prior to the award of a contract or the initiation of construction as per 15A NCAC 18C .0300 et. seq., Plans and specifications should be submitted to 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1634. All public water supply systems must comply with state and federal drinking water monitoring requirements. For more information, contact the Public Water Supply Section, (919) 707-9100.		30 days
<input type="checkbox"/>	If existing water lines will be relocated during the construction, plans for the water line relocation must be submitted to the Division of Water Resources/Public Water Supply Section at 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1634. For more information, contact the Public Water Supply Section, (919) 707-9100.		30 days
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plans and specifications for the construction, expansion, or alteration of the _____ water system must be approved through the _____ delegated plan approval authority. Please contact them at _____ for further information.		

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Other Comments (attach additional pages as necessary, being certain to comment authority)

Division	Initials	No comment	Comments	Date Review
DAQ	FDB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No Comments	7/1/2021
DWR-WQROS (Aquifer & Surface)	&	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>If wetland, riparian buffers or stream impacts are proposed, this project will need to comply with/secure a 404 permit from the USACE, obtain a 401 Water Quality Certification authorization and a riparian buffer authorization.</p> <p>& If wetland, riparian buffers or stream impacts are proposed, this project will need to comply with/secure a 404 permit from the USACE, obtain a 401 Water Quality Certification authorization and a riparian buffer authorization.</p> <p>As of September 11, 2020, per 40 C.F.R. Section 121.4(a), At least 30 days prior to submitting a 401 certification request, the project proponent must complete the Pre-filing meeting request. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. Section 121.5(b)(7), and (c)(5) all 401 certification requests shall include documentation that a pre-filing meeting request was submitted to the certifying authority at least 30 days prior to submitting the certification request. All 401 applications received without documentation that a pre-filing meeting request was submitted at least 30 days prior will be denied as incomplete.</p>	/ /
DWR-PWS	CWW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No comments	6/30/2021
DEMLR (LQ & SW)	SD	<input type="checkbox"/>	E&S required, SW required if impervious proposed.	7/14/2021
DWM – UST	SNH	<input type="checkbox"/>	See attached comments	7/28/2021
Other Comments		<input type="checkbox"/>		/ /

REGIONAL OFFICES

Questions regarding these permits should be addressed to the Regional Office marked below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Asheville Regional Office
2090 U.S. 70 Highway
Swannanoa, NC 28778-8211
Phone: 828-296-4500
Fax: 828-299-7043 | <input type="checkbox"/> Fayetteville Regional Office
225 Green Street, Suite 714,
Fayetteville, NC 28301-5043
Phone: 910-433-3300
Fax: 910-486-0707 | <input type="checkbox"/> Mooresville Regional Office
610 East Center Avenue, Suite 301,
Mooresville, NC 28115
Phone: 704-663-1699
Fax: 704-663-6040 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raleigh Regional Office
3800 Barrett Drive,
Raleigh, NC 27609
Phone: 919-791-4200
Fax: 919-571-4718 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington Regional Office
943 Washington Square Mall,
Washington, NC 27889
Phone: 252-946-6481
Fax: 252-975-3716 | <input type="checkbox"/> Wilmington Regional Office
127 Cardinal Drive Ext.,
Wilmington, NC 28405
Phone: 910-796-7215
Fax: 910-350-2004 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Winston-Salem Regional Office
450 Hanes Mill Road, Suite 300,
Winston-Salem, NC 27105
Phone: 336-776-9800
Fax: 336-776-9797 | |

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Date: 7/27/2021




STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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J. Eric Boyette
SECRETARY

June 29, 2021

MEMORANDUM TO: Crystal Best
NC State Clearinghouse
Administrative Building, 5th Floor, Room #5026

FROM: Hemal Shah, EIT 
Transportation Engineer
Coastal Group, Transportation Planning Division

SUBJECT: 21-E-4600-0931

These are comments from the NCDOT – Transportation Planning Division regarding North Carolina State Clearinghouse of Administration Intergovernmental Review 21-E-4600-0931.

The NCDOT – Transportation Planning Division would like to make the applicant aware of the following project that may impact the study area:

