# Type I or II Categorical Exclusion Action Classification Form

STIP Project No.	BL-0046	
WBS Element	50256.1.1	
Federal Project No.	1116015	

#### A. Project Description:

Widening and resurfacing of the existing pavement structure on SR 1116 (Ocean Blvd.) from MP 0.00 to MP 1.06 and MP 1.19 to MP 6.15 in Brunswick County. There will be 3' widening on the intracoastal side and 7' widening on the ocean side. See attached Vicinity Map.



B. <u>Description of Need and Purpose</u>

Safety of the traveling and pedestrians by installing 5' bike lanes along Ocean Blvd. The existing surface course has exceeded its service life.

C. Categorical Exclusion Action Classification:



TYPE I(A) - Ground Disturbing Action

- D. Proposed Improvements:
  - 3. Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities
- 26. Modernization of a highway by resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, reconstruction, adding shoulders, or adding auxiliary lanes (including parking, weaving, turning, and climbing lanes), if the action meets the constraints listed in 23 CFR 771.117(e)(1-6).
- E. Special Project Information:

#### **Cost Estimate:**

March 2021

- Right of Way \$0
- Utilities \$0
- Construction \$2,100,000

Right of Way: The project will be constructed within the existing and maintained Right of Way.

**Anticipated Permit of Construction Requirements:** 

A significant portion of the project is located within the Ocean Erodible Area of Environmental Concern (AEC). Through coordination with the Division of Coastal Management (DCM) its has been determined that a CAMA Major Permit will be required for the project.

#### Water Resources:

No jurisdictional wetlands or waters will be impacted by the project.

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## **Protected Species:**

As of March 24, 2021, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) list eighteen federally protected species for Brunswick County. No species will be impacted by this project.

#### **Public Involvement:**

As part of the Division of Coastal Management CAMA Major Permit application process, the adjacent riparian property owners will be notified via certified mail with the project application and will be given opportunity to comment on the project.

Maps: See attached vicinity maps

App &/or imp	posed improvement(s) that fit Type I Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agree bendix A) including 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 18, 21, 22 (ground disturbing), 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 2 r Type II Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement, Appendix B) answer that threshold questions (below) and questions 8 – 31.	.8, &/or he proje	30; ect
•	If any question 1-7 is checked "Yes" then NCDOT certification for FHWA approval is re If any question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for the in Section G.	equired. ose que	stic
PRO (FH	OJECT IMPACT THRESHOLDS  WA signature required if any of the questions 1-7 are marked "Yes".)	Yes	١
1	Does the project require formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)?		[
2	Does the project result in impacts subject to the conditions of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA)?		[
3	Does the project generate substantial controversy or public opposition, for any reason, following appropriate public involvement?		E
4	Does the project cause disproportionately high and adverse impacts relative to low-income and/or minority populations?		[
5	Does the project involve a residential or commercial displacement, or a substantial amount of right of way acquisition?		[
6	Does the project require an Individual Section 4(f) approval?		[
7	Does the project include adverse effects that cannot be resolved with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) or have an adverse effect on a National Historic Landmark (NHL)?		[
	ny question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for those tion G.	questio	ns
Oth	er Considerations	Yes	1
8	Is an Endangered Species Act (ESA) determination unresolved or is the project covered by a Programmatic Agreement under Section 7?		I
9	Is the project located in anadromous fish spawning waters?		1
10	Does the project impact waters classified as Outstanding Resource Water (ORW), High Quality Water (HQW), Water Supply Watershed Critical Areas, 303(d) listed impaired water bodies, buffer rules, or Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV)?		[
11	Does the project impact Waters of the United States in any of the designated mountain trout streams?		
12	Does the project require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Individual		

	13	Will the project require an easement from a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licensed facility?		
	Othe	er Considerations for Type I and II Ground Disturbing Actions (continued)	Yes	No
	14	Does the project include a Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) effects determination other than a No Effect, including archaeological remains?		Ø
	15	Does the project involve GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concerns such as gas stations, dry cleaners, landfills, etc.?		V
*	16	Does the project require work encroaching and adversely affecting a regulatory floodway or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 23 CFR 650 subpart A?		Ø
	17	Is the project in a Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) county and substantially affects the coastal zone and/or any Area of Environmental Concern (AEC)?	V	
	18	Does the project require a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) permit?		$\overline{\Delta}$
	19	Does the project involve construction activities in, across, or adjacent to a designated Wild and Scenic River present within the project area?		V
	20	Does the project involve Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) resources?		$\square$
	21	Does the project impact federal lands (e.g. U.S. Forest Service (USFS), USFWS, etc.) or Tribal Lands?		Ø
	22	Does the project involve any changes in access control or the modification or construction of an interchange on an interstate?		
	23	Does the project have a permanent adverse effect on local traffic patterns or community cohesiveness?		
	24	Will maintenance of traffic cause substantial disruption?		$\checkmark$
	25	Is the project inconsistent with the STIP, and where applicable, the Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?		V
	26	Does the project require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property?		
	27	Does the project involve Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) buyout properties under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)?		$\checkmark$
	28	Does the project include a de minimis or programmatic Section 4(f)?		
	29	Is the project considered a Type I under the NCDOT Noise Policy?		
	30	Is there prime or important farmland soil impacted by this project as defined by the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)?		V
	31	Are there other issues that arose during the project development process that affected the project decision?		V

G. Additional Documentation as Required from Section F (ONLY for questions marked 'Yes'): 17. CAMA Major Development Permit will be required for the proposed construction within the Ocean Erodible AEC.

## NCDOT PROJECT COMMITMENTS

STIP Project No. BL-0046
Holden Beach Bicycle Lanes and Resurfacing
Brunswick County
Federal Aid Project No. 1116015
WBS Element 50256.1.1

#### **FEMA Coordination**

The Hydraulics Unit will coordinate with the NC Floodplain Mapping Program (FP) to determine status of project with regard to applicability of NCDOT's Memorandum of Agreement, or approval of a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and subsequent final Letter of Map Revision (LOMR).

### **High Quality Waters**

The project is located in a watershed which drains to High-Quality Waters, therefore NCDOT will implement Design Standards for Sensitive Watersheds.

## I. Categorical Exclusion Approval:

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Prepared By: 03/28/2022	Docusigned by: Sean C Farrell
Date	Sean Farrell, Division 3 Environmental Officer North Carolina Department of Transportation
Prepared For:	Division 3 Construction Unit
Reviewed By:	DocuSigned by:
03/28/2022	Tenor Carroll
Date  Approve	Trevor Carroll, P.E., Division 3 Assistant Construction Engineer     North Carolina Department of Transportation
Certified	If ANY grey boxes are checked in Section F (pages 2 and 3) NCDOT certifies the Type I or Type II
	Chad D. Kimes, P.E., Division 3 Engineer
	North Carolina Department of Transportation
FHWA Approved: Fo	or Projects Certified by NCDOT (above), FHWA signature required.
N/A N/	A
Date for Jo	ohn F. Sullivan, III, PE, Division Administrator ederal Highway Administration

Note: Prior to ROW or Construction authorization, a consultation may be required (please see Section VII of the NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement for more details).