

**RESOLUTION ON DESIGN OF I-40/NC 86/EUBANKS ROAD INTERCHANGE
AS PART OF PROJECT I-3306AC OF THE TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**

February 27, 2019

A motion was made by MPO Board Member _____ and seconded by MPO Board Member _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote, was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a staged multiple year listing of all federally funded transportation projects scheduled for implementation within the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Area which have been selected from a priority list of projects; and

WHEREAS, the document provides the mechanism for official endorsement of the program of projects by the MPO Board; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of the TIP in the transportation planning process was first mandated by regulations issued jointly by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and no project within the planning area will be approved for funding by these federal agencies unless it appears in the officially adopted TIP; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has initiated a project for widening I-40 in Orange County, which includes proposed modifications to Eubanks Road as part of reconstruction of the interchange at I-40 and NC 86; and

WHEREAS, NCDOT has developed alternative designs for modifications to Eubanks Road and has shared them with the public for feedback; and

WHEREAS, alternative 4A and precursor designs depicted a realignment of Eubanks Road through the Northwood neighborhood in Orange County that would necessitate the demolition of multiple homes and would create substantial negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, NCDOT has explored other alternatives such as alternative 4B that aligns Eubanks Road in such a way as to minimize impacts on the surrounding neighborhoods;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization Board hereby states its opposition to alternative 4A of the I-40/NC 86 interchange, which realigns Eubanks Road in a way detrimental to the surrounding neighborhood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization Board is supportive of a design that supports the following criteria:

- Minimizes and mitigates adverse impacts on neighborhoods surrounding the project; and
- Supports alternative modes of travel, specifically bicycle, pedestrian, and transit; and
- Protects the feasibility of future improvements to Eubanks Road and NC 86 for the North-South Bus Rapid Transit project; and

- Staggers construction on Old NC 86 and NC 86 so that construction occurs on each road at different times; and
- Ensures sufficient access for emergency response vehicles.

This resolution is hereby approved by the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board on February 27, 2019.

Damon Seils, MPO Board Chair

Durham County, North Carolina

I certify that Damon Seils personally appeared before me this day acknowledging to me that he signed the forgoing document.

Date: February 27, 2019

Frederick Brian Rhodes, Notary Public
My commission expires: May 10, 2020