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**BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE PROJECT
(S-69-08)
AGENCY COORDINATION AND PUBLIC
INVOLVEMENT PLAN**

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Agency Coordination and Public Involvement Plan (Plan) has been developed for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project (Project), in accordance to Section 6002 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). Section 6002 of SAFETEA-LU requires lead agencies to establish a plan for the involvement of participating agencies and the public during the environmental review process associated with the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

This Plan was prepared by the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), to comply with the requirements in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal and state regulations during the environmental review process and will be updated throughout the life of the project as needed.

The overall goal of the Plan is to identify techniques to meet the needs of and create an atmosphere of open dialogue between SCDOT, Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments (SLRCOG), the Bishopville community and local stakeholders. Community input is critical to the success of any project and the SCDOT and SLRCOG are committed to providing meaningful public involvement opportunities throughout the environmental review process, in accordance with NEPA. This Plan will identify the techniques and methods to assist in establishing a level of trust and respect between the community, local stakeholders, SCDOT and SLRCOG.

Outreach will focus on residents, businesses and identified stakeholders within the City of Bishopville and Lee County. The Plan details specific activities designed to ensure members of the public receive key information and have opportunities to provide meaningful input in decisions affecting their community, while building on information gathered during the development of the previous environmental review process during the development of the Environmental Assessment (EA). It details the techniques and communication tools developed to engage the public and provide the opportunity to participate in the environmental review process during the development of the EIS. Overall, the Plan is designed to be flexible based on the project and the communities need while providing the public an opportunity to participate in the environmental review process.

The Plan will be implemented at the onset of the project, continues through the publication of the Notice of Intent (NOI) in April 2017 and is anticipated to be completed in the Spring 2020, with the approval of the Final EIS (FEIS)/Record of Decision (ROD).

1.2 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The City of Bishopville is in Lee County, in the northeast quadrant of the state and is serviced by the major transportation facilities of I-20, US 15, SC 341 and SC 34. US 15 is a north/south highway that becomes Main Street as it travels through downtown Bishopville. Main Street serves as the primary corridor through the downtown area, connecting I-20 to Bishopville, Hartsville, Bennettsville, and other surrounding towns in the area.

The environmental review process under NEPA was initiated in 2010, and an EA was completed in the Fall of 2012. The EA identified and analyzed seven alternatives to provide alternate routes for large trucks currently traveling through downtown Bishopville on US 15/N. Main Street. Initial public outreach activities included charrettes and community meetings along with a Public Information Meeting. Several individuals spoke out in opposition of the project at the November 2012 Public Hearing. At that time, the City of Bishopville and Lee County could not agree on the preferred alternative. A Public Information Meeting was held in February 2015 where the public was updated on the project and options moving forward. Due to the considerable negative public comment on the project, FHWA stated that an EIS would need to be prepared if the SLRCOG decided to move forward with the environmental planning process. In a letter dated March 27, 2017, the SLRCOG reiterated its support for completing the NEPA process for the project. Thus, SCDOT, SLRCOG, and FHWA have restarted the NEPA process. The FHWA published a NOI to prepare an EIS in the Federal Register on April 14, 2017.

US 15 (N. Main Street) through downtown Bishopville is currently a two-lane roadway with a raised median and on-street parking. On average, over 700 large commercial trucks travel through downtown daily. The purpose of the project is to address the existing and future truck traffic traveling through downtown Bishopville. The EIS for the proposed project will consider the No-Build Alternative as well as build alternatives within the identified project study area that would meet the purpose and need of the project. The EIS will promote informed decision making in the development of a solution to address truck traffic through the downtown area. This EIS will also evaluate options which may enhance the economic development of the area.

1.2.1 PROJECT AREA

The project study area is generally defined by the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, the intersection of Pinchum Sly Road (S 15) and Camden Highway (SC 34) to the northwest and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast (**Figure 1**).

By August 22, 2019, the 24 possible alternatives were refined down to three (Alternatives I, N, and T) and the project study area was refined to the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast.

Figure 1, Project Location Map



1.3 PROJECT COORDINATION TEAM

The Project Coordination Team is comprised of representatives from SCDOT, FHWA, SLRCOG and the consultant team. Contact information for these representatives are in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Project Coordination Team

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2. AGENCY COORDINATION

2.1 RESOURCE AND REGULATORY AGENCY COORDINATION

This Plan outlines the process by which SCDOT and FHWA will communicate information about the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project to Cooperating, Participating and other agencies as well as elected officials, to identify issues early and come to a mutual agreement for addressing those issues/concerns and resolve technical issues in an expeditious manner. Agency coordination will be conducted in compliance with SAFETEA-LU Section 6002.

2.1.1 LEAD AGENCIES

SCDOT and the FHWA are joint lead agencies for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project. As lead agencies, SCDOT and FHWA are responsible for agency scoping, inviting cooperating and participating agencies, developing consensus among a wide range of stakeholders with diverse interests, resolving conflict and ensuring that quality transportation decisions are fully explained in the environmental review process.

2.1.2 COOPERATING AGENCIES

Cooperating Agencies will be involved in the NEPA process in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR 1501.6). According to CEQ (40 CFR 1508.5), "cooperating agency" means any Federal agency, other than a lead agency, that has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved in a proposed project or project alternative. In addition to participating in scoping, Cooperating Agencies become involved in the review of NEPA documents before public distribution. This cooperation facilitates the development of the NEPA document so that it may be adopted by the Cooperating Agencies to satisfy (partially or wholly) NEPA obligations for future project approvals.

Cooperating Agencies for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project include:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

2.1.3 PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

SCDOT and FHWA will consult with Participating Agencies to ensure their views are considered in the NEPA documentation process, and that the substantive and procedural requirements of all Participating Agencies are met. Participating agencies are those with an interest in the project. Their roles and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Participating in the NEPA process starting at the earliest possible time, especially with regards to the development of the purpose and need statement, range of alternatives, methodologies, and level of detail for the analysis of alternatives.

- Identifying, as early as practicable, any issues of concern regarding the project's potential environmental or socioeconomic impacts. Participating agencies also may participate in the issue resolution process described later in this guidance.
- Providing meaningful and timely input on unresolved issues.
- Participating in the scoping process.

Invitational letters to become a Participating Agency were distributed on July 12, 2017. Agencies receiving an invitation and their responses are below.

Federal Agencies

- US Department of Agriculture – Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA NRCS) - Accepted
- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) - Accepted
- US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) - Accepted

State Agencies

- South Carolina Department of Archives and History - Accepted
- South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control - Accepted
- South Carolina Department of Natural Resources - Accepted

Regional/Local Agencies

- SLRCOG - Accepted

3. AGENCY OUTREACH METHODS

3.1 FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS MAILOUTS

The Public Involvement Team will prepare and distribute correspondence to federal, state, and local elected officials (current as of November 22, 2019) to present project updates, public involvement notifications, planning process information, and schedule. At the alternative development phase, updates will be prepared and distributed to regional/local elected officials to present reasonable alternatives developed and screened for further evaluation in the EIS. Briefing letters and correspondence will be developed and distributed to the following:

Federal Representatives

- Lindsey Graham - Senator
- Tim Scott – Senator
- Ralph Norman – Congressman, District 5

State Elected Officials

- Henry McMaster - Governor
- Kevin L. Bryant - Lieutenant Governor
- Thomas McElveen - Senator, District 35
- Gerald Malloy - Senator, District 29
- William W. Wheeler, III - Representative, District 50

Lee County Elected Officials

- R. Travis Windham - District 1 – Council Chairman
- Ronald H. Fountain - District 2
- David Addison - District 3
- Gordon W. Eckley - District 4 – Council Vice Chairman
- Jackie Josey - District 5
- Charles A. Beasley - District 6
- Johnette M. Caughman - District 7

City of Bishopville Elected Officials

- Alexander C. Boyd - Mayor
- Ennis Bryant, Sr. - Council Member
- Edward Byrd - Council Member
- Gloria S. Lewis - Council Member
- Willie Mae Muldrow - Council Member
- Deanna Rollins - Council Member
- Retta D. Tindal - Council Member

3.2 AGENCY MEETINGS

The SCDOT's standing Agency Coordination Effort (ACE) meetings will be used to provide project updates and coordinate with Cooperating and Participating Agencies. Agencies will be notified in advance that the ACE meeting will be used to satisfy the Section 6002 requirements for the Bishopville Project. The ACE meetings will be utilized as a forum for agencies to provide input on:

- Response to NOI/Invitation to be a Cooperating and Participating Agency
- Project Study Area
- Schedule for the Environmental Review Process
- Technical Analyses/Reports Methodologies
- Agency Coordination Public Involvement Plan
- Project Purpose and Need
- Alternative Analysis and Methodologies for Screening Alternatives
- Identification of a Preferred Alternative

For each meeting, DRMP will coordinate and/or provide meeting materials as appropriate that may include: agendas, handouts, sign-in sheets, etc., subject to SCDOT and FHWA approval. Meeting minutes for each ACE meeting will be provided for review and comment. As of this update, the Bishopville Truck Route Project was discussed at the following ACE meetings:

- June 8, 2017: the purpose of the meeting was to reintroduce the project, obtain comments, and identify potential issues related to the project
- August 8, 2017: the purpose of the meeting was to get input/feedback on the technical analysis methodologies
- November 8, 2018: the purpose of the meeting was to get input/feedback on the alternative-screening methodology and get input on proposed project segments
- August 8, 2019: the purpose of the meeting was to get input/feedback on the alternative-screening process and proposed build alternatives that would be evaluated in the DEIS

3.3 SECTION 106 REQUIREMENTS

Another aspect of agency coordination will be fulfillment of Section 106 requirements under the National Historic Preservation Act. SCDOT will consult with South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office. Section 106 consultation regarding adverse effects on historic properties will be conducted as part of this EIS.

3.4 TRIBAL COORDINATION

Early coordination efforts have identified the following Native American tribes and groups within the Community Outreach Area: Catawba Indian Nation, and the Tuscarora Nation. The Coordination Team will facilitate proper coordination practices with the Native American tribes and groups, to solicit input regarding the project.

3.5 FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Plan and all associated outreach will comply with Section 6002 of the SAFETEA-LU:

- Joint lead agency status will be determined and documented
- Lead agency will send Letters of Invitation to Participating and Cooperating Agencies
- Coordination plan will be developed with consultation of Participating Agencies
- Schedule for the environmental review process will be developed through consultation with Participating Agencies
- Participating Agencies and the public will have an opportunity for involvement on the purpose and need
- Participating Agencies and the public will have an opportunity for involvement on the range of alternatives
- Appropriate methodology to be used and level of detail required in analysis will be determined in collaboration with Participating Agencies

4. PUBLIC OUTREACH STRATEGY

4.1 PUBLIC OUTREACH STRATEGY METHODS

The public outreach strategy is based on a review of demographic data, telephone calls, in-person interviews and/or meetings with residents, businesses, stakeholders, local officials, and a physical review of the project area. Demographic information was obtained through a thorough review of 2010 Census Data, the 2012 approved EA, the American Community Survey (ACS) 2012-2016, and information provided from consultants and SCDOT.

An initial field visit of the project area was conducted in June 2016 to assess the community, the geographical configuration, and to meet with FHWA, SCDOT and SLRCOG. In-person meetings were conducted with City and County elected officials and staff, civic and business leaders, as well as SLRCOG staff to obtain initial feedback regarding past and present concerns surrounding the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project. The field visit provided the Public Involvement Coordination Team the opportunity to identify key community members and/or stakeholders to be contacted as part of the outreach efforts for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project. Each source provided unique and specific insight into the culture, issues, and concerns of the community, as well as the history of the City of Bishopville and constraints that exist regarding the proposed roadway.

4.2 OUTREACH GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

The primary goal of the public outreach efforts is to establish and maintain communication between the community, SCDOT and SLRCOG regarding issues and concerns surrounding the development of a new route for trucks. Due to the anticipated high level of community interest and concern, public involvement objectives include:

- Establish trust with the community
- Reset the public involvement process with the community
- Provide ample opportunity for residents and businesses to express their concerns and demonstrate the Coordination Team has heard and understood their issues
- Continually monitor community concerns
- Conduct extensive public outreach efforts to gather input from the community and inform the public on alternative development and the EIS preparation process
- Educate the community regarding the project, the EIS, and the NEPA process

4.3 KEY MILESTONES, ISSUES AND STRATEGIES

The Plan identifies several key project milestones. These include:

- Public Scoping – May 9, 2017
- Development of Preliminary Study Corridors – Winter 2017/Spring 2018
- Refined Alternatives – Summer 2019

- DEIS Public Hearing – Spring 2020
- Final EIS/Record of Decision (ROD) – Fall 2020

Through previous outreach efforts during the EA process and recent SLRCOG listening sessions on March 1st and 2nd, 2017, the following key issues were identified:

- Need for improved project communications
- Public concern regarding the location of previous alternatives from the EA study
- Public concern regarding impacts from the previous study alternative
- Lack of widespread and diverse public involvement

The following strategies have been developed to address these issues during the current environmental planning process:

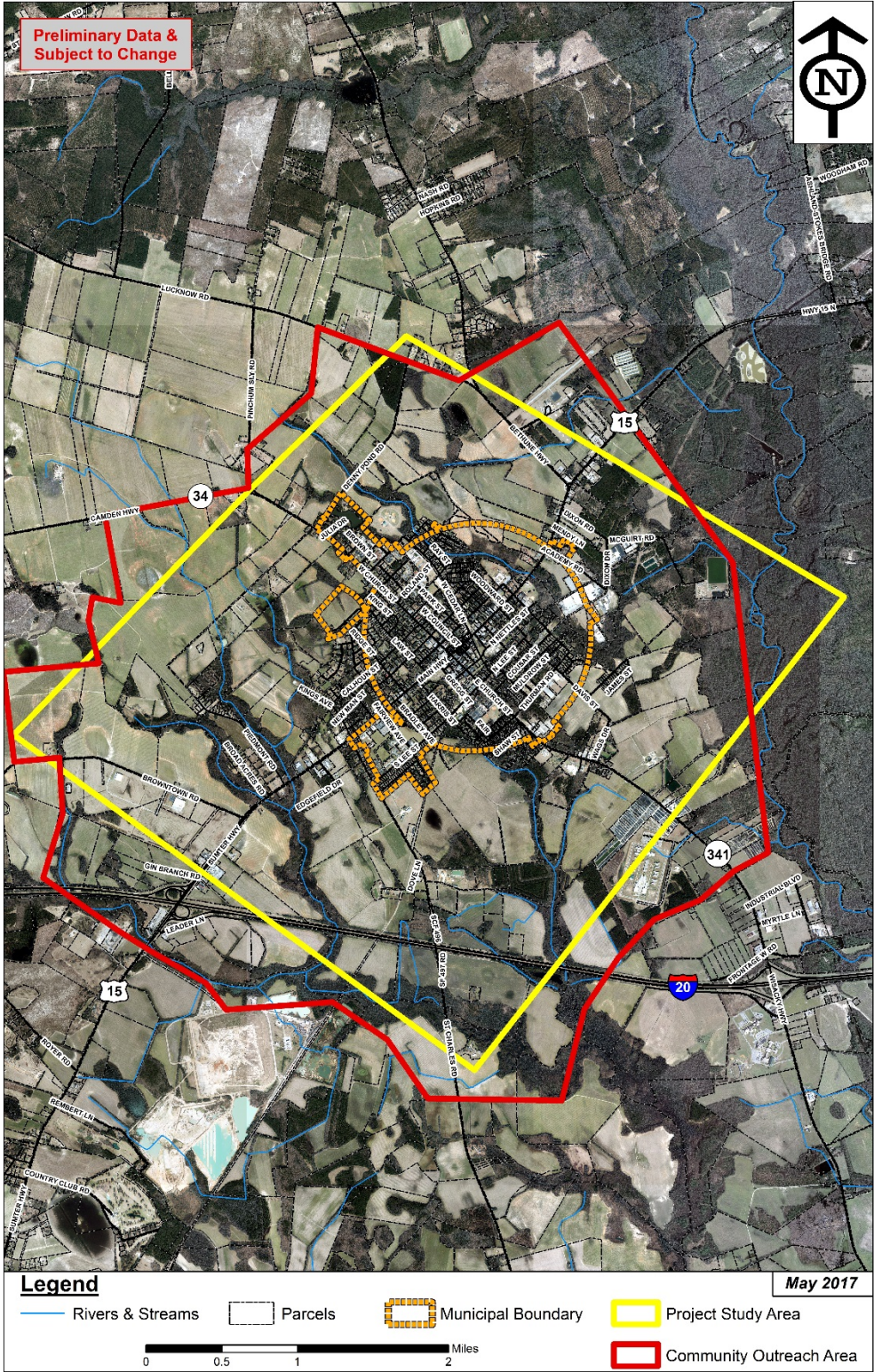
- Distribute information across varying media platforms (local signage, flyers, emails, mail, website, etc.) in a timely fashion to notify the public during project milestones
- Promote an open and transparent public involvement process that inspires trust through inclusion and clear, consistent information in an easy to understand manner
- Provide transparent information on project process, possible outcomes, and impacts regarding potential alternatives
- Reach different facets of the public by customizing outreach approaches for the individual characteristics of each community
- Achieve compliance with Environmental Justice and Title VI requirements by ensuring that traditionally under-represented populations have equal access to the decision-making process
- Partner with residents, community groups, vendors, and business owners to support the outreach efforts

4.4 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND OUTREACH AREA

Initial outreach efforts will cover the entire City of Bishopville and extends from the previous EA map, to provide for more alternative options. The proposed outreach area for the project is outlined in red (see **Figure 2, Project Outreach Map**). The outreach area encompasses the City of Bishopville as well as the surrounding community outside the city limits. Outreach efforts will seek to reach the following groups:

- Property owners within the outreach area
- People, property, and businesses potentially impacted by the proposed project
- Community organizations
- Special interest groups
- Environmental Justice and Title VI-related groups and organizations, and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations

Figure 2, Project Outreach Map



By the August 22, 2019 public meeting, the proposed alternatives were screened against the project's purpose and need and refined to Alternatives I, N, T, or slight variations of these alternatives. Because these three Alternatives and their variations are on the east side of US 15 (Main Street), the focus of the outreach shifted to concentrate on the above-mentioned communities in the refined study area especially:

- Property owners within the outreach area
 - The Green Acres Community
 - Residents on Edgefield Road
 - Farmers within the study area
- People, property, and businesses potentially impacted by the proposed project including:
 - Lynches River Apartments
 - Apartments along South Lee Street
 - The Lowcountry Council on Aging
 - Robert E Lee Academy
 - Happy China Restaurant
 - Stokes Craven Motors
- Community organizations
- Special interest groups- especially farming related.
 - Clemson Extension

4.5 STAKEHOLDER IDENTIFICATION

To reach out to all interested and other potentially affected parties regarding the proposed project, the Coordination Team has researched and identified key stakeholders and groups to form a contact database. The contact database will be updated throughout the life of the project and serve as the information distribution mailing list and as a tracking list for all outreach activities. The contact list is broken out by new contacts gathered at meetings and through comments, apartment complexes, community organizations, religious organizations, local officials, Chamber of Commerce members, Outreach Area Parcels, and US 15 Parcels.

4.6 PUBLIC OUTREACH TOOLS

Various tools can be applied to inform, conduct the community outreach efforts, and encourage meaningful participation from the community. Listed below are examples of various tools that can be implemented during the public outreach process.

4.6.1 MEDIA OUTREACH TOOLS

Local Radio Stations

Press releases can be used to announce public meetings as well as to provide project information and updates to the community.

Local Television Stations/Newspapers

There will be opportunities for interviews on local and cable television channels. Personnel from SCDOT will be available for interviews to discuss issues, updates, and/or concerns regarding the project.

4.6.2 OTHER COMMUNICATION TOOLS

Postcards and Letters

Postcards and letters can be used as notification for public meetings and other outreach. These materials will be distributed at least two weeks prior to each community meeting to ensure maximum notification and participation. Printed information includes the time, date, location, and detailed specifics about upcoming meetings. Letters to property owners located near the project build alternatives were sent out in early 2018. Postcards were developed for the August 22, 2019 meeting and mailed prior to the meeting.

Local Signs

Signs along US 15/Main Street in the project outreach area will be used as notification for upcoming public meetings. Signs will be posted at least one week prior to each community meeting. There will also be opportunities to use the chamber of commerce marquee sign to advertise upcoming meetings.

Project Website

A project website (www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/) will provide the public 24/7 access to current information and documents related to the project. This site includes information geared to help decrease public misinformation regarding the project and provide insight into the environmental review process. The information will be clear and timely so the public can provide relevant input based on their understanding of the project and the process. The Coordination Team will provide updates to the website on a regular basis to ensure the most current and accurate information is available. Requests were made to the SLRCOG and City and County governmental agencies to link the project website on to their websites. The SLRCOG added a link to project website to their Transportation page. The project website will include:

- A historical overview of the project
- The project purpose and need
- National Environmental Policy Act information
- Acronyms and definitions
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Public comment opportunities
- Project materials and documentation
- The latest project news including upcoming public meetings

Project Handouts

Handouts and other materials will be developed for each public meeting. Handouts will include a project overview, the project purpose and need, and a schedule with milestones with next steps.

4.7 PUBLIC OUTREACH TECHNIQUES

Techniques referred to as “low touch” and “high touch” will be used as part of the community outreach efforts. “Low touch” technique includes the use of a project website, social media, and email. “High touch” technique includes face-to-face meetings, flyers, and telephone calls.

Public outreach techniques for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project will include three phases of meetings: Stakeholder Meetings, Community Meetings, and Public Information Meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to capture the communities past and present concerns, issues, and needs as they relate to the project. Stakeholder and Community Meetings will be held early in the process, prior to the development of design alternatives.

For each meeting, DRMP and Civic Communications, LLC will:

- Secure the locations, dates, and times.
- Coordinate any facility contracts, if needed.
- Provide logistics, equipment, and security, if required.
- Setup and breakdown the meeting location.
- Develop meeting materials (handouts, sign-in sheets, notifications, etc.).
- Staff tables for discussion, registration, materials, etc.
- Facilitate discussion and record comments.

4.7.1 COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Upon completion of the SLRCOG listening sessions (March 1-2, 2017) for the business, agricultural, industrial, and non-governmental organizations (NGO) sectors, a Community Meeting was held May 9th, 2017 at Lee Central High School:

- Meeting notifications for the community meetings were consistent with the methods outlined in the Public Outreach Tools section of this plan.
- Display boards and handouts were developed in English and publicized through venues mentioned under the Public Outreach Tools.
- Translated meeting and outreach materials were provided as needed based on identification of LEP populations.
- Participants were provided with multiple options to provide input, including written comment forms, and directly to the Coordination Team.
- The Coordination Team collected, organized, and disseminated all the comments made by the participants and prepared a report to be posted on the project website.
- Coordination Team members attended training prior to the first Community Meeting.

Community Education and Listening Sessions

A Community Education and Listening Session was held May 9, 2017 to officially introduce the project to the community and discuss the project scope. The meeting presented how the previous EA process led to the development of a Purpose and Need and EIS process. Materials provided project background and explained the NEPA process. The purpose of this meeting was to move the community beyond the previous environmental review process and introduce the current project.

The meeting was an open house format with no formal presentation. Stations were set up to present information on the project history, an explanation of the EIS process, and the current purpose and need. Discussion tables allowed attendees the opportunity to discuss with Coordination Team members what is presented at the stations.

Neighborhood Outreach Listening Sessions

As the alternatives are further refined, neighborhood meetings may be held at Green Acres, Lynches River Apartments, along Edgefield Road, and/or at the apartments off of South Lee Street to provide more information on how a preferred alternative could impact residents.

4.7.2 PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

Public Information Meetings will be held to present and get feedback/input on the proposed project alternatives. General methodologies for Public Information Meetings are:

- Develop meeting notifications for Public Information Meetings that are consistent with the methods outlined in the Public Outreach Tools section.
- Develop display boards, maps, and handouts and make them available through venues outlined in the Public Outreach Tools.
- Translate meeting and outreach materials as needed for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations.
- Provide participants with multiple options to provide input, including written comment forms and through the project website.
- Collect, organize, and disseminate the comments received, prepare response letters if requested, and prepare a summary report that will be posted on the project website.

The first Public Information Meeting was held on June 7, 2018 to present the preliminary alternative study corridors developed to date and receive input on the presented corridors. The meeting was open house format with a self-running presentation was available to provide project background information prior to the public entering the display area. Display maps of the 24 preliminary corridors were presented for public review and comment.

The second Public Information Meeting was held on August 22, 2019 to present the three proposed build alternatives, which were identified after evaluating a wide range of initial alternatives. The meeting was an open house format with a self-running PowerPoint presentation that provided detailed project information prior to the public entering the display area. Displays of the three proposed build alternatives (Alternatives I, N, and T) were presented for review and comment and team members were available to answer questions.

4.7.3 OTHER PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND OUTREACH TECHNIQUES

Environmental Justice and Title VI Outreach

Special outreach is being conducted to include populations not typically well represented in the process (e.g., minorities, ethnic groups, low-income populations, limited-literacy, LEP, and individuals with disabilities). Tailored approaches have been designed to reach these populations. Efforts include press releases, advertisements, and email notifications; and outreach meetings with Title VI/Environmental Justice groups. These efforts will adhere to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination in programs receiving federal assistance, and relevant provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act; as well as Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice - Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations.

According to US Census data (2014 American Community Survey), low-income and senior populations are included in the population of Bishopville and surrounding area in Lee County. Potential strategies for reaching these populations are:

- Identify and reach out to any City and/or County Senior Housing and/or community centers or groups including the Lee County Council on Aging.
- Present the project to the Lee County Rural Leadership and Interagency Coalition (RLI/Interagency Coalition). The RLI/Interagency Coalition includes representatives from multiple agencies and is focused on community health and wellness.
- Focus efforts on under-represented populations by reaching out to community leaders, community centers, churches, senior housing facilities, and public agencies.

4.7.4 ONGOING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings will be held to present study progress and receive ongoing input. The advisory committee will include representatives from local communities, local governments, and regional governments. Preparation of presentations and handouts will be coordinated with the Coordination Team prior to these meetings, and comment and meeting summaries will be developed for each meeting. The Stakeholder Advisory Committee may include representatives from the following:

- City of Bishopville
- Lee County
- The LINK
- Robert E. Lee Academy (Private School)
- Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority (SWRTA)

Additional stakeholder meetings will be held as necessary. These may include meetings with homeowner associations, civic groups and/or clubs, EMS and fire personnel, business owners, faith-based organizations, and special interest groups. The preparation of presentations and handouts will be coordinated with the Coordination Team prior to the stakeholder meetings. Any follow-up or action items will be distributed to the appropriate team members for response.

4.8 COMMUNICATION TRACKING AND MANAGEMENT

Project Database

The Team is maintaining database to track different forms of participant interaction and stakeholder contacts. Contact information such as addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses will be used for notification purposes and project updates. Phone numbers will be included for participants that do not have access to electronic methods of communication. The database contains meeting information such as dates, locations, and attendees. Information collected from project comment forms, Title VI forms and meeting sign-in sheets will be captured and recorded in the database. Participants will be given a choice of if and how they would like to receive project updates (e.g., US mail or email).

4.9 MONITORING OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT

All project outreach efforts will be tracked and documented in accordance with NEPA, and reasonable efforts will be made to evaluate the effectiveness of outreach tools and activities including, meeting notification/communication methods, Environmental Justice/Title VI outreach methods, and community meetings. These tools and activities will be evaluated through the following:

- All meeting participants will be asked to provide meeting notification source at meeting sign-in. Responses will be documented and analyzed for each meeting to determine the effectiveness of each method and future use.
- The number of participants at each meeting will be counted and documented.
- Mailing lists will be updated and evaluated to identify trends and issues.
- All comments will be documented and assessed for trends and notable concerns.
- The project database, including the addresses of comment writers, meeting attendees, and community leaders, will be pinpointed on Google Earth KMZ files to understand the participation and feedback connects with each alternative.
- As the alternatives are even further refined, the plotted contacts will be utilized to build upon their engagement for neighborhood meetings.



APPENDIX C-2. CITY AND COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS OUTREACH MEETINGS



Meeting Notes (Revised 7/8/16)

Bishopville

Submitted by Portia d'Alcantara and Larry Weston

On Wednesday June 29th, Larry Weston and I met with the Mayor and City Administrator for the City of Bishopville and the Project Manager and Assistant Project Manager with the SCDOT. The purpose of this meeting was to establish a working relationship with the City of Bishopville and to provide information about the coming outreach efforts that will cull the issues, concerns and ideas of those in the impacted areas of the soon to be determined plans to alleviate truck traffic in downtown Bishopville.

In attendance were:

Alexander Boyd – Mayor, City of Bishopville

Gregg McCutchen – City Administrator, City of Bishopville

Jacob Meetze, Assistant Project Manager, SCDOT

Bener Armado, Sr. Project Manager

Larry Weston, Project Manager, Neighborhood Solutions

Portia d'Alcantara, Sr. Public Involvement Manager, Neighborhood Solutions

Neighborhood Solutions and the SCDOT representatives met to listen to the concerns of the Executive branch of the City of Bishopville. We learned that the overarching concerns expressed by the Mayor and City Administrator at the meeting were, the lack of transparency in the former process of proposing alternatives for alleviating truck traffic in downtown Bishopville and the lack of neighborhoods' involvement in the process. Other issues of concern were:

- Inclusion of impacted areas adjacent to Bishopville in Lee County
- Planning for a bypass on the west side and not the east side of Bishopville
- Encouraging economic development on the west side of Bishopville
- Communicating an outreach message that all that has been proposed has been “scrapped” and that nothing is being considered until the communities concerns and ideas have been heard and documented (per the Mayor and City Administrator)
- Ensuring NS/SCDOT meetings with:
 - Craig Nesbit City Council Member Bishopville
 - Willie Mae Muldrow, City Council Member and Bishopville Mayor Pro Tem
 - Carrie Gass, Architectural Review Board
 - David Addison, County Council, Lee County
 - Tom Drayton, Farmer and business owner affected by the original proposed bypass
 - Gloria Lewis, Zoning Board Bishopville
 - William McElveen, Farmer whose land was affected by the original proposed bypass

Neighborhood Solutions and the representatives of the SCDOT assured the Mayor and City Administrator that working together, we will plan for public meetings, cull and document issues and concerns and present these to the cognizant parties.



Contact Information

Name of Contact: _____ Date: _____

Organization Name: _____ Phone: _____

Organization Type: _____

Address: _____

Street Address

Suite/Apt #

City

State

Zip Code

Email Address: _____

Website: _____

Notes

As always, Neighborhood Solutions thanks you for your participation in the process!!



APPENDIX C-3. PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARIES



APPENDIX C-3.1. ROADWAY LISTENING SESSIONS

Wednesday, March 1st, 2017 and Thursday, March 2nd, 2017

Join us for a series of

Proposed Roadway Listening Sessions

Wednesday, March 1st
9:30am

Downtown Commercial Sector
Bishopville Cotton Museum

Thursday March 2nd
1:00pm
Industrial Sector
City/County Building

Thursday, March 2nd
8:00am

Agricultural Sector
Clemson Extension
Conference Room

Thursday, March 2nd
6:00pm
NGO Sector
City/County Building

For more information, contact Kyle Kelly at 803-774-1377

Downtown Commercial Sector - Wednesday, March 1st, 2017

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Ronnie Williams	121 W. Cedar Lane	Bishopville, SC	rowchamber@hotmail.com	(803) 229-5207
Gee Whetsel	387 Country Manor Estates	Bishopville, SC	gatkinson@theleecountyobserver.com	
English Cooper	110 S. Heyward Street	Bishopville, SC		(803) 491-6638
Randall Gooding	74 Gooding Place	Bishopville, SC		(803) 428-7222
Jared Smith	PO Box 425	Bishopville, SC	jsmith@jaredsace.com	(803) 484-5716
Jason Council	100 N. Main Street	Bishopville, SC 29010	the3mpawn@yahoo.com	(803) 484-7075
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Travis R. Windham	PO Box 545	Bishopville, SC 29010	windhamins@gmail.com	(803) 428-7058
Wayne Hancock	240 S. Main Street	Bishopville, SC 29010	whancock3@gmail.com	(803) 428-7667
Deanna Rollins	102 N. Main Street, PO Box 187	Bishopville, SC	leecountrychamberofcommerce@gmail.com	(803) 483-2800

Agricultural Sector - Thursday, March 2nd, 2017

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Renee Boykin	129 Fairview Ave	Bishopville, SC 29010	renee.boykin@sc.usda.gov	(803) 484-5388
Jerry K. Adams	319 Kiwanis Place	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 428-8102
William McElveen	500 St. Charles Rd	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 484-1188
Mike Mixon	65 Mixon Drive	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 484-6357
Sandra Mixon	65 Mixon Drive	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 484-6357
Kay Stuckey	68 Dixon Drive	Bishopville, SC 29010	rdstukey@sc.rr.com	(803) 983-7417
Robert Jordan	100 Jordan Lane	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 454-3394
Will McElveen	141 Woodside Rd	Bishopville, SC 29010	peanutfarmer1980@yahoo.com	(803) 428-7935
Wiley King	PO Box 166	Bishopville, SC 29010	wiley4850@yahoo.com	(803) 428-8733

Industrial Sector - Thursday, March 2nd, 2017

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Scottie Hayes	601 Cousar Street	Bishopville, SC		(803) 484-3109
Phil Houck	601 Cousar Street	Bishopville, SC		(803) 484-3100
Lance McCrorey	140 Coca-Cola Drive	Bishopville, SC		(803) 484-5851

NGO Sector - Thursday, March 2nd, 2017

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Carrie L. Gass	630 E. Church Street	Bishopville, SC		(803) 484-6608
Willie Blyther	159 Hansel Street	Bishopville, SC		(803) 484-6594
Gloria Lewis	317 Cedar Lane	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 486-0429
Meoceania Wells	PO Box 1291	Bishopville, SC 29010		(803) 486-4513



Date Prepared:	March 9, 2017
Meeting Dates and Locations:	March 1, 2017 – Bishopville Cotton Museum March 2, 2017 – Clemson Extension Center, City/ County Building
Prepared By:	Neighborhood Solutions

The Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments conducted a series of listening sessions on March 1st and 2nd, 2017 for the proposed new roadway in Bishopville, SC. Members of the Bishopville downtown commercial, agricultural, industrial, and non-governmental organization sectors were invited to provide feedback on areas where the previous truck route study could have been improved, issues and concerns surrounding economic development in the Bishopville area, and the role a new roadway supports economic development. Project team members from SCDOT, Federal Highway Administration, DRMP, and Neighborhood Solutions were in attendance. A total of 28 participants attended the four sessions over the two-day period. Out of the 28 participants 1 person attended two sessions.

Downtown Commercial Sector

Wednesday, March 1st 9:30am

12 Attendees

- Truck traffic wasn't an issue until the medians were installed on Main Street – made as part of a road-diet to eliminate truck traffic
- The rerouting of trucks and traffic off Main Street will harm small businesses
- Fix local roads instead of building a truck route
- Objective of proposed roadway needs to be clearly identified – safety, truck removal
- Safety should be a factor – truck presence in community causes danger
- Truck drivers don't want to drive through town
- Trucks are not stopping downtown – only US Food trucks making deliveries to Subway
- All thru traffic does not intend to stop in Bishopville
- Call the project a truck route, not a bypass – the name bypass causes community concern
- Include a truck stop on the truck route to increase economic development in the area
- Truck traffic prevents residents from going downtown – perceived danger
- Some customers no longer go downtown to shop, request home delivery instead – based on on-street parking and concerns with trucks traveling thru
- Want to see downtown become more pedestrian-friendly
- Pedestrian safety should be a consideration – truck speed and vegetation are a concern
- New roadway should go in a low population/ development area for safety (accidents, chemical and cargo spills, etc.)

