

# **Durham County**

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## Legislation Text

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### Item:

#### Resolution Supporting NCDOT Project to Resurface a Portion of Page Road

**Date Of BOCC Meeting: February 12, 2018** 

#### **Request For Board Action:**

The Board is requested to approve the attached resolution, which NCDOT requires to move forward with the project.

NCDOT is planning to both strengthen and resurface the portion of Page Road between Chin Page Road and TW Alexander (see attached map) in 2017. The extra strengthening, designed to help the road handle both current and future traffic, is anticipated to cost approximately \$400,000 and thus requires a resolution of support from all relevant local boards, which in this case are the Wake County and Durham County Boards of County Commissioners. No County funds would be required for expended as part of this project.

The width of the road does not make it suitable for any easy additional of bicycle lanes / facilities, nor is there time, given the specific source of funds for this project, to try to assemble funding to acquire additional right-of -way, for example. The source of funds is called "High Impact/Low Cost" and has essentially replaced the old Small Construction funds. Whatever projects are chosen have to be under construction within 12 months, which rules out many, more complex project.

NCDOT uses criteria to screen, but not rank, projects, and they include AADT, accident rate, existing lane width, improvement to Level Of Service (LOS), non-highway components, other funds, and County Tier Designation. According to NCDOT representative Mike Kneis, "It's a fairly easy bar to qualify, but the 12 months and R/W (right-of-way) issues will keep a lot of projects out."

<u>Alignment with Strategic Plan:</u> Well-paved roads are important for many important activities across all five of our Strategic Plan goals.

**Resource Persons:** Drew Cummings, Chief of Staff

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the attached resolution, which NCDOT requires to move forward with the project.

County Manager: