

January 20, 2009

Mr. Barry Moose, P.E.
Division Engineer
NCDOT, Division 10
716 West Main Street
Albermarle, NC 28001

Re: Black Farms Road/Mayes Road Intersection Improvements

Dear Mr. Moose:

On October 27, 2008, a meeting was held at the Cornelius Town Hall with representatives of the Towns of Huntersville, Davidson and Cornelius, along with officials from CMS and NCDOT, Division 10. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the appropriate treatment of the Black Farms/Mayes Road intersection on NC 73.

This intersection has been the site of several recent fatalities and it is the concern of the three North Mecklenburg towns and CMS that the opening of the Bailey High School is likely to result in an increase in traffic (particularly students) through this intersection and the likelihood of an increase in the number of accidents resulting from this traffic.

Scott Cole of your office explained that the long range plans for NC 73 call for a directional crossover (prohibiting north/south movements) at this location and suggested that the 3 towns contact you to request spot safety improvement funding to install these improvements or others if deemed appropriate. Mr. Cole's direction was consistent with the adopted NC 73 Transportation/Land Use Corridor Plan (to which the Towns and NCDOT were signatories), which recommends a directional median opening as the recommended treatment at this intersection. The Towns acknowledge and welcome receipt of your letter, dated January 8, 2009, indicating the Division's intent to request Spot Safety Funding to design and construct these intersection improvements.

Accordingly, the Towns of Huntersville, Davidson and Cornelius formally endorse NCDOT's request for Spot Safety Funding for the intersection improvements identified above for the Black Farms Road/Mayes Road intersection and further request that such improvements be completed prior to the opening of Bailey High School in August of 2010.

Please contact staff with any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jill Swain, Mayor
Town of Huntersville

John Woods, Mayor
Town of Davidson

Jeffery Tarte, Mayor
Town of Cornelius

Cc: Huntersville, Davidson, Cornelius Board of Commissioners
Greg Ferguson, Leamon Brice, Anthony Roberts, Town Managers
Mr. Scott Cole, Division 10 Traffic Engineer
Mr. Louis Mitchell, District Engineer