

Meeting scheduled to discuss I-73 location

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The South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration want your input. They are trying to pinpoint the exact location for the northern leg of Interstate 73.

In July, the preferred I-73 route was presented as a half-mile stretch that will run from I-95 to the Bennettsville and Hamlet, North Carolina areas.

However, transportation officials need to narrow that down to a 400-foot wide route, the typical width of an interstate.

The meeting will be held at 5:00 pm tomorrow at Marlboro County High School.

If you would like to speak at the meeting, you may sign up from 5:00 to 5:30.

On a related note, this past Friday, the Department of Transportation announced that tolls could be a major funding option for I-73.

The road would be the first of three projects to get a federal exception to put tolls on an Interstate.

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