- Noise and pollution (smell and debris) from trucks an issue for downtown businesses
- Truck presence in downtown does not provide any benefit to the community
- Economy dictates truck traffic – as economy grows, so will truck traffic
- Make the use of the truck route mandatory by incorporating signs for all non-local trucks (ex: Atlanta) and include fines for trucks who ignore signs
- Trucks will continue to take the shortest route if use of truck route isn't mandatory
- Re-route trucks to the safest place possible for the community
- Concerned with the ability to attract new businesses to downtown due to truck traffic
- Current City comprehensive plan intends to make Bishopville more pedestrian friendly
- City goal is to encourage economic development in Bishopville, particularly in downtown to service the people already here
- Some businesses are dependent on other businesses moving in to increase business revenue
- City is currently implementing its own economic development plan
- What are the traffic forecasts for the next 10 years? What are the anticipated impacts of the increase in traffic?
- What is the benefit of leaving Main Street the way it is?
- How will the port traffic in Dillon affect Bishopville?
- Would like to see a more well developed business community in Bishopville
- Would like more jobs in Bishopville to reduce commuting to other communities (Camden) for employment opportunities (Continental Tire, Invista, Sunoco, etc.)
- Not everyone in county is interested in economic development or success of downtown Bishopville
- Would like to draw large businesses to the area – use the two industrial parks they currently have
- There is a lack of affordable land and utilities access for small businesses in the county
- The current industry growth is near I-20
- Communities perception of a bypass is I-20
- Remove the trucks from downtown and get the cars to stop in downtown
- What was done in Andrews to improve their downtown after the bypass?
- Camden is an example of how to incorporate a bypass and maintain a downtown
- Add speed limit signs on Main Street in and near downtown (signs are sparse along Main Street)
- Trucks try to beat the lights and drive through red lights
- Misinformation about previous project hasn't been addressed (ex: property impacts and takings, safety incidents on bypass, bypass uses, decision about bypass location)
- SCDOT needs to combat misinformation with facts and adequate information
- A study by the City eight years ago placed the number one concern as being truck traffic on Main Street – was not presented to the entire community
- Send project updates via email and have a website
- No one listens to the same media outlets
- Send project meeting info to Chamber for distribution

Thursday, March 2nd 8:00am
Agricultural Sector
9 Attendees

- Provide better notification to the agricultural community about stakeholder meetings
- Traffic counts on Main Street were conducted when the bridge was out (3 months) and are not an accurate reflection of truck traffic
- Fix local roads and bridges instead of building a bypass/truck route
- Initial project presented alternatives to agricultural community without prior notification of a proposed project
- County officials were in favor of the project, city official were opposed
- Make a decision either way – the delay is causing financial impacts to agricultural community
- Farmland is scarce – it would be difficult to relocate if impacted – not in favor of splitting property in a non-usable manner
- Bypass will take business away from town
- Would like to see more industry in Bishopville
- Wait until new industry is brought to Bishopville before considering a bypass/truck route
- Industry currently clusters around I-20
- Truck traffic isn't a problem in downtown
- Reconfigure Main Street back to a four-lane road to address traffic issues
- Lee County Observer, signage along 15, and Ag Extension serve as the best methods for providing project notifications
- Why was this project moved forward and why was it at the top of the SLRCOG priority list for projects?

Thursday, March 2nd 1:00pm
Industrial Sector
3 Attendees

- Coke trucks leave plant traveling on Wags Drive to Church Street to I-20 (100 per day, seven days a week)
- Coke had plans to expand services, which led to the gate being placed on Cousar Street
- No complaints to Coke from neighbors about their trucks going through the neighborhood
- Route planning for Bishopville plant is done elsewhere
- Coke has 130 employees
- Lee County Observer is the best method for providing project meeting notifications
- Favorable to a project website

Thursday, March 2nd 6:00pm
NGO Sector
4 Attendees

- Concerned with the lack of growth in Bishopville area – it is dying
- Provide better notification to community groups about stakeholder meetings – the COG should contact groups directly and not rely on word of mouth notice by residents
- A lot of the local pastors do not live in Bishopville and therefore cannot speak for parishioners who are residents
- Need to reach out more to the diverse business owners regarding the project
- Should consider holding another listening session to get more involvement from the community
- Inform local officials and newspaper to inform community of future meetings
- Including more community members early in the process would produce more feedback – more effective and easier to address issues with larger groups
- Make info on meeting notices clearer on what will take place
- There was a lack of communication with the community regarding the previous project
- Truck traffic downtown is a concern
- Concerned with property takings and the impact on neighborhoods near first proposed project alternatives
- Northwest area would be a better location for route – less property and community resources would be impacted
- The property owners in the proposed alternatives corridor felt threatened by the potential for takings
- Concerned with noise and safety impacts of route located near school and prison
- Concerned with truck related accidents occurring near school and prison – could result in evacuation or hazmat situations
- Concerned that rerouting traffic from downtown will harm small businesses
- There was a truck route through a residential neighborhood (near Coke plant) in the past – open it back up to eliminate as much of the truck traffic as possible on Main Street
- The original route was closed to public use for Coke (now gated)
- Use another route off I-20
- Make any new route mandatory for trucks
- Consider using an existing route instead
- The Robert E. Lee school has always been located on the old truck route road near Coke plant
- An EMS station recently moved to the east side – would be another potentially impacted community resource if an east alternative is selected
- If the project does not benefit Bishopville economically, then the community doesn't need it
- Concerned that cars will also use truck route to bypass Bishopville
- Main Street traffic is an issue, but the economic benefits need to be county-wide

- Removing the median on Main Street could reduce some issues – will allow more space between parked cars and traffic, and increase perceived safety of customers getting out of vehicles parked along Main Street (the road is too narrow, even without the presence of trucks)
- Median trees need to be trimmed because motorist cannot see around them
- Mailings, phone calls, emails to residents, newspaper, meeting signs on Main Street (create buzz) are good methods of providing meeting notifications
- Can also advertise using Chamber marquee sign
- Best meeting locations: high school and middle school – use a neutral location
- Provide comment sheets for meetings and respond to all comments and questions (at least acknowledge receipt of comment)
- Project documents could be displayed at the library, courthouse, city hall, and chamber of commerce
- The same people attend local public meetings (not just for the truck route project) – make sure all demographics are represented at meetings and do not separate them
- Give sufficient advanced notice of meetings – at least two weeks prior
- Evening meetings: 6:00pm start



APPENDIX C-3.2. PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

Tuesday, May 9th, 2017



PROPOSED BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE PROJECT PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

SCDOT would like to meet with local residents to discuss the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project. Information will be shared pertaining to the Scope and Need for the project, as well as, providing opportunity for the public to give feedback that will help shape project development.

Tuesday, May 9, 2017
5:00 – 7:00pm
Lee Central High School
1800 Wisacky Hwy, Bishopville, SC 29010

The meeting is informal, please stop by at any time during the stated hours. During that time, you will have the opportunity to learn about the current status of the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route via informal discussions and displays. SCDOT Staff and Project Team Members will be available to talk with you, answer your questions, and address concerns.

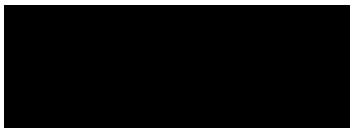
Translation upon request, and free parking will be available

Persons with disabilities who may require special accommodations at the meeting may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling Betty Gray at (803) 737-1395.

For More Information: Jacob Meetze (803) 737-1037 or visit www.arcg.is/2nVh5fU



Bishopville Truck Route Project
South Carolina Department of Transportation
c/o Jacob Meetze, RPG-2
955 Park Street
Columbia, SC 29201



GET INVOLVED AND STAY INVOLVED

Project website: www.arcg.is/2nVh5fU

Email: meetzej@scdot.gov





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NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	MAILING LIST (Y/N)	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING



83 Total Attendees

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NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	MAILING LIST (Y/N)	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING
Sandra Wilson	243 N. Main St	Bishopville SC 29010	Victoriousbandbschool@gmail.com	803 4860661		
Sandra Mumph	300 Conser St	Bishopville, SC 29010	sdjdm67@gmail.com	(803) 297-1425		



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JOSHUA CAUGHMAN	122 WABBS Drive	29010	N/A	N/A	N/A	Road sign
Missy Kirven	857 Bethune Hwy	29010				
J.D. Dellinger	802 Bethune Hwy	29010				
Rob Jordan	100 Jordan Lane	29010				Road sign
Arah Pransky	318 Cousar St	29010	mrspr1950@vqfon.com			Newspaper
WILLIE M MULBROW						
Jeff Varn	Po Box 502	29010	varncpa@ftc-i.net			postcard
Roscoe Black	Davis Street-724	29010		843-245-4705		Post card
Susan Landfried		29150	slandfried@slcg.org		Y	Work



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Frank Thom.						
RANGLASH COOPER	206 SMITHS.	BISHOPVILLE		803 4916658		
Alan Watkins	657 Eddie Watkins Pl, Cassatt	Cassatt	awatkins@leecounty.sc.gov	803-428-7102		
James Reed	129 St. Charles Rd	Bishopville 29016		484-6923		Post card
David	1077 Wisacky Hwy	Bishopville	addison.david65@yahoo.com	803-428-4149		Council
Debbi Mc Catchen	P.O. Box 23	Bishopville SC	gmcbrish@yahoo.com	803-229-5307		Post card sign up word of mouth
Sandra Mison	65 Mison Dr			803-484-6357		Paper
Mike Mison						
Craig Childers	269 Glen Crest Dr	Morse SC 29369	Craig.Childers@ralphdss.com			Red Classic



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Geneva Wilson	414 Perkin St	Bishopville SC 29010	_____	803-484-6577	Yes	Post Card
Hattie Scott	722 Chatman St	Bishopville SC		803 484 6960	yes	Post card
Frank B. Williams	85 Orange St	Dalzell SC 29046	ffwilliams@yahoo	847618719	Y	sign
William S. McElveen	500 St. Charles Rd	Bishopville SC 29010		803 484 1188		sign
Roy R Dixon	519 Bay St Bishopville	Bishopville SC, 29010	RoyR.Dixon@a1.yahoo.com	803-459-2284		Sign
Will McElveen	141 Woodside Rd	Bishopville SC 29010				Sign
Wendy McElveen	497 Curran St Bishopville					
TIM BARNES	PO Box 1621 Bishop	Bishopville SC	tbfarm@yahoo.com	803 968 1994	YES	Sign



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Janice Holmes	827 Luckey Road	Bishopville, SC 29010	janice.holmes70@yahoo.com	803-459-7825		Sign
Carl Widetzel	134 E. CHURCH ST.	Bishopville		803-487-9290	N	Sign
Jane A. Dauler	160 Wags Dr	Bishopville	jhaithacker@sc.rr.com	803-642-4155	Y	Sign
Kay Stuckey	68 Dixon Dr.	Bishopville	rdstuckey@sc.rr.com	803-983-7417	N	Sign
Lance McCrory	140 Locabola Dr.	Bishopville	Lance.mccrory@redcar			Mail
Chris Parnell	301 Herford Dr	Bishopville	parnellcm@yahoo.com	803-484-5441	N	Sign
Walter Lucas	324 Caesar St	Bishopville		803-484-5883		Mail
Patricia Lucas	324 Caesar St	Bishopville	patblither@aol.com	803-484-5883		Mail



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Rae McDaniel	421 Bradley Ave Bishopville, SC 29010		raemedaniel@setb ins.com	803-428- 8495	Y	Paper, signs
Laura Parnell	301 Hereford Rd. Bishopville, SC		parnellcm@yahoo.com	803-452-6800	N	Sign
Alexander Doyl	529 Davis St	Bishopville	A.Doyl131@gmail.com	804-5948		
Seelmon Simon	251 Lynchburg Hwy	Bishopville		803-428-7491		Sign
Gary Chapman	228 S. Main	Bishopville, SC	warrenskid@yahoo.com			
Marilyn James	430 Perkins Street	Bishopville, SC	marijam716@yahoo	803 484 6955	Yes	Paper
Eric R. Bryant	215 Green St.	Bishopville	erickbryant@yahoo.com	803-484-9977		
Alec Blalock	229 N. MAIN ST	Bishopville	Alec@virginiaheart sinkerexpress.com			
Harry Addison						



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Jerry L. Ham	319 Kinross Place	Bishopville, SC	jlaesle@yahoo.com	803-428-8127	Y	Bill Board
Phil Houck	397 Woodham RD	Bishopville, SC	PhilHouck@yahoo.com	803-248-4486	Y	Get the days
Donna Joyce	420 Burn St	Bishopville		803-484-9983		Bill Board
Douglas Trout	P.O. Box 226	Bishopville	DN Trout@aol.com	803-428-6300		
Brandon Holloman	P.O. Box 831 Bishopville SC 29016	Bishopville SC, 29010	bholloman@locamys.org	803-484-5271	Y	Post Card
Retha Tindal	327 S. Heyward, B'ville	Bishopville, SC 29010	tindalteam@yahoo.com	803-459-7251	Y	City Council
Kevin King	441 St Charles Rd Bishopville	Bishopville 29010	KKing4620@gmail.com			Sign on road
Suzette K. Robinson	P.O. Box 1542	Bishopville SC				
John Boyce	110 S. Nettles St	Bishopville SC	teamsound@hotmail.com	803-484-6611	X	Various



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Sandra Addison MAREE	WILLIAM E. MAREE P.O. BOX 2518	29202 Columbia, SC	M060502@aol.com	803 699-9941		Post Card
IRVING JALYSON	114- MURRAY ST	Bishopville 290	—	803-484-5576		—
Edward Boyd	405 2nd	Bishopville 29010	—	—		—
Naomi Price	121 Piedmont Rd.	Bishopville, SC	naomi.price29010@gmail.com	803-484-9874	Y	Post Card
Dwight James	420 Perkins St.	Bishopville SC	—	803-484-685		—
Venetta D. Hill	418 Marsh St.	Bishopville, SC	venettagill@yahoo.com	(803) 486-5318	Y	Post Card
Tommy Williams	331 S. Strathedge Dr.	Clay, S.C	HWILLIAMS m@Professional Auto Repair - Com	803- 772-5295	✓	Others
Shirley C. Dixon	PO Box 56	Bishopville, SC	—	803 483-2016		Sign
Karl Dap	—	—	—	—		—



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Wallace Berry	680 Broomtown Rd.	Bishopville SC 29010		803-428-7447	Y	Land owner
Russell Berry	10 N. Olmsted Highway	Elgin SC 29045		803-428-8395	Y	
Terry McDonald	411 Fountain Hills Dr	Bishopville		803 484 6279	Y	Postcard
LAVAN ATKINSON	123 N. Main St	Bishopville		803 484 5210	Y	Postcard
Gill Rogers	1401 E Carolina Ave	Hartsville SC		843 861 7508	Y	Postcard
DALE MASTRODOMENICO	1 North Second St	Hartsville SC		843-383-3495	Y	Postcard.
Robert M. Stokes	119 Davis St	Bishopville		803-310-0069	Y	
Emma Logan	59 Dixon Dr	Bishopville		803 484 1980	Y	Sign in town
Willie Blythe	159					



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Bindi Fry	4358 Emepton Rd	Candler, SC	windking@msn.com	229-0868	Y	Postcard
Lisa Williams	421 Perkins St	Bishopville		484-6377	Y	"
Pruce Fry, Sr.	414 Marsh St	Bishopville		484-5068	Y	"
Jenny Chapman	161 Wags Drive	Bishopville		428-8703	Y	Postcard + OTR
Diane Mickel	68 Nash Rd.	Bishopville	bpdvictim@bishopvillepd.org	(803) 428-5703	yes	Newspaper
Edna Rusty	3652 LEE STATE PARK RD	Bishopville	CLASSYED46WIP@yahoo.com	228-803 459-4819	X	NEWS PAPER
Elease Lloyd	501 E. College St.	Bishopville	ellad3@bellsouth.net			Road Sign



SCDOT Staff and Project Team Members are available to talk with you, answer questions and address any concerns.

The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

Project Team Welcomes You

We're here to:

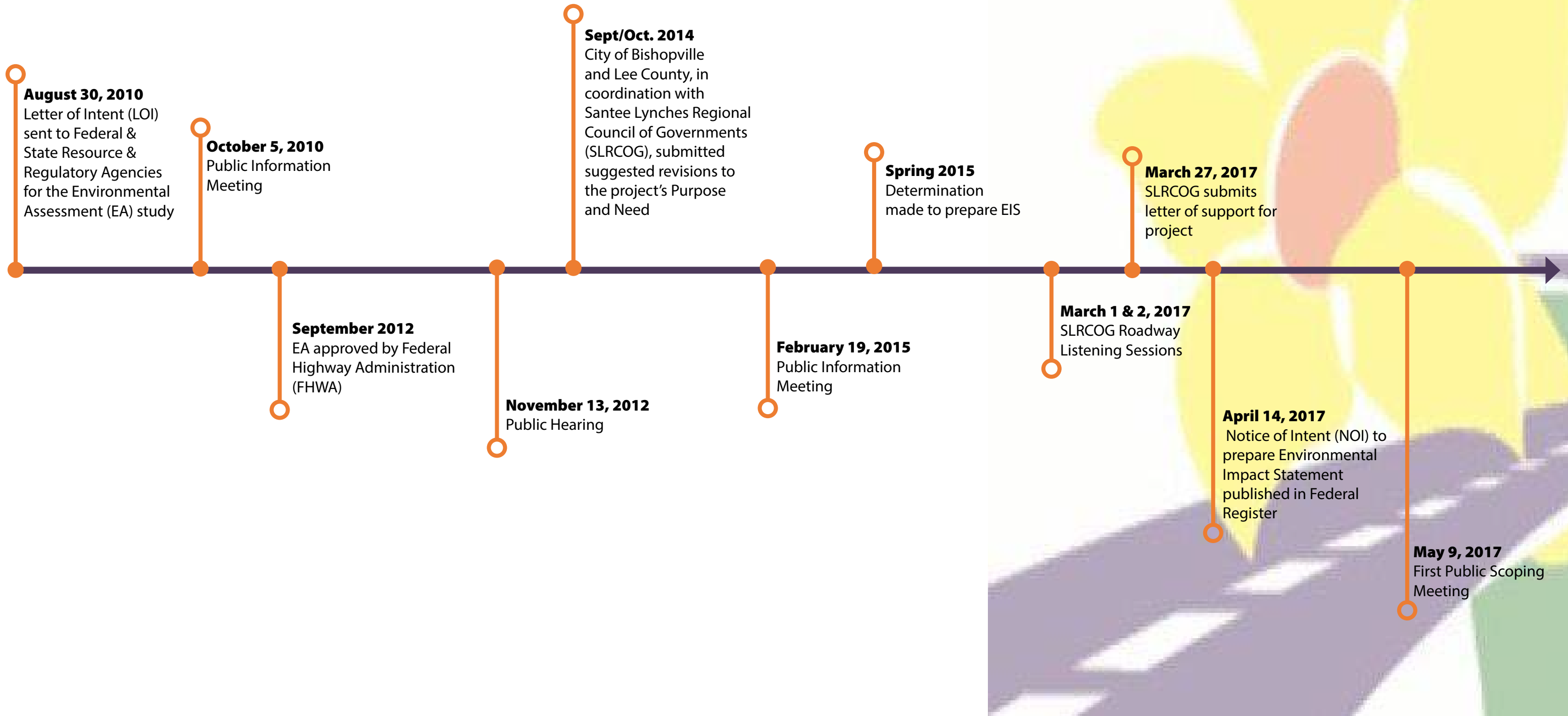
- Discuss the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
- Gather your input
- A formal Presentation will be made at 5:30 PM and 6:30 PM

We encourage you to submit a comment on the study.

**MAY 9, 2017
5 PM TO 7 PM
Lee Central High School**



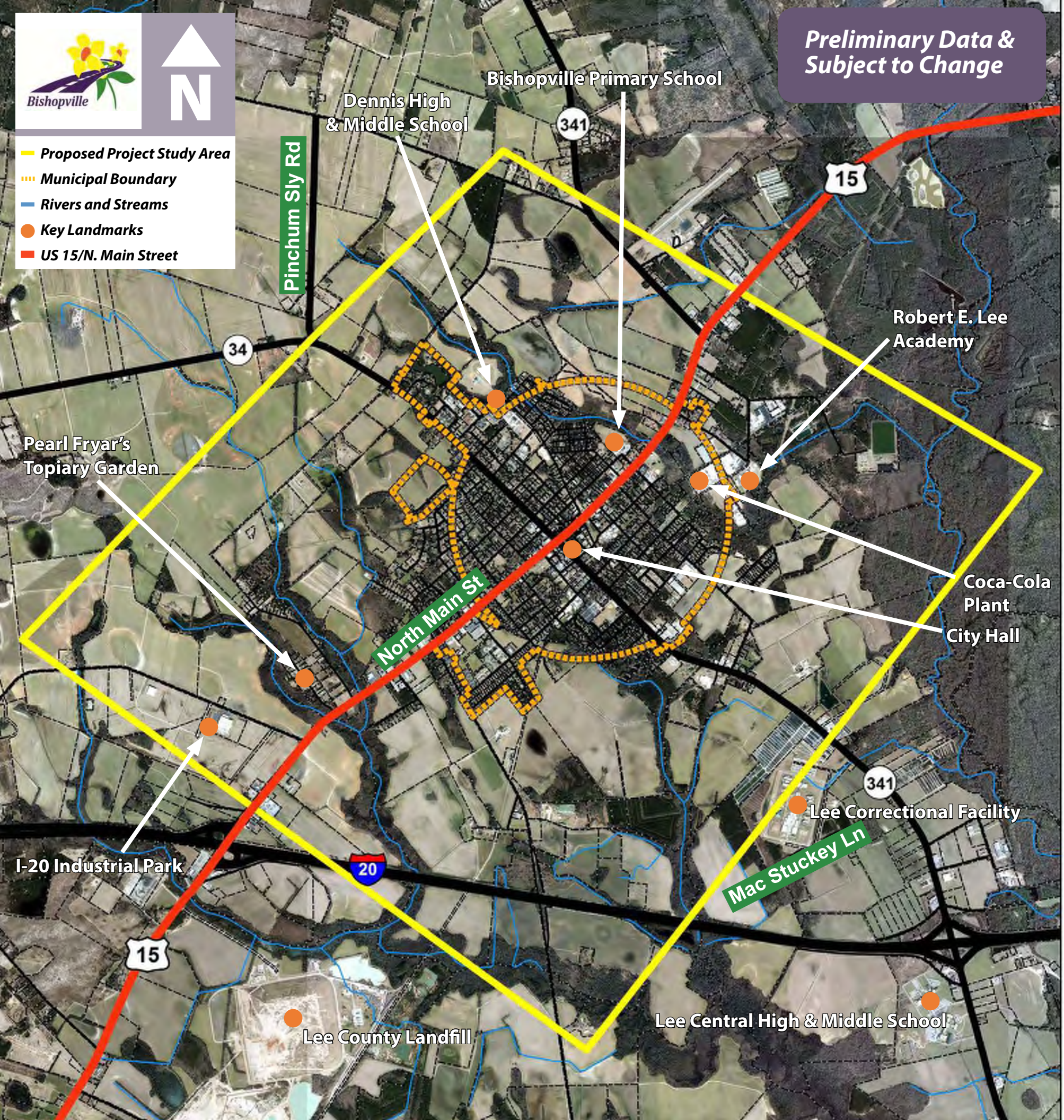
Project History & Overview





Preliminary Data &
Subject to Change

- Proposed Project Study Area
- Municipal Boundary
- Rivers and Streams
- Key Landmarks
- US 15/N. Main Street



Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Study Area

- Project Study Area (shown in yellow) is generally defined by the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, the intersection of Pinchum Sly Road (S-15) and Camden Highway (SC 34) to the northwest and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast.



Proposed Project Schedule



Phase 1:
Notice of Intent (NOI)
to Prepare an EIS and
Scoping

Phase 2:
Alternative Development
and Analysis

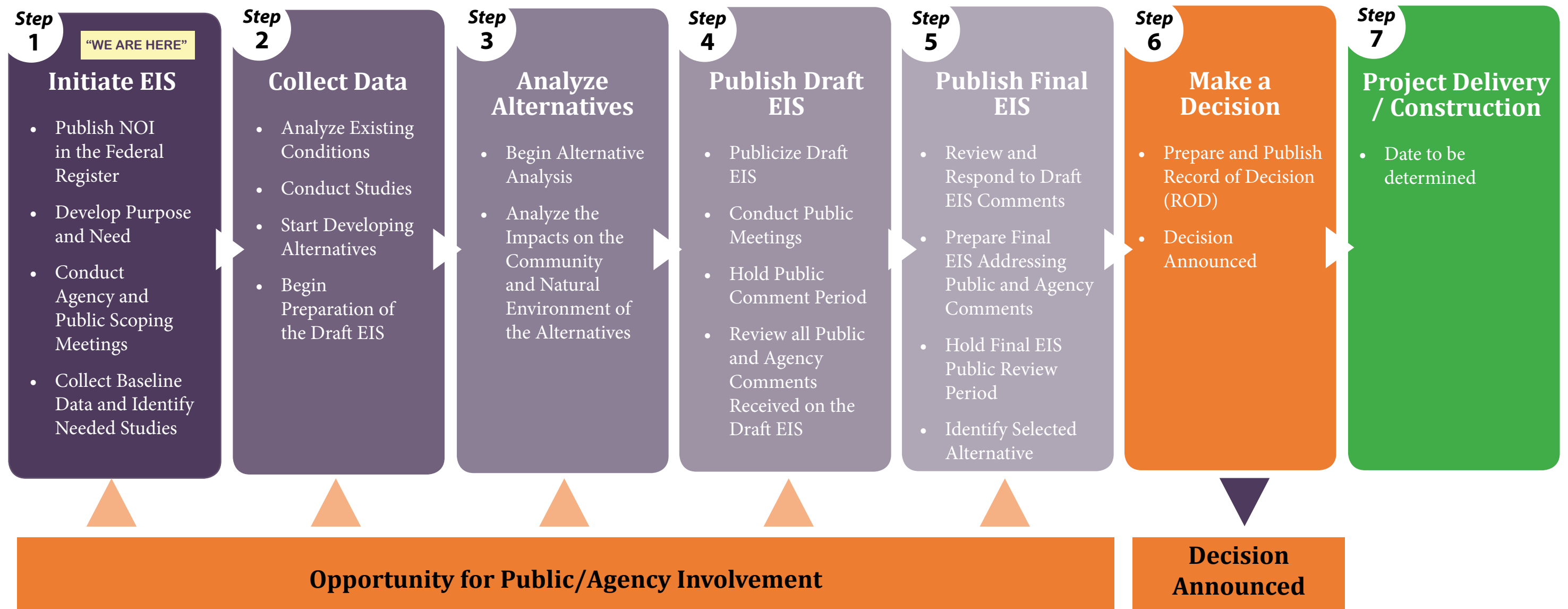
Phase 3:
Prepare a Draft EIS, Final
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PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE		PHASE 1			PHASE 2				PHASE 3			
		2017		2018		2019						
		SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL
PHASE 1	Community Listening Sessions	March 2017	●									
	Project Initiation/Notice of Intent Published	April 2017	●									
	Public Scoping Meeting	May 2017	★									
PHASE 2	Technical Studies	Summer 2017/ Spring 2018		■								
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National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required by NEPA and is administered by FHWA
- Provides for informed decision-making
- Includes partners in the process
- Considers a wide variety of factors



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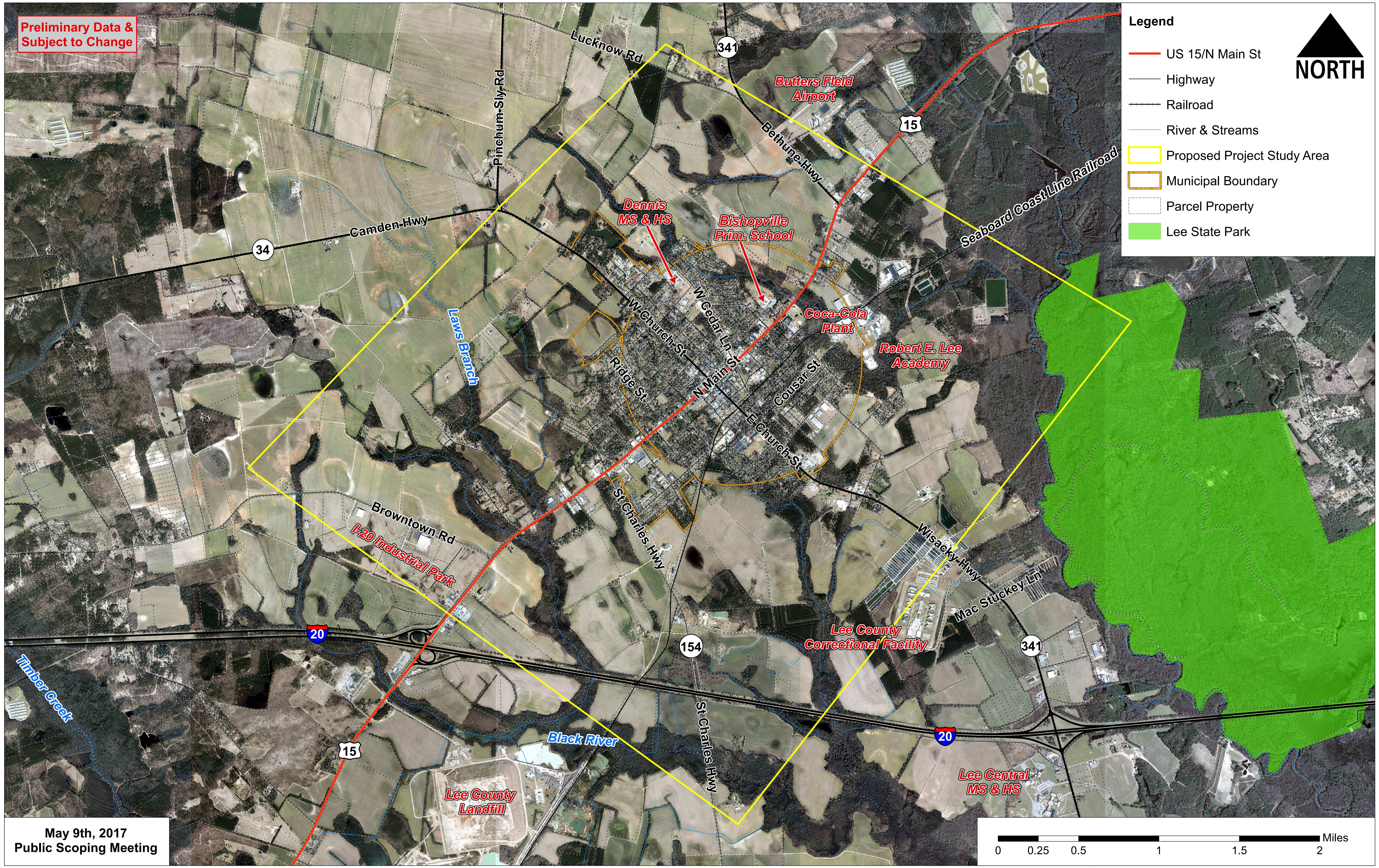

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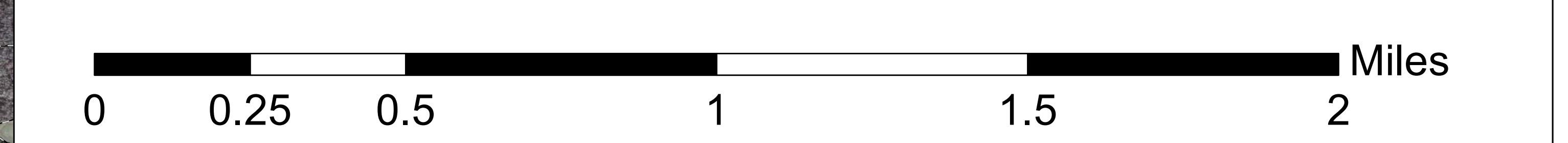
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Legend

- US 15/N Main St
- Highway
- Railroad
- River & Streams
- Proposed Project Study Area
- Municipal Boundary
- Parcel Property
- Lee State Park



May 9th, 2017
Public Scoping Meeting



The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

Project Team Welcomes You

We're here to:

- Discuss the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
- Gather your input
- A formal Presentation will be made at 5:30 PM and 6:30 PM

We encourage you to submit a comment on the study.

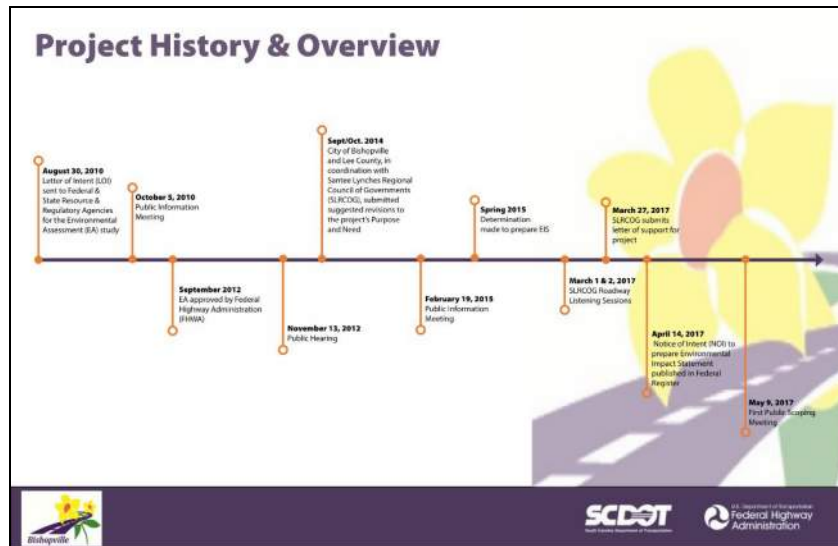
**MAY 9, 2017
5 PM TO 7 PM
Lee Central High School**

SCDOT Staff and Project Team Members are available to talk with you, answer questions and address any concerns.

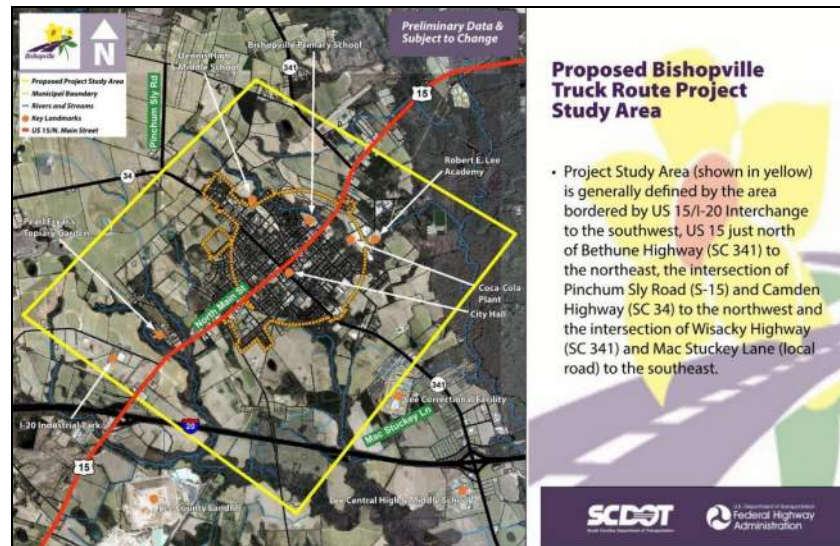
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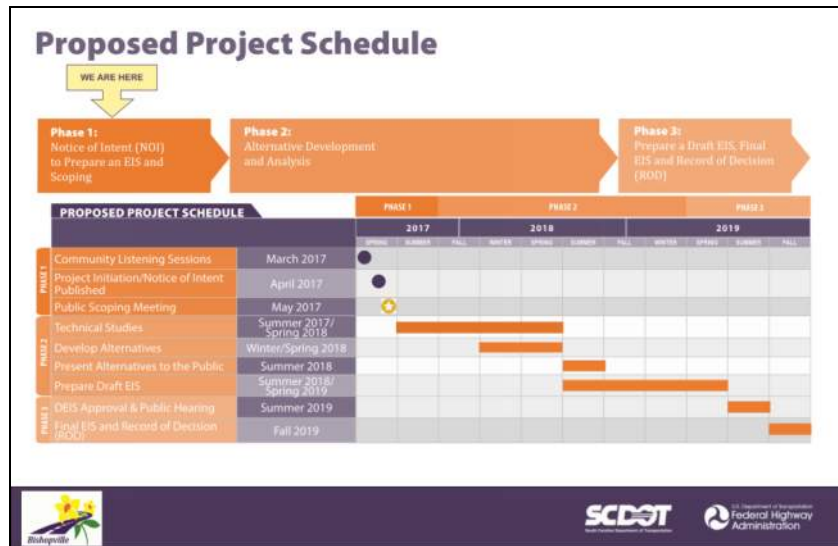
We would like to welcome you to the first scoping meeting for the proposed Bishopville Truck Route project. The purpose of this evening's meeting is to reintroduce the project to you as we now move into the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. Many of the details as to why we are headed in the current direction with the project are included in the project handout that was available at the sign-in table. The primary purpose of this evening's meeting is to present our draft purpose and need for the project and to listen to what you have to say about the project. Your concerns, insight or just your preferences. This information is very important to us as the project moves forward. This presentation will provide you with an overview of what you will see this evening. After you make your way through the displays this evening you will see several tables set up. There will be a project team member present at each table and we would appreciate it if you could sit down and share your thoughts and ideas for the project respectfully.



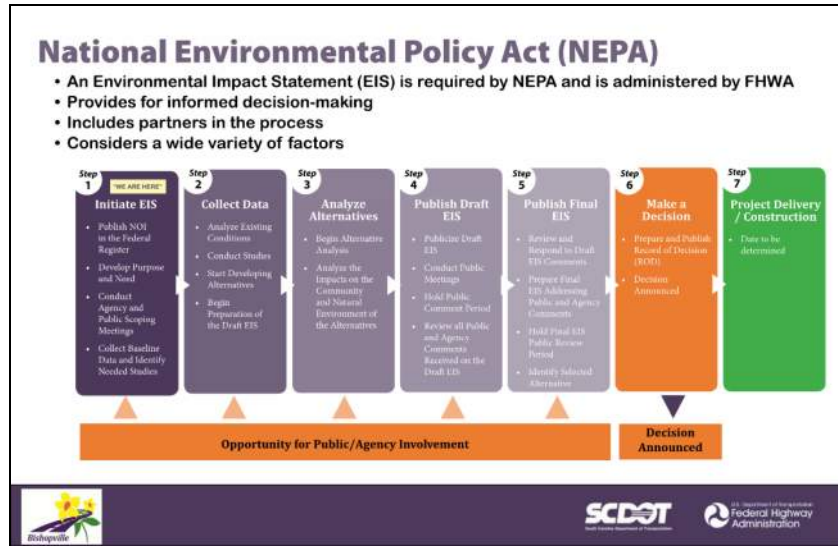
The project originally started back in 2010 and led to the development of an Environmental Assessment in 2012. In 2014 the City of Bishopville and Lee County in coordination with the Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments, suggested revisions to the South Carolina DOT on the project's purpose and need. Because of anticipated strong **public opinion** associated with the project, the Federal Highway Administration instructed the South Carolina DOT to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement. The notice of intent for the project was published last month and tonight is our first public scoping meeting.



