



# House of Representatives

State of South Carolina

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September 17, 2015

Mr. Keith Riddle, PE  
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Re: Proposed Roundabout at Hwy 101 and North McElhaney Road

Dear Mr. Riddle:

Please accept my thanks for holding the public meeting at Greer High School this past Tuesday to discuss the above referenced project. The information and graphic representations presented by SCDOT gave the public a good idea of how the roundabout might work. I was glad to see that the meeting was well attended by local citizens.

I attended the meeting from 4:45pm until 7:15pm. During that time, many people voiced to me their opposition to this project. The reasons given included the following:

1. The roundabout would interfere with the response time of Lake Cunningham Fire Department.
2. The roundabout would unnecessarily slow traffic down to an unacceptable level.
3. The funds designated for the roundabout would be better spent on safety upgrades to the Hwy 101 and Milford Church Road intersection.
4. The graphic representation traffic flow through the roundabout did not take into account the number of large trucks that use Hwy 101.

Beyond these specific reasons, many people did not understand why this project was being considered since no one from the community has complained about that particular intersection.

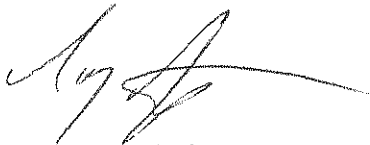
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As a driver who uses Hwy 101 frequently, I agree with all of their points. This project, while maybe solving a theoretical safety issue, is a waste of money on a practical level.

Please be advised that I oppose this project and ask that SCDOT not proceed. I further request that every effort be made to re-direct the funds for this project to improving the intersection at Hwy 101 and Milford Church Road.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tommy Stringer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tommy Stringer