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These rules all cite as authority G.S. 143B-350(g), which allows the Board of Transportation to delegate rulemaking authority to the Secretary of Transportation. G.S. 143B-350(g)(3). These rules appear to have been readopted by the Secretary rather than the Board. Please provide evidence of the delegation by the Board to the Secretary, as authorized by G.S. 143B-350(g)(3).

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Line 7 – is RIAP information available on-line? If so, please provide a web address.

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2	19A NCAC 06B .0402 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 149 as follows:		
3	19A NCAC 06B .04	02 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION	
4	Information related t	to RIAP may be obtained from:	
5		Director, Rail Division	
6		NC DOT	
7		PO Box 25201	
8		1 South Wilmington Street	
9		Raleigh, NC 27611	
10		Telephone 919 733 4713	
11			
12		Branch Manager, Planning and Development	
13		North Carolina Department of Transportation	
14		(Mail) 1553 Mail Service Center	
15		Raleigh, NC 27699-1553	
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17		(Delivery) 1 South Wilmington Street	
18		Raleigh, NC 27601	
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20		<u>Telephone 919-707-4700</u>	
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22	History Note: Au	thority G.S. 136-44.36; 143B-350(f) and (g);	
23	Eff	f. April 30, 1997 . <u>1997;</u>	
24	<u>Re</u>	adopted Eff. December 1, 2016.	
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Line 7 – what does "rail dock" mean – is this term defined or otherwise well-understood by your regulated public? In addition, what costs related to a rail dock are not eligible for RIAP program costs? Planning, construction, renovation, maintenance, all costs, or something else?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

2	19A NCAC 06B	.0405 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 149 as follows:
3	19A NCAC 061	3 .0405 INELIGIBLE COSTS
4	Costs which are	not eligible for RIAP program costs are as follows:
5	(1)	Relocation of utilities;
6	(2)	Acquisition of rights of way; and
7	(3)	Rail dock.
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9	History Note:	Authority G.S. 136-44.36; 143B-350(f) and (g);
10		Eff. April 30, 1997;
11		Amended Eff. April 1, 1999. <u>1</u>999;
12		Readopted Eff. December 1, 2016.
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Line 4 – an application is required by this Rule. G.S. 150B-2(8a)d. does not require such a form to be adopted as a rule if its "contents or substantive requirements ... are prescribed by rule or statute." Is there a rule or statute that prescribes the information required in this application?

Line 5 – Is the application available on a website? If so, please provide the web address.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1 2	19A NCAC 06B .040	6 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 150 as follows:			
3	19A NCAC 06B .04	06 APPLICATION			
4	Candidates for RIAP	Candidates for RIAP funding shall complete and submit a funding application to the Department of Transportation. Copies of			
5	the application may l	the application may be obtained from:			
6		Director, Rail Division			
7		North Carolina Department of Transportation			
8		PO Box 25201			
9		1 South Wilmington Street			
10		Raleigh, NC 27611			
11		Telephone 919 733 4713			
12					
13		Branch Manager, Planning and Development			
14		North Carolina Department of Transportation			
15		(Mail) 1553 Mail Service Center			
16		Raleigh, NC 27699-1553			
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18		(Delivery) 1 South Wilmington Street			
19		Raleigh, NC 27601			
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21		<u>Telephone 919-707-4700</u>			
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24	History Note: Au	thority G.S. 136-44.36; 143B-350(f) and (g);			
25	Eff	f. April 30, 1997. <u>1997:</u>			
26	<u>Re</u>	adopted Eff. December 1, 2016.			
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Line 5 – replace "in" with "by the project during the" if that is the intended meaning.

Line 6 – replace "in" with "in the project during the" if that is the intended meaning.

Line 7 – what does "annual rail traffic" mean? Perhaps "Annual rail traffic served by the project" or "Annual rail traffic created by the project"? Please clarify.

Lines 9 and 13 – G.S. 105-130.40 and 105-151.17 appear to have been recodified and repealed. Please correct the citations or modify or delete Item (4).