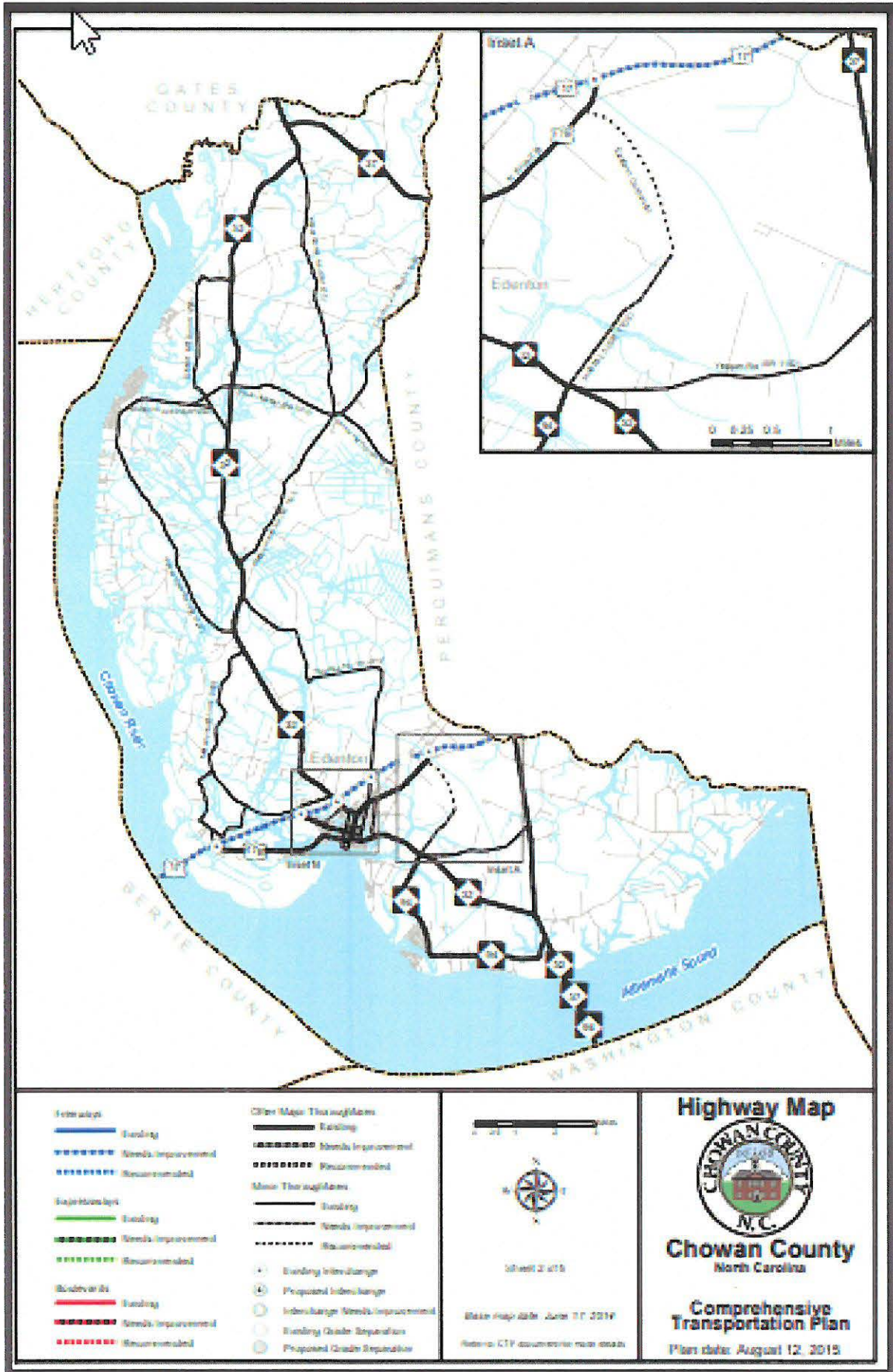
US 17 (R-5731): Upgrade US 17 to interstate standards from Bertie County Line to Perquimans County Line.

Chowan County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) can be found at:
https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/CTP-Details.aspx?study_id=Chowan%20County

Chowan County CTP Highway Maps can be found at:
<https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/TPBCTP/Chowan%20County/HighwayMapFinal.pdf>

Chowan County CTPCTP Report can be found at:
<https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/TPBCTP/Chowan%20County/Chowan%20County%20CTP%20Report.pdf>

Please see the attached graphics for a better view of the proposal. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 919-707-0992 or email at hjshah@ncdot.gov.



US 17, TIP No. R-5731 and CHOW0001-H

US 17 is a major east-west corridor through Chowan County along the northern Edenton town limits. This facility is currently a four lane freeway with 12 foot lanes from Bertie County to US 17 Business and a four lane expressway with 12 foot lanes from US 17 Business to Perquimans County. Access along the freeway section is fully controlled with limited access along the expressway section. Improvements are needed to maintain mobility along the corridor.

The 2016 – 2025 TIP includes project R-5731 that will upgrade the existing facility to interstate standards from the south end of the Chowan River Bridge in Bertie County to US 17 Business in Edenton. Additionally, the section from US 17 Business to Perquimans County is recommended to be upgraded to interstate standards as project CHOW0001-H. The entire US 13/17 corridor from US 64 in Williamston to Virginia is being evaluated for upgrade to interstate standards as a part of NCDOT feasibility study FS-1501A which is currently in progress.

The US 17 corridor is identified as a Strategic Transportation Corridor (STC) within the North Carolina Transportation Network⁴ (NCTN). The STC Policy and Map was adopted by the NCDOT on March 4, 2015. The purpose of the NC Transportation Network (NCTN) is to preserve and maximize mobility and connectivity on a core network of multimodal transportation corridors, promoting environmental stewardship and economic prosperity. The recommended improvements will help to meet this goal.

The 2008 Chowan County/Town of Edenton North Carolina Core Land Use Plan⁵ identifies the land along US 17 as commercially-used land. This commercial corridor area contains retail, personal and business services, and some office uses.

In February of 2015, Chowan County and the Town of Edenton passed resolutions in support of a future Interstate designation for the US 64 corridor and the US 17 corridor which extends from Raleigh to the Hamptons Roads area of Virginia. The initiative is supported both locally and regionally. Supporters of this initiative include the regional metropolitan transportation planning agencies serving Raleigh, Hampton Roads, and Rocky Mount, NC, several rural planning organizations, as well as the business organizations serving these areas. Legislation was introduced, and passed, in both houses of Congress to designate the corridor as a future Interstate. The designation was included in the FAST Act which President Obama signed into law in December of 2015.

⁴ For more information on NCTN, go to:

[https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/NC Transportation Network.aspx](https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/planning/Pages/NC%20Transportation%20Network.aspx).

⁵ To view this plan, go to: <http://www.chowancounty-nc.gov>.

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From the information provided it appears a small portion of the proposed project encroaches into Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). Any encroachment, grading, fill or placement of equipment or materials in the SFHA will require a floodplain development permit issued by Chowan County. Please coordinate with the County's Floodplain Administrator for permitting.

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