The study area is roughly bounded by the US 15 / I-20 Interchange to the south, Bethune Highway to the north, Intersection of Pinchum Sly Road and Camden Highway to the west, and the intersection of Wisacky Highway and Mac Stuckey Lane to the east.



We are working towards completing the environmental document in the Fall of 2019. As you can see by the schedule, there are a number of steps we must follow in the EIS process. We are anticipating design alternatives to be completed in the spring of 2018 and will be presenting them at a future public meeting currently scheduled for Summer 2018. Selection of an alternative will be made in the fall of 2019. Keep in mind that this selection could be a No-Build alternative. If the No-build is selected, all future phase will be cancelled. The No-Build option is evaluated and considered as part of all analyses as required by the National Environmental Policy Act. It is used as our benchmark to determine what will happen if the project isn't built.



This describes in a little more detail the Steps to complete an EIS. If a build alternative is selected as part of the environmental and planning analyses, the project will move into final design and ultimately construction. Those activities have not yet been scheduled. If the No-Build alternative is selected, this step will not occur.

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An Environmental Impact Statement looks at a wide range of environmental issues including natural resources, community impacts and physical resources. These analyses all go into the decision making process to select a preferred alternative.

Draft Purpose and Need



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Your input is important in the development of the project's Purpose and Need!



This is the main reason we are here this evening, to discuss the draft purpose and need for the project. The current purpose and need is similar to what was presented in the previous study and is comprised of two parts. The primary purpose is to reduce the number of trucks traveling along Main Street through downtown Bishopville. The secondary purpose will be to enhance the economic development of the area. As alternatives are developed, their ability to meet these purposes will be evaluated.

Draft Purpose and Need



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The reason we are looking at this project is the high number of trucks which pass through downtown. Over 700 trucks pass thru downtown daily and we will look at reducing the existing and future truck congestion along Main Street.

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Another important reason we are here this evening is to receive your input on the project and help define the project scope. In addition we will also be holding scoping meetings with state and federal environmental agencies to receive their input on the project.



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Tonight's meeting will not be your only opportunity to share your comments with us. Future public meetings and hearings will be held throughout the project life and you are always welcomed to email, mail or call Jacob with any comments or questions you have at any time. His contact information can also be found in the handout you received this evening. At this time, if you have not already done so, I invite you to make your way through the displays and then take some time at one of our discussion tables to share your thoughts and viewpoints on the project.



Project Fact Sheet

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
Bishopville, Lee County, South Carolina

Project Background

The environmental review process under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) was initiated in 2010, with an Environmental Assessment (EA) completed in the Fall of 2012. The EA document identified and analyzed seven alternatives to provide alternate routes for large trucks currently traveling through downtown Bishopville on US 15/N. Main Street. Initial public outreach activities included charrettes and community meetings along with a Public Information meeting. A number of individuals spoke out in opposition of the project at the November 2012 Public Hearing. At that time, the City of Bishopville and Lee County could not agree on a preferred alternative. A Public Information Meeting was held in February 2015 where the public was updated on the project and options moving forward. Due to the considerable public controversy with the project, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) directed the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) to reinstate the environmental planning process and prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of all applicable factors if the project was to continue.

Project Schedule

After completion of this public meeting, the Project Team will:

- » Review & summarize comments received at this Public Scoping Meeting — **June 2017**
- » Perform Technical Studies — **Summer 2017 to late Spring 2018**
- » Develop Alternatives — **Early Winter 2018 to late Spring 2018**
- » Present Alternatives to the Public — **Summer 2018**
- » Prepare Draft EIS (DEIS) — **Summer 2018/Spring 2019**
- » DEIS Approval & Public Hearing — **Summer 2019**
- » Final EIS (FEIS) & Record of Decision (ROD) — **Fall 2019**

We Want Your Input

Visit the Project website at www.arcg.is/2nVh5fU where you can access project information anytime. You can submit a comment via the website or by mail to:

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C/O Jacob Meetze, PE, RPG-2
955 Park Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 737-1037

Email comments to: MeetzeJ@scdot.org

All comments are due by **June 9, 2017**.

If you would like to be notified on future public involvement activities related to the EIS, please provide us with your contact information.



Next Steps

SCDOT, in cooperation with FHWA, will prepare an EIS on a proposal to provide a truck route in the vicinity of the City of Bishopville. US 15/N. Main Street is currently a two-lane roadway with a raised median and on-street parking. On average, 700 large trucks traverse this corridor daily.

- » Need to reduce existing and future truck congestion in downtown
- » As part of this new EIS study, all previous EA study data will be reassessed
- » Reassess previous EA study alternatives & develop new alternatives
- » New traffic data will be collected
- » Multiple alternatives will be identified to present a solution that best meets the needs of the project and the community while minimizing impacts to the surrounding area
- » “No-Build “ Alternative will be investigated
- » Alternatives will be assessed for their impacts on the community and natural environments

To address this need, SCDOT is developing an EIS that will promote informed decision making in the development of a solution to reduce truck congestion through downtown Bishopville. This EIS will also evaluate options which may also enhance the economic development of the area.

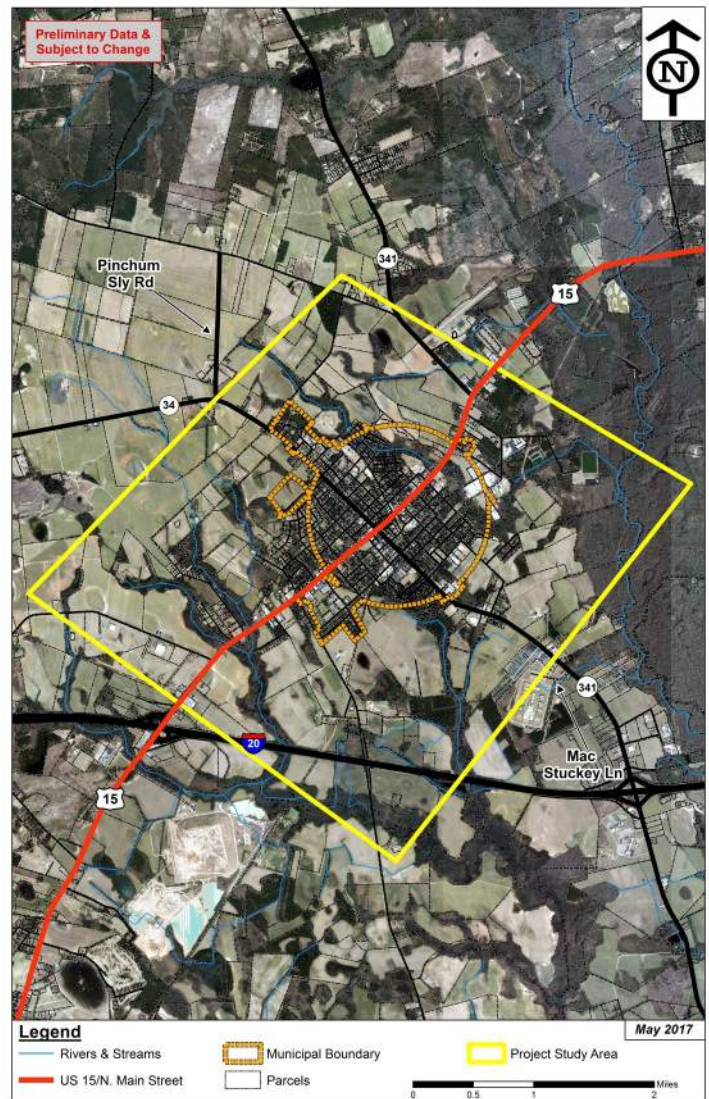
Project Study Area

The Project Study Area (shown in yellow) is generally defined by the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, the intersection of Pinchum Sly Road (S-15) and Camden Highway (SC 34) to the northwest and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast.

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Overview

NEPA requires Federal agencies to prepare Environmental Impact Statements (EIS's) for major Federal actions that significantly affect the quality of the human and natural environment. An EIS is a full disclosure document that details the process through which a transportation project was developed, includes consideration of a range of reasonable alternatives, analyzes the potential impacts resulting from the alternatives and demonstrates compliances with other applicable environmental laws and executive orders. The EIS process is completed in the following steps:

- » Notice of Intent (NOI) - Published in the Federal Register by FHWA to signal the initiation of the process
- » Purpose and Need - Describes why the project is necessary and documents the goals for the project. This is developed with input from the public, state and federal agencies
- » Draft EIS (DEIS) - Provides a detailed description of the proposal, purpose and need, reasonable alternatives, the affected environment, and presents analysis of the anticipated beneficial and adverse environmental effects of the alternatives
- » Final EIS (FEIS) - Addresses comments on the DEIS and identifies, based on analysis and comments, the Preferred Alternative
- » Record of Decision (ROD) - Identifies the Selected Alternative, presents the basis for the decision, identifies all the alternatives considered, and provides information on the adopted means to avoid, minimize and compensate for environmental impacts



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Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs.

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS

Please S. Lloyd
501 E. College St. Bishopville SC 29018
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

ellloyd2@bellsouth.net

COMMENTS

The by-pass is absolutely needed. Too many trucks (tractor-trailed) go through downtown Bishopville everyday. Safety and Economic development is a primary concern of mine.

We as a community must work together to find a solution. Just don't put it in the lower income community without giving equal consideration to the higher income community. Let the data determine how to move forward if it is determined that this project should move forward to completion of a by-pass.

E. Lloyd 5-9-17

Mail Comments to:

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C/O Jacob Meetze, PE, RPG-2

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Sandra Wilson

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Bishopville, SC

29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

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COMMENTS

I have a business downtown and the truck traffic is very very busy / load and some things not safe. It make it very difficult to get in and out of cars crossing the streets.

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Karl Dargan

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City

S.C.
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COMMENTS

Bishopville desperately
Needs a By Pass

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Mrs. Janice Atkinson

MAILING ADDRESS

123 N. Main Street, Bishopville SC 29010

Street/Route

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PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-484-5210 or - littleflorista@fite-i.net

COMMENTS I am in favor of a proposed "truck route".

My business is "The Little Florist" on main street.

Many days the trucks are storming through town and this makes it dangerous for my customers. Trash trucks and waste trucks are nasty and drip waste on the streets. This is a hazard to our businesses and customers.

I feel like my business will grow more without these trucks as my customers will feel safer shopping here. I'm not in favor of taking anyone's land, but feel like we could come to a better solution to this problem to suite everyone. However, I feel some kind of action should be made.

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Emma Logan

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COMMENTS

I believe this is a waste of time and money. I am a junior at Robert E Lee and I love my school. If another road such as a truck route or bypass will cause more traffic by the school which will cause more wrecks esp. since there are a lot of new drivers. I will be out of school by the time this even happens but I will always look out for my school and whats in its best intrest. I live right in Bishopville and do see how many trucks pass through but I also believe the junk in the middle of the road could be taken out and wouldn't be so cramed together. Small businesses in town that have been here for a long time or ->

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family business
mixon logging
Swamp logging
Logans Appliances

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are just starting have barely a chance
of surviving because a route would
lose traffic ~~in~~ in town. We would
NOT become a thriving town just

become a ghost town. My
Suggestion is to take the 'junk' out
of the middle of main Street or
not ~~to~~ change anything at all!

AGAINST BYPASS

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Frank Brent Milligan, Jr

MAILING ADDRESS

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COMMENTS

① Safety of school buses and children @ I-20 Exchange on 341

② Traffic control of trucks & buses

③ Jobs to local residents and contractors

④ Relocation of citizens

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John Gentry

MAILING ADDRESS

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COMMENTS

1. City Council has already voted against this project; county council has not taken a vote.
2. It seems when SCDOT is crying for money this proposed bypass is a waste of it. Never mind if the money has to go for new construction; that new construction can go somewhere else.
3. The last time this came forward, 3 of the 4 options were absolutely ludicrous and laughable. If you have to consider options try going from the 120 interchange directly to the US 15-341 junction. Alternatively and not dismissed as being within the scope, you could try a partial relief by going from the Lee State Park exit to US 15.

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DAVID MASTRODOMENICO (Sonoco)

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PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

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COMMENTS

- How much Truck Traffic of the 700 daily is Local Delivery or driving thru?

- Is Road widening an option or is the focus on alternative routing or some type of bypass?

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Gee T. Whetsel

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 218 N. Main St. Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

gatkenson@theleecountyobserver.com
803-229-7603

COMMENTS

I have been a merchant on Bishopville's Main Street for 20 years and in that time I have seen the truck traffic increase a thousandfold. On any given day, you can see trucks go by every few seconds from our front window. You will wait for several trucks to go by when you attempt to cross the street. Parallel parking is dangerous on Main Street and this is an issue for merchants trying to attract customers. Bishopville desperately needs to get these trucks off our main thoroughfare! Please help us!

Mail Comments to:

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route
Project C/O Jacob Meetze, PE, RPG-2
955 Park Street
Columbia, SC 29201



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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. Alec D Block

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 4679 Red Hill Rd Camden SC 29020
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-459-8632 (c) 803-843-2424 (Bus.)
Alec@vinginheart sinkeexpress.com

COMMENTS I own a business located at

229 N MAIN ST, Bishopville, THE SWAMP LOG
Anticams Gallery. I am 100% in favor of a new
truck route. my reasons: 1) the existing truck traffic
poses a danger to pedestrians and parked vehicles. 2) the noise from
the truck traffic is unpleasant and detrimental to the
ambiance of downtown. 3) Parking and leaving parking spots
is potentially hazardous it is very intimidating and
discourages people from parking downtown and is therefore
harmful to business downtown. In short, Truck Traffic
in downtown is detrimental to the future of business.

Questions: A) What is the traffic study saying about how much car
traffic will be diverted from main st. B) Where do the present
studies show the car and truck traffic destinations: starting points?

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs.
(Please choose one:)

Mr. Gary Chapman

MAILING ADDRESS

228 S. Main St. Bishopville SC 29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

warrenskid@yahoo.com

COMMENTS

I was fortunate enough to get a clearer understanding about this meeting from Jim Beck. Mr. Beck clarified that even if this route is built, it is likely 2-3 years away. I needed to know what can I do as a citizen to continue to advocate for this route after tonight. Additionally, I needed to know how can I impact that the decision about this route does not result in a no-build conclusion. I live @ 228 S. Main St. My beautiful 80 year old home is taking a beating because of the constant flow of heavy vehicles on Main St. Thanks to Mr. Beck, I will be in regular contact with ^{the} SCDOT and my local elected officials, in hopes of making this route come to

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & (Mrs)
(Please choose one.)

Retta Tindal

MAILING ADDRESS

327 S. Heyward St., Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

tindalteam@yahoo.com

COMMENTS

I support the bypass, but I oppose residents having to sell their property against their wills.
How can I-20 be incorporated into the bypass?

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NAME

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(Please choose one:)

Rosa M. Williams

MAILING ADDRESS

421 Perkins St. Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

(803) 484-6377

COMMENTS

There is no need for a by-pass. That is the purpose of I-20. Make that a truck route. Especially not needed on the East Side of town

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Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs
(Please choose one:)

Prince King Jr.

MAILING ADDRESS

414 Marsh St. Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

(803) 484-5068

COMMENTS

There is no need for a by-pass. That is the purpose of F-20. It is not needed on the East side of town.

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NAME

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(Please choose one:)

Windi King

MAILING ADDRESS

4358 Samestown Rd. Camden, SC 29026

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

windiking@msn.com

COMMENTS

I am not in favor of a by-pass. Make I-20 a truck route. This is not needed on the East Side of town.

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs.
(Please choose one:)

Kay Stuckey

MAILING ADDRESS

68 Dixon Dr. Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-983-7417 rdstuckey@sc.rr.com

COMMENTS Where to begin? Since our "vote" in 2015 did not matter, it is evident that the road will be built. DOT is correct in that there are too many trucks on Main St. The noise level is terrible. That said, I only want to know which route will be used, and when will work begin? To tell us that the road may or may not be built, insults the intelligence of many people in the community. Realizing that you are working with the federal government, I understand your constraints. For those people whose property will be adversely affected, the honest thing for DOT to do is to go ahead and inform those people. I, for one, would be glad to keep that information quiet. Please help us out so that we can plan our lives.

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NAME

Mr. Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. William S. McELuam
(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 500 St. Charles Rd Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-484-1188

COMMENTS I don't follow the objective of the bypass and don't add on proposals just to sell the project, for example - economic development.

How can you sell the East side route with all the environmental concerns versus the west side route.

Why didn't the 250 to 1 negative responses stop the project, ~~the~~ ^{work} ~~answer~~ ^{The} reply I heard about the floor to night was that it didn't represent the people. Well you are just looking for ~~the~~ people to get ⁱⁿ agreement with your view to keep the project going.

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs
(Please choose one:)

Dr. Carl Wetzel

MAILING ADDRESS

134 E. Church St. Bishopville, SC 29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-484-9290

COMMENTS

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT BY THE TIME THIS

ALTERNATE TRUCK ROUTE IS BUILT I WILL LIKELY BE

RETIRED. YOUR DECISION WILL NOT EFFECT ME BUT

COULD EFFECT FUTURE GENERATIONS OF LEE COUNTYANS.

DOWNTOWN BISHOPVILLE HAS SLOWLY DECLINED AND THE

INCREASING TRUCK TRAFFIC HAS MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE

TO OPERATE A BUSINESS DOWNTOWN THAT REQUIRES ANY

PARKING WHATSOEVER. YOU CANNOT SAFELY EXIT A


VEHICLE IF PARKED ON HWY 15. BISHOPVILLE TOWN

BOUNCE HAS HISTORICALLY FAILED TO PASSAGE CREATING

SAFE BACK LOT PARKING. I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE

OUR DECISION MAKERS TO ALLOW THIS ALTERNATE

ROUTE IF YOUR STUDIES INDICATE IT TO BE APPROPRIATE.

THANK YOU, 

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NAME

Mr. Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. Will McElveen

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 141 Lakeside Bishopville SC 29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-428-7935

COMMENTS Eliminate the downtown street scape. ~~and~~
Make turning lanes for trucks. Will increase the flow
of traffic and problem will be solved.

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NAME

Mr Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. ENGLISH COOPER 29010
(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 206 N. MAIN ST. BISHOPVILLE SC
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-491-6638 COOPERAES@FIC-1.NET

COMMENTS I OWN AND OPERATE A BUSINESS ON MAIN ST. AND LIVE IN BISHOPVILLE. WE MUST GET THE TRUCKS OFF OF MAIN ST. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO PARK AND SAFELY GET OUT OF THEIR CARS WHEN THE TRUCKS COME DOWN OUR MAIN ST. THE NEED FOR AN ALTERNATE TRUCK ROUTE SEEMS VERY LOGICAL AND OBVIOUS TO ME. PLEASE USE THE GUIDELINES YOU HAVE IN PLACE TO DETERMINE THE MOST SENSIBLE ROUTE — DON'T LET THE PEOPLE THAT MAKE THE MOST NOISE AND DON'T HAVE A BUSINESS IN TOWN SWAY YOUR DECISION. THE TRUCK ROUTE MUST

Mail Comments to:

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route BIC ESTABLISHED FOR PROJECT C/O JACOB MEETZE, PE, RPG-2 BISHOPVILLE DOWNTOWN 955 Park Street COMMERCIAL TO FLOURISH COLUMBIA, SC 29201



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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & (Mrs)
(Please choose one:)

YuHui Lin

MAILING ADDRESS

205 N Main Street Bishopville SC 29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

(803) 484-9118

COMMENTS

Big trucks off of Main Street!

Owner China House Restaurant

YuHui Lin

5-9-17

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955 Park Street

Columbia, SC 29201



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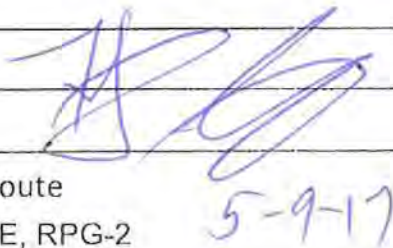
(Mr., Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. Foster Smith

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 538 Wisacky Hwy Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-484-6429

COMMENTS I own BOSMITH Furniture of Bishopville. We were located at 200 N Main from 1963 to 2003 when we had to relocate to our new location on 538 Wisacky Hwy. While downtown, our shopping clientele continued to decrease with many complaints from clients not feeling safe while parking because of all the downtown large truck traffic. Since our move, those clients almost immediately began shopping with us again. Available downtown shopping experience is vital for our community, but cannot happen until we make shopping/parking safe again.



5-9-17

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NAME

(Mr.)Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. Fritz Smith

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 563 Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803-229-2287

COMMENTS I am owner of the building located at 100 Main Street, currently 3M

Pawn. It is very important for large truck traffic to be removed from downtown

Bishopville so our customers will feel safe to park/shop downtown.

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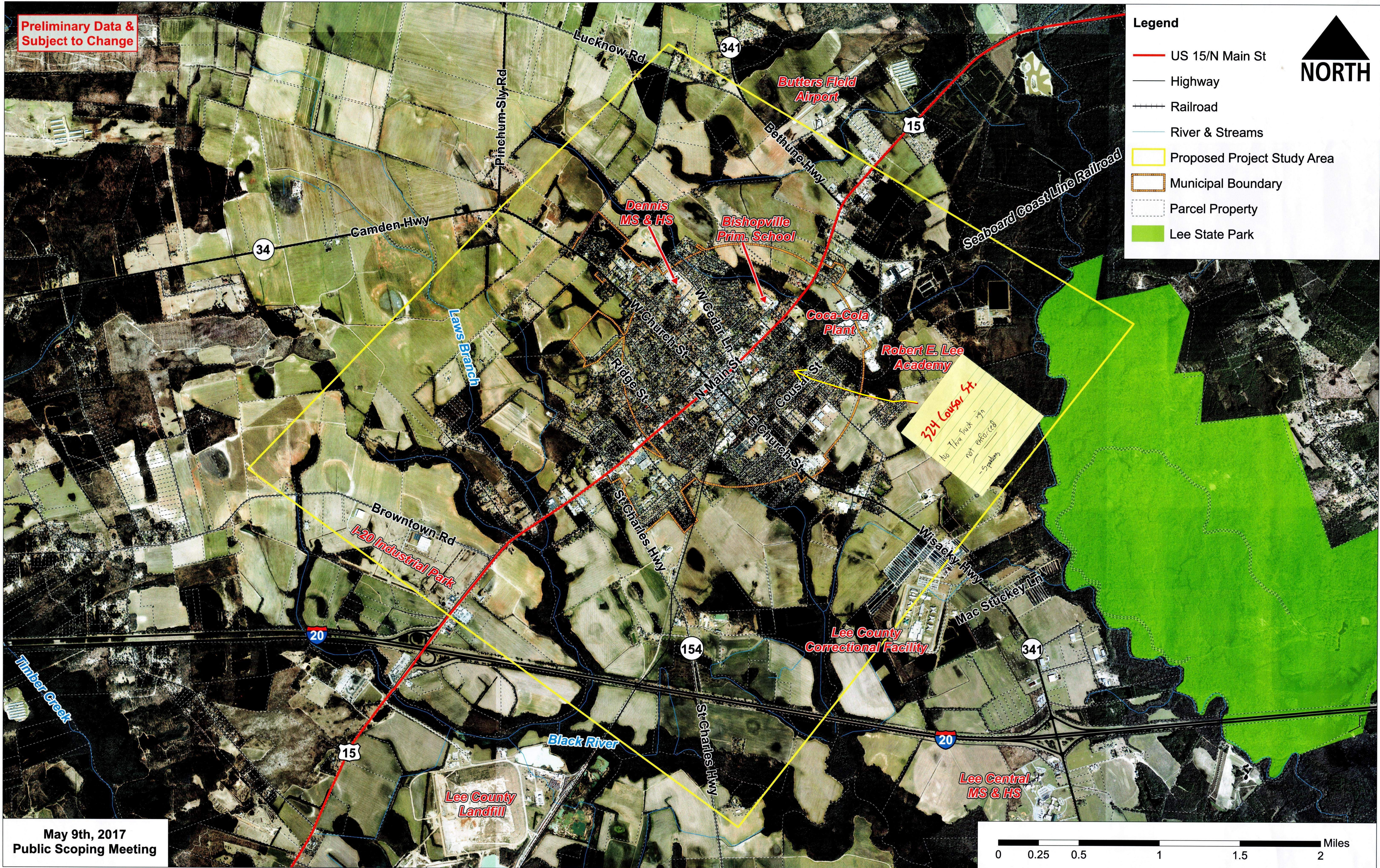
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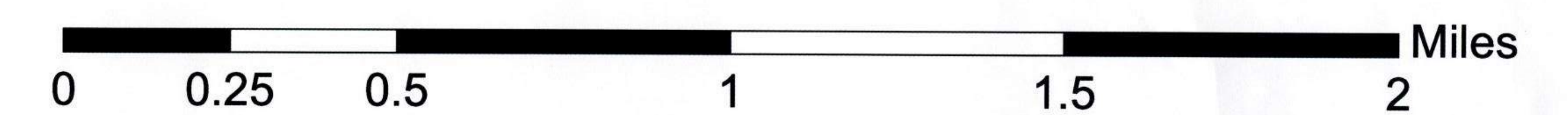
Preliminary Data & Subject to Change

Legend

- US 15/N Main St
- Highway
- Railroad
- River & Streams
- ▭ Proposed Project Study Area
- ▭ Municipal Boundary
- ▭ Parcel Property
- ▭ Lee State Park



May 9th, 2017
Public Scoping Meeting



LEE COUNTY



OFFICE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

ALAN W. WATKINS
ADMINISTRATOR

P.O. BOX 309
BISHOPVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29010
(803) 484-5341

JULIE P. STOKES
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR

June 8, 2017

Jacob Meetze
SC DOT, PE, RPG-2
955 Park St.
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Meetze,

On behalf of Lee County Council, I want to share an overview of the importance of the proposed Truck Route under consideration by SC Dot and FHA for construction in Lee County. This project has been a priority for County Council for over a decade and the reasons for the need for this project have become more clear and demonstrable with each year which has passed as this project has been discussed, analyzed and reviewed. There are two primary purposes and/or needs for this project; improving the safety of the citizens in the downtown area of Bishopville due to the high volume of truck traffic and creating a corridor for new growth in proximity to the most developed area of our rural county, Bishopville, which has been in decline for several decades.

The issue of improving safety in the downtown of Bishopville by rerouting truck traffic has been at the forefront of every survey and transportation need discussion in Lee County for over 20 years. SC DOT has conducted numerous traffic counts which clearly demonstrate the high volume of truck traffic traveling through a two lane commercial district and the safety concerns this raises. Local surveys have reflected the concerns of local citizens regarding traveling to the downtown commercial area for fear of parking on Main St. and facing the heavy volume of traffic, especially the large trucks traversing the downtown streets. SC DOT traffic counts show over 700 trucks per day pass through downtown Bishopville and this number is projected to increase considerably over the next decade as the Port of Charleston continues to grow and the economy continues to develop throughout this region of the state. The SC DOT representative conducting the formal

presentation at the Scoping Meeting on May 9 in Bishopville made reference to the number of trucks observed by SC DOT personnel visiting Main St. and the problems the trucks present.

When examining the potential economic impacts of a truck route being constructed around Bishopville there are two major positive outcomes which can be achieved. First, the removal of trucks from the two block core commercial district of the downtown, as well as the extended commercial areas between Hwy. 341 North and the Exit 116 interchange, will alleviate a major obstacle to recruiting and retaining businesses. There is a private effort underway to revitalize the downtown area of Bishopville and this effort has been bolstered by a \$1 million dollar private donation towards purchasing and restoring vacant buildings to attract new merchants. One of the major concerns when interviewing potential entrepreneurs to the downtown is the volume of truck traffic discouraging customers from coming into the area; two successful local businesses have relocated out of the downtown core district towards the interstate to mitigate this issue; Jared's Ace Hardware and BoSmith Furniture Co. The effort to restore the downtown properties and make them attractive to prospective business owners as well as shoppers is being greatly hindered due to the truck traffic issues.

The second major economic benefit of a truck route being constructed is the potential for growth associated with a new roadway and infrastructure corridor in proximity to the developed interstate interchanges at exits 116 and 120. Lee County has a Comprehensive Plan that was last updated in 2010; Page 79 of this document, under Proposed Long Range Land Development Plan, item #2- Bishopville Growth Area- describes the following: "The Bishopville area between Interstate 20, highways 341 and 15 and the City of Bishopville is projected to experience the greatest amount of growth over the next 5 to 20 years. The factors influencing this development are 1) the availability of water and sewer systems in the area, 2) the excellent transportation access provided by I-20, Highway 15 and Highway 341, 3) the availability of developable sites, 4) the amenities offered by living near or in an urban area." The construction of a roadway dissecting the open farmland between Bishopville and the interstate which can be subsequently enhanced with water and sewer infrastructure is the needed enhancement this community is desperate for to make this potential for growth a reality.

There is a clear purpose and need for this project to move forward and address the concerns detailed above. Every year this project is delayed is another year of safety issues faced by our residents and visitors to the community as well as the loss of economic growth potential for this community presented by a project of this scope.

The concerns of the individuals opposed to this project due to the negative impacts on their particular personal situation are certainly valid and understood by County Council. The Council implores those in charge of developing this project to make every effort to limit the negative impacts on farmers and private property owners when developing the potential routes for new construction. Dealing with the issue of road construction is never easy in any

community; there will always be impacts on individuals which cannot be entirely avoided. It is the collective view of the majority of Lee County Council the benefits of a truck route being constructed far outweighs the negative impacts on individual property owners in the community.

Thank you for your consideration of this information and feel free to contact my office for any additional assistance I can provide as this process moves forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Watkins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "A".

Alan Watkins, Lee County Administrator

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NAME

Mr. Ms, Mr & Mrs.
(Please choose one:)

Anna Copee

MAILING ADDRESS

110 - Harvard Bishopville C 2910
Street/R City

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

(803) 491 568

COMMENTS

Trucks on Main Street present personal and economic hindrances for local businesses and customers. Personal safety entering and exiting vehicles as well as crossing the street. There is very little regard for pedestrians on the crosswalks and an obnoxious habit to beat the light which presents speeding issues. For customers who visit the business on Main St, they must try and park with trucks rapidly approaching and sometimes just give up and do not patronize a business. The litter and truck debris is significant and give a poor image downtown by the trucks as they go through town and remove in the street. To the economic and long range vitality of the area, we need the trucks removed. This is called progress for the good of our community.

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. (Please choose one:)

ENGLISH COOPER

MAILING ADDRESS

110 S. HEYWARD ST. BISHOPVILLE SC 29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-491-6638

COMMENTS

I OWN A BUSINESS ON MAIN ST. AND SUFFER THE EFFECTS OF EXTREMELY HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC WHICH IS UNSAFE FOR NUMEROUS REASONS. CUSTOMER PARKING IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE AND THIS RELATES TO LOST BUSINESS BECAUSE CUSTOMERS JUST GIVE UP AND GO SOMEWHERE ELSE — WE ARE TRYING TO REVITALIZE THE TOWN AND THIS CAN'T BE DONE WITH THE HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC — THERE ARE GOOD VENUES IN PLACE TO DETERMINE WHERE THE TRUCK ROUTE SHOULD GO BASED ON LOGICAL AND ESTABLISHED TRAFFIC FLOW NEEDS. PLEASE DO THE

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Columbia, SC 29201



RIGHT THING FOR THE PROGRESS OF OUR COMMUNITY

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NAME

Mr. (Mrs. Ms, Mr & Mrs.
(Please choose one:)

"Genie" Eckley Williamson

MAILING ADDRESS

331 South Stonchedge Dr, Columbia, SC 29210

Street/Route

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Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-772-5295 genie.williamson73@gmail.com

COMMENTS

I was raised in an old antebellum home in Bishopville that is over 350 years old. The house and land around it is very dear to me and my family. Historically, I think it is the oldest house in the county. When I was little our land got divided on I20. I could no longer drive my mother to her belovedypress pond to fish on our dirt road. The interstate made us have to drive around 12 miles on the highway to get to and from the rest of our land. I never got to take my mom to her pond again to fish. Now, the state is again wanting to divide our land. My brothers put up two gates to keep people from going all over our farm land. Before the gates were put up, people had gone to my grandmother's house and dug up all her old flowers and later stole a lot of my brother's equipment. If the highway goes through our land, we will not be able to have the gates between the trees on our dirt roads to keep people out.

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Longview Plantation
is a historical site
that should not be able to
be condemned twice by the state
If the road goes through our land,



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(over)

it will cut our land into more sections which will be very painful to me. It will also cause us to lose control of our property and be totally subject to the will of others.

These previous developments have caused drainage, erosion, and pollution problems on our land and this cypress tree basin which I am told is known as the beginning of the Black River.

This area is a sanctuary for wildlife, water fowl, wild turkeys, quail, woodpeckers, reptiles, turtles, ^{fox squirrels} and local migratory and other potentially endangered species.

I will be praying that you will choose a different route for your road that will not go through any of the Eckley property -

As a partner of Longview partnership and Estate,

Mrs. Genie Williamson

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs, _____ Jared M. Smith
(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS _____ 707 W. Church St., Bishopville, SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL _____ Cell 803-484-1144 jsmith@jaredsace.com

COMMENTS _____ At this point, the SC DOT should act based upon whatever their research tells them they need to do for the long term benefit and well being of the majority of Lee County's citizens. Strategic decisions about whether or not to add infrastructure should not be made based on the emotional responses of a few people. Which "side" those people are on is irrelevant. No one knows better than the South Carolina Department of Transportation what our traffic routing needs are going to be for the next 10 to 20 years. Build or don't build - but whatever you decide to do, base your decision on knowledge, not hysteria. You will be held accountable

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NAME

Mr Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs
(Please choose one:)

Jeffrey E. Varn, CPA

MAILING ADDRESS

201 N. Main St, PO Box 502

Bishopville SC

29010

Street/Route

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-484-9406

varncpa@ftc-i.net

COMMENTS

There is an obvious commercial truck traffic problem on Main Street in Bishopville. It has been a problem for the 28 years I have been in business on Main Street and continues to get worse every year. The volume of traffic has caused many businesses to close their doors. Also the traffic is a deterrent for new business to locate on Main Street. This is a downtown merchant issue, it is not a farmer or neighborhood issue. The Federal Funding has already been earmarked to solve this problem. The SCDOT should be less concerned about a lawsuit from a farmer and more concerned about a lawsuit from Main Street Merchants and property owners should the DOT make the decision not to build-

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Mike Nixon

MAILING ADDRESS

65 Nixon Dr Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803.484-6357

COMMENTS

We are opposed to the bypass for the following reasons: 1) Proximity to schools, 2) proximity to wetlands, 3) disruption of farmland - Lee City is a farming community, 4) proximity to existing neighborhood, 5) a bypass will get trucks off main street but at the same time takes business away from downtown merchants - cars will take the "truck" bypass - much effort is being put into revitalizing main street. As is evident in other small SC towns (ex Jefferson and Pageland) a bypass has been detrimental to their economy. 6) Using existing connections to T-20 is better option, 7) Outpouring of opposition for bypass at Lee Central should have stopped this project. The decision for/against this project should lie in the hands of citizens - not dictated by Santa's COG

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and Lee County Council - gov'ts job is to represent
the will of the people - gov't of the people, for the
people and BY the people.

The East side of Hwy 15 has a larger population
density than the west side, yet no matter how
much we oppose the bypass - (The west side of
Hwy 15 was able to successfully petition against
against it) we are unsuccessful in our opposition.

It is also a HUGE example of gov't waste -

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Millie Scott

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 1694, Bishopville, SC 29010

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803-486-5093

COMMENTS

yes, I do think there is a truck traffic problem downtown Bishopville. I own two buildings on Main Street and I work there every day.

It's hard for people to park and even hard to get out of their car especially SENIORS.

It's also not easy to cross the street. This problem has been going on for some time.

The Greater Bishopville is working very hard to make downtown vital again and the heavy truck traffic makes for a serious problem.

