

Staff at Triangle Transit has reviewed the plans and following are our comments on:

**Z1500009 Farrington Road Mixed Use**

Request: RS-20, OI (D) to MU (D)

Location: Farrington Road at Rutgers Place

**Proposed Durham-Orange (D-O) LRT Project**

The subject project, which is bounded by Farrington Road, Cleora Drive, Crescent Drive and Rutgers Place, does not appear to be within the proposed alignment for the D-O LRT Project.

Development of the Leigh Village D-O LRT Station and its Park and Ride Facilities, as shown on the accompanying illustrative plans, would be designed to support or include the following:

- Extension of Cleora Drive westwards to a future intersection with George King Road
- The D-O LRT alignment will cross Farrington Road at-grade, approximately ¼ mile north of the intersection of Rutgers and Farrington
- Hudson Road and Crescent Street would be terminated to accommodate the D-O LRT alignment; future connectivity could be provided by the possible extension of the proposed “New EW Street C”
- The possible extension of the proposed “New EW Street D” could align with the subject project’s driveway which is shown north of the intersection of Crescent and Cleora Drives.
- Based on the conceptual alignments of the possible roadway extensions, the proposed Leigh Village LRT Station would be a 5 to 10 minute walk from the subject project.
- Two of the five alternates under consideration for the Rail Operations and Maintenance Facility are approximately ¾ mile north of the intersection of Rutgers and Farrington.

Attached, for your reference is a copy of the Illustrative Plan of the proposed Leigh Village LRT Station.

*All plans for the D-O LRT Project are conceptual and subject to change.*

*Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is currently under development by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) with support from GoTriangle (Triangle Transit). The Draft EIS, which is expected to be completed in late summer 2015, will include a full description of*

*the affected human and natural environments of the alternatives considered and an analysis of the impacts of each alternative.*

*The results of this analysis and other information related to the study of the D-O LRT Project and its alternatives will be available for public review in conjunction with the 45-day public comment period which will follow publication of the DEIS by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). In the late summer/early fall 2015, when the DEIS is published by FTA, the public will have the opportunity to provide comments on that document which will also include the proposed NEPA Preferred Alternative.*

GoTriangle (*that's our new name*) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the plans. Please contact us for any additional information.