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SECRETARY

June 14, 2012

The Honorable William A. Current, Sr.
North Carolina General Assembly
418B Legislative Office Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Dear Representative Current:

Governor Perdue asked me to respond to your concern regarding the Gap funding for the Garden Parkway project. The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is aware of the importance of this project to western North Carolina and, ultimately, to the entire State.

The Department is 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, \$35 million annual planned GAP funds are needed in this budget cycle. I believe this information supports complete funding for the Garden Parkway 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, appearing to read "Jim Trogdon".

Jim Trogdon, P.E.
Chief Operating Officer

Attachment

cc: Governor Beverly Perdue