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Resolution Requesting Assistance from the State of North Carolina to Identify Roads in the Unincorporated Area of Pender County Adjacent to Surf City as Part of the Strategic Road Network

WHEREAS, the unincorporated area of Pender County adjacent to Surf City serves as the gateway to Topsail Island (Surf City/Topsail Beach); and

WHEREAS, the primary routes of NC 210 and NC 50 serve as the access to Topsail Island for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, there are no secondary routes that provide alternative access for congestion relief and service delivery; and

WHEREAS, while there are several recommended roadway projects proposed at the State-level through the prioritization process, these projects are rather large in size and have not seen favorable scores for recommended funding; and

WHEREAS, development in Surf City and unincorporated Pender County in the Topsail Township is expected to continue its rapid pace in the future. Between 2000 and 2010, the population in the Topsail Township grew by 53%, which includes Surf City and unincorporated areas along US 17; and

WHEREAS, over the last several years, traffic has sought out alternative routes to avoid or reduce their travel time going to Topsail Island, specifically along Cedar Ave, Landing Dr, and Driftwood Dr; and

WHEREAS, these roads, that are privately maintained, have not been able to address or keep up with the traveling public utilizing them for congestion relief purposes which has led to a burden relating to maintenance as well as safety of the residents and motorists attempting to use these routes; and

WHEREAS, as an alternative route to access the Island, Pender County feels that this could be a benefit for the existing citizens as well as the general public as a strategic collector street to reduce a portion of the burden along the existing NC routes in the area; and

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners is requesting the attention of our State Legislators as well as NCDOT to seek a solution to this long-term issue to benefit the region and assure a safe and efficient transportation system.

Adopted this the 18th day of June 2018.



George R. Brown, Chairman
Pender County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Melissa Long
Clerk to the Board

