



U.S. 1/64 Project Utilizes Smart Zone Technology

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Raleigh ([PRWEB](#)) March 23, 2005 -- Motorists now can check out traffic conditions in the U.S. 1/64 construction zone before getting into their cars. The N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is utilizing Smart Zone technology to inform motorists of current travel conditions for the U.S. 1/64 widening project.

Smart work zones are equipped with sensors to detect traffic conditions and relay real-time information to message boards to alert motorists of alternate routes and delays on the highway. Also, cameras are installed to monitor the flow of traffic. Both the cameras and real-time travel information regarding delays can be accessed on the project's website www.us1wake.com.

The Smart Zone technology will allow motorists to check traffic conditions before they leave their homes or jobs, which will help them plan driving routes to accommodate the current traffic conditions.

The NCDOT has successfully deployed Smart Zone technology on several interstate projects. The use of Smart Zone technology on the U.S. 1/64 widening project is the first in the state to be deployed in an urban area. It is also the first to provide moving video to the public rather than still images.

The NCDOT reminds motorists to stay alert in the U.S. 1/64 construction zone, obey the posted speed limit of 55 mph, be aware of construction workers and watch signs for construction information. The fine for speeding in the work zone is \$250 and three driver license points.

Motorists can visit the project website www.us1wake.com, for news and updates regarding the project. Website users also can register to receive e-mail updates about the U.S. 1/64 improvement project. For printed copies of the updates, call the project information line at 1-888-303-3101.

For more information about this project, contact the toll-free information line at 1-888-303-3101 or the resident engineer at 919-840-0914. For information about other NCDOT projects, call 1-800-DOT-4YOU.

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