Public Hearing Notice

This is to inform the public of the opportunity to attend a public hearing on the proposed Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) application to be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation no later than September 30, 2011, by the County of Buncombe. The public hearing will be held on September 13, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners meeting in the Commissioners' Chamber, which is located at 30 Valley Street, Asheville, NC. Buncombe County will provide auxiliary aids and services under the ADA for disabled persons who wish to participate in the hearing. Anyone requiring special services should contact Kathy Hughes, Clerk to the Board, as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

The programs included in the ROAP application are:

- 1. Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance (EDTAP) Program provides operating assistance for the transportation of elderly and disabled citizens.
- 2. Employment Transportation Assistance Program is intended to provide operating assistance for the transportation of persons with employment related transportation needs.
- 3. Rural General Public (RGP) Program funds are intended to provide operating assistance for the transportation of individuals who do not have human service agency assistance to pay for their transportation and live in non-urbanized areas.

The period of performance for ROAP funds is July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. The FY 2012 ROAP individual program totals are:

PROGRAM	TOTAL
EDTAP	\$141,483
EMPL	\$ 59,417
RGP	\$118,519
TOTAL	\$319,419

This application may be inspected in the offices of Buncombe County Planning and Development, 46 Valley Street, Asheville, 28801, from 8-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Written comments should be directed to Denise Braine, Planner III Buncombe County Planning and Development at the above address by September 13.

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