

## Notice of Opportunity for a Public Hearing

Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

Pursuant to the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, (Public Law 114-94), notice is hereby given that persons who wish to request a public hearing on the following projects must submit said request in writing to the following address:

Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority  
Attention: Albert Eby, Executive Director  
P.O. Box 12630  
Wilmington, NC 28405-0130

If no requests are received within fifteen (15) days from the publication of this notice, the public hearing process will be considered complete, no public hearing will be deemed necessary, and the Proposed Program of Projects will become the Final Program of Projects.

### PROPOSED PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

#### URBANIZED AREA:

New Hanover County, Southern Pender and Northern Brunswick Counties, North Carolina as defined by the planning area boundary of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

#### RECIPIENT:

Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION(S):

##### **Seven (7) 35' HHD Compressed Natural Gas Replacement Buses STIP ID TA-5223**

###### **49 USC §5339(b):**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$ 3,500,000.00</b>
Federal (FTA)	\$ 2,800,000.00
State (NCDOT)	\$ 350,000.00
Local	\$ 350,000.00

##### **Two (2) 30' HHD Compressed Natural Gas Replacement Buses STIP ID TA-5223**

###### **49 USC §5339(b):**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000.00</b>
Federal (FTA)	\$ 800,000.00
State (NCDOT)	\$ 100,000.00
Local	\$ 100,000.00

FTA grant will be applied for by the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority for: seven (7) 35' Compressed Natural Gas powered replacement buses and two (2) 30' replacement CNG vehicles used to provide service to the Downtown Wilmington trolley program.

No persons, families, or businesses will be displaced by this project. The service area of the project includes New Hanover County and its immediate urbanized environs as defined by the planning area boundary of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.

No significant environmental impact is expected upon the service area as a result of this project.

These projects are in the adopted Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program and State Transportation Improvement Program for the Wilmington metropolitan area.

The Program of Projects will comply with the FAST Act requirements that at least one percent of the apportionment is used for transit enhancements. At least one percent of the apportionment will be used for transit security.

The project will take into consideration the special needs of the elderly and disabled by providing half fare rates for those persons age 65 and older and qualified disabled individuals utilizing the fixed route service. In addition, complementary Paratransit service is available for those individuals who meet the criteria outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority will afford an opportunity for all interested parties to be heard with respect to the social, environmental, and economic aspects of the above projects, if requested.

A copy of the applications, the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program, and the Public Transportation Element of the State Transportation Improvement Program are available for inspection at the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority administrative office located at 505 Cando Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28405 between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm Monday through Friday.