



Durham Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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May 17, 2010

TO: Leza Mundt, Consultant Engineer, NCDOT
FROM: Durham Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)
RE: Recommendations for Mitigation Measures for U-0071, East End Connector

The Durham Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) endorses the pedestrian and bicycle related elements of the mitigation measures recommended by the City of Durham's East End Connector Ad Hoc Committee (dated April 5, 2010), with the following additional recommendation:

- The pedestrian crossing across NC-98 just east of the on/off ramps to/from US-70 does not include any pedestrian refuges for a 7-lane section with shallow curb radii. This creates a very dangerous situation for any pedestrian trying to cross NC-98 at this location. This pedestrian crossing should be designed in a similar fashion to the pedestrian crossing across NC-98 just west of US-70, including at least one pedestrian refuge in the median and potentially a second refuge if a channelized right turn from NC-98 onto US-70 is added.

We urge you to incorporate these recommendations within the project scope and design.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns about our request.

Sincerely,

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Alan Dippy
BPAC Chairman

cc: Chuck Watts, NC Board of Transportation
Durham City Council
Mark Ahrendsen, Director, Durham Transportation Department
Dale McKeel, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, City of Durham/DCHC MPO