

Final approval for northern leg I-73 set for Wednesday

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Officials with the S.C. Department of Transportation will hold a ceremony at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Columbia for the signing of the Record of Decision for the Interstate 73 northern route, according to a news release.

The event will be held in Room 306 of the Silas Pearman Building at 955 Park St., Columbia.

The ROD represents the final approval of the final environmental impact statement, completing the environmental review process, and permits DOT officials to begin expending available federal funding in right-of-way acquisitions for the northern route.

The northern route goes to I-73/74 in the Rockingham and Hamlet, N.C., area, and runs south across the state line through Marlboro and Dillon counties.

The ROD for the southern route, which goes from I-95 to Horry County's S.C. 22, was signed Feb. 8.

For more information about it go to www.I73.com or call 1-866-924-7374.