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NAME

Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mr & Mrs. MR. R. TRAVIS WINDHAM

(Please choose one:)

MAILING ADDRESS 204 N. Main St Bishopville SC 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL 803 484-6725 Windham@FIC-IT.NET

COMMENTS Jacob

My business has been at 204 N. Main St since 1987, 5 days per week, 8 hrs per day, 30 weeks per year. The 700+ trucks per day is very dangerous and limits business tremendously! There have been several instances with trucks (accidents) that have caused long delays in traffic moving through mid st. The removal of trucks from main street is critical for the survival of businesses on main st. Truck routes in Hartsville, Chester, Bennettsville, Camden & other towns have helped their town tremendously. The need for this project due to safety and economic development is 100%. A decision should be made soon as the town

Rest. Windham

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MRS. JERRY LAW / MR. ROBERT LAW

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. BOX 814

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PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-484 3258

JERRYLAW@GMAIL.COM

COMMENTS

THIS IS A MUST FOR BISHOPVILLE. WE LIVE AT 200 S. MAIN STREET & CANNOT PULL OUT FROM OUR HOME. HAVE TO TAKE DOWNS AVE. MERCHANTS DON'T HAVE A CHANCE AT LASTING ON MAINST. YOU CANNOT SAFELY EXIT YOUR CAR. A FEW WEEKS AGO I WAS DOWNTOWN. THE 18 WHEELERS & GARBAGE TRUCKS WERE SOUND BOTH SIDES OF STREET AHEAD & BEHIND ME. OUR TOWN WILL NEVER REACH ITS POTENTIAL UNTIL THIS IS SLOWED. IT GET WORSE BY THE MONTH.

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Wayne Hancock

MAILING ADDRESS

240 S. Main St.

Bishopville SC

29010

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PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

whancock3@gmail.com

COMMENTS

Truck traffic has to be removed from main street. Pedestrian travel is unsafe. This issue has been identified through the city of Bishopville study 10 yrs ago and SCDOT study 2 years ago. Almost every business owner downtown wants the truck traffic removed. This was given to you on the many comment sheets throughout the past 3 years.

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May 23, 2017

Mr. Jacob Meetze
S.C. Dept Trans.
955 Park Street
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Dear Mr. Meetze,

I was unable to attend the Public Scoping Meeting regarding the proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project on May 9, 2017.

In a phone call on May 8, you suggested that I send you my written comments regarding the above subject.

My name is H. S. "Toby" Reynolds III and I have been a resident of Lee County and Bishopville all of my life. I was born on Church Street on March 2, 1933.

As an '84 year old resident, I wish to comment about Bishopville's main street where we have one lane of traffic on each side. The truck traffic is extremely heavy every day except Sunday!

I avoid parking on main street because of the unsafe conditions that exist.

Our main business section of two blocks has the appearance of a small town going in the wrong direction. About 1/2 of the stores are closed and we have to go to surrounding towns to shop for things not available in our town.

II

We do have some efforts to attract new businesses, but I don't have a good feeling about its success unless there is a way to reroute truck traffic around the downtown area.

I like the topiary in the middle of main street, however, it appears to cause a problem with safe parking and walking.

I have observed other small towns in our area that have established by-pass routes for trucks and it seems to be very successful.

I hope that our interested citizens will prevail in going forward with an idea to make our main street safe again.

Thanks for allowing me to express my thoughts on this subject.

Sincerely,
H. S. Reynolds III
319 McDonald Place
Bishopville S.C.
29010-1321

Phone
803 484-6204

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Mr Travis K. Windham

MAILING ADDRESS

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Bishopville

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windhamtravis@gmail.com

COMMENTS

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As a business owner in Bishopville located on North Main Street. I drive, watch and walk in the Main St. downtown area Monday – Friday. Truck traffic is a nuisance but also handicaps our downtown. Truck traffic is nuisance because it is loud in our office, not pedestrian friendly to crossing or people who may be parking. Truck traffic does not bring any positive outcome to the Bishopville downtown. As apart of the Greater Bishopville Chamber of Commerce, truck traffic doesn't allow us the have functions or fundraisers on Main Street.

My concerns for truck traffic have increased because I see exploding numbers of trucks moving through downtown. These trucks are speeding to get through and not stop. The continuous growth of more trucks will only magnify traffic, noise, danger and disable our sleepy town that has plenty of potential. Truck traffic hasn't helped us yet but hopfully we can use it to our advantage. Hoping a new road way will make Bishopville downtown grow into a place to stop; being that it is the crossing path to such big cites and close to interstate twenty.

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MAILING ADDRESS

Willie J. Thomas
525 E. Davis St. Bishopville S.C. 29010
Street/Route City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-484-1637 / willie.thomas.81@yahoo.com

COMMENTS

I don't approve of the truck route.
Because I love the community, and I believe
this is one of the best communities in Bishopville,
and I would like for the committee to consider
a new truck route.

Willie J. Thomas

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TALKED TO HENRY

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WILLIE MAE MULROW

MAILING ADDRESS

322 COUSAR STREET, BISHOPVILLE, SC 29010

Street/Route

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PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL

803-484-6860 WILLIEMMULROW@YAHOO.COM

COMMENTS

SEE ATTACHED SHEET

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PROPOSED BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE-PROJECT

THE TRUCKS SHOULD BE REROUTED OFF MAIN STREET IN BISHOPVILLE. HOWEVER, MY PRIMARY CONCERN IS THE ALTERNATE ROUTE. I RESIDE ON NORTH COUSAR STREET AND HAVE LIVED WITH DAILY TRUCK TRAFFIC SINCE THE OPENING OF THE COCA-COLA PLANT.

TRUCK DRIVERS FROM OTHER AREAS ALSO IGNORE THE NO THRU TRUCK TRAFFIC SIGNS. THE STREETS ARE NARROW WITH NO SIDE WALKS, AND IN SOME AREAS, NO PLACE TO WALK. THIS POSES A SAFETY HAZZARD WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. DURING THE HOURS OF SCHOOL BUS PICK-UP AND UNLOADING INCREASES THE DANGER FOR CHILDREN. WHEN SCHOOL IS NOT IN SESSION, IT IS JUST AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN. THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL CLOSE ENCOUNTERS WITH TRUCK VERSES TRUCKS, CHILDREN, ADULTS, AND OTHER VEHICLES.

AT THE INTERSECTION OF DAVIS STREET AND COUSAR STREET VEHICLES WILL BACK UP SO THAT THE TRUCKS CAN TURN, DUE TO THE FACT IT IS A TIGHT RIGHT TURN.

AN ALTERNATE ROUTE IS THE LEE STATE PARK ROAD (EXIT 123), WHICH WAS BUILT AND DESIGNED TO CARRY THE LOAD OF TRUCKS. SOME MODIFICATIONS WERE MADE TO EASE ACCESS ONTO I-20.

THE FORMER LINES DRAWN ON THE PROPOSED ROUTE MAP WILL BRING NOISE AND INTERRUPT THE OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTIAL AREAS NEARBY. IF A ROUTE COULD BE CHOSEN THAT WILL HAVE LESS IMPACT ON THE RESIDENTS, PERHAPS THE OVERALL PERCENTAGE OF CITIZENS LIVING WITHIN THESE AREAS WOULD/SHOULD BE MORE INCLINED TO IMPROVE.

CITIZENS WHO WOULD NOT BE DIRECTLY AFFECTED IN ONE WAY OR THE OTHER SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE DECISION MAKING.

I ASK THAT YOU TAKE MY CONCERNS UNDER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.

THANK YOU,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Willie Mae Muldrow". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

WILLIE MAE MULDROW

May 19, 2017

Re: Proposed Lee County By-pass

To whom it may concern:

I talked to engineer Jacob Meetze from my hospital bed in Sumter. I was unable to attend the meeting at Lee Central, although I did go to the first meeting, looked at maps and decided then this was not a good thing for Lee County or the city or for businesses already here. I hold a master's degree with much course work on top of that. I am currently almost 78 years old.

Now that I am back at home in Bishopville, I wrote the following while in hospital.

As a forty-year resident of Bishopville, residing at 215 South Heyward Street, I am still in opposition to the proposed by-pass for the following reasons:

- 1. Arable farmland will be lost. Farming is the biggest industry in the county. The world's population is growing at an alarming rate. We need to preserve farmland.**
- 2. A 1958 classmate of my husband, donated \$1,000,000 to Greater Bishopville to restore two blocks of our historic downtown put on the National Register of Historic Places in 1988 when surveyed by Clemson University architectural students, just before Hurricane Hugo.**
- 3. This individual also donated \$500,000 to no other entity in town. After my husband's death, he donated a family owned building to the Lee County Arts Council in my husband's memory. After Hurricane Hugo, one of the anchor buildings, the Lee County Opera House, roof destroyed, was saved.**
- 4. We already have a by-pass in I-20.**

There are probably other things I could add, but I need to rest and let my pain medicine kick in

Sincerely yours, Barbara Adams Austin (Bobbi)

Tanya Thompson

From: Internet <SMPSHPT1004@scdot.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 5:38 AM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.
Subject: Comment from SCDOT contact form - Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

The following message was sent from the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route contact form:

Name: Laura Kirk
Email: laurakirk@gmail.com
Address 1: 59 Loop Rd Bishopville SC 29010
Comment: Hello,

In planning alternates, I would like to voice my objection for a southern route that would bring the truck route closer to the Lynches River and Lee State Park. The pollution it would bring would further impair the river (air and water pollution). It would also impair the enjoyment of the northern section of Lee State Park (noise pollution) and impact wildlife. There is a northern primitive camping area that within 'earshot' of the former proposed southern route. There is a well-used trail that parallels the Lynches River and people enjoy the quiet they find there. Vehicle traffic on the other side of the river will forever mar that experience. The southern section of the park is already negatively impacted by having 1-20 built through it. Please don't impact and negatively affect the northern section.

Laura Kirk
Bishopville, SC

Tanya Thompson

From: Internet <SMPSHPT1004@scdot.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 5:46 AM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.
Subject: Comment from SCDOT contact form - Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

The following message was sent from the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route contact form:

Name: Laura Kirk
Email: laurakirk@gmail.com
Address 1: 59 Loop Rd Bishopville SC 29010
Comment: I would like to be added to the mailing lists (both paper and electronic) for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project.

Tanya Thompson

From: Cyndi Eckley <cpeckley@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 9:36 AM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.; Williamson, H. Denton
Subject: Fwd: Bishopville Bypass

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Dear Mr. Meetze:

The original email below was sent before the deadline last evening. I inadvertently left off the last "e" of your name and didn't know until this morning that you had not received it. I hope you will understand and include it in your considerations.

Thanks,
Gordon Eckley

Begin forwarded message:

From: Cyndi Eckley <cpeckley@gmail.com>
Date: May 31, 2017 at 10:16:51 PM EDT
To: meetzj@scdot.org
Subject: Bishopville Bypass

Dear Mr. Meetz:

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Thank-you,
Gordon Eckley
Longview Family Partnership Trustee

Sent from my iPad

Tanya Thompson

From: Dwayne Huggins <dhuggins@leecountysc.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017 2:14 PM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.
Subject: Bishopville / Lee County Truck Route

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Dear Mr. Meetze,

Please accept this as my support for the Truck Route around Bishopville. My name is Dwayne Huggins and I am the Public Safety Director for Lee County.

I believe the most important issue in this whole process is a one of safety for our citizens of this County and State. As these trucks come through Bishopville they are not shopping at stores or stopping to get something to eat, they are mostly trying to get to the Interstate to continue their journey. Removing the heavy truck traffic from Main Street by whatever means possible will allow our citizens safer parking and safer pedestrian traffic. I understand that there are residents for and against this project as with all projects and I can objectively see both sides. But at the end of the day, it all comes down to safety concerns for myself and our Emergency Services Departments and the Citizens for Lee County

I do believe that a truck route is the best option to resolve or at least help mitigate these safety concerns.

Dwayne Huggins
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Tanya Thompson

From: Mike Bedenbaugh <mbedenbaugh@leecountysc.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017 4:13 PM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.
Subject: Lee County Truck route

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June 8, 2017

Jacob Meetze, PE SCDOT
Project Manager
955 Park Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Mr. Jacob Meetze

I support the Bishopville Bypass (truck bypass) project ID 33261 by moving the trucks traffic off main street Bishopville. This allow emergency vehicles and passenger vehicles to move safely without having the traffic jams on main street that the street scape causes from time to time. This will have the effect of a safer environment for the business and residential district of Bishopville by removing the truck traffic.

To mitigate the high risk of a potential hazardous material incidents form a freight vehicle within the City of Bishopville. We should see fewer wrecks at the corner of Church and Main Street.

I (Lee County Fire Chief) support the bypass as it will improve public safety for the residents and business owners of Bishopville.

Sincerely,

Mike Bedenbaugh
Lee County Fire Chief / Emergency Management Director

Mike L Bedenbaugh
Lee County Fire Department Chief
Lee County Emergency Management Director
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803-484-5274

Tanya Thompson

From: Edward Alexander <edward@cforce.net>
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2017 4:57 PM
To: Meetze, Jacob M.
Subject: Bishopville Truck Route

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Dear Mr. Meetze,

I just wanted to confirm that the email that Gordon Eckley sent you is correct. The Alexander property tax map # 030-16-00-001-000 is under contract and filed at the Lee County Courthouse. All indications are that a Solar Farm will be built by the end of the year. With this being said our land would not be an ideal place for the by-pass. However, I would like to add that I am all for the by-pass. Bishopville desperately needs this by-pass and I wish you much success in finding the best route possible. If I can help you in any way please call 843-260-8307.

Thank you,

Edward Alexander
3307 Dunhill Court
Florence, SC 29501

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July 18, 2017

Mr. Alan Watkins
657 Eddie Watkins Road
Cassatt, SC 29031

**SUBJECT: MAY 9TH PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
PROPOSED BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE**

Dear Mr. Watkins:

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Ms. Ann A. Cooper
110 South Heyward Street
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Mr. Alec Blalock
4679 Red Hill Road
Camden, SC 29020

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Mr. Dwayne Huggins
109 DesChamps Street
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Mr. Foster Smith
538 Wisacky Hwy
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Mr. Frank Millican Jr.
65 Pear Street
Dalzell, SC 29040

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Mr. Fritz Smith
PO Box 563
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Ms. Gee Whetsel
387 Country Manor Estates
Bishopville, SC 29010

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July 18, 2017

Mr. Jeff Varn
PO Box 502
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Mr. Robert Law and Mrs. Jerry Law
PO Box 814
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Mr. Karl Dargan
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Mr. N.S Reynolds III
319 McDonald Place
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July 18, 2017

Ms. Sandra Wilson
243 South Main Street
Bishopville, SC 29010

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Mr. Walter Lucas and Mrs. Patricia Lucas
324 Cousar Street
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240 S Main Street
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205 N Main Street
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707 W Church Street
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Mr. Mike Bedenbaugh
119 DesChamps Street
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3307 Dunhill Court
Florence, SC 29501

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204 North Main Street
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PO Box 1694
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215 Heyward Street
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1935 St Charles Road
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Mr. David Mastrodomenico
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July 18, 2017

Mr. John Gentry
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**Public Scoping Meeting Comments
Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project (S-69-08)
Bishopville, Lee County, South Carolina**



Date Prepared:	June 11-13, 2017
Meeting Date/Time/Place:	May 9, 2017, 5:00-7:00 PM, Lee Central High School
Meeting Purpose:	To provide citizens the opportunity to learn about the NEPA process, the purpose and need of the proposed Bishopville Truck Route, and to provide an opportunity for the public to give feedback that will aid in the project development.
Prepared By:	Neighborhood Solutions and DRMP, Inc.

There were **83** meeting attendees. Listed below are **43** comments submitted via the public meeting, website, and letters and emails to the project manager.

**Specific Question or Other
Comment on Alternatives
Comment on Purpose and Need**

Name: Alan Watkins	Address: 657 Eddie Watkins Rd	City, State, Zip Code: Cassatt, SC 29031
Phone: (803) 428-7102	Email Address: awatkins@leecountysc.org	

COMMENT: On behalf of Lee County Council, I want to share an overview of the importance of the proposed Truck Route under consideration by SCDOT and FWHA for construction in Lee County. This project has been a priority for County Council for over a decade and the reasons for the need for this project have become more clear and demonstrable with each year which has passed as this project has been discussed, analyzed and reviewed. There are two primary purposes and/or needs for this project; improving the safety of the citizens in the downtown area of Bishopville due to the high volume of truck traffic and creating a corridor for new growth in proximity to the most developed area of our rural county, Bishopville, which has been in decline for several decades.

The issue of improving safety in the downtown of Bishopville by rerouting truck traffic has been at the forefront of every survey and transportation need discussion in Lee County for over 20 years. SCDOT has conducted numerous traffic counts which clearly demonstrate the high volume of truck traffic traveling through a two-lane commercial district and the safety concerns this raises. Local surveys have reflected the concerns of local citizens regarding traveling to the downtown commercial area for fear of parking on Main St. and facing the heavy volume of traffic, especially the large trucks traversing the downtown streets. SCDOT traffic counts show over 700 trucks per day pass through downtown Bishopville and this number is projected to increase considerably over the next decade as the Port of Charleston continues to grow and the economy continues to develop throughout this region of the state. The SCDOT representative conducting the formal presentation at the Scoping Meeting on May 9 in Bishopville made reference to the number of trucks observed by SCDOT personnel visiting Main St. and the problems the trucks present.

When examining the potential economic impacts of a truck route being constructed around Bishopville there are two major positive outcomes which can be achieved. First, the removal of trucks from the two-block core commercial district of the downtown, as well as the extended commercial areas between Hwy. 341 North and the Exit 116 interchange, will alleviate a major obstacle to recruiting and retaining businesses. There is a private effort underway to revitalize the downtown area of Bishopville and this effort has been bolstered by a \$1million dollar private donation towards purchasing and restoring vacant buildings to attract new merchants. One of the major concerns when interviewing potential entrepreneurs to the downtown is the volume of truck traffic discouraging customers from coming into the area; two successful local businesses have relocated out of the downtown core district towards the interstate to mitigate this issue; Jared's Ace Hardware and BoSmith Furniture Co. The effort to restore the downtown properties and make them attractive to perspective business owners as well as shoppers is being greatly hindered due to the truck traffic issues.

The second major economic benefit of a truck route being constructed is the potential for growth associated with a new roadway and infrastructure corridor in proximity to the developed interstate interchanges at exits 116 and 120. Lee County has a Comprehensive Plan that was last updated in 2010; Page 79 of this document, under Proposed Long-Range Land Development Plan, item #2- Bishopville Growth Area- describes the following: "The Bishopville area between Interstate 20, highways 341 and 15 and the City of Bishopville is projected to experience the greatest amount of growth over the next 5 to 20 years. The factors influencing this development are 1) the availability of water and sewer systems in the area, 2) the excellent transportation access provided by 1-20,

Highway 15 and Highway 341, 3) the availability of developable sites, 4) the amenities offered by living near or in an urban area." The construction of a roadway dissecting the open farmland between Bishopville and the interstate which can be subsequently enhanced with water and sewer infrastructure is the needed enhancement this community is desperate for to make this potential for growth a reality.

There is a clear purpose and need for this project to move forward and address the concerns detailed above. Every year this project is delayed is another year of safety issues faced by our residents and visitors to the community as well as the loss of economic growth potential for this community presented by a project of this scope.

The concerns of the individuals opposed to this project due to the negative impacts on their particular personal situation are certainly valid and understood by County Council. The Council implores those in charge of developing this project to make every effort to limit the negative impacts on farmers and private property owners when developing the potential routes for new construction. Dealing with the issue of road construction is never easy in any community; there will always be impacts on individuals which cannot be entirely avoided. It is the collective view of the majority of Lee County Council the benefits of a truck route being constructed far outweighs the negative impacts on individual property owners in the community.

Thank you for your consideration of this information and feel free to contact my office for any additional assistance I can provide as this process moves forward.

RESPONSE: The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) would like to thank you for participating in the beginning phase of the planning process for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project by attending the SCDOT Public Scoping Meeting held on May 9, 2017 at Lee Central High School in Bishopville. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process and to collect public comments in an effort to develop the purpose and need for the project.

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Name: Ann A. Cooper	Address: 110 S Heyward St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 491-5689	Email Address:	

COMMENT: Trucks on Main Street present personal and economic hindrances for local businesses and customers. Personal safety entering and exiting vehicles as well as crossing the street. There is very little regard for pedestrians even in the crosswalks and obvious effort to "beat" the light which presents speeding issues. For customers who would like to shop on Main St., they must try and park with trucks rapidly approaching and sometimes just give up and do not patronize a business. The litter and truck debris is significant and gives a poor image of downtown. Objects fall off of trucks as they go through town and remain in the street. For the economic and long range vitality of downtown, we need the trucks rerouted. This is called progress for the good of our community.

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Name: Alec Blalock	Address: 4679 Red Hill Rd	City, State, Zip Code: Camden, SC 29020
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COMMENT: I own a business located at 229 N Main St, Bishopville, The Swamp Log Artiseans Gallery. I am 100% in favor of a new truck route. My reasons (1) the existing truck traffic poses a danger to pedestrians and parked vehicles. (2) The noise from the truck traffic is unpleasant and detrimental to the ambience of downtown. (3) Parking and leaving parking spots is a potentially hazard. It is very intimidating and discourages people from parking downtown and is therefore harmful to business downtown. In short, truck traffic in downtown is detrimental to the future of business. Questions (A) What is the truck study saying about how much car traffic will be diverted from Main St.? (B) Where do the present studies show the car and truck traffic destinations starting points?

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Name: Barbara Adams Austin (Bobbie)	Address: 215 Heyward St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-5874	Email Address: art_spirit@hotmail.com	

COMMENT: To whom it may concern: I talked to engineer, Jacob Meetze from my hospital bed in Sumter. I was unable to attend the Meeting at Lee Central, although I did go to the first meeting, looked at maps and decided then this was not a good thing for Lee County or the city or for businesses already here. I hold a master's degree with much course work on top of that. I am currently almost 78 years old. Now that I am back at home in Bishopville, I wrote the following while in hospital. As a forty-year resident of Bishopville, residing at 215 South Heyward Street, I am still in opposition to the proposed by-pass for the following reasons: (1) Arable farmland will be lost. Farming is the biggest industry in the county. The world's population is growing at an alarming rate. We need to preserve farmland. (2) A 1958 classmate of my husband, donated \$1,000,000 to Greater Bishopville to restore two blocks of our historic downtown put on the National Register of Historic Places in 1988 when surveyed by Clemson University architectural students, just before Hurricane Hugo. (3) This individual also donated \$500,000 to another entity in town. After my husband's death, he donated a

family owned building to the Lee County Arts Council in my husband's memory. After Hurricane Hugo, one of the anchor buildings, the Lee County Opera House, roof destroyed, was saved. (4) We already have a by-pass in I-20. There are probably other things I could add, but I need to rest and let my pain medicine kick in.

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Name: Carl Whetsel Phone: (803) 484-9290	Address: 134 E Church St Email Address: alec@virginheartsinkercypress.com	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: Please understand that by the time this alternate route is built, I will likely be retired. Your decision will not affect me, but could affect future generations of Lee Counties. Downtown Bishopville has slowly declined and the increasing truck traffic has made it impossible to operate a business downtown that requires any parking whatsoever. You cannot exit a vehicle if parked out on Hwy 15. Bishopville town council has historically failed to pursue creating safe back lot parking. I strongly encourage our decision makers to allow this alternate route if your studies indicate it to be appropriate. Thank you.

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Name: Cyndi Eckley
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City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010

COMMENT: This letter is to go on record for Longview Family Partnership and Edward M. Alexander et al. The tax map numbers for Longview are 030 15 00 002 000 and 037 00 00 025 000. The tax map number for the Alexander property is 030 16 00 001 000. We have contracted to have a solar farm built on these tracts of land. The panels have already been ordered and the solar farm will be built long before a bypass can be built. If the solar farm has to be removed, someone will be liable to pay the two landowners about \$200,000 a year for the 30 years that the contract specifies. I am a county council member for Lee County. I agree that something needs to be done. I have concerns about how close the bypass will come to Robert E. Lee Academy. The noise of trucks climbing to cross a bridge over the railroad tracks will be very disruptive to learning. I'm speaking from experience as one who drives an 18-wheeler frequently.

Originally, the truck route was to only go from Hwy. 15 to Hwy. 341. Could this still happen and the western route go from Hwy. 15 on the west side to Browntown Road? This would be a true bypass that would touch all the main roads leading in and out of Bishopville. It would be a little more expensive, I realize. Because I have been involved with economic development for a number of years in my role as councilman, I have considered the impact on both the east and west sides carefully. I know that even though water and sewer are available on the east side, the bypass will cut the tracts into such small parcels that they won't be useful for industrial development. There are bigger tracts on the west side that would be better for development than what would ultimately be available on the east side. I know that you have a hard job in front of you. I also know that we will not eat any financial losses. I will be glad to discuss this further with you. I can be reached at 803 229-5122.

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Name: Dale Mastrodomenics
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Address: 1 N Second St
Email Address: david.mastrodomenico@sonoco.com

City, State, Zip Code: Hartsville, SC 29550

COMMENT: How much truck traffic of the 700 daily is local delivery or driving there? Is road widening an option or is the focus on alternate routing or some type of bypass?

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Name: Dwayne Huggins	Address:	City, State, Zip Code:
Phone: (803) 484-1723	Email Address: dhuggins@leecountysc.org	

COMMENT: Please accept this as my support for the Truck Route around Bishopville. My name is Dwayne Huggins and I am the Public Safety Director for Lee County. I believe the most important issue in this whole process is a one of safety for our citizens of this County and State. As these trucks come through Bishopville they are not shopping at stores or stopping to get something to eat, they are mostly trying to get to the Interstate to continue their journey. removing the heavy truck traffic from Main Street by whatever means possible will allow our citizens safer parking and safer pedestrian traffic. I understand that there are residents for and against this project as with all projects and I can objectively see both sides. But at the end of the day, it all comes down to safety concerns for myself and our Emergency Services Departments and the Citizens for Lee County. I do believe that a truck route is the best option to resolve or at least help mitigate these safety concerns.

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Name: Elease Lloyd	Address: 501 E College St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone:	Email Address: elloyd2@bellsouth.net	

COMMENT: The bypass is absolutely needed. Too many trucks (tractor-trailer) go through downtown Bishopville every day. Safety and economic development is a primary concern of mine. We as a community must work together to find a solution. Just don't put it in the lower income community without giving equal consideration to the higher income community. Let the data determine how to move forward if it is determined that this project should move forward to completion of a bypass.

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Name: Emma Logan	Address: 59 Dixon Dr	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: I believe this is a waste of time and money. I am a junior at Robert E Lee and I love my school. If another road such as a truck route or bypass will cause more traffic by the school which will cause more wrecks esp. since there are a lot of new drivers. I will be out of school by the time this even happens but I will always look out for my school and what's in its best interest. I live right in Bishopville and do see how many trucks pass through but I also believe the junk in the middle of the road could be taken out and wouldn't be so crammed together. Small business in town that have been here for a long time or my family business (Mixon logging swamp log Logans Appliances) are just starting have barely a chance of surviving because a route would lose traffic in town. We would not become a thriving town just become a ghost town. My suggestion is to take the junk out of the middle of Main Street or not change anything at all! AGAINST BYPASS.

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Name: English Cooper	Address: 110 S Heyward St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 491-6638	Email Address: cooperaes@ftc-i.net	

COMMENT (1): I own and operate a business on Main St. And I live in Bishopville. We must get the trucks off Main St. It is impossible for anyone to park and safely get out of their cars when the trucks dominate our Main St. The need for an alternate truck route seems very logical and obvious to me. Please use the guidelines you have in place to determine the most sensible route. Don't let people that make the most noise and don't have a business in town sway your decision. The truck route must be established for Bishopville downtown commercial to flourish.

COMMENT (2): I own a business on Main St. and suffer the effects of extremely heavy truck traffic which is unsafe for numerous reasons. Customer parking is almost impossible and this relates to lost business because customers just give up and go somewhere else. We are trying to revitalize the town and this can't be done with the heavy truck traffic. There are guidelines in place to determine where the truck route should go based on logical and established traffic flow needs. Please do the right thing for the progress of our community.

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Name: Foster Smith	Address: 538 Wisacky Hwy	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-6429	Email Address:	

COMMENT: I own Bosmith Furniture of Bishopville. We were located at 200 N Main from 1963 to 2003 when we had to relocate to our new location 538 Wisacky Hwy. While downtown, our shopping clientele continued to decrease with many complaints from clients not feeling safe while parking because of all the downtown large truck traffic. Since our move, those clients almost immediately began shopping with us again. Available downtown shopping experience is vital for our community, but cannot happen until we make shopping/parking safe again.

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Name: Frank Millican Jr	Address: 65 Pear St	City, State, Zip Code: Dalzell, SC 29040
Phone:	Email Address: fmmillican@yahoo.com	

COMMENT: (1) Safety of school buses and children @ I-20 exchange on 341. (2) Traffic control of trucks & buses (3) Jobs to local residents and contractors (4) Relocation of citizens.

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Name: Fritz Smith	Address: PO Box 563	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 229-2287	Email Address:	

COMMENT: I am owner of the building located at 100 Main Street, currently 3M Pawn. It is very important for large truck traffic to be removed from downtown Bishopville so our customers will feel safe to park/shop downtown.

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Name: Gary Chapman	Address: 228 S Main St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone:	Email Address: warrenskid@yahoo.com	

COMMENT: I was fortunate enough to get a clearer understanding about this meeting from Jim Beck. Mr. Beck clarified that even if this route is built, it is likely 2-3 years away. I needed to know what can I do as a citizen to continue to advocate for this route after tonight. Additionally, I needed to know how can I impact that the decision about this route does not result in a no-build conclusion. I live @ 228 N Main St. My beautiful 80 year old house is taking a beating because of the constant flow of heavy vehicles on Main St. Thanks to Mr. Beck, I will be in regular contact with the SCDOT and my local elected officials, in hopes of making this route come to fruition.

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Name: Gee Whetsel	Address: 387 Country Manor Estates	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 229-7603	Email Address: gatkinson@theleecountyobserver.com	

COMMENT: I have been a merchant on Bishopville's Main Street for 20 years and in that time, I have seen the truck traffic increase a thousand-fold. On any given day, you can see trucks go by every few seconds from our front window. You will wait for several trucks to go by when you attempt to cross the street. Parallel parking is dangerous on Main Street and this is an issue for merchants trying to attract customers. Bishopville desperately needs to get their trucks off our main thoroughfare! Please help us.

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Name: Genie Eckley Williamson	Address: 331 Stonehedge Dr	City, State, Zip Code: Columbia, SC 29210
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COMMENT: I was raised in an old antebellum home in Bishopville that is over 350 years old. The house and land around it is very dear to me and my family. Historically, I think it is the oldest house in the county. When I was a little, our land got divided (illegible) 120. I could no longer drive my mother to her beloved cypress pond to fish on our dirt road. The interstate made us have to drive around 12 miles on the highway to get to and from the rest of our land. I never got to take my mom to her pond again to fish. Now, the state is again wanting to divide our land. My brothers put up two gates to keep people from going all over our farm land. Before the gates were put up, people had gone to my grandmother's house and dug up all her old flowers and later stole a lot of my brother's equipment. If the highway goes through our land, we will not be able to have the gates between the trees on our dirt roads to keep people out. Longview Plantation is a historical site that should not be able to be condemned twice by the state. If the road goes through our land, it will cut our land into more sections which will be very painful to me. It will also cause us to lose control of our property and be totally subject to the will of others. These previous developments have caused drainage, erosion, and pollution problems on our land and this cypress tree basin which I am told is known as the beginning of the Black River. This area is a sanctuary for wildlife, water fowl, wild turkeys, quail, woodpeckers, reptiles, turtles, fox squirrels, and local migratory and other potentially endangered species. I will be praying that you will choose a different route for your road that will not go through any of the Eckley property.

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Name: Janice Atkinson	Address: 123 N Main St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: I am in favor of a proposed "truck route". My business is "The Little Florist" on Main Street. Many days the trucks are storming through town and this makes it dangerous for my customers. Trash trucks and waste trucks are nasty and drip water on the streets. This is a hazard to our businesses and customers. I feel like my business will grow more without these trucks as my customers

will feel safer shopping here. I'm not in favor of taking anyone's land, but feel like we could come to a better solution to this problem to suite everyone. However, I feel some kind of action should be made.

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Name: Jeff Varn Phone: (803) 484-9406	Address: PO Box 502 Email Address: varncpa@ftc-i.net	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: There is an obvious commercial truck traffic problem on Main Street in Bishopville. It has been a problem for the 28 years I have been in business on Main Street and continues to get worse every year. The volume of traffic has caused many businesses to close their doors. Also the traffic is a deterrent for new business to locate on Main Street. This is a downtown merchant issue, it is not a farmer or neighborhood issue. The Federal funding has already been airmarked to solve this problem. The SCDOT should be less concerned about a lawsuit from a farmer and more concerned about a lawsuit from Main Street merchants and property owners should the DOT make the decision not to build.

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COMMENT: This is a must for Bishopville. We live at 200 S Main Street & cannot pull out from our home. I have to take Dennis Ave. Merchants don't have a chance at lasting on Main St. You cannot safely exit your car. A few weeks ago, I was downtown, 18 wheelers & garbage trucks were solid both sides of the street ahead and behind me. Our town will never reach it potential until this is solved. It gets worse by the month.

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Name: John Gentry
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City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010

COMMENT: (1) City Council has already voted against this project; county council has not taken a vote. (2) It seems when SCDOT is crying for money, this proposed bypass is a waste of it. Never mind if the money has to go for new construction; that new construction can go somewhere else. (3) The last time this came forward, 3 of the 4 options were absolutely ludicrous and laughable. If you have to consider options try going from the I20 interchange directly to the US 15-341 junction. Alternatively and not discussed as being within the scope, you could try a partial relief by going from the Lee State Park exit to US 15.

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Name: Karl Dargan Phone:	Address: 117 Baskin Ave Email Address:	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: Bishopville desperately need a bypass.

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Name: Kay Stuckey Phone: (803) 983-7417	Address: 68 Mixon Dr Email Address: rdstukey@sc.rr.com	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: Where to begin? Since our "vote" in 2015 did not matter, it is evident that the road will be built. DOT is correct in that there are too many trucks on Main St. The noise level is terrible. That said, I only want to know which route will be used, and when will work begin? To tell us that the road may or may not be built, insults the intelligence of many people in the community. Realizing that you are working with the federal government, I understand your constraints. For those people whose property will be adversely affected, the honest thing for DOT to do is to go ahead and inform those people. I, for one, would be glad to keep that information quiet. Please help us out so that we can plan our lives.

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Name: Laura Kirk
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Address: 59 Loop Rd
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COMMENT: In planning alternates, I would like to voice my objection for a southern route that would bring the truck route closer to the Lynches River and Lee State Park. The pollution it would bring would further impair the river (air and water pollution). It would also impair the enjoyment of the northern section of Lee State Park (noise pollution) and impact wildlife. There is a northern primitive camping area that within 'earshot' of the former proposed southern route. There is a well-used trail that parallels the Lynches River and people enjoy the quiet they find there. Vehicle traffic on the other side of the river will forever mar that experience. The southern section of the park is already negatively impacted by having 1-20 built through it. Please don't impact and negatively affect the northern section. I would like to be added to the mailing lists (both paper and electronic) for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project.

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Name: Mike Mixon
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Email Address:

City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010

COMMENT: We are opposed to the bypass for the following reasons: (1) Proximity to schools, 2) proximity to wetlands, 3) disruption of farmland – Lee Cty is a farming community, 4) proximity to the existing neighborhood, 5) a bypass will get trucks off Main Street but at the same time takes business away from downtown merchants – cars will take the “truck” bypass – much effort is being put into revitalizing Main Street. As is evident in other small SC towns (ex Jefferson and Pageland) a bypass has been detrimental to their economy. 6) Using existing connections to I-20 is better option, 7) outpouring of opposition for bypass at Lee Central should have stopped this project. The decision for/against this project should be in the hands of citizens – not dictated by Santee COG and Lee County Council – gov'ts job is to represent the will of the people – gov't of the people, for the people, and by the people. The east side of Hwy 15 has a larger population density than the west side, yet no matter how much we oppose the bypass – (the west side of Hwy 15 was able to successfully petition against it) we are unsuccessful in our opposition. It is also a HUGH example of gov't waste.

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Name: N S Reynolds III	Address: 319 McDonald Pl	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-6204	Email Address:	

COMMENT: Dear Mr. Meetze, I was unable to attend the Public Scoping Meeting regarding the proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project on May 9, 2017. In a phone call on May 8, you suggested that I send you my written comments regarding the above subject. My name is N.S. "Toby" Reynolds III and I have been a resident of Lee County and Bishopville all of my life. I was born on Church Street on March 3, 1933. As an '84 year old resident, I wish to comment about Bishopville's Main Street where we have one lane of traffic on each side. The truck traffic is extremely heavy every day except Sunday! I avoid parking on Main Street because of the unsafe conditions that exists. Our main business section of two blocks has the appearance of a small town going in the wrong direction. About 1/2 of the stores are closed and we have to go to surrounding towns to shop for things not available in our town. We do have some efforts to attract new businesses, but I don't have a good feeling about it success, unless there is a way to reroute truck traffic around the downtown area. I like the topiary in the middle of Main Street, however, it appears to cause a problem with safe parking and walking. I have observed other small towns in our area that have established bypass routes for trucks and it seems to be very successful. I hope that our interested citizens will prevail in going forward with an idea to make our Main Street safe again. Thanks for allowing me to express my thoughts on this subject.

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Name: Prince King Jr
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Address: 414 Marsh St
Email Address:

City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010

COMMENT: There is no need for a by-pass. That is the purpose of I-20. It is not needed on the east side of town.

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COMMENT: I support the bypass, but I oppose residents having to sell their property against their wills. How can I-20 be incorporated into the bypass?

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Email Address:

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COMMENT: There is no need for a by-pass. That is the purpose of I-20. Make that a truck route. Especially not needed on the east side of town.

