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1	Alan Gardner	E-Mail	8/22/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I am very concerned about the Waxhaw Parkway project. Specifically I am concerned about the fact that the Waxhaw board of commissioners decided to recommend to the CRTPO a specific route that runs through my property and my neighbors in Waxhaw Meadows Plantation. " "I have just begun notifying other affected landowners of the situation and they are very upset. We request that this new Parkway Route not be a part of the new draft without further study and input from those that will be drastically affected."
2	Gwen Gardner	E-Mail	8/22/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "Though a bypass will divert big trucks from going through downtown Waxhaw, I don't believe due diligence has been done properly. If the parkway comes thru my neighborhood, Waxhaw Meadows Plantation, it will be devastating to the people & creatures who live here." "I strongly implore you to reconsider where the Waxhaw Parkway goes."
3	Dennis Fridrich	E-Mail	8/23/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I am land owner in Waxhaw Meadows Plantation and have plans to build there in the next few years, but am reconsidering due to this project." "I would request the Commissioners remove the route until further dialogue takes place with the impacted parties." "other plans drawn up have been discounted. It would be good for the Commissioners to explain why and the deciding factors. Why was this route considered?"
4	Mark Hernig	E-Mail	8/23/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I was told by a road construction engineer that the by-pass project was 20 years away, and notices would be put out, way in advance, to area residence for preliminary route discussions. But it appears this has been deviated from and an "approved" route sent on for consideration without input from area citizens." "Two possible alternative alignments would be (1) From 75 it crosses an open field, then at RR it follows an old RR spur line that went to the old Howie mine. From Howie Mine Rd. it would go through woods to tie in to Cuthberson Rd, or (2) Another route would be this same route up to McNealy, then down McNealy to Grrover Rogers Rd., then over to Cuthberson."

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5	Ann Yochem	E-Mail	8/23/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I was horrified to see the approved plan for the Waxhaw Bypass cut directly through this development. I don't understand why we were never notified of this and would think transparency, especially now, would be the norm."
6	Taylor Searcey	E-Mail	8/23/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "My concern is that there is a published, "approved" route for the Waxhaw Parkway that directly affects land and home values today and will for many years to come! How can the town/county/state publish a map without a single affected land owner being made aware? As you can imagine this can hurt our value and our livelihood in many ways, whether it's a low priority project or not "
7	Thomas Minieri	E-Mail	8/24/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "This route will cause significant harm and loss to my family, our neighbors, and our neighborhood. Even the plan to build this route in the future causes significant harm and loss to us due to uncertainty. With so much open land in Waxhaw it seems very reasonable to reexamine this route and, if it's even necessary, find a path that does not interfere with our community and way of life."
8	Elizabeth Minieri	E-Mail	8/24/2017	As a land owner of Snow White Field, I object to this route as it diminishes property value. In fact, even the projection causes alarm to potential buyers. This new route is unnecessary and there are plenty of other options to consider that do not include destroying the highly established and loved land of current residents and families.

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10	Ken Whitaker	E-Mail	8/26/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "We own property (two parcels) that will be greatly effected by this project. The current map has the road coming right through the middle of one and only a few hundred feet from the back door of our home on the other parcel, then continuing through my Mother in law's property . We are all very upset that this could be happening on our land and even more upset that no one from Waxhaw (which we don't even live in) has not contacted us about this. We were considering selling one of the parcels for personal reasons but now we will not be able to because of the map showing a road going through it. We ask that you please reconsider this route,I'm sure there are more reasonable options."
11	Diana Fridich	E-Mail	8/26/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "My husband and I bought land earlier this year in Waxhaw Meadows Plantation and have long term plans to build a house there. However, with the news of this proposed project, we are obviously very worried and concerned " "other proposed routes of the Waxhaw Parkway have been discounted. I would like to hear the reasons why they are not possible now and why this new proposed route through Waxhaw Meadows Plantation was chosen." "remove the route until further study and input from those affected is given."
12	Pat Brooks	E-Mail	8/26/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "that I am very concerned about the proposal for the Waxhaw Parkway coming down Snow White Field Rd. Our house sits right on the edge of the road." "I hope that a better solution can be found that would not be so devastating to so many people and animals."

