



September 23, 2009

High Point

The Honorable Mel Watt
United States House of Representatives
2403 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Archdale

Jamestown

Subject: Recision of Transportation Funds in North Carolina

Dear Congressman Watt:

Mel

Thomasville

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The proportions of the recision will be governed by the requirements of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and by the available unobligated balances within federal funding categories. Because funding obligations in North Carolina do exactly match those anticipated by SAFETEA-LU and because FHWA has assured the State that it will not require projects to be de-obligated it is likely that long range planning, Interstate Maintenance, Highway Safety, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality, and the STP-DA program for larger MPOs will be most seriously affected. These are programs intended to meet important safety needs or to flexibly address more local needs within urban or nonattainment areas.

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Thank you for your consideration and attention. If I may be of assistance to you on this issue please let me know.

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Sincerely,

Becky

Mayor Rebecca R. Smothers
Chair High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization.



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The Honorable Virginia Foxx
United States House of Representatives
1230 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Howard Coble
United States House of Representatives
Archdale 2468 Rayburn House Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Richard Burr
United States Senate
217 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Kay Hagan

United States Senate

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B40A Dirkson Senate Office Building

Washington, DC 20510

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