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2	19A NCAC 06B	.0410 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 150 as follows:
3	19A NCAC 061	3 .0410 APPLICATION EVALUATION
4	The Department	shall evaluate the following when recommending rail projects to the Board of Transportation for approval
5	(1)	Employment created in first two years;
6	(2)	Capital investment in first two years;
7	(3)	Annual rail traffic;
8	(4)	Whether the project is located in a county designated as distressed by the North Carolina Department of
9		Commerce as defined in G.S. 105-130.40(c) or G.S. 105-151.17(c);
10	(5)	Whether the project is served by a shortline railroad; and
11	(6)	Impact on local or regional income or economic development.
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13	History Note:	Authority G.S. 105-130.40(c); 105-151.17(c); 136-44.36; 143B-350(f) and (g);
14		Eff. April 30, 1997;
15		Amended Eff. April 1, 1999. <u>1999:</u>
16		Readopted Eff. December 1, 2016.
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Line 4 – revise as follows, if this is what is meant:

After evaluation of public benefits, including new employment, capital investment, and available funding,...

Lines 7-8 – which "maximum" is meant here, 50% of total project costs, 20% of the RIAP budget, or both? Please specify.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1 19A NCAC 06B .0411 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 150 as follows: 2 3 19A NCAC 06B .0411 ALLOCATION OF FUNDING 4 (a) After evaluation of public benefits, including new employment and capital investment and funding available, the 5 Department may award up to a maximum 50% of total project costs. Except as provided in Paragraph (b) of this Rule, a 6 project shall receive no more than 20% of the annual budgeted funding for the RIAP in any fiscal year. 7 (b) The North Carolina Board of Transportation may approve funding above the maximum for individual projects based on 8 the following criteria: 9 Comparison of project costs, benefits, and grantee resources; and (1) 10 (2) Availability of funding. 11 12 Authority G.S. 136-44.36; 143B-350(f) and (g); History Note: 13 Eff. April 30, 1997. <u>1997;</u> 14 Readopted Eff. December 1, 2016. 15 16 17 18

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Line 4 – who may require the submission of a report by the Grantee – please specify.

Line 4 – is "may" or "shall" intended? If "may," under what circumstances might the Grantee be required to submit a progress report?

Line 9 – is the itemized request for reimbursement a form that a Grantee is required to use? G.S. 150B-2(8a)d. does not require such a form to be adopted as a rule if its "contents or substantive requirements ... are prescribed by rule or statute." Is there a rule or statute that prescribes the information required in this request for reimbursement?

Line 10 – may a grantee request reimbursement on-line? If so, please provide a web address.

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1 2	19A NCAC 06B .0413 is readopted as published in 31:03 NCR 150 as follows:		
3	19A NCAC 06B .0413 REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT		
4	(a) Upon execution of the Grant Agreement, the Grantee may be required to submit periodic progress reports to the		
5	Department until the project tracks are completed.		
6	(b) The Department shall not reimburse the Grantee for eligible expenses until the Department verifies completion of t		
7	project tracks, the railroad certifies that it has used the project tracks, or the Department confirms that the railroad has used to		
8	project tracks.		
9	(c) The Grantee shall submit one itemized request for reimbursement to the Department upon completion of project work		
10	the following address:		
11	Grants Administrator Rail Planning Manager		
12	Rail Industrial Access Program		
13	North Carolina Department of Transportation		
14	PO Box 25201		
15	1 South Wilmington Street		
16	Raleigh, NC 27611		
17	(Mail) 1553 Mail Service Center		
18	Raleigh, NC 27699-1553		
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20	(Delivery) 1 South Wilmington Street		
21	Raleigh, NC 27601		
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23	<u>Telephone</u> 919-707-4700		
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26	(d) The Department shall examine the request for reimbursement to verify that the costs were necessary to accomplish the		
27	project.		
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29	History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-350(f) and (g);		
30	Eff. April 30, 1997; April 1, 1999 - <u>1999;</u>		
31	Readopted Eff. December 1, 2016.		
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