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13	Bruce Morrill	E-Mail	8/27/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I was extremely shocked to find out from my other property owners that a revised plan was voted on and approved bringing the Waxhaw Parkway right through my property and the rest of Waxhaw Meadows Plantation." " I do not believe there were studies that suggested that this was the best route for the Parkway. I know there were not studies as to the impact on the community nor the lives of those living in that community." "I ask that you revise the current plans as there are multiple other avenues the parkway could go leaving the beautiful community of Waxhaw Meadows Plantation untouched. I also ask that you take down these plans while they are being revised as it is an extreme detriment to the value of our properties."
14	Shawna Collins	E-Mail	8/27/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> " I am very concerned about the following project." "Waxhaw decided to recommend to the CRTPO a specific route that runs through the middle of my neighborhood in Waxhaw Meadows Plantation. " " Previous potential routes have been discarded and this new route has been designated as the "approved" route. Why were the other routes discarded and this one chosen?" " We request that this new Parkway Route NOT be a part of the new draft without further study and input from those that will be drastically affected."
15	Jen Morrill	E-Mail	8/30/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> " I am begging you to please reconsider the route of the "approved" plan for the parkway, which literally runs through the middle of our future home site" "There are other routes that can be taken, which will not have as significant of an impact as our developed neighborhood."
16	Martha Whitaker	E-Mail	8/30/2017	The proposed route of the parkway, running through our property, is devastating! It's almost a feeling of having no control and imprisonment. We were not informed of this plan by those planning it. Our property value is at stake, and will be indefinitely, with an approved line through our property. What rights do we have in this situation?
17	Elton Hardy	E-Mail	8/30/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "The map goes across 2 pieces on our land and I do not want it (Waxhaw Parkway project)."

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18	Daniel and Denise Dubuc	E-Mail	8/30/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "It goes without saying that the expansion of the Waxhaw Parkway will drastically impact property value of Waxhaw Meadows and surrounding areas. " "As the owners of the affected parcels, we have a vested interest in the development of the project, as it will most certainly affect our lives from now until the project's completion."
19	Nicole Plyler	E-Mail	8/31/2017	<i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I would like to add my name to the list of homeowners in Waxhaw Meadows Plantation that are opposed to the current route marked as "approved" on the map visible at the Waxhaw Town Hall in regards to the proposed Waxhaw Beltway. I am in favor of moving the proposed route to a location that will not inflict negativity on the value of our properties OR the atmosphere of our neighborhood."

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20	Jay Privette	E-Mail	8/28/2017	I-77, I-485, US 74, Sidewalks along Provincetowne Roadways	<p><i>Comments have been edited for brevity. A full version of the comments can be made available upon request.</i> "I did not find sidewalks proposed for a neighborhood called "Provincetowne" among the projects listed." "The streets are narrow two lanes that people frequently walk in, and children have to walk in the streets to get to their school bus stops. That is particularly dangerous in the dark at turns when children often aren't visible in one's headlights until after a turn is complete." " I noticed many of the projects under consideration by CRTPO are along the I-77, I-485 and Hwy 74 corridors where toll lanes are proposed by the NCDOT. Is CRTPO aware that according to the NCDOT's own forecasts the congestion within those corridors will increase after toll lanes are in place?"</p>	<p>The roadways within the Provincetowne neighborhood are maintained by the City of Charlotte, and not by NCDOT. This comment will be forwarded to the Charlotte Department of Transportation for their consideration. The tolled managed lanes projects are based upon the CRTPO's policy to add capacity to I-77, I-485 and US 74 with variably priced managed lanes. NCDOT's projects follow that policy. The Charlotte region is expected to grow and additional growth will bring additional traffic. In growing areas, such as Charlotte, newly constructed general purpose lanes on freeways become relatively congested again relatively quickly. Variably priced managed lanes are designed to provide long-term congestion management for these corridors.</p>