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COMMENT: I have a business downtown and the truck traffic is very, very busy, loud and sometimes not safe. It make it very difficult to get in and out of cars or crossing the street.

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MAP COMMENT: No thru truck sign, not enforced, speeding.

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Name: Wayne Hancock
Phone: (803) 428-7667

Address: 240 S Main St
Email Address: whancock3@gmail.com

City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010

COMMENT: Truck traffic has to be removed from Main Street. Pedestrian travel is unsafe. This issue has been identified through the City of Bishopville study 10 years ago and SCDOT study 2 years ago. Almost every business owner downtown wants the through traffic removed. This was given to you on the many comment sheets throughout the past 3 years.

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Name: Will McElveen **Address:** 141 Woodside Rd **City, State, Zip Code:** Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 428-7935 **Email Address:** peanutfarmer1980@yahoo.com

COMMENT: Eliminate the downtown streetscape. Make turning lanes for trucks. Will increase the flow of traffic and problem will be solved.

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Name: William S. McElveen **Address:** 500 St Charles Rd **City, State, Zip Code:** Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-1188 **Email Address:**

COMMENT: Identify the objective of the bypass and don't add on proposals just to sell the project, for example - economic development. How can you sell the east side route with all the environmental concerns versus the west side route. Why didn't the 250 to 1 negative responses stop the project, work the only I heard about the floor tonight was that it didn't represent the people. Well you are just looking for people to get in agreement with your view to keep the project going.

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Name: Willie J Thomas	Address: 525 E Davis St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-1637	Email Address: williethomas81@yahoo.com	

COMMENT: I don't approve of the truck route because I love the community, and I believe this is one of the best community in Bishopville, and I would like for the committee to consider a new truck route.

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Name: Willie Mae Muldrow	Address: 322 Cousar St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-6860	Email Address: williemuldrow@yahoo.com	

COMMENT: Talked to Henry. The trucks should be rerouted off Main Street in Bishopville. However, my primary concern is the alternate route. I reside on North Cousar Street and have lived with daily truck traffic since the opening of the Coca-Cola plant. Truck drivers from other areas also ignore the No Thru Truck traffic signs. The streets are narrow with no sidewalks, and in some areas, no place to walk. This poses a safety hazard without our community. During the hours of school bus pick-up and unloading increases the danger for children. When school is not in session, it is just an accident waiting to happen. There have been several close encounters with truck versus trucks, children, adults, and other vehicles. At the intersection of Davis Street and Cousar Street vehicles will back up so that trucks can turn, due to the fact it is a right turn. An alternate route is the Lee State Park Road (Exit 123), which was built and designed to carry the load of trucks. Some modifications were made to ease access onto I-20. The former lines drawn on the proposed route map will bring noise and interrupt the overall quality of life for residential areas nearby. If a route could be chosen that will have less impact on the residents, perhaps the overall percentage of citizens living within these areas would/should be more inclined to improve. Citizens who would not be directly affected in one way or the other should not be included in the decision making. I ask that you take my concerns under careful consideration. Thank you.

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Name: Windi King	Address: 4358 Jamestown Rd	City, State, Zip Code: Camden, SC 29020
Phone: (803) 229-0868	Email Address: windiking@msn.com	

COMMENT: I am not in favor of a by-pass. Make I-20 a truck route. This is not needed on the east side of town.

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Name: Yu Hui Len	Address: 205 N Main St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-9118	Email Address:	

COMMENT: Big trucks off of Main Street! Owner China House Restaurant

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Name: Jared M Smith	Address: 707 W Church St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-1144	Email Address: jsmith@jaredsace.com	

COMMENT: At this point, the SCDOT should act based upon whatever their research tells them they need to do for the long benefit and well-being of the majority of Lee County's citizens. Strategic decisions about whether or not to add infrastructure should not be made based on the emotional responses of a few people. Which "side" those people are on is irrelevant. No one knows better than the South Carolina Department of Transportation what our traffic routing needs are going to be for the next 10 to 20 years. Build or don't build - but whatever you decide to do, base your decision on knowledge, not hysteria. You will be held accountable.

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Name: Mike Bedenbaugh	Address: 119 DesChamps St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 484-5274	Email Address: mbedenbaugh@leecountysc.org	

COMMENT: I support the Bishopville Bypass (truck bypass) project ID 33261 by moving the trucks traffic off main street Bishopville. This allow emergency vehicles and passenger vehicles to move safely without having the traffic jams on main street that the street scape causes from time to time. This will have the effect of a safer environment for the business and residential district of Bishopville by removing the truck traffic. To mitigate the high risk of a potential hazardous material incidents from a freight vehicle within the City of Bishopville. We should see fewer wrecks at the corner of Church and Main Street. I (Lee County Fire Chief) support the bypass as it will improve public safety for the residents and business owners of Bishopville.

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Name: Edward Alexander	Address: 3307 Dunhill Ct	City, State, Zip Code: Florence, SC 29501
Phone: (803) 260-8307	Email Address: edward@cforce.net	

COMMENT: I just wanted to confirm that the email that Gordon Eckley sent you is correct. The Alexander property tax map # 030-16-00-001-000 is under contract and filed at the Lee County Courthouse. All indications are that a Solar Farm will be built by the end of the year. With this being said, our land would not be an ideal place for the by-pass. However, I would like to add that I am all for the by-pass. Bishopville desperately needs this by-pass and I wish you much success in finding the best route possible. If I can help you in any way please call 843-260-8307.

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Name: Travis K Windham	Address: 204 N Main St	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
Phone: (803) 428-7058	Email Address: windhamin@gmail.com	

COMMENT: As a business owner in Bishopville located on North Main Street. I drive, watch and walk in the Main St downtown area Monday – Friday. Truck traffic is a nuisance but also handicaps our downtown. Truck traffic is nuisance because it is loud in our office, not pedestrian friendly to crossing to people who may be parking. Truck traffic does not bring any positive outcome to the Bishopville downtown. As part of the Greater Bishopville Chamber of Commerce, truck traffic doesn't allow us to have functions or fundraisers on Main Street. My concerns for truck traffic have increased because I see exploding numbers of trucks moving through downtown. These trucks are speeding to get through and not stop. The continuous growth of more trucks will only magnify traffic, noise, danger and disable our sleepy town that has plenty of potential. Truck traffic hasn't helped us yet, but hopefully we can use it to our advantage.

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Name: Millie Scott Phone: (803) 486-5093	Address: PO Box 1694 Email Address:	City, State, Zip Code: Bishopville, SC 29010
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COMMENT: Yes, I do think there is a truck traffic problem downtown Bishopville. I own two buildings on Main Street and I work there every day. It's hard for people to park and even hard to get out of their car especially seniors. It's also not easy to cross the street. This problem has been going on for some time. The Greater Bishopville is working very hard to make downtown vital again and the heavy truck traffic makes for a serious problem.

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APPENDIX C-3.3. ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING

Tuesday, July 25th, 2017



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- Discuss the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
- Provide Project Status Update
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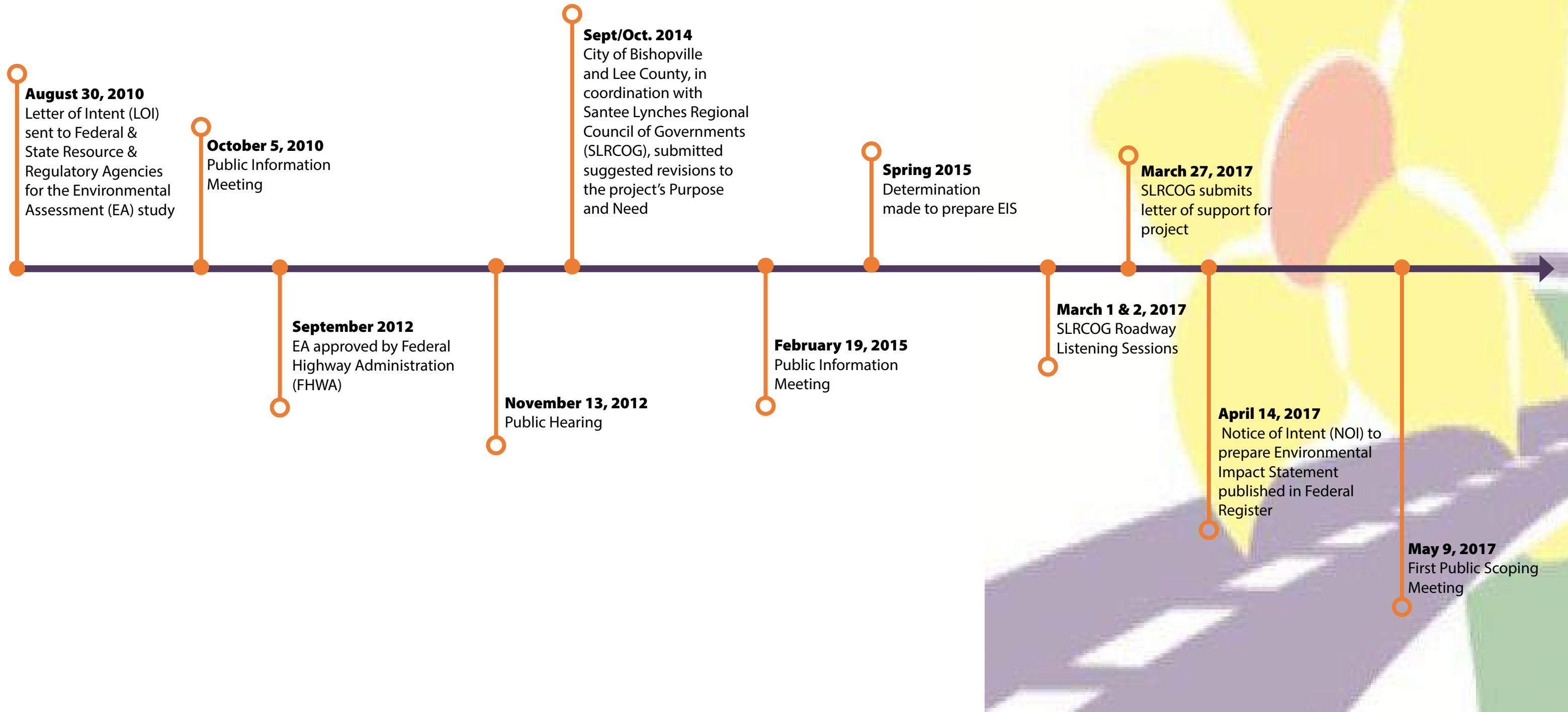
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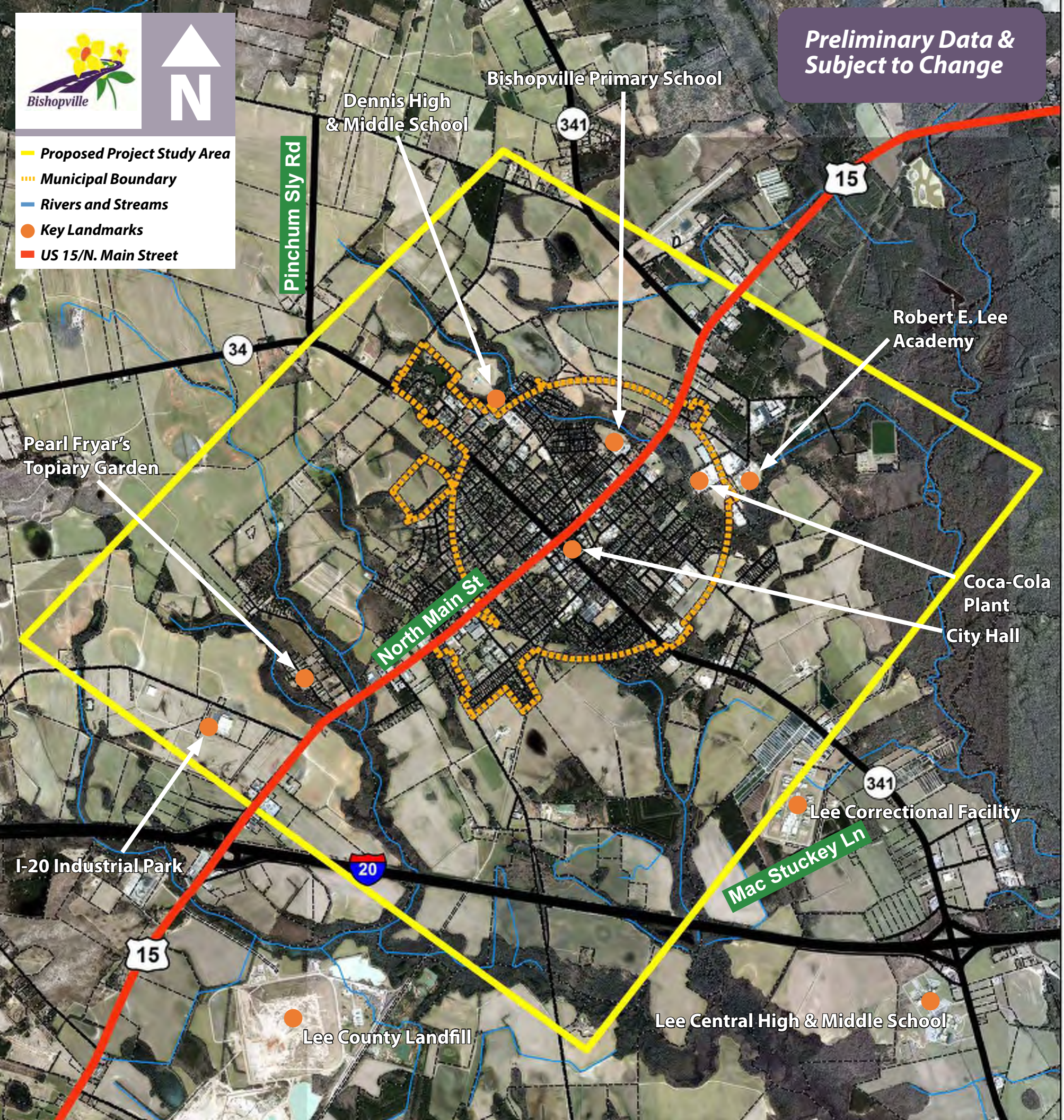
Project History & Overview





Preliminary Data & Subject to Change

- Proposed Project Study Area
- Municipal Boundary
- Rivers and Streams
- Key Landmarks
- US 15/N. Main Street



Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Study Area

- Project Study Area (shown in yellow) is generally defined by the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, the intersection of Pinchum Sly Road (S-15) and Camden Highway (SC 34) to the northwest and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast.



Proposed Project Schedule



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Scoping

Phase 2:
Alternative Development
and Analysis

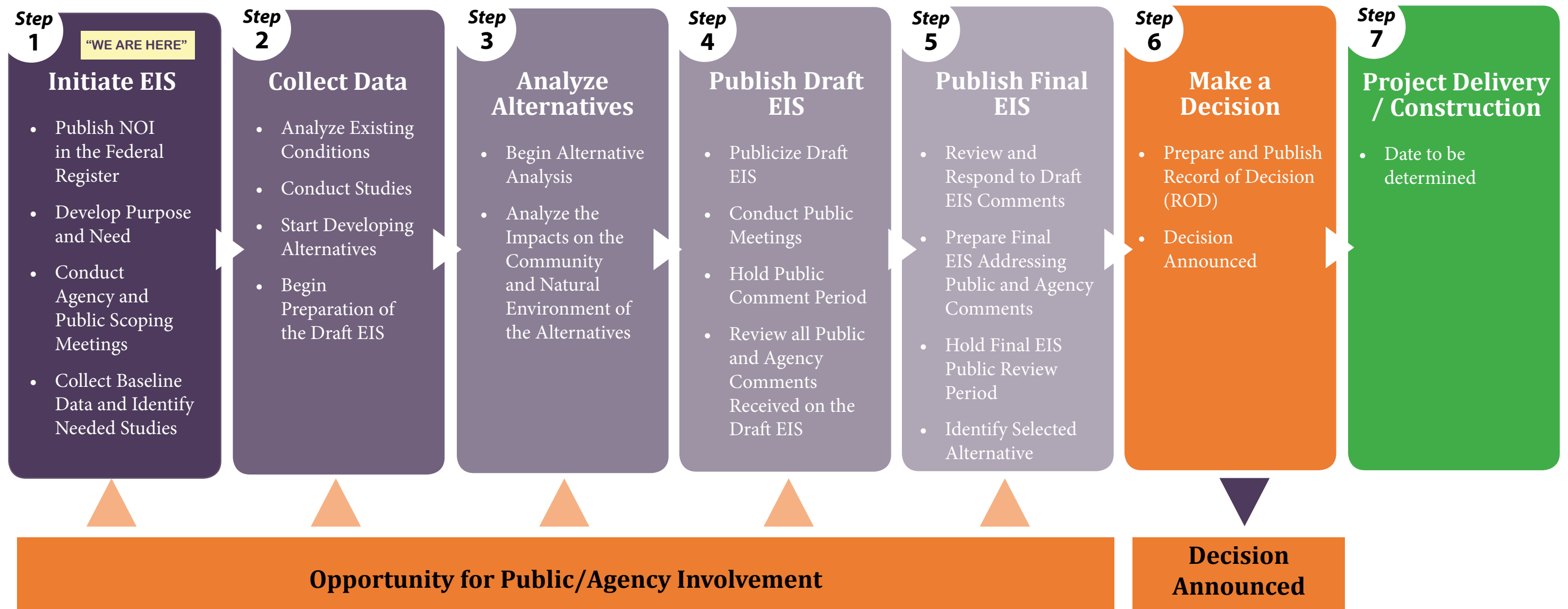
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Prepare a Draft EIS, Final
EIS and Record of Decision
(ROD)

PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE		PHASE 1			PHASE 2				PHASE 3			
		2017		2018		2019						
		SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL
PHASE 1	Community Listening Sessions	March 2017	●									
	Project Initiation/Notice of Intent Published	April 2017	●									
	Public Scoping Meeting	May 2017	★									
PHASE 2	Technical Studies	Summer 2017/ Spring 2018		■								
	Develop Alternatives	Winter/Spring 2018			■							
	Present Alternatives to the Public	Summer 2018				■						
	Prepare Draft EIS	Summer 2018/ Spring 2019					■					
PHASE 3	DEIS Approval & Public Hearing	Summer 2019									■	
	Final EIS and Record of Decision (ROD)	Winter 2019/2020										■



National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required by NEPA and is administered by FHWA
- Provides for informed decision-making
- Includes partners in the process
- Considers a wide variety of factors



Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process



Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process

- Gathers information on existing conditions:
 - Natural Resources
 - Community Impacts
 - Physical Resources
- Considers a range of reasonable alternatives
- Analyzes the potential impacts on existing conditions resulting from the alternatives
- Complies with other applicable environmental laws and executive orders

Draft Purpose and Need



Draft Project Purpose:

- The primary purpose of the project is to address the existing and future truck traffic traveling through downtown Bishopville.
- The secondary purpose is to enhance economic development in the area.

**Your input is important
in the development
of the project's
Purpose and Need!**

Draft Purpose and Need



Draft Project Need:

- US 15/N. Main Street through downtown Bishopville is currently a two-lane roadway with a raised median and on-street parking.
- On average, over 700 large commercial trucks travel this corridor daily.
- Development of the proposed truck route is considered necessary to reduce the existing and future truck congestion through downtown Bishopville.

Scoping Process



What Is Scoping?

- An open process involving the public and federal, state and local agencies
- Identifies the important issues for consideration in the Environmental Impact Statement

Why Do Scoping?

- To take your input to help us narrow the focus of the study

What Is Identified?

- Agency Roles
- Transportation Deficiencies
- Study Boundaries
- Reasonable Alternatives
- Environmental Factors
- Permits

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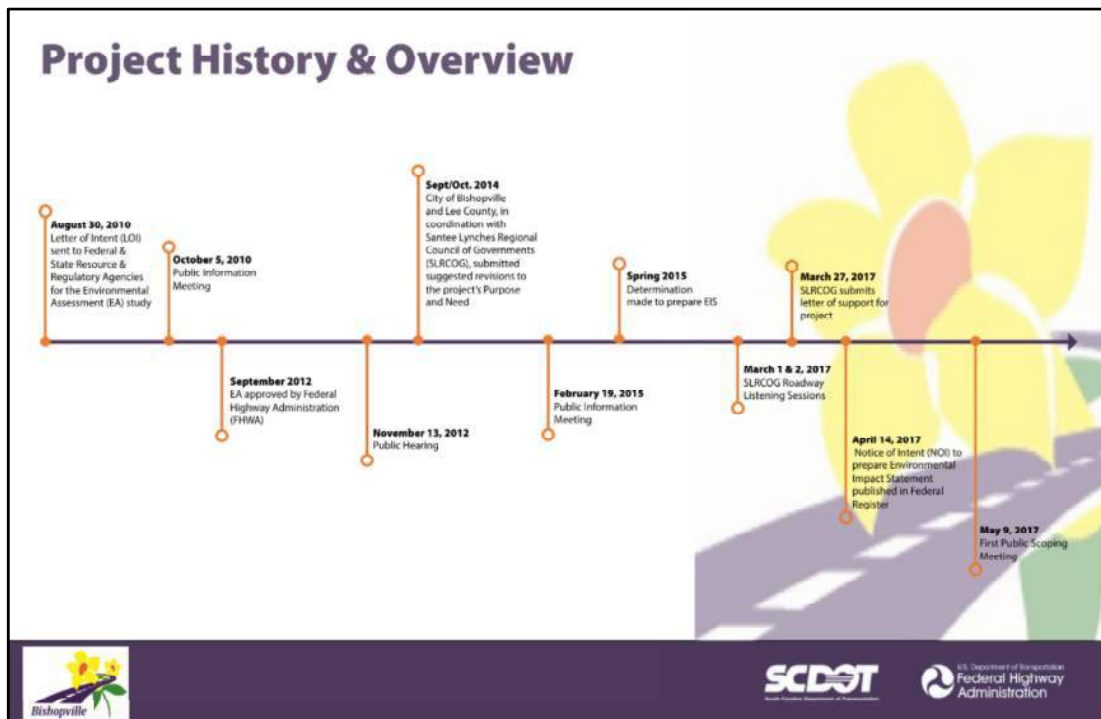
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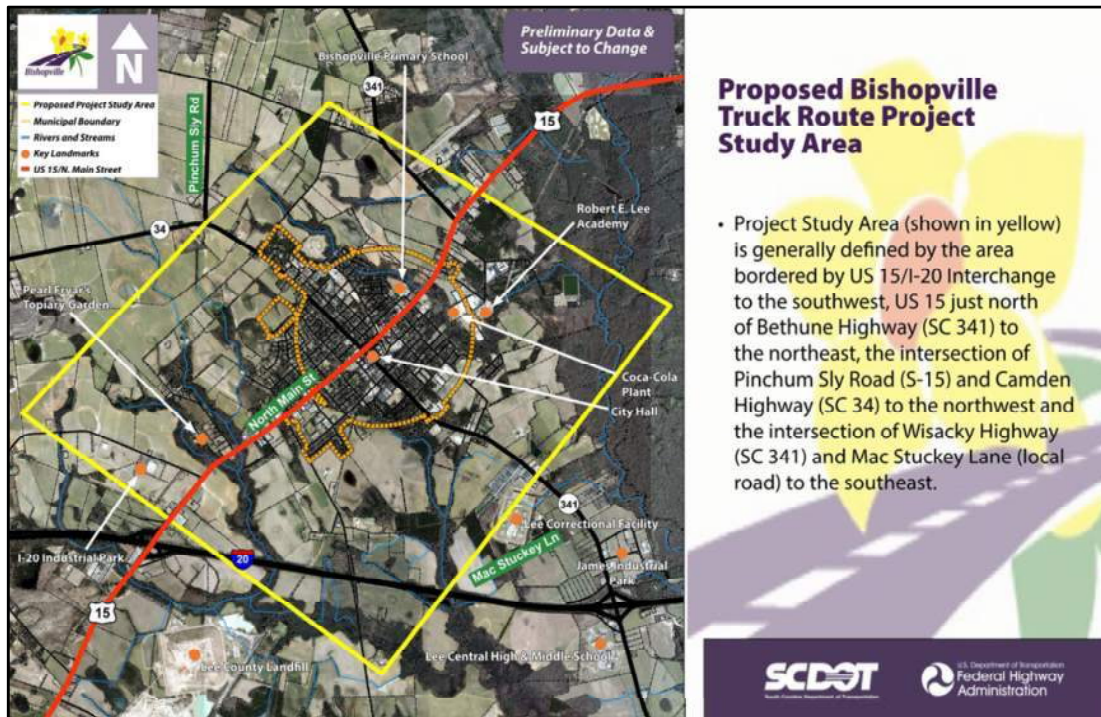
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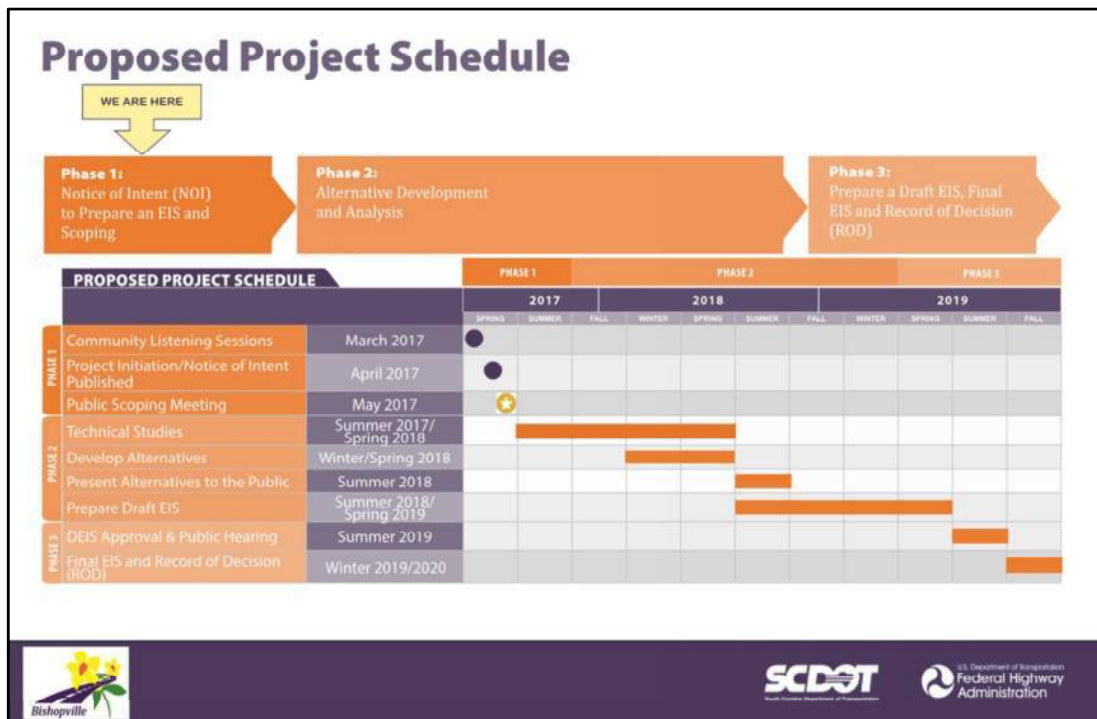
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The study area is roughly bounded by the US 15 / I-20 Interchange to the south, Bethune Highway to the north, Intersection of Pinchum Sly Road and Camden Highway to the west, and the intersection of Wisacky Highway and Mac Stuckey Lane to the east.



We are working towards completing the environmental document in the Fall of 2019. As you can see by the schedule, there are a number of steps we must follow in the EIS process. We are anticipating design alternatives to be completed in the spring of 2018 and will be presenting them at a future public meeting currently scheduled for Summer 2018. Selection of an alternative will be made in the fall of 2019. Keep in mind that this selection could be a No-Build alternative. If the No-build is selected, all future phase will be cancelled. The No-Build option is evaluated and considered as part of all analyses as required by the National Environmental Policy Act. It is used as our benchmark to determine what will happen if the project isn't built.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required by NEPA and is administered by FHWA
- Provides for informed decision-making
- Includes partners in the process
- Considers a wide variety of factors



This describes in a little more detail the Steps to complete an EIS. If a build alternative is selected as part of the environmental and planning analyses, the project will move into final design and ultimately construction. Those activities have not yet been scheduled. If the No-Build alternative is selected, this step will not occur.

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process



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- Gathers information on existing conditions:
 - Natural Resources
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- Considers a range of reasonable alternatives
- Analyzes the potential impacts on existing conditions resulting from the alternatives
- Complies with other applicable environmental laws and executive orders





An Environmental Impact Statement looks at a wide range of environmental issues including natural resources, community impacts and physical resources. These analyses all go into the decision making process to select a preferred alternative.

Draft Purpose and Need



Draft Project Purpose:

- The primary purpose of the project is to address the existing and future truck traffic traveling through downtown Bishopville.
- The secondary purpose is to enhance economic development in the area.

**Your input is important
in the development
of the project's
Purpose and Need!**



This is the main reason we are here this evening, to discuss the draft purpose and need for the project. The current purpose and need is similar to what was presented in the previous study and is comprised of two parts. The primary purpose is to reduce the number of trucks traveling along Main Street through downtown Bishopville. The secondary purpose will be to enhance the economic development of the area. As alternatives are developed, their ability to meet these purposes will be evaluated.

Draft Purpose and Need




Draft Project Need:

- US 15/N. Main Street through downtown Bishopville is currently a two-lane roadway with a raised median and on-street parking.
- On average, over 700 large commercial trucks travel this corridor daily.
- Development of the proposed truck route is considered necessary to reduce the existing and future truck congestion through downtown Bishopville.



The reason we are looking at this project is the high number of trucks which pass through downtown. Over 700 trucks pass thru downtown daily and we will look at reducing the existing and future truck congestion along Main Street.

Scoping Process



What Is Scoping?




- An open process involving the public and federal, state and local agencies
- Identifies the important issues for consideration in the Environmental Impact Statement

Why Do Scoping?

- To take your input to help us narrow the focus of the study


What Is Identified?

- Agency Roles
- Transportation Deficiencies
- Study Boundaries
- Reasonable Alternatives
- Environmental Factors
- Permits



Another important reason we are here this evening is to receive your input on the project and help define the project scope. In addition we will also be holding scoping meetings with state and federal environmental agencies to receive their input on the project.

GET INVOLVED AND STAY INFORMED

 Visit the project website:
<http://www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/>

 Email Us:
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803.737.1037

 Write Us:
Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
C/O Jacob Meetze, PE, RPG-2
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Columbia, SC 29201



Tonight's meeting will not be your only opportunity to share your comments with us. Future public meetings and hearings will be held throughout the project life and you are always welcomed to email, mail or call Jacob with any comments or questions you have at any time. His contact information can also be found in the handout you received this evening. At this time, if you have not already done so, I invite you to make your way through the displays and then take some time at one of our discussion tables to share your thoughts and viewpoints on the project.



APPENDIX C-3.4. STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING

Thursday, October 26th, 2017

October 17, 2017



**SUBJECT: STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING
PROPOSED BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE**

Dear [REDACTED]:

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) would like to invite you to attend the first stakeholder's advisory group meeting for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project on **October 26, 2017, at 4:00 PM** at the City/County Building in Bishopville (140 N. Main Street). The agenda for this meeting is to include an overview of the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project, including the project schedule. The purpose of the stakeholder's advisory group meeting is to allow you the opportunity to provide comments on the project's purpose and need, potential impacts for the project as it relates to you and your organization, public involvement opportunities and any additional items that may assist in the development of the project. This group will serve in an important advisory role to our project team as the project moves forward in the development process.

For more information and to receive updates regarding the proposed Bishopville Truck Route project, please visit the project's website at www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/. We appreciate your continued commitment and participation in the project development process. Please contact me directly at (803) 737-1037, or by email, meetzej@scdot.org, regarding your attendance to the meeting and any of your immediate questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jacob Meetze".

Jacob Meetze
Assistant Program Manager





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Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Environmental Impact Statement Stakeholder Advisory Committee Formation

Formation of a Stakeholder Advisory Committee is proposed to assist the study team by reviewing progress and providing ongoing input. The advisory committee will include representatives from local communities, local governments, and regional governments. Preparation of presentations and handouts will be coordinated prior to these meetings, and comment and meeting summaries will be developed for each meeting.

Based on information provided and discussed at a joint City of Bishopville/Lee County Council Meeting, organizations/individuals to be invited to participate in the Stakeholder Advisory Committee are:

Organization	Name	Title	Address	Email
City of Bishopville	Gregg McCutcheon	City Administrator	PO Box 388 Bishopville, SC 29010	gmcbish@yahoo.com
Lee County	Alan Watkins	County Administrator	PO Box 309 Bishopville SC 29010	awatkins@leecountysc.org
Lee County School District	Dr. Wanda Andrews	Superintendent	310 Roland Street, Bishopville, SC, 29010	andrewsw@lee.k12.sc.us
TheLink Economic Development Alliance	Jay Schwedler	CEO	32 East Calhoun Street Sumter SC 29150	jschwedler@sumter-sc.com
Robert E. Lee Academy	Maria Watson	Head of School	630 Cousar Street Bishopville, SC 29010	MWatsonREL@gmail.com
Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority	Lottie Jones	Executive Director	129 S Harvin Street Sumter, SC 29150	ljones@swrta.com
Lee County Transit Task Force Coalition	Elijah Dinkins	Chairman	5 Courthouse Square Bishopville, SC 29010	edinkins@lcdsn.org
Lee County Chamber of Commerce	Deanna Rollins	Director (also City Council Member)	102 N Main St Bishopville, SC 29010	leecountychamberofcommerce@gmail.com
Central Carolina Technical College	Dr. Michael Mikota	President	506 N Guignard Dr Sumter, SC 29150	mikotagm@cctech.edu

Coca-Cola Consolidated/Rexam	Troy Santoscoy	Plant Manager	601 Cousar St Bishopville, SC 29010	TBD
Greater Bishopville, Inc. 501(c)(3)	Gail Player	President	PO Box 169 Bishopville, SC 29010	gailplayer@gmail.com
Bishopville Revitalization Committee	Wayne Hancock	Broker, H&A Realty	240 South Main Street Bishopville, SC 29010	whancock3@sc.rr.com
Bishopville Revitalization Committee	Jake Smith	Owner, Jared's Ace Hardware and Crossroads Outdoors	576 Sumter Hwy Bishopville, SC 29010	jsmith@jaredsace.com
Mohawk Neighborhood	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Green Acres Neighborhood	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Harlem/Blue Pond	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Lee County Council on Aging	Gloria Scott	County Coordinator	PO Box 343 Bishopville, SC 29010-0343	gloriafscott@sc.rr.com
Lee County Disabilities and Special Needs Board	Mary Mack	Executive Director	842 McLeod Road PO Box 468 Bishopville, SC 29010	mmack@lcdsn.org
Black River Electric Cooperative	Charlie Allen	CEO	1121 N. Pike West Sumter, SC 29153	charlie.allen@blackriver.coop
Clemson University Extension Service	David DeWitt	Extension Agent (County Coordinator)	5 Court House Square, Bishopville, SC 29010	dewitt4@clemson.edu



South Carolina
Department of Transportation

Stakeholders Meeting Sign-in Sheet

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route EIS project

Federal Aid Project #: 0330(009)

City / County Building – Bishopville, SC

October 26, 2017

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Carl Gibilaro	DRMP	cgibilaro@drmp.com
Chris McKinney	Santa-Lynches Regional COG	774-1484
Sarah Pearson	Cousar Branch	mrsp1950@yahoo.com • 803-484-4052
JARED SMITH	CROSSROADS OUTDOORS JARED'S ACE HARDWARE	jsmith@jaredsace.com • 803 484 5716
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Wayne Hancock	H→A Realty Downtown Business Assoc	whancock3@gmail.com • 803-428-7667





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City / County Building – Bishopville, SC

October 26, 2017

Name	Representing	Email or Phone
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Sandy L. JENKINS	Santee Water Reeta	Sjankins@SUDPTA.com 803 968 7905
Deanna Rollins	Chamber of Commerce	lccounty.chamberofcommerce@gmail.com
Cubie Collins	City of Bishopville	CubieCollins10@gmail.com 803-229-2161
Meopania ^{Lewis} Wells	Small business owner	meopaniawells@aol.com 803 486 4513
Edward Byrd	City of Bishopville	803-486-0406
Gloria Lewis	City of Bishopville	glorialewis8@aol.com 803-486-0429
Jerry McElvick	City of Bishopville	803-484-5948 jmc.bish@yahoo.com
William McElvick	City of Bville	803 484-1188 919.230.7855
SHAWN BLANCHARD	DRMP	sblanchard@drmp.com
CARRIE L. GAS	Concerned Citizen	803-484-6608 630 E. Church St. Bville SC
		US Mail



Stakeholders Meeting Agenda

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route EIS project

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City / County Building – Bishopville, SC

October 26, 2017

- 1) Welcome and Introductions.....Jacob Meetze

- 2) Project Overview PresentationJacob Meetze

- 3) Summary of Project Scoping ProcessJacob Meetze

- 4) Stakeholder group overview and expectationsCarl Gibilaro

- 5) Next Steps.....Jacob Meetze

- 6) Questions.....All



Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Stakeholder's Meeting Notes
City/County Building - Bishopville
October 26th, 2017

Attendees:

Alan Watkins/ Lee Co. Administrator
Andy Harris/ Black River Elect. Coop
Calvin Collins/ City of Bishopville
Carl Gibilaro/ DRMP
Carrie L. Gass/ Citizen
Chris McKinney/ SLRCOG
David Dewitt/ Clemson Extension
Deanna Rollins/ Chamber of Commerce
Deborah Wilson/ City of Bishopville
Delphine Peterson/ Harlem-Blue Pond NBHD
Edward Byrd/ City of Bishopville

Gregg McCutchen/ City of Bishopville
Jacob Meetze/ SCDOT
Jared Smith/ Business Owner
Jumetta Posey/ Neighborhood Solutions
Kyle Kelly/ SLRCOG
Meoceania Lewis Wells/ Business Owner
Sandy Jenkins/ Santee Wateree RTA
Sarah Pearson/ Cousar Branch
Shawn Blanchard/ DRMP
Wayne Hancock/ Business Owner
William McElveen/Farmer

After introductions, Jacob Meetze (SCDOT) presented the PowerPoint presentation provided during the Public Scoping Meeting (May 9, 2017) and the Joint Council Meeting (July 25, 2017). During the presentation, it was asked how long it would take to get from Step 1 (Initiate EIS) to Step 6 (Make a Decision), with a response given of two years. Jacob Meetze provided the three generalized topics each of the 44 comments received from the Public Scoping Meeting (available on the project website) were identified under.

