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June 14, 2012

The Honorable Stan White
North Carolina General Assembly
1121 Legislative Building
16 West Jones Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Senator White:

Governor Perdue asked me to respond to your letter concerning ferry tolling and the Gap funding for the Mid-Currituck Bridge project. The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) appreciates your concerns regarding both these issues.

The Department continues to monitor legislative actions regarding ferry tolling, and we are committed to working with the legislature on finding a constructive solution as soon as possible.

We are aware of the importance of the Mid-Currituck project to eastern North Carolina and, ultimately, to the entire State. We are committed to moving forward with this project as expeditiously as possible. On June 8, as requested, I provided an anticipated project schedule to the Transportation Appropriations Co-Chairs, based on clear indication of legal action from third parties. Notwithstanding, to be certain that NCDOT can proceed with this important project as soon as possible, \$28 million annual planned GAP funds are needed in this budget cycle. I believe this information supports complete funding for the Mid-Currituck Bridge project. Please see attached a copy of this letter.

Thank you for your interest in ensuring that this project is a high priority in our state. Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Trogdon".

Jim Trogdon, P.E.
Chief Operating Officer

Attachment

cc: Governor Beverly Perdue