Carl Gibilaro (DRMP) informed the group of what can be expected as a stakeholder member. Members were to serve in an advisory role, providing information received from the project team to their community groups/organizations. Members would gather comments from their appropriate communities and relay the information to the project team. Meetings were to occur quarterly, with the possibly of being conducted monthly, depending on the current phase of the project. Meetings will be scheduled for one hour, with some meetings possibly extending beyond an hour if more detailed topics, such as meetings where alternatives and impacts, are discussed. It was concluded amongst the group that meetings will be held on Thursday's, in the evening, with the next stakeholder's meeting to be scheduled in the early part of next year (2018).



Alan Watkins (Lee Co. Administrator) asked if those in attendance were to be the representatives in the group or if additional members were to be included. Kyle Kelly (Santee Lynches Regional Council of Government (SLRCOG)) identified how the members were selected. The SLRCOG compiled a list of community groups/organizations, along with the four neighborhoods, that have shown interest in the past or could provide information to assist in the process. This list was taken to the Joint Council Meeting and a request was made for officials to provide additional members in the community. The list was provided to SCDOT to initiate letters to potential attendees. It was suggested by the project team that if there are any additional members or groups in the community that were not represented at the meeting, to provide their name and points of contact to the project team. Jumetta Posey (Neighborhood Solutions) would be sending the sign-in sheet to all members following the stakeholder's meeting to add additional names of individuals or groups/organizations who should be represented.

Meoceania Lewis Wells (Business Owner) asked why only two representatives from the business district were asked to participate. Ms. Lewis Wells did not receive a letter but was notified by Council Woman Wells (City of Bishopville) regarding the meeting and mentioned more businesses on Main Street should be represented in the group. Carl Gibilaro (DRMP) expressed the purpose of these meetings is for a single representative to be present for each group. For consistency, the selected representative should attend as many of the meetings as possible. Jumetta Posey (Neighborhood Solutions) added the invitation letters that went out were not an exclusionary process but an inclusionary process. Stakeholder Meetings are a process where the project team is reaching out to a single representative for multiple groups/organizations in the community, to meet with their identified groups to present materials and collect feedback. It was stated that the project team was available to meet with each individual group/organization to help ensure miscommunication did not materialize.

Chris McKinney (SLRCOG) asked who was funding the study and who would make the final decision (SCDOT, FHWA, etc.) as to the alternative selected. Mr. McKinney brought to the group's attention that, factual data would need to be identified and presented prior to a final decision being made. The study has been completely budgeted and paid for with earmark funds (80% federal/ 20% local), with the 20% local funds being provided by the County Transportation Committee. FHWA representatives are assisting the project team through the study process and have been in attendance for the Public Scoping Meeting and Joint Council Meeting.

Gloria Lewis (City of Bishopville) asked how the need for the project was determined. Kyle Kelly (SLRCOG) provided a brief history on the project. The project was originally identified in the 2005 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and had funds allocated by the Board of Directors. The Council set aside \$15 million for the studies. SLRCOG allocated dollars to the City of Bishopville based on issues at that time, brought up by the community through the LRTP. Mr. Watkins (Lee Co. Administrator) asked who the members of the Board of Directors were during this time. Mr. Kelly was not able to identify the members from 2005, but did provide the names of the Board of Directors today.



Gloria Lewis (City of Bishopville) asked if taking of property and different alternative methods, such as toll roads, were going to be evaluated during the environmental process. Carl Gibilaro (DRMP) instructed that all factors, including environmental justice, were to be evaluated. Resources evaluated during this process would include natural, human and economic features. The final recommendation from the report will be from the community and presented to FHWA, who will evaluate all the alternatives. It was mentioned the Stakeholder's Meeting is a way for dialogue to occur between the community and the project team. Members can submit information from the community that the project team is unaware exist.

It was brought to the attention of the group by Ms. Lewis-Wells (Business Owner) how Coca-Cola was able to close off a portion of Cousar Street. Jacob Meetze (SCDOT) identified the question has been addressed by the project team under the "Frequently Asked Questions" on the project's website <http://www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/default.aspx>.

Sandy Jenkins (Santee Wateree RTA) asked if funding for construction of the project is available. Jacob Meetze (SCDOT) stated \$15 million has been set aside for the project and that only project alternatives that are deemed reasonable and feasible will be studied in detail in the report.





SCDOT Staff and Project Team Members are available to talk with you, answer questions and address any concerns.

The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

Project Team Welcomes You

We're here to:

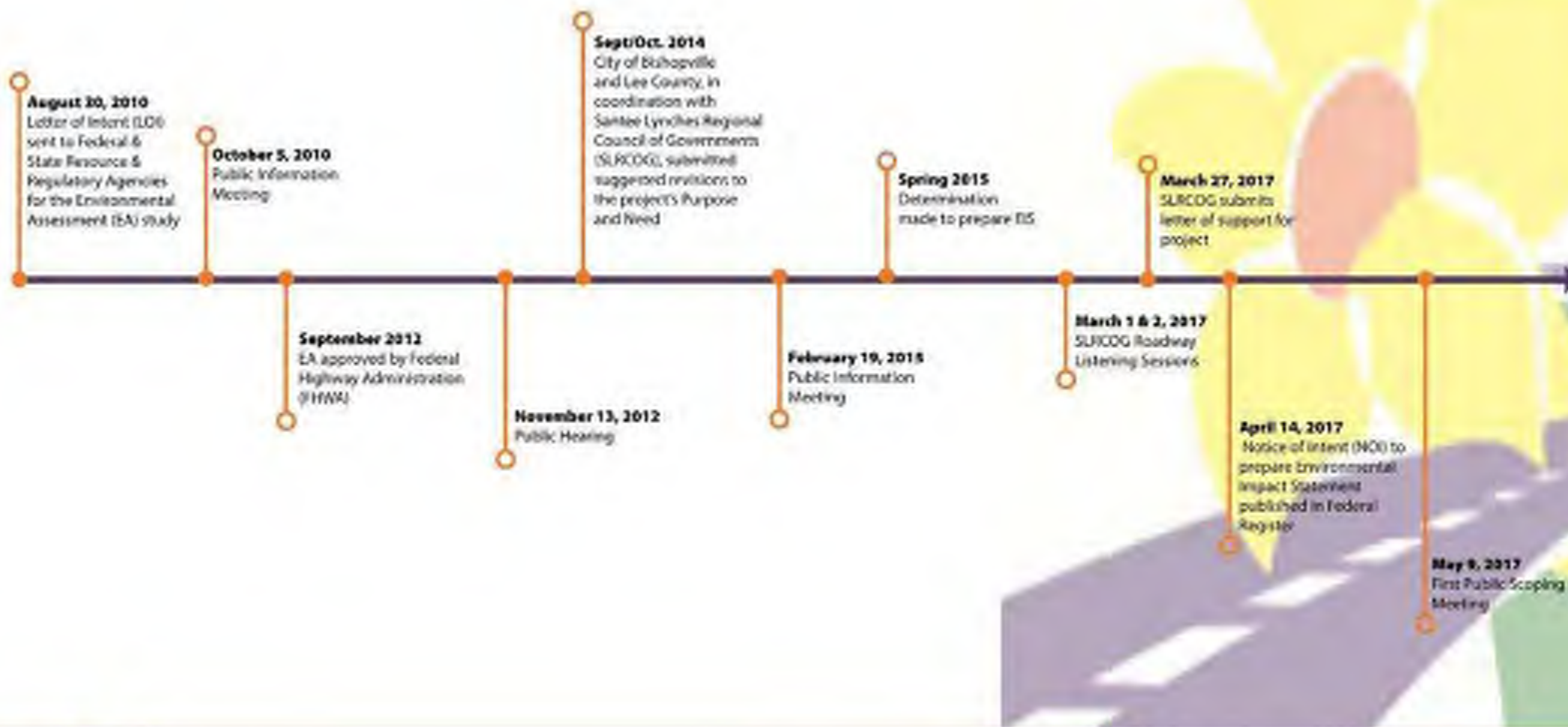
- Discuss the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project
- Provide Project Status Update
- Gather your input

We encourage you to submit a comment on the study.

***October 26, 2017
Stakeholders Meeting***



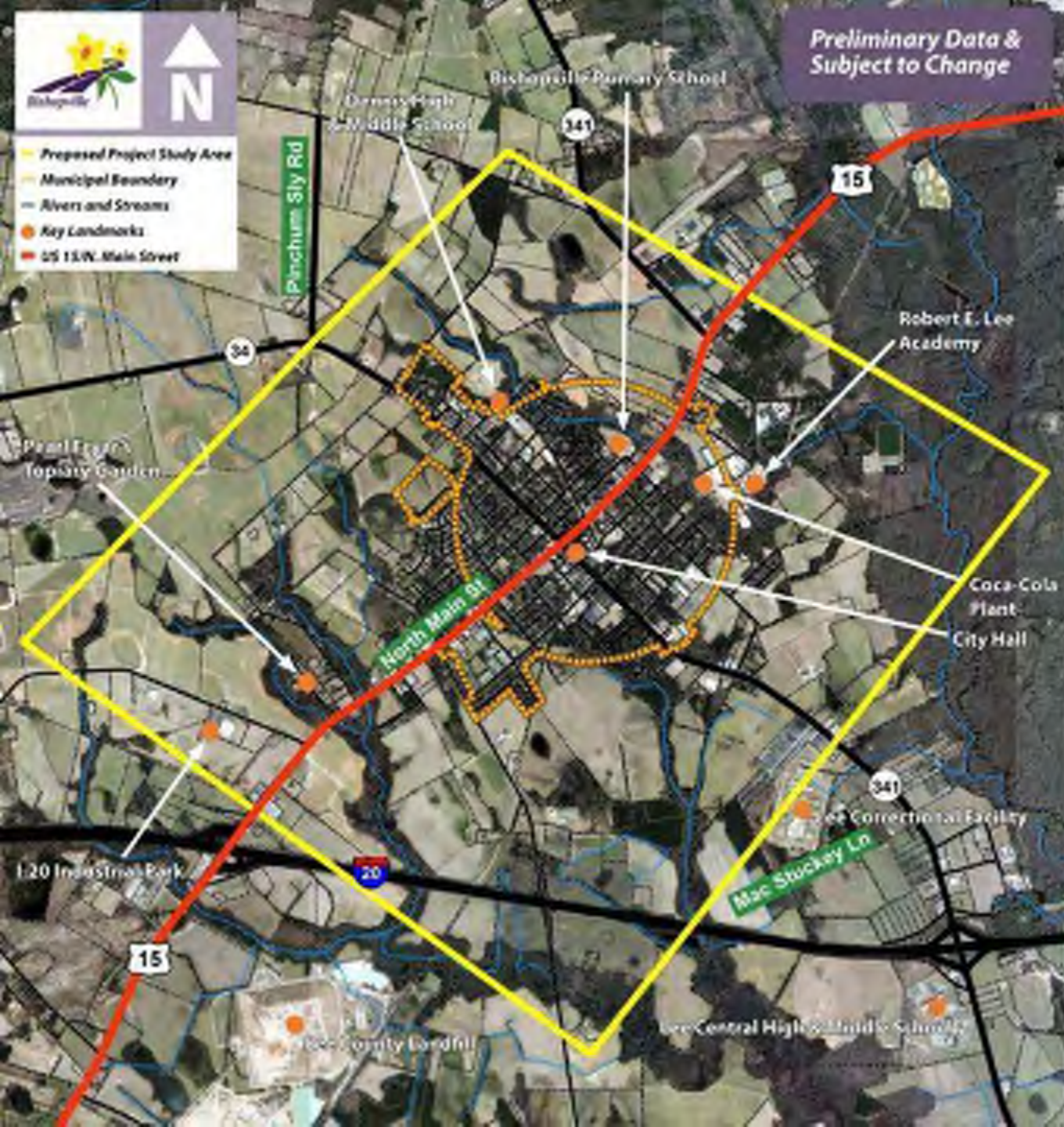
Project History & Overview





Preliminary Data &
Subject to Change

- Proposed Project Study Area
- Municipal Boundary
- Rivers and Streams
- Key Landmarks
- US 15/W. Main Street



Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Study Area

- Project Study Area (shown in yellow) is generally defined by the area bordered by US 15/I-20 Interchange to the southwest, US 15 just north of Bethune Highway (SC 341) to the northeast, the intersection of Pinchum Sly Road (S-15) and Camden Highway (SC 34) to the northwest and the intersection of Wisacky Highway (SC 341) and Mac Stuckey Lane (local road) to the southeast.

Proposed Project Schedule

WE ARE HERE

Phase 1:

Notice of Intent (NOI)
to Prepare an EIS and
Scoping

Phase 2:

Alternative Development
and Analysis

Phase 3:

Prepare a Draft EIS, Final
EIS and Record of Decision
(ROD)



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Purpose and Need



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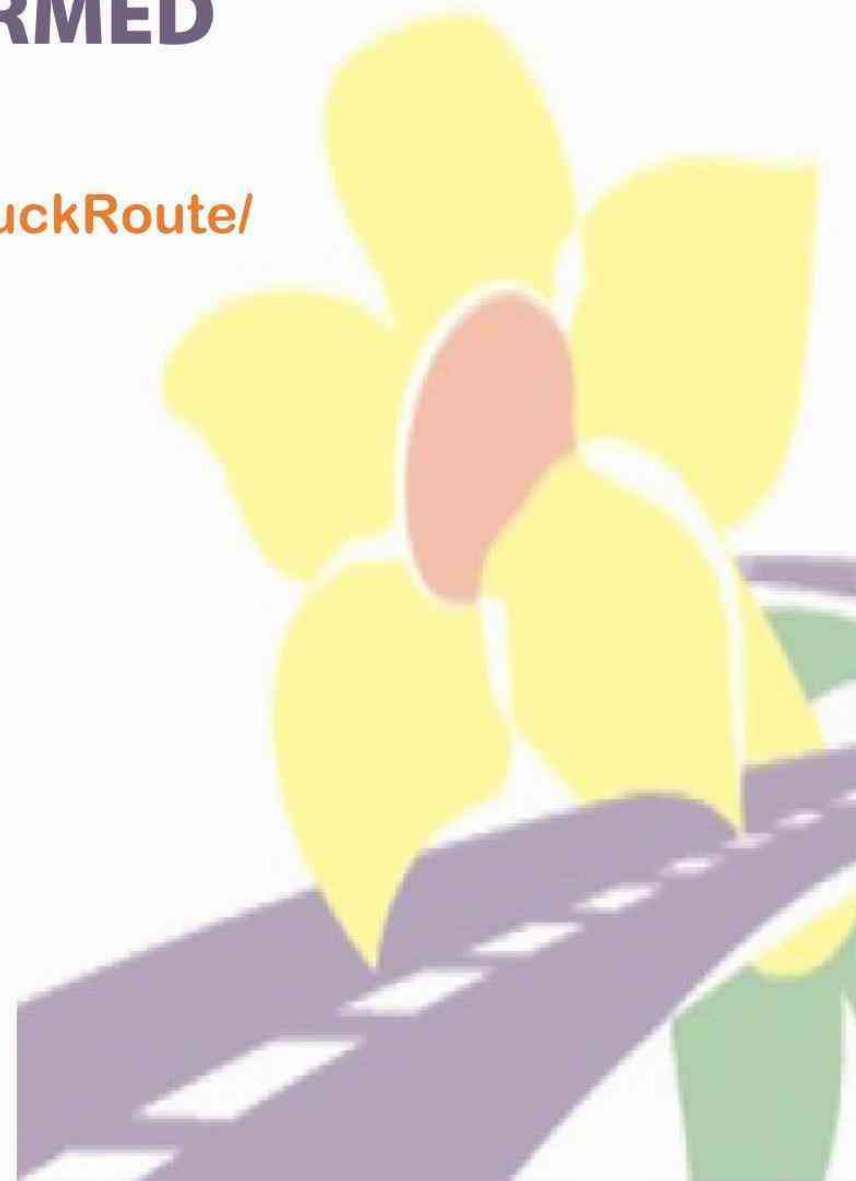
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C/O Jacob Meetze, PE, RPG-2

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South Carolina
Department of Transportation

November 8, 2017

«SALUTATION» «FIRST_NAME» «LAST_NAME»
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The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Team would like to thank you for attending our first Stakeholder’s Meeting. We look forward to working with you as we evaluate all the concerns and considerations for this project. As stated at the meeting, this is a small group of leaders representing a diverse group of interests to help the Project Team identify, discuss and evaluate a variety of topics. For this to be as effective and efficient as possible, it is critical for the group to remain manageable and that we avoid having multiple individuals representing the identical organization or interest group.

It is possible that you may be aware of an organization or interest group not represented by our current list of participants. If so, please reply to this message with the name of the person, the organization and/or group this person represents and an email, phone number and/or address where we can reach them. Additionally, if you are **NOT** going to be the designated participant for your organization/group, please send us the name and contact information for the individual that will be replacing you.

After input from the current participants is received by the Project Team, we will review all the suggestions and will update the participant list to reflect any individual that expands the existing representation or replaces a current participant. Please feel free to reply to this message when providing their contact information. Below is a list of people who attended our Kick-off Meeting on October 26th. Several participants wanted to receive information via U.S. Postal Service, we will be mailing this letter to them and they can mail their responses.

Andy Harris- Black River Elec. Coop.	Meoceania Lewis Wells- Small Bus.	Wayne Hancock-Small Bus.
Chris McKinney-SLRCOG	Gregg McCutchen- Bishopville	Sandy Jenkins-SWRTA
Jared Smith-Small Bus.	Carrie L. Gass-Citizen	Gloria Lewis-Bishopville
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Deanna Rollins-Chamber of Comm.	Alan Watkins-Lee Co. Admin.	

[Additional project information can be found by visiting our project website at: www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/.](http://www.scdot.org/inside/BishopvilleTruckRoute/) Thank you for helping to ensure that our Stakeholder Group is as a good representation as possible of the entire Bishopville community.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX C-3.5. STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING

Thursday, June 7th, 2018



South Carolina
Department of Transportation

April 26, 2018

**SUBJECT: STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING
PROPOSED BISHOPVILLE TRUCK ROUTE**

Dear Stakeholders:

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) would like to invite you to attend the second stakeholder's advisory group meeting for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route project. The meeting will be held on **June 7, 2018**, from **2:00 PM to 3:00 PM** at the City/County Building in Bishopville (140 N. Main Street). At this meeting, the Project Team will share with you the draft alternative corridors that have been developed to date and receive any comments that you might have on these draft corridors. That same evening the project team will be holding a Public Meeting from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Lee County High School to present these corridors to others in the project area. The materials to be provided at each meeting will be identical but you will have the opportunity to review these maps and provide your input in a smaller setting. We look forward to sharing the progress we have made thus far. The purpose of the stakeholder's advisory group meeting remains to allow you the opportunity to provide comments on the project's purpose and need, potential impacts for the project as it relates to you and your organization, public involvement opportunities and any additional items that may assist in the development of the project.

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SIGN-IN SHEET

Meeting Purpose:	Stakeholders Mtg - Proposed Alternatives
Date/Time:	June 7, 2018
Location:	Lee Central High School

Name	Address
1. Andy Harris	P.O. Box 685 Camden, SC 29021
2. Kyle Kelly	2525 Corporate Wy. Sumter, SC 29154
3. Will McElveen	500 Saint Charles Rd. Bishopville, SC 29010
4. Rob Jordan	100 Jordan Ln Bishopville, SC 29010
5. Allen Watkins	657 Eddie Watkins Rd. Cassatt, SC 29032
6. Wayne Hancock	240 S. Main St. Bishopville, SC 29010
7. Henry Phillips	
8. Willie M. Muldrow	City of Bishopville (City Council)
9. Alexander Boyd	" " (Major)
10. Gregg McCutchen	" " City Administrator
11. Jared Smith	707 W. Church St. Bishopville, SC 29010
12. Chris McKinney	2525 Corporate Wy. Sumter, SC 29154
13. Carrie L. Gass	630 E. Church St. Bishopville, SC 29010
14.	
15.	



The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Team Welcomes You!

We're here to:

- Provide Project Status Update
- Review Preliminary Alternative Corridors
- Receive Input on Preliminary Corridors
- Share Next Steps in the Project

We encourage you to submit a comment on the study.

June 7, 2018
5 PM to 7 PM
Lee Central High School



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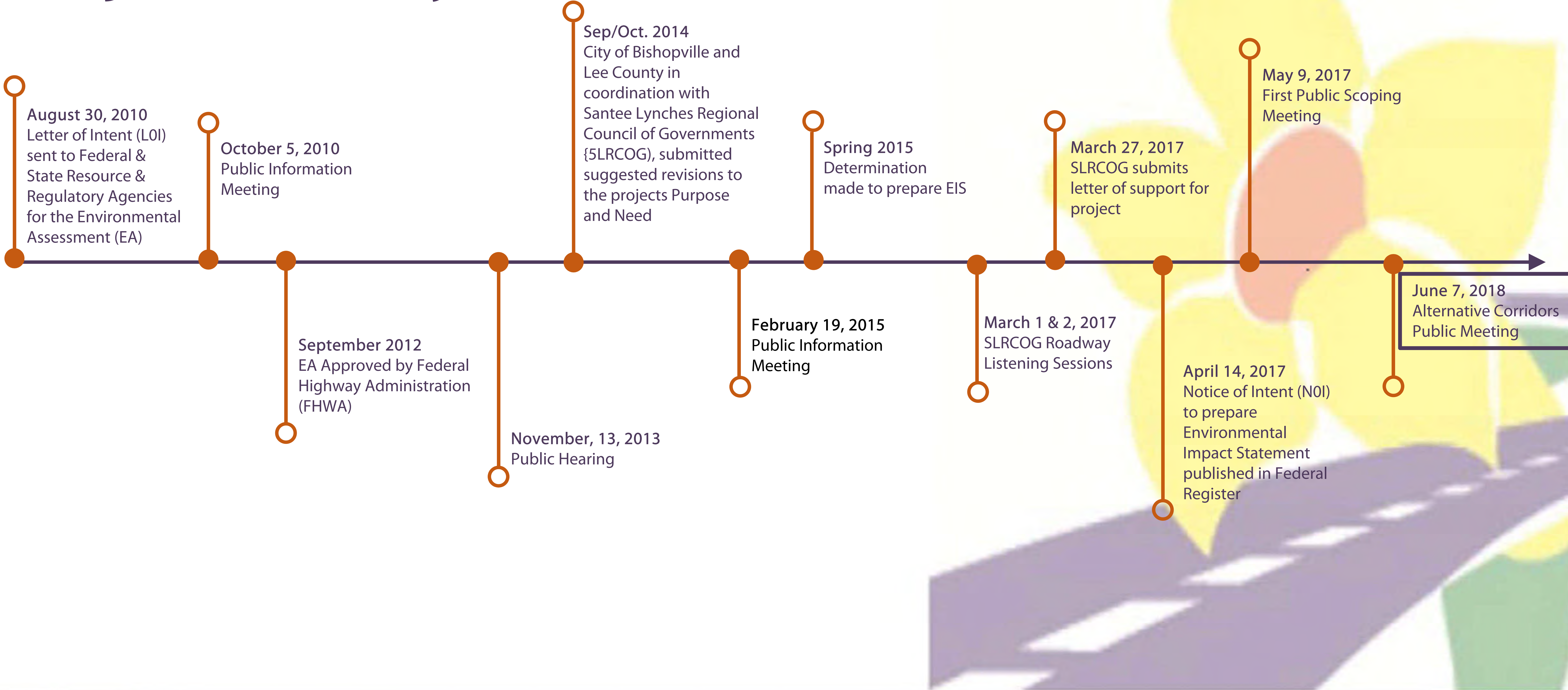
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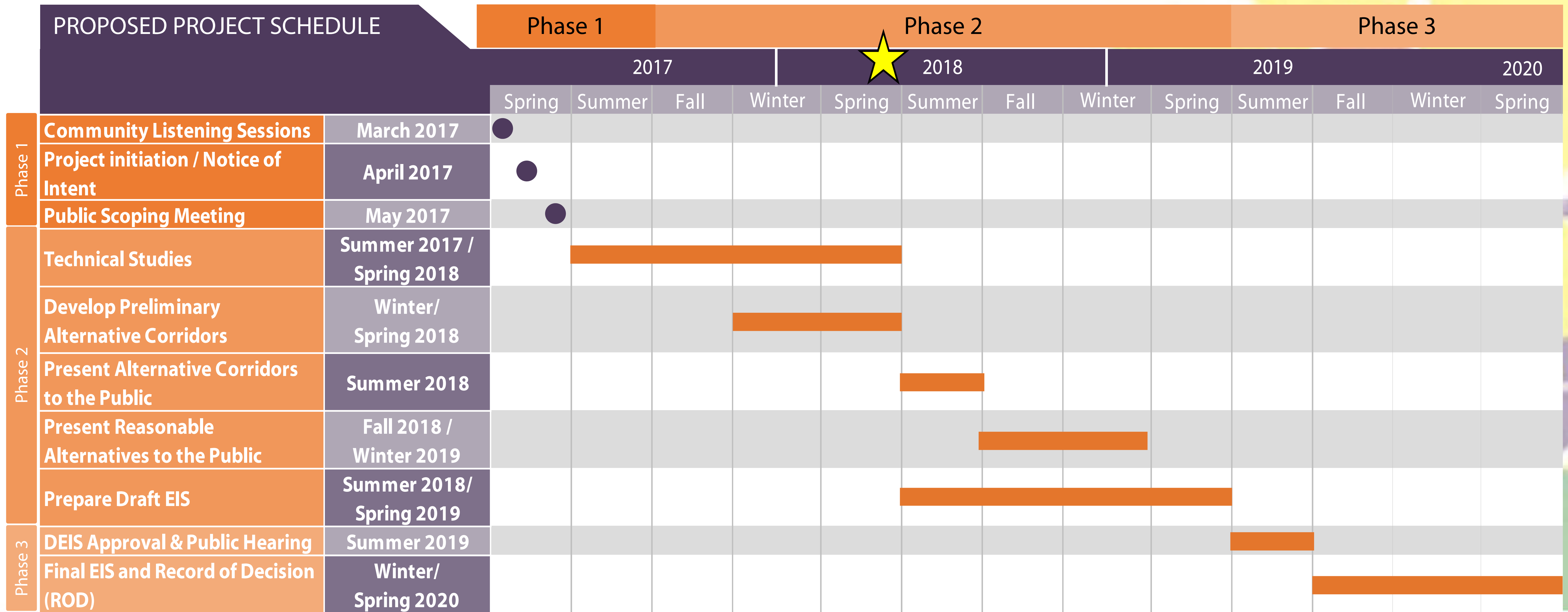
Project Schedule

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Phase 1:
Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare an EIS and Scoping

Phase 2:
Alternative Development and Analysis

Phase 3:
Prepare a Draft EIS, Final EIS and Record of Decision



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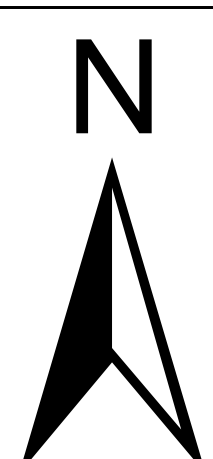


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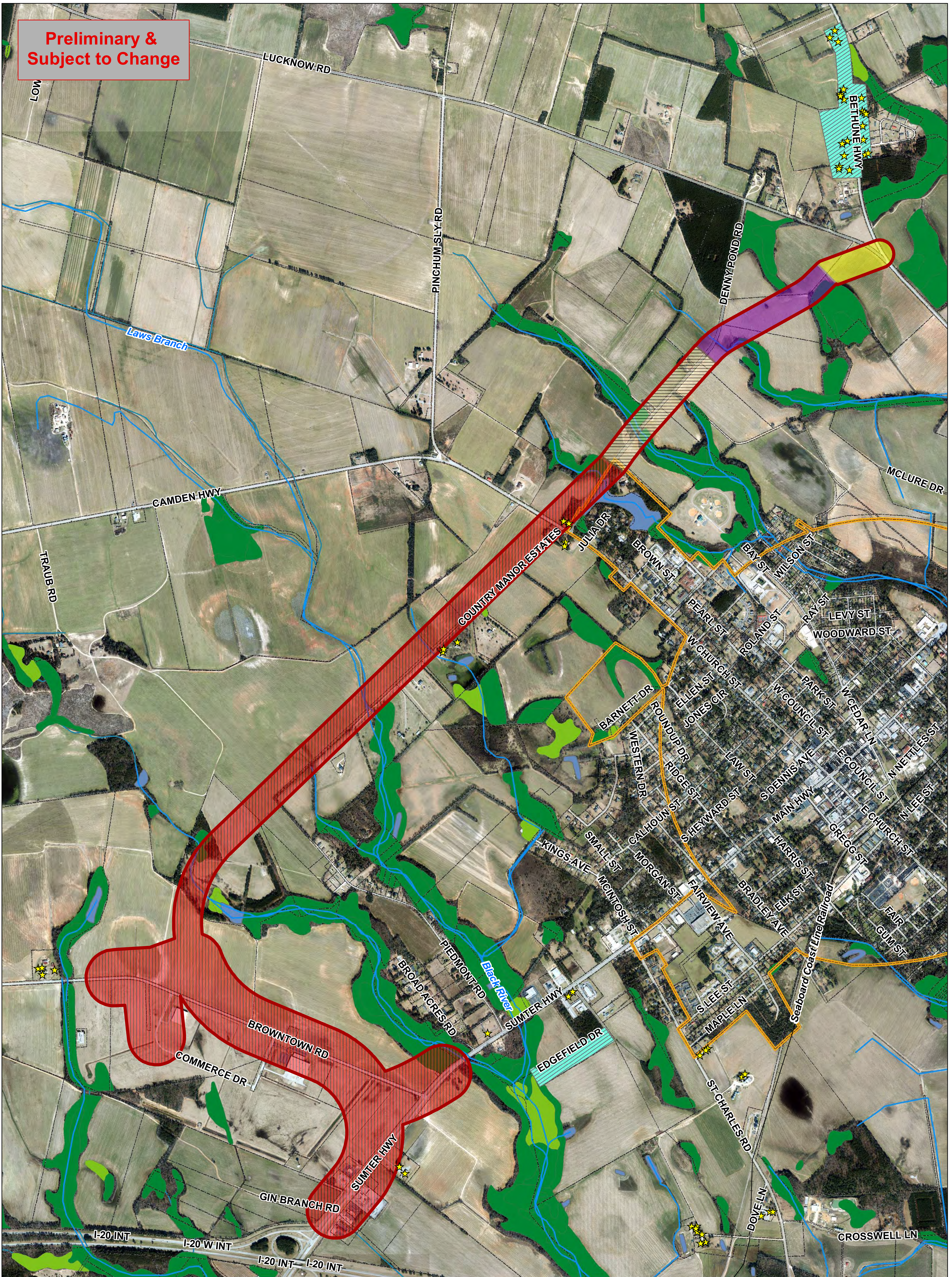
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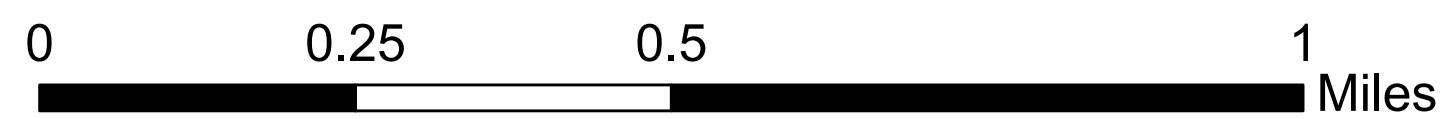
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| Rivers & Streams | Alternative A Corridor | Segment 24 (500 ft) | Freshwater Wetland | Riverine |
| Railroad | Segment 16 (500 & 1,000 ft) | Municipal Boundary | Forested Wetland | |



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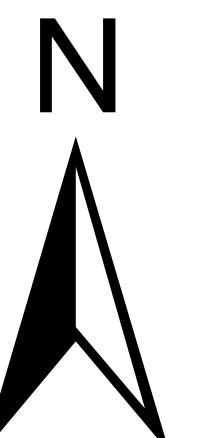


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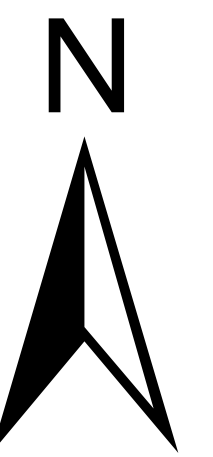


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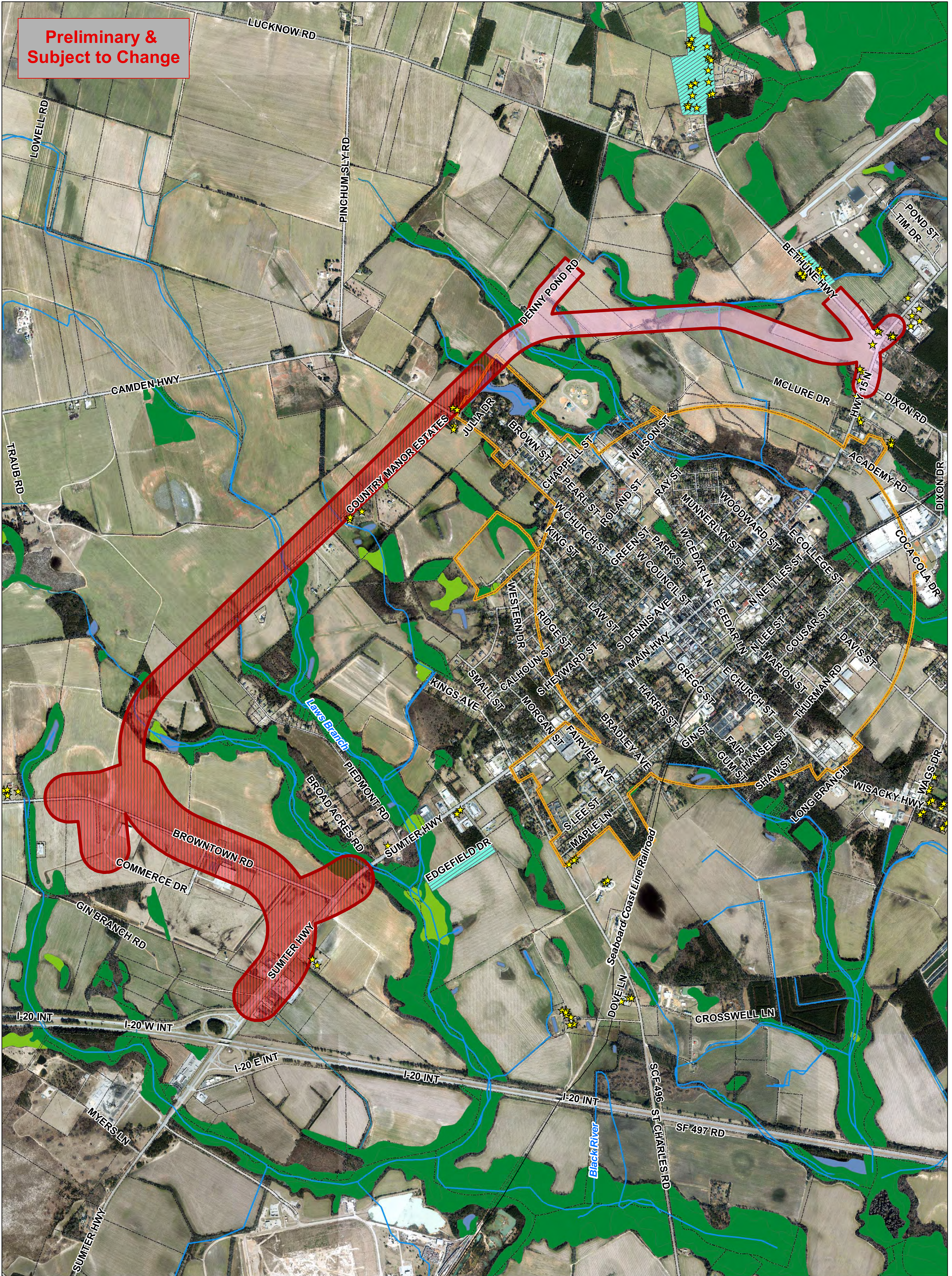
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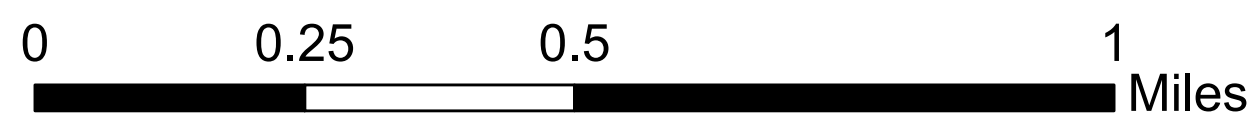
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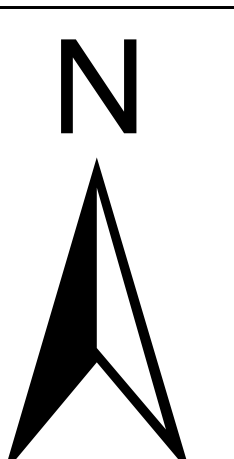


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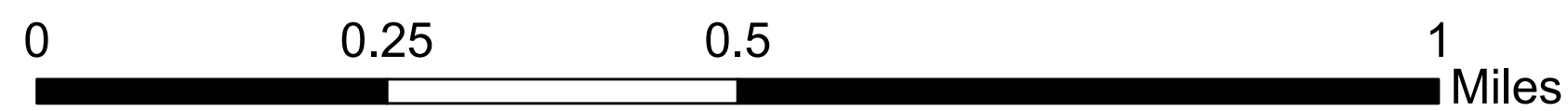
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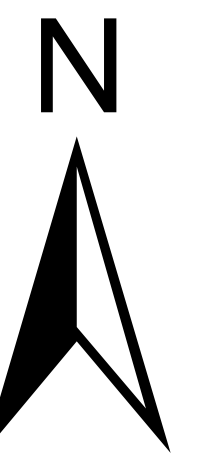


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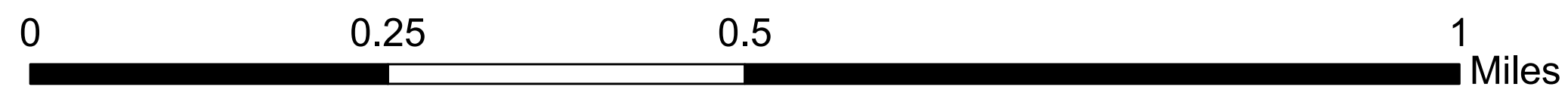
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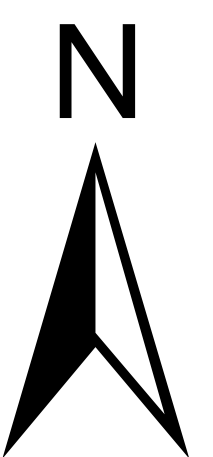


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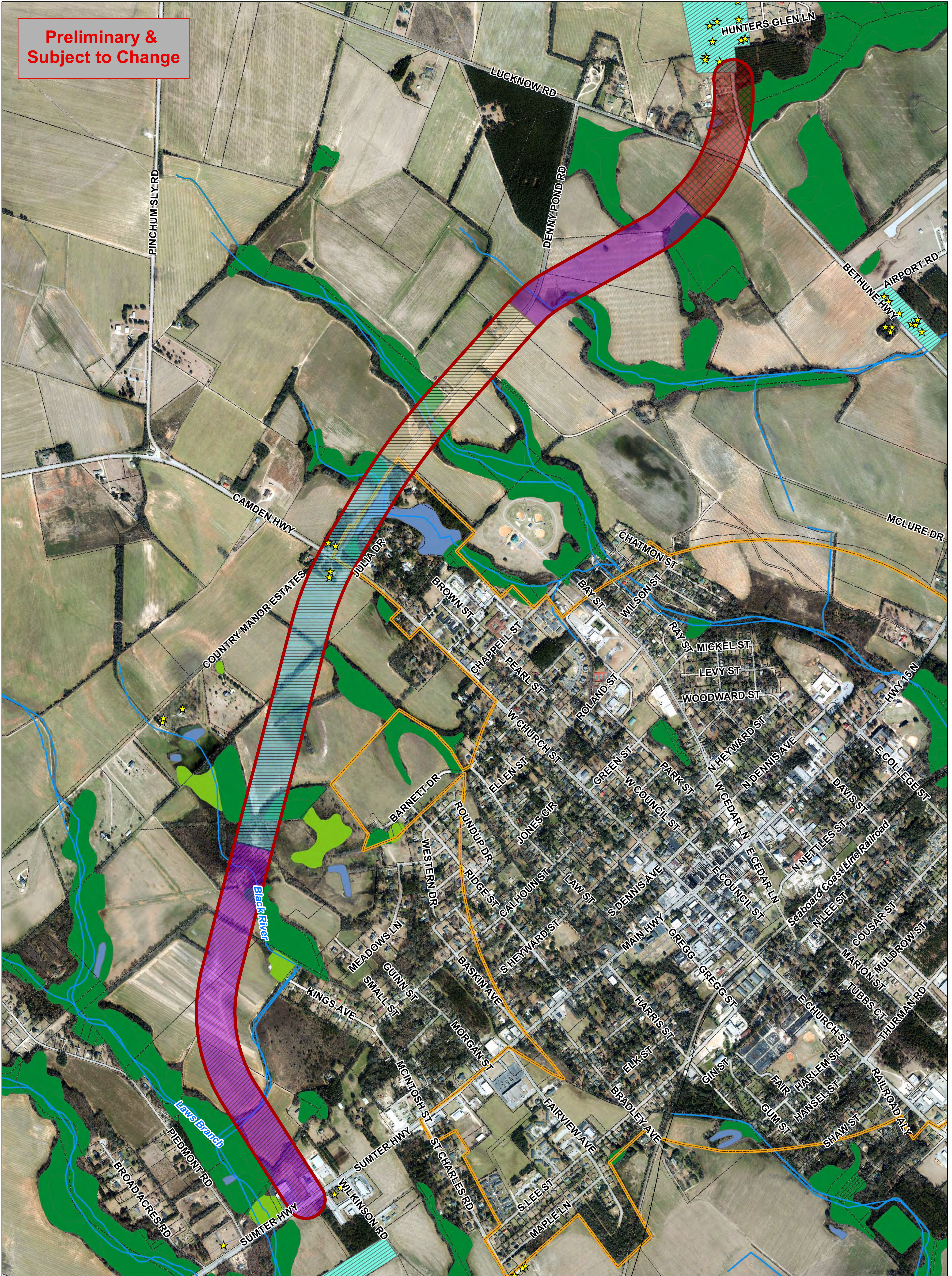


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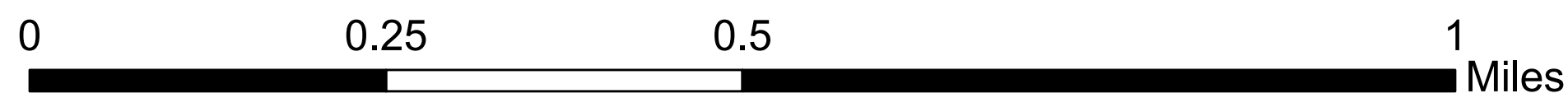
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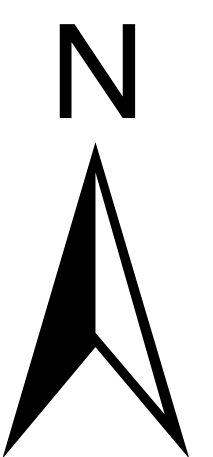


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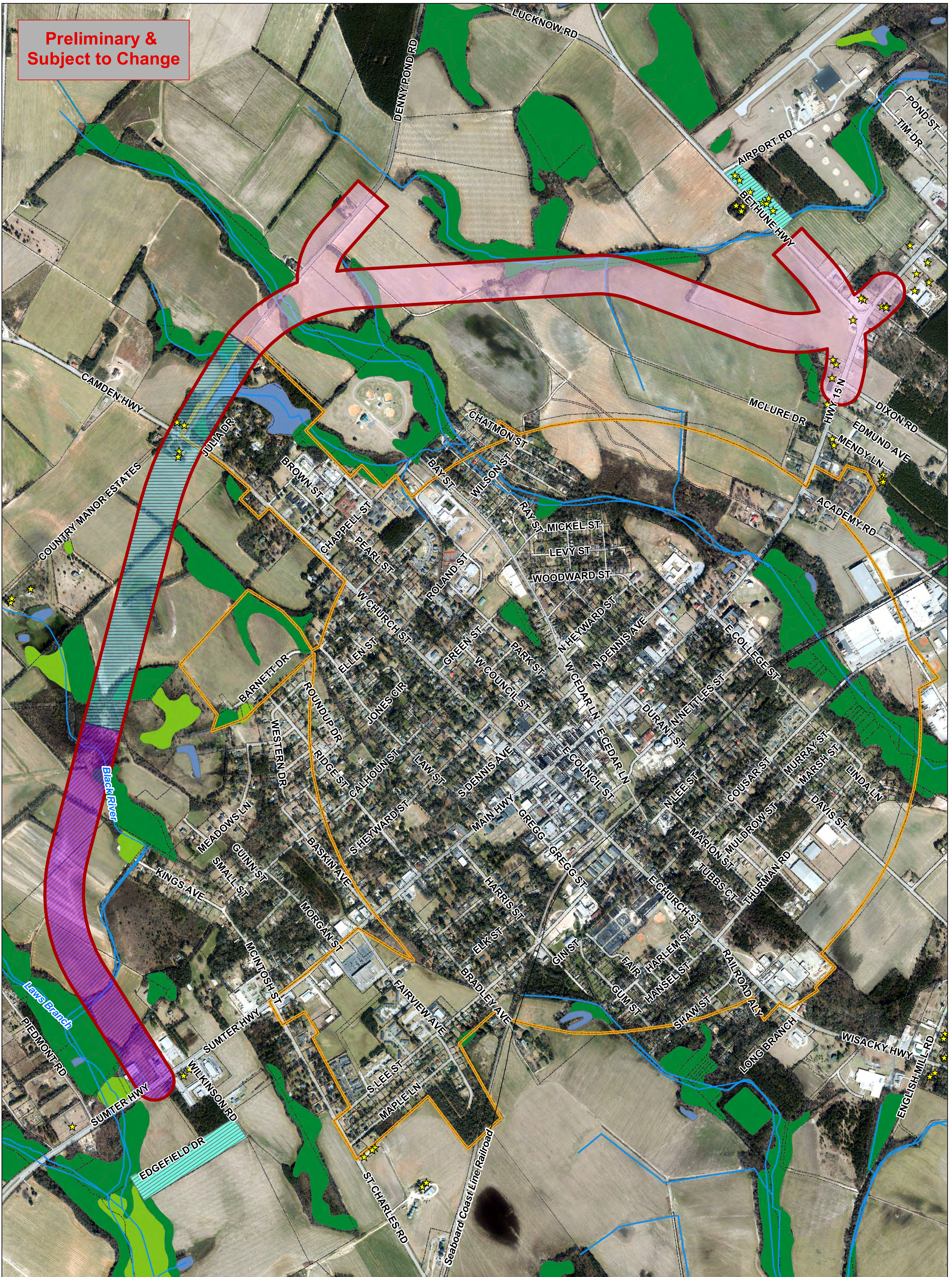


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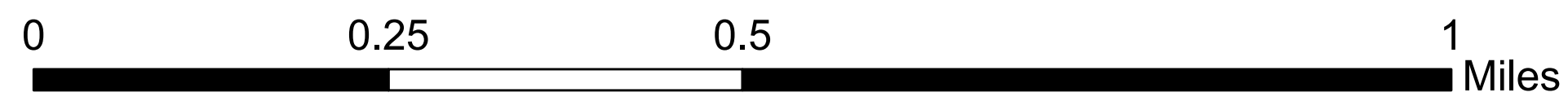
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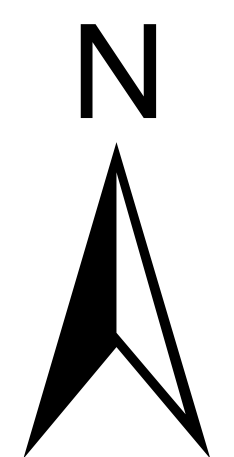


Alternative H



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Rivers & Streams	Alternative H Corridor	Segment 20 (500 ft)	Freshwater Wetland	Riverine
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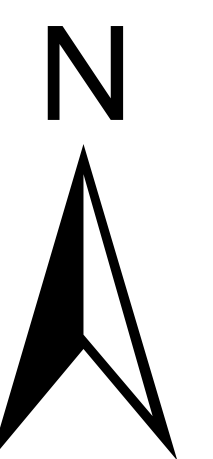


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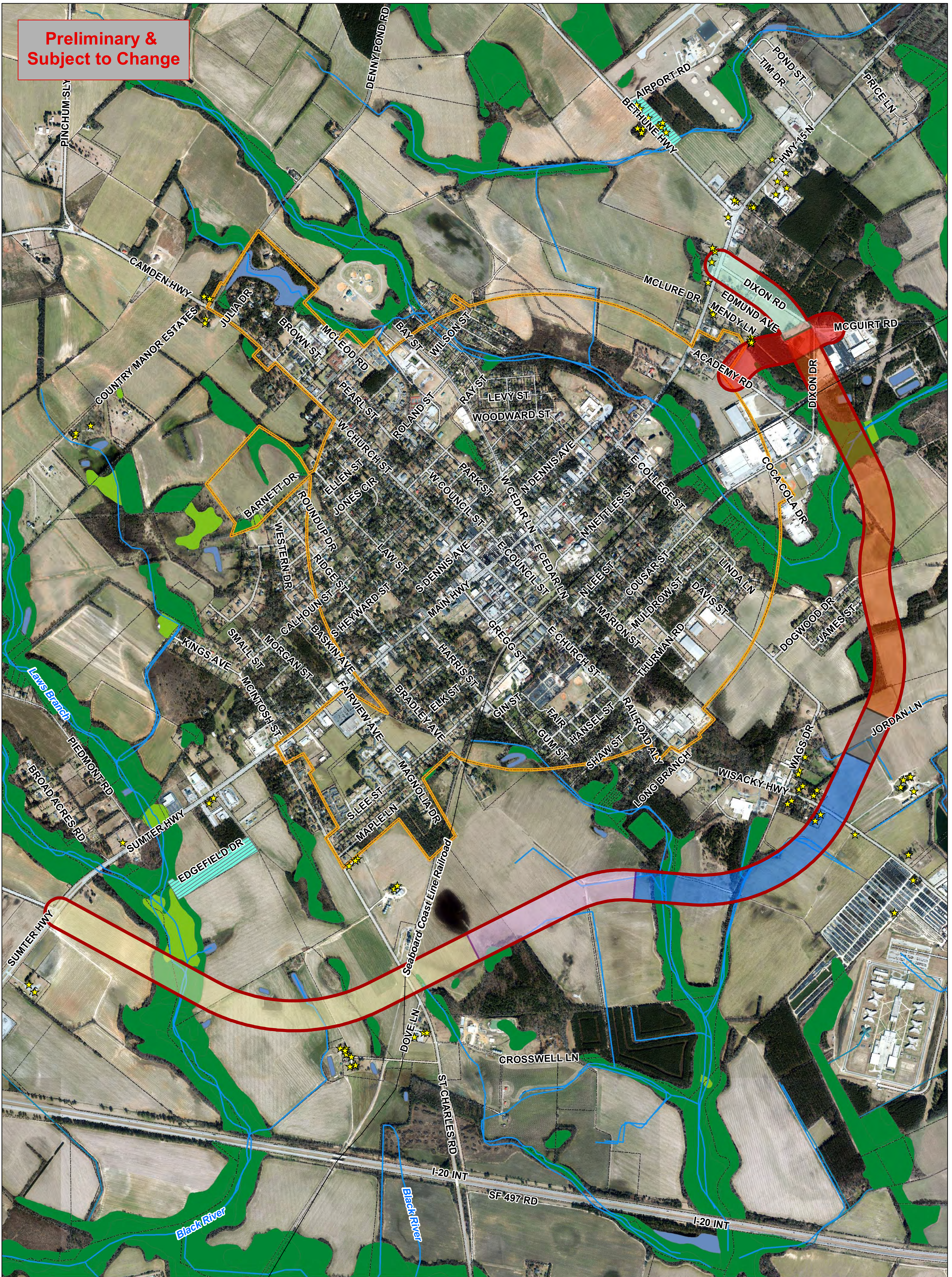
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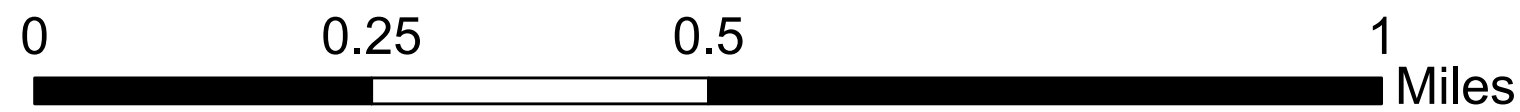
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Historic Districts	Segment 6 (500 ft)	Segment 15 (500 ft)		



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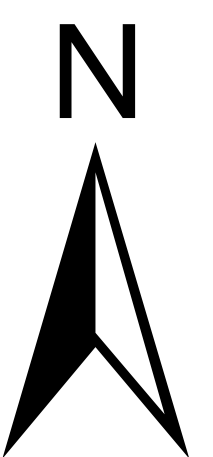


Alternative J



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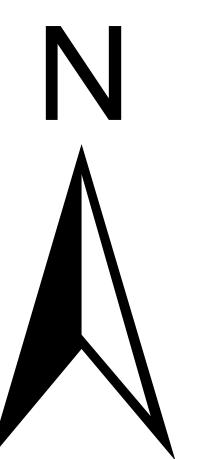


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| — Railroad | Segment 2 (500 ft) | Segment 9 (500 ft) | Municipal Boundary | Pond |
| Historic Districts | Segment 5 (500 ft) | Segment 11 (500 ft) | Property Parcels | Riverine |



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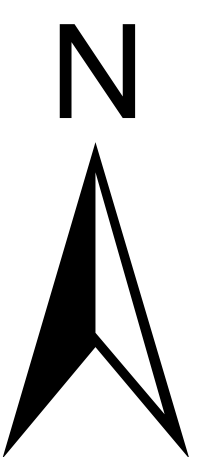


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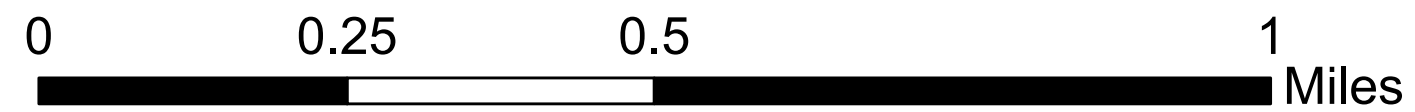
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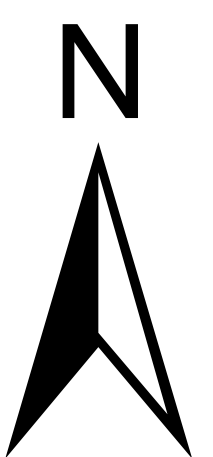


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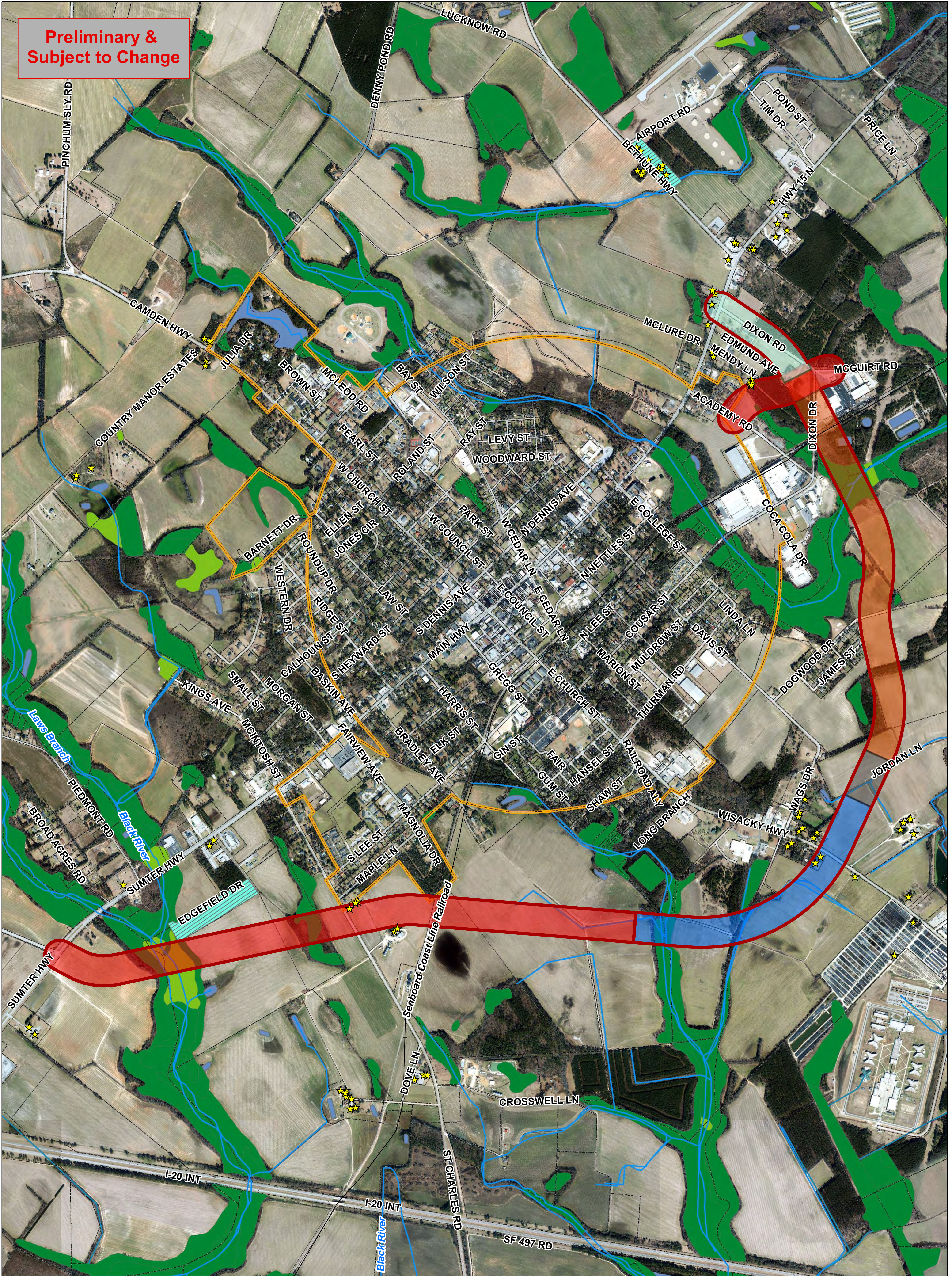


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Historic Districts	Segment 7 (500 ft)	Municipal Boundary		



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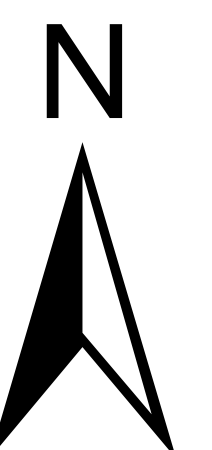


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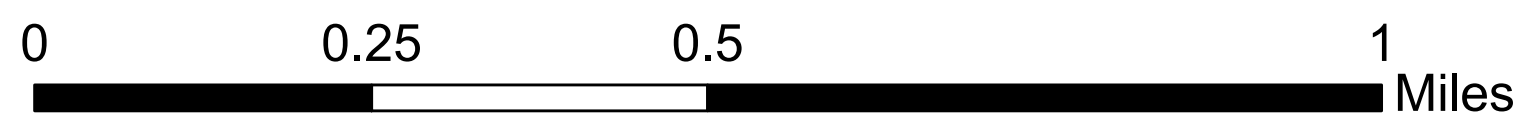
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| Railroad | Segment 7 (500 ft) | Segment 13 (500 ft) | Forested Wetland | |
| Historic Districts | Segment 8 (500 ft) | Municipal Boundary | | |



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Alternative O



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Architectural Resources	Alternative O Corridor	Segment 7 (500 ft)	Segment 13 (500 ft)	Forested Wetland
Rivers & Streams	Segment 1 (500 ft)	Segment 8 (500 ft)	Municipal Boundary	Pond
Railroad	Segment 2 (500 ft)	Segment 9 (500 ft)	Property Parcels	Riverine
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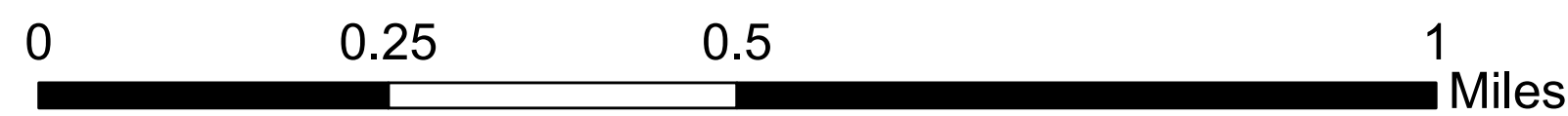
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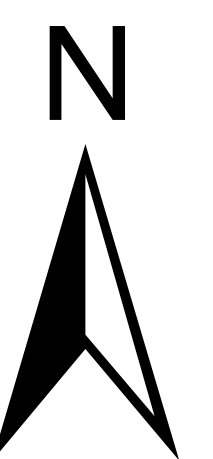


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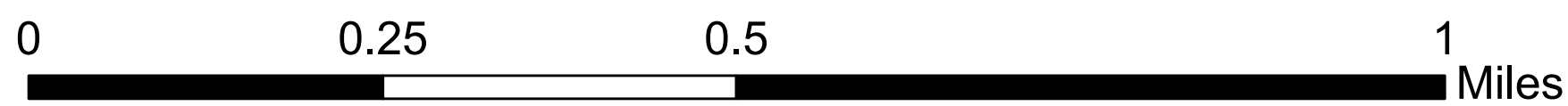
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| — Railroad | Segment 2 (500 ft) | Segment 12 (500 ft) | Freshwater Wetland | Riverine |
| Historic Districts | Segment 6 (500 ft) | Segment 14 (1,100 ft) | | |



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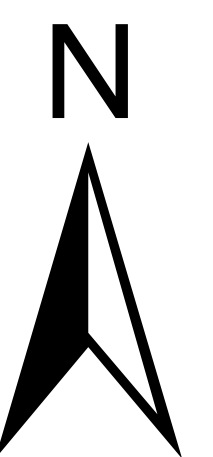


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| — Railroad | Segment 7 (500 ft) | Segment 12 (500 ft) | Freshwater Wetland | Riverine |
| Historic Districts | Segment 8 (500 ft) | Segment 14 (1,100 ft) | | |



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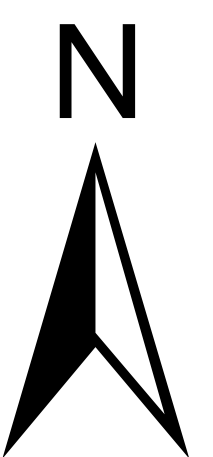


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Railroad	Segment 2 (500 ft)	Segment 9 (500 ft)	Municipal Boundary	Pond
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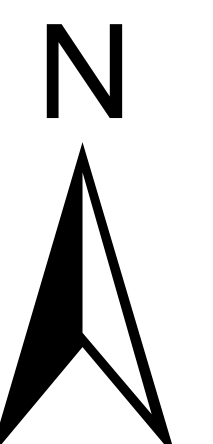


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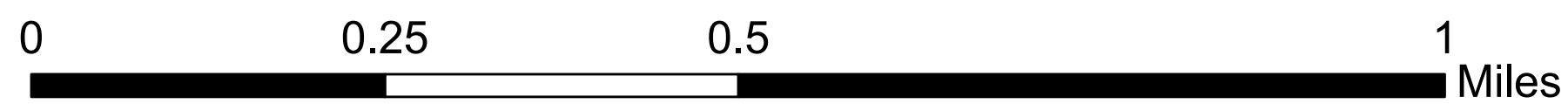
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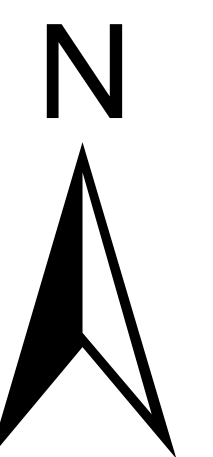


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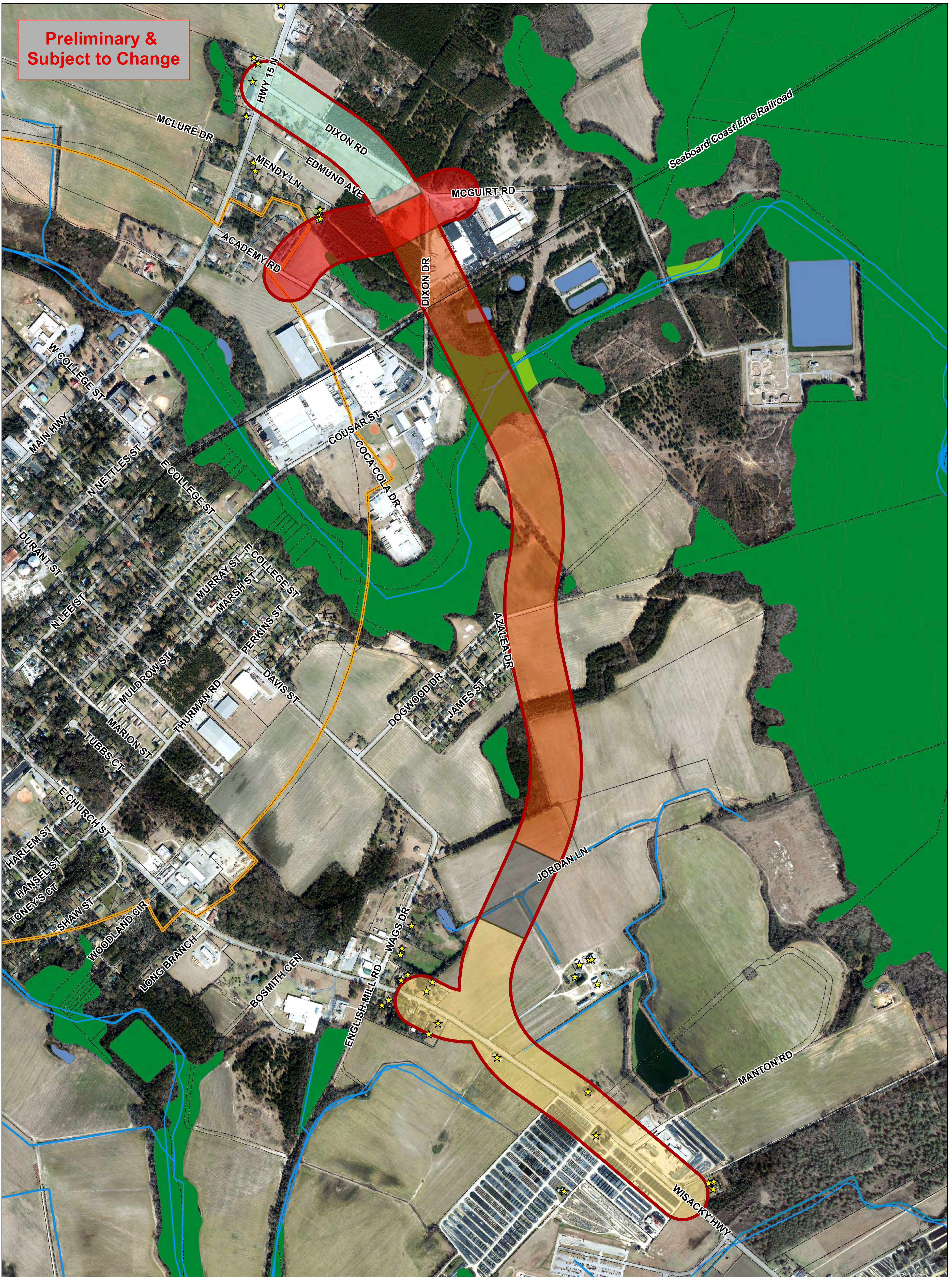


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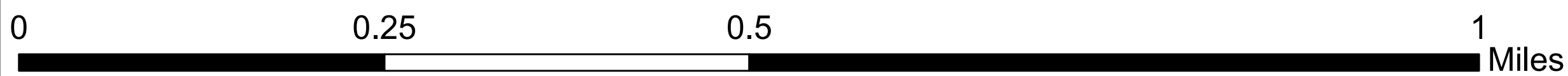
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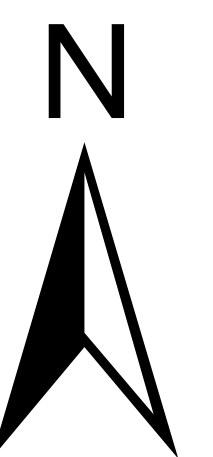


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Historic Districts	Segment 8 (500 ft)	Property Parcels	Riverine



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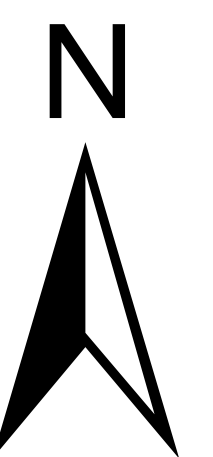


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Historic Districts	Segment 5 (500 ft)	Segment 10 (500 ft)		



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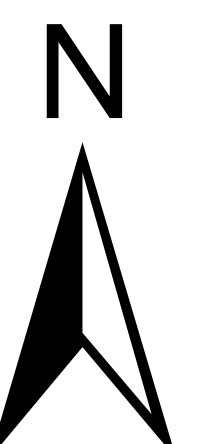


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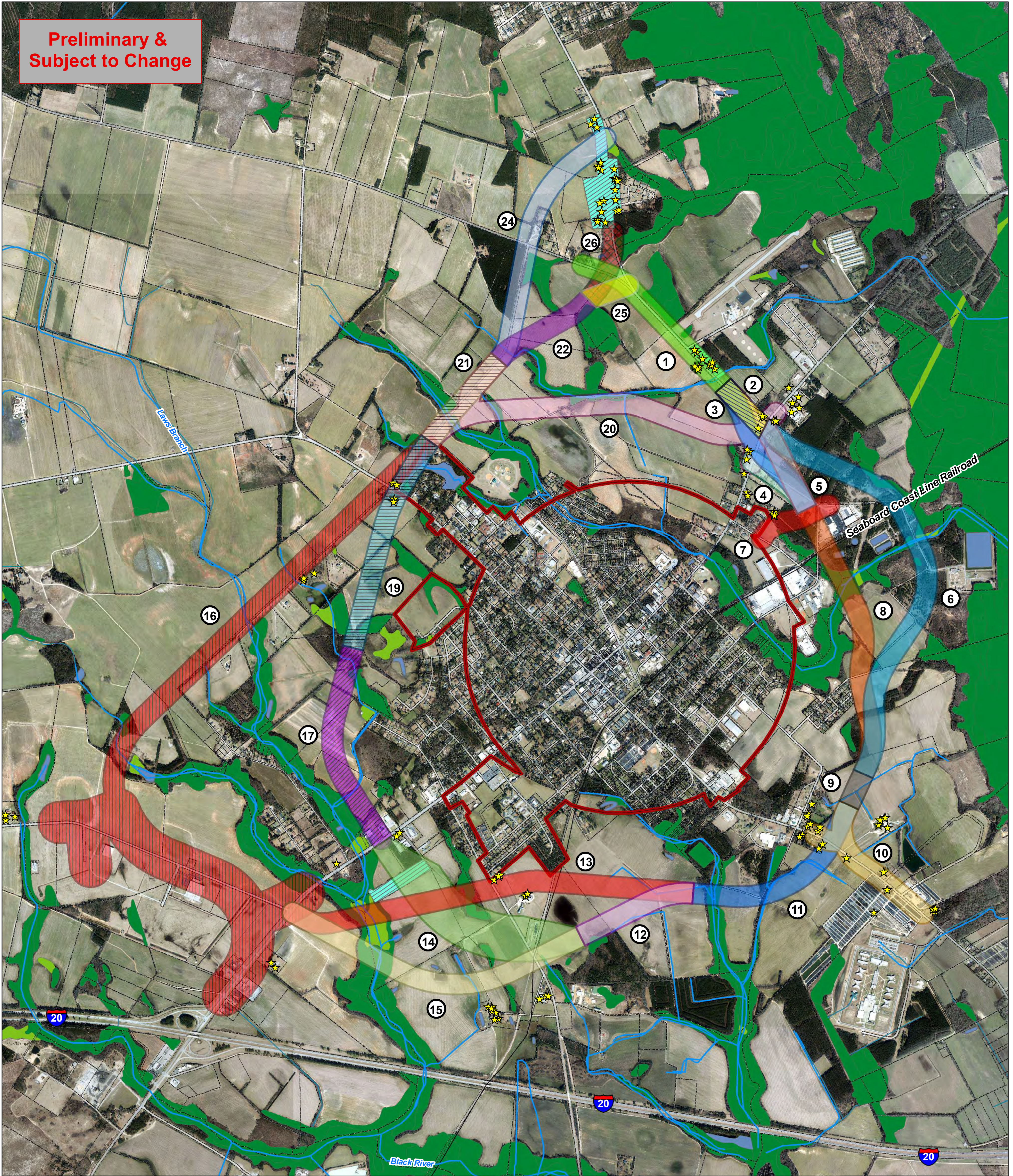
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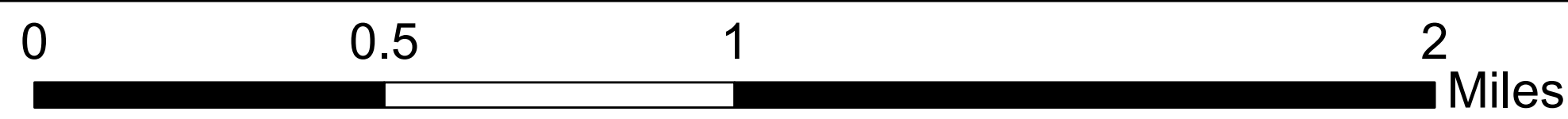
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| — Railroad | Segment 3 (500 ft) | Segment 10 (500 ft) | Forested Wetland | |
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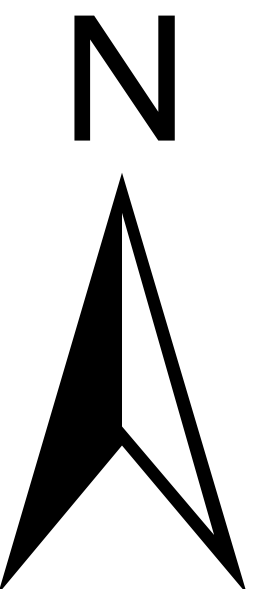


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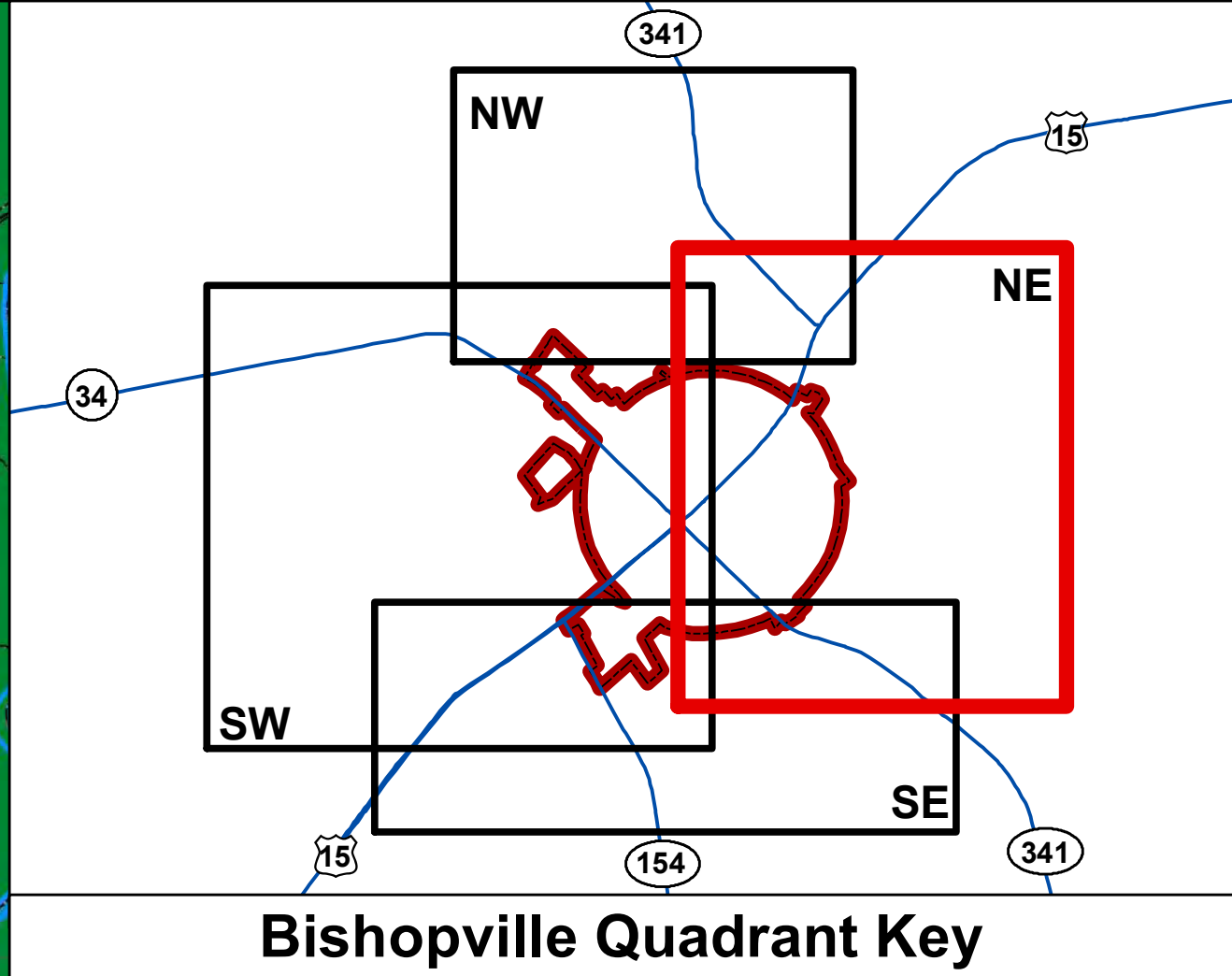
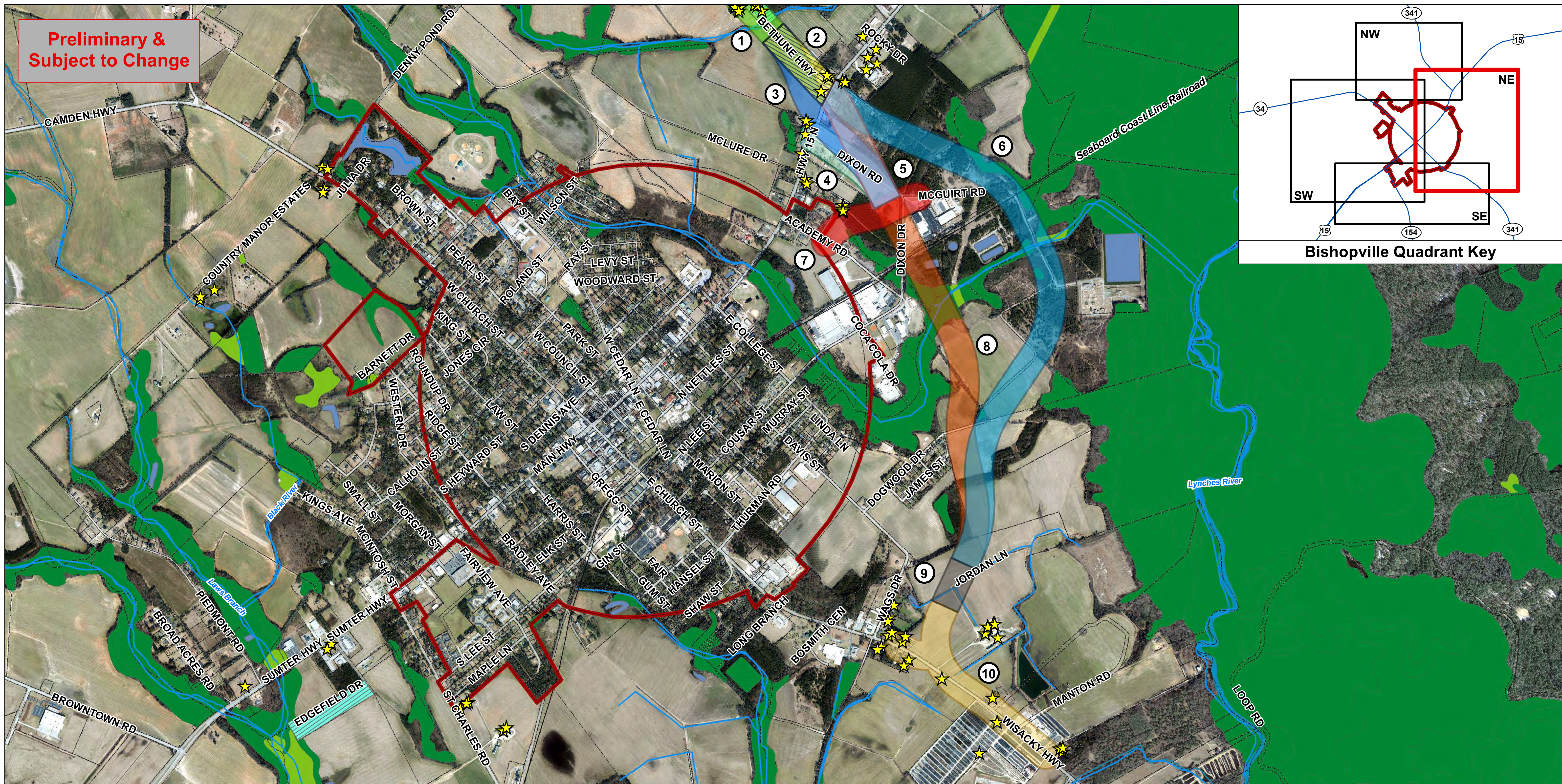


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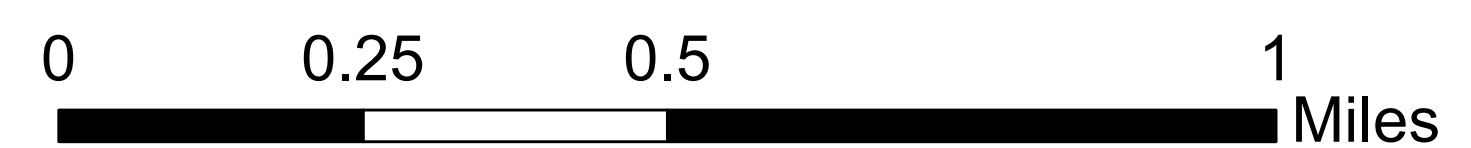
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Historic Districts	Segment 9 (500 ft)	Segment 19 (500 ft)	Municipal Boundary
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Segment 2 (500 ft)	Segment 11 (500 ft)	Segment 21 (500 ft)	Forested Wetland
Segment 3 (500 ft)	Segment 12 (500 ft)	Segment 22 (500 ft)	Pond
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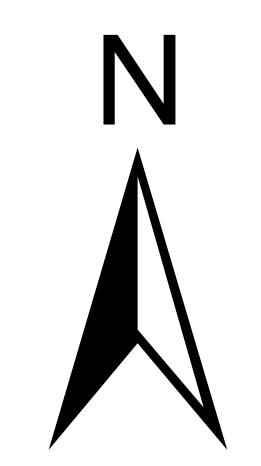


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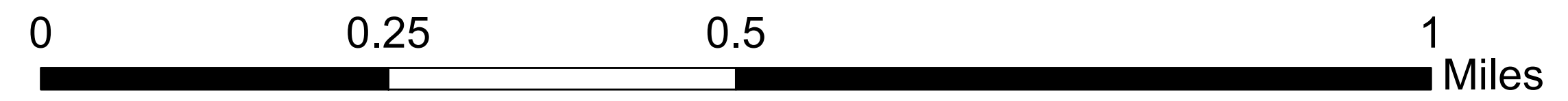
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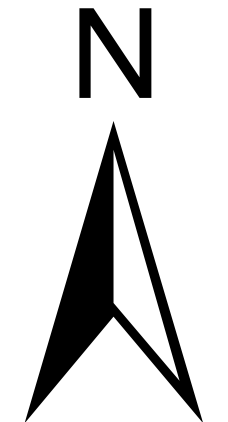


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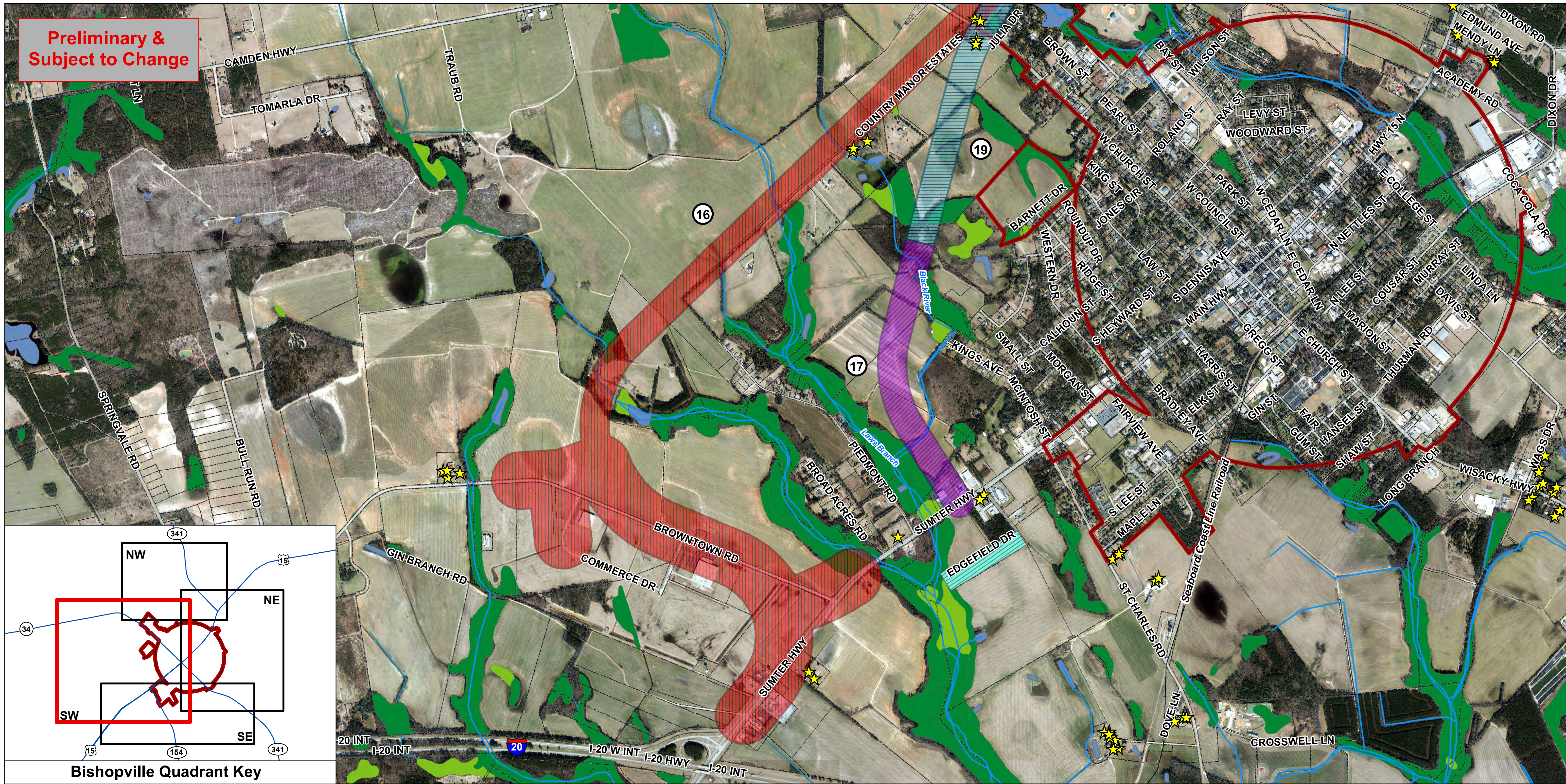


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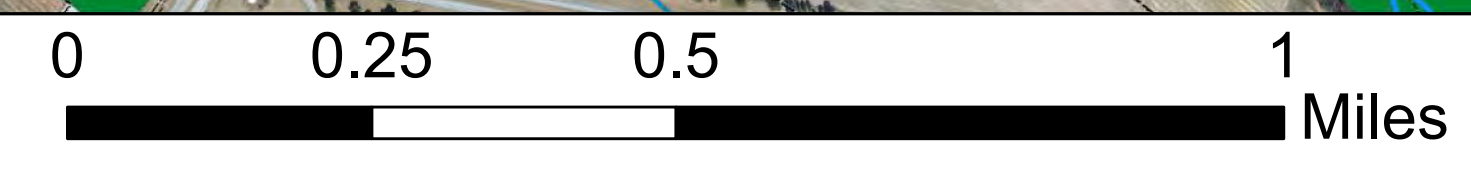
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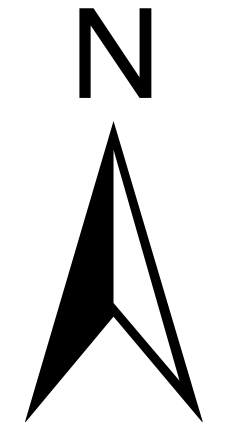


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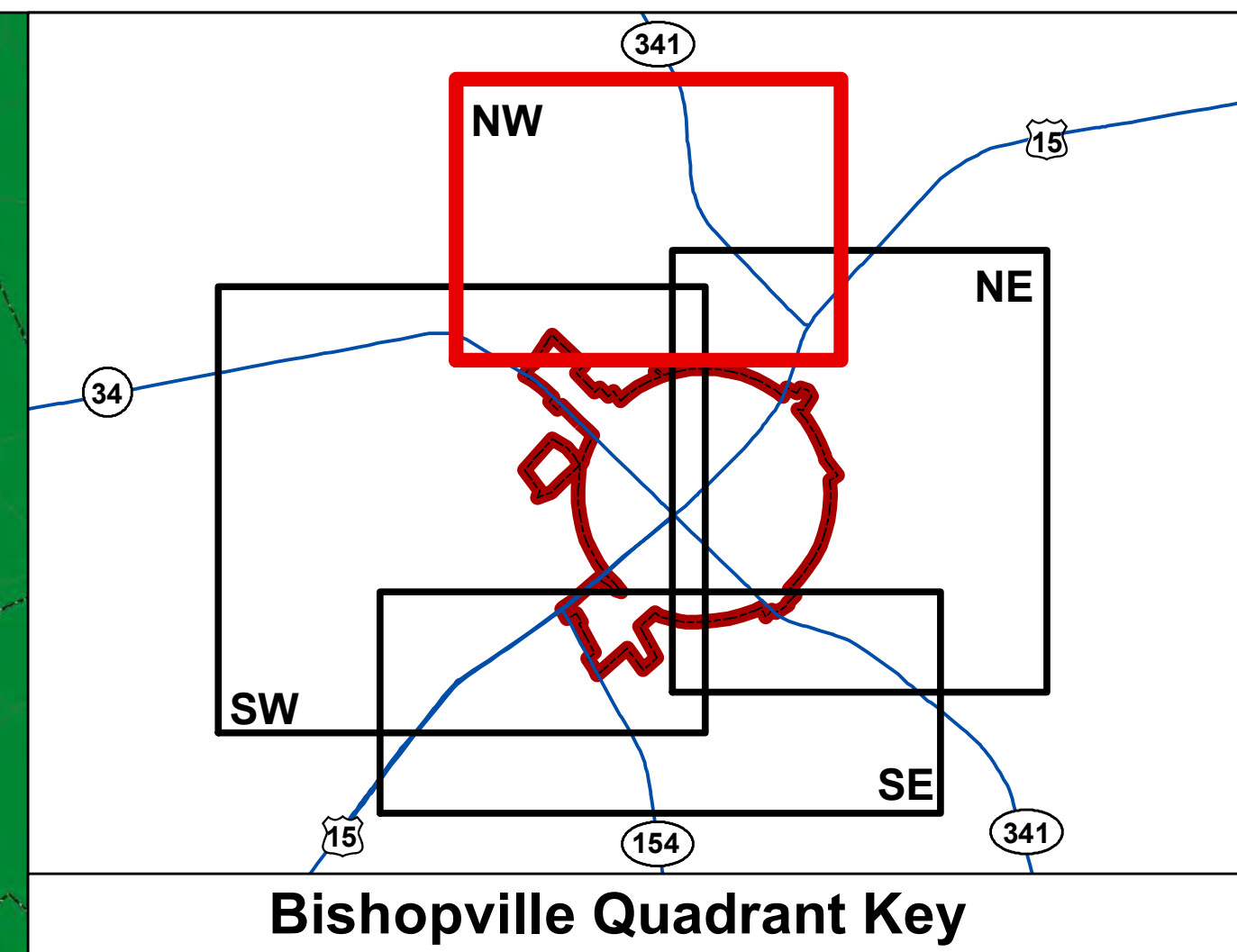
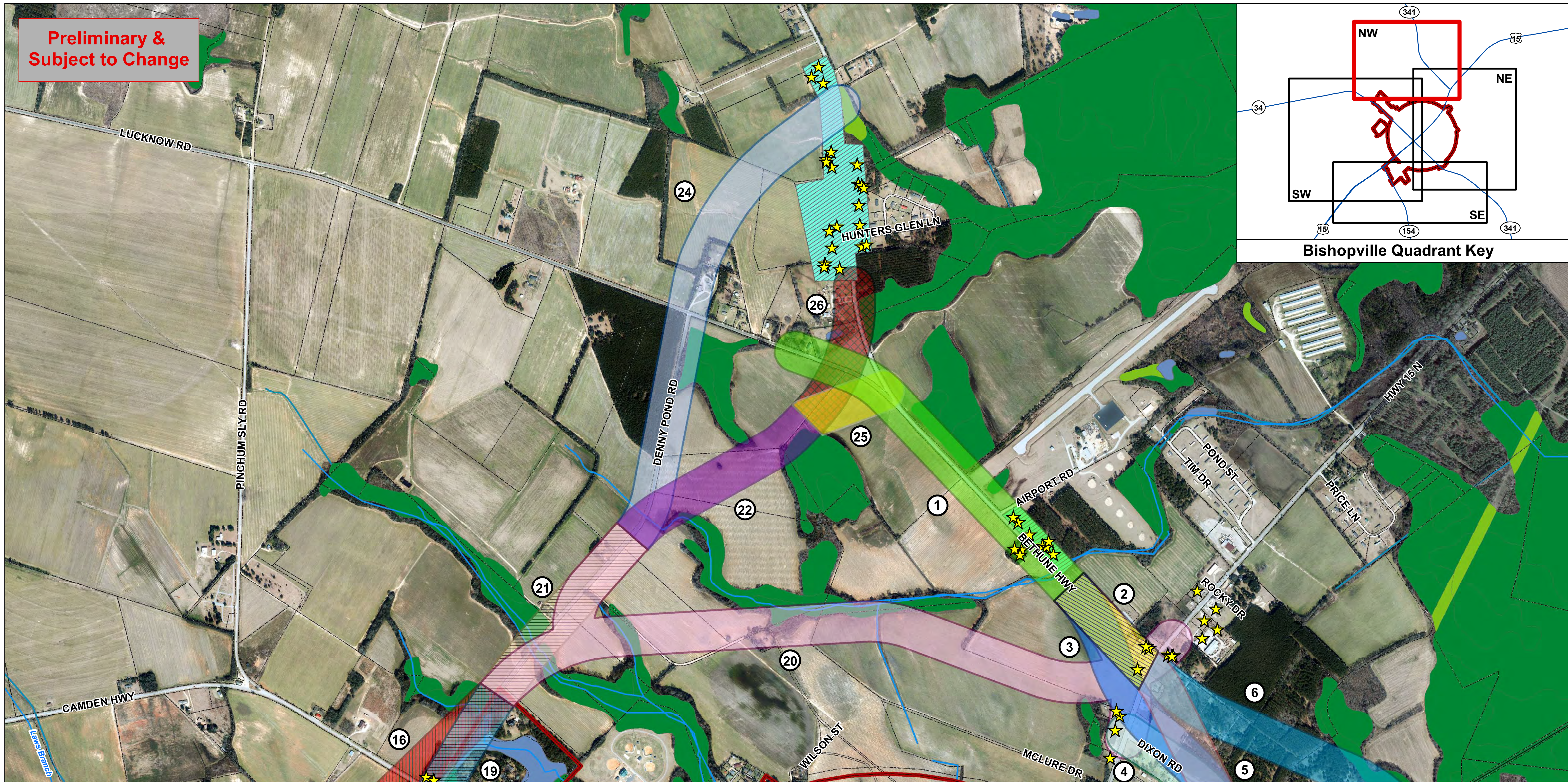


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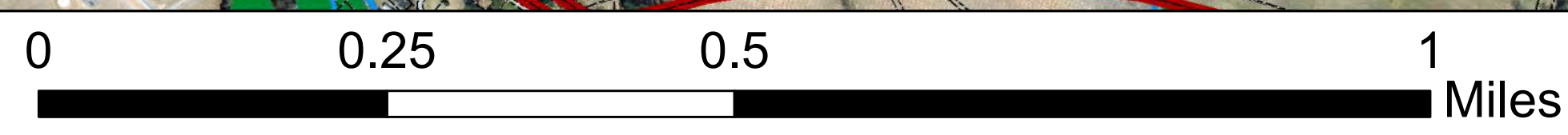
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	Railroad		Segment 17 (500 ft)		Municipal Boundary				



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Northwest Quadrant



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★	Architectural Resources		Segment 2 (500 ft)		Segment 6 (500 ft)		Segment 21 (500 ft)		Segment 26 (500 ft)		Forested Wetland
	Rivers & Streams		Segment 3 (500 ft)		Segment 16 (500 & 1,000 ft)		Segment 22 (500 ft)		Parcels		Pond
	Historic Districts		Segment 4 (500 ft)		Segment 19 (500 ft)		Segment 24 (500 ft)		Municipal Boundary		Riverine
	Segment 1 (500 ft)		Segment 5 (500 ft)		Segment 20 (500 ft)		Segment 25 (500 ft)		Freshwater Wetland		



The Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project Team Welcomes You!

We're here to:

- Provide Project Status Update
- Review 24 Preliminary Alternative Corridors
- Receive Input on Preliminary Corridors
- Share Next Steps in the Project

We encourage you to submit a comment on the study by **June 30th**.

June 7, 2018
5 PM to 7 PM
Lee Central High School



Thank you for attending this Alternative Corridors Public Informational Meeting for the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route. At this meeting:

- We will share the work we have done since last spring when we received input about the interest in reducing truck traffic through downtown Bishopville while still enabling goods to move across our state.
- We will present 24 Preliminary Alternative Corridors and different ways to move truck traffic around Bishopville.
- We will review the options which have been studied in the past and show which options are being dropped because they do not meet the community's desire to reduce traffic in the city center
- We are asking for your feedback on these 24 Preliminary Alternative Corridors.
- We will explain the project's next steps and our schedule.

Your input at this meeting is very important to help us move forward. Our team wants to know:

- Are some of these options better than others?
- Is there a corridor or segment we haven't considered?
- How would you personally be impacted, positively or negatively, by one of these options?

Following this presentation, please visit our project displays, look at the different options on the boards, and talk to our project team.

Team members with project nametags can answer your questions or take your comments. Your local input is very important. Share your thoughts with any of the team members here tonight. Please fill out a comment form, or submit a comment online or through the mail by June 30th. You can even take some comment forms to share and spread the word with others who could not attend tonight.

Previous Study Corridors



Original Corridors

- Previous Study
 - Five bypass alternatives
 - Two truck route alternatives
- Previous alternatives considered in development of new corridors



The original Environmental Assessment which was completed in 2012 proposed five alternatives to route trucks away from downtown Bishopville and looked at two truck routes on existing roads. These seven options were used as the basis for the development of the 24 preliminary alternative corridors.

Public input received last spring and through field studies was considered in the development of these 24 alternative corridors.

Every corridor presented tonight was evaluated on its ability to reduce truck traffic traveling through downtown Bishopville on Main Street while still enabling freight to move through the region.

Eliminated Study Corridors



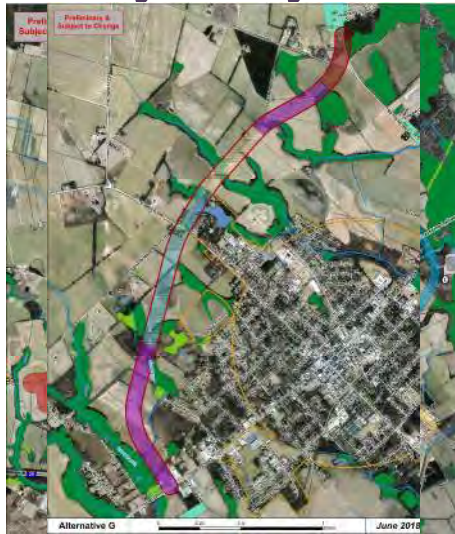
- Study team considered previous alternatives from the Environmental Assessment.
- Alternatives through downtown eliminated from further consideration.
- Others moved further away from neighborhoods.
- Additional options developed for consideration.



Some of the alternative corridors that were initially investigated were eliminated from further consideration:

- Corridors, which utilized the existing roadway network and only relocated trucks off Main Street, but kept them in the vicinity of downtown were eliminated because they did not keep trucks from passing through downtown, they just moved trucks off of US 15 and onto surrounding streets.
- We heard local concerns about the impact of truck traffic within neighborhoods – such as the James Street area. Corridors and segments which divided neighborhoods were eliminated. As the new corridors were developed, the project team tried to distance each alternative from adjacent neighborhoods as much as possible.
- Corridor segments that were similar with other alternatives were either eliminated or merged with a similar alternative to make certain each of the 24 Preliminary Alternative offers a unique alignment.

Preliminary Study Corridors



Updated Corridors

- Corridors vary between 500 and 1100 feet in width.
 - Entire corridor width does not depict anticipated right of way. Actual right of way requirements will be less than 150 feet.
- End-to-End alignment alternative to be developed by combining the various corridor segments.



Here are all of the 24 corridors currently under consideration. The preliminary alternative corridors are shown in great detail on the presentation boards in the main display area.

Each corridor includes several different segments.

The segments designated by the various colors and numbers. Corridor segments were combined in various combinations to create the alternative corridors presented this evening.

Most corridors are 500 feet in width while some have been expanded to 1100 feet wide in areas where additional options could be necessary. The corridor width of 500-1100 feet is the area we are using for the field investigation and is not the required right of way for the final roadway segment. The final alignment will be somewhere within the corridor shown and actual roadway right of way widths will be less than 150 feet.

The development of each corridor segment considered:

- Existing and future land uses
- Potential impacts to the natural environment
- Potential impacts to humans
- Previous public input
- The ability of each segment to meet the project's purpose and need of getting trucks out of downtown while still moving freight across the region.

Each corridor offered some opportunities but also some challenges.

Corridor Features



Northeast Quadrant

- Historic Properties
- Neighborhood Cohesiveness
- Wetlands and Streams
- School
- Water Treatment Plant



In the northeast quadrant of the project, challenges include:

- Numerous historic properties and districts
- Public concerns about disturbing neighborhood cohesiveness and agricultural lands
- Wetlands and streams
- The Seaboard Coast Line Railroad
- Robert E. Lee Academy
- and, the Town of Bishopville Water Treatment Plant

Corridor Features

Northwest Quadrant

- Historic Properties
- Wetlands and Streams
- Airport
- Agriculture lands



In the northwest quadrant, challenges included:

- Historic properties
- Numerous wetlands and streams
- Lee County Airport
- And, surrounding agricultural lands

Corridor Features



Southwest Quadrant

- Historic Properties
- Wetlands and Streams
- Agriculture lands
- Industrial Businesses



In the southwest quadrant, challenges included:

- Historic properties
- wetlands and streams
- Agricultural lands
- Existing and proposed industrial businesses

Corridor Features



Southeast Quadrant

- Historic Properties
- Wetlands and Streams
- Agriculture lands
- Railroad crossing
- Neighborhood Cohesiveness



And finally, challenges in the southeast quadrant included:

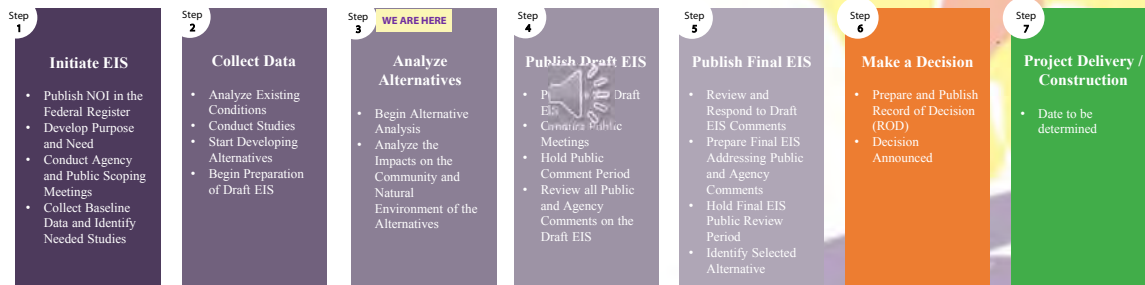
- More historic properties
- Numerous wetlands and streams
- Agricultural lands
- The Seaboard Coast Line Railroad crossing
- And, concerns about disturbing neighborhoods

As the corridors were developed and each challenge was thoroughly considered. Not one of the challenges was given priority over the others, all of the challenges were treated equally.

Because it was not possible to avoid every potential impact, our goals were to find alternatives, which minimized all the impacts to the greatest extent.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required by NEPA and is administered by FHWA
- Provides for informed decision-making
- Includes partners in the process
- Considers a wide variety of factors



If you attended any of our previous meetings, you will recognize this slide which is an overview of the National Environmental Policy Act or NEPA process drives our work and schedule.

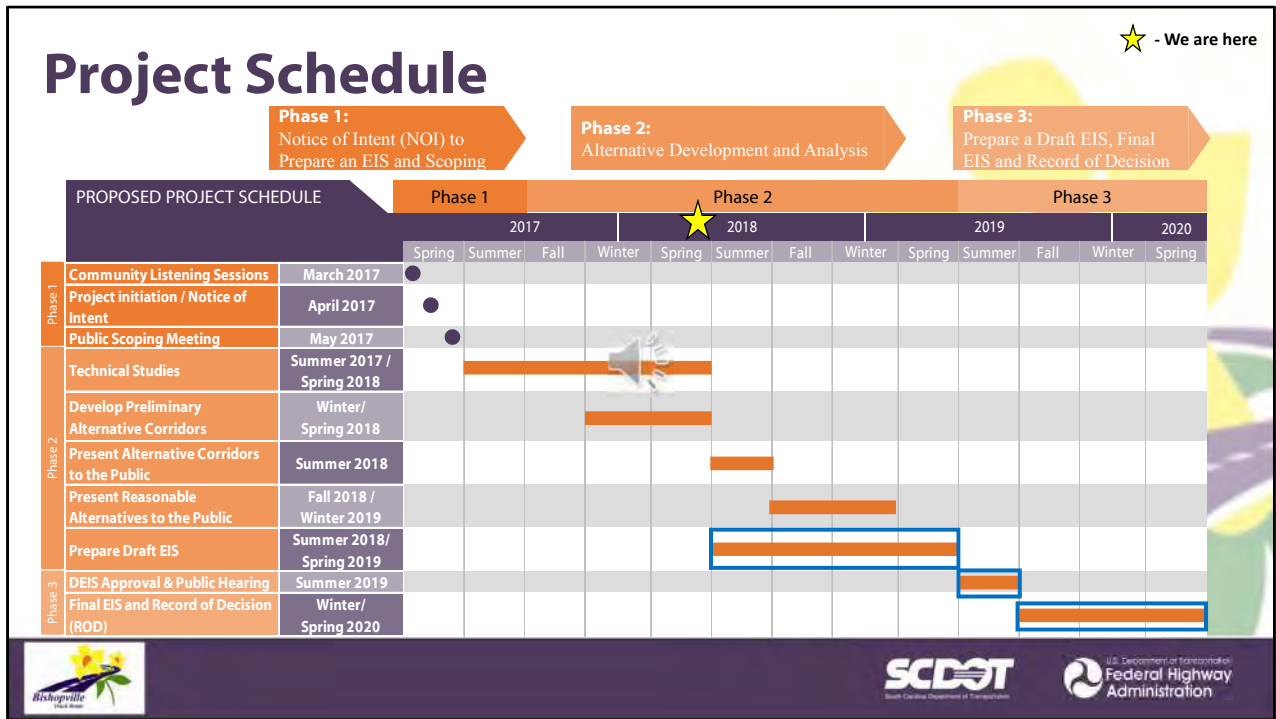
Identifying different alternatives, weighing their ability to meet the project’s purpose and need, and addressing all of the potential project challenges is a part of the National Environmental Policy Act or NEPA process.

NEPA is a multi-step process that requires projects seeking federal funds to consider project impacts and invite public participation and your feedback.

The Project Team has completed initiation steps in starting the Environmental Impact Statement or EIS. We have completed a majority of our data collection activities. We are early in the analysis phase and this is a point in which your local input is very important.

As you review the 24 Preliminary Alternative Corridors on display this evening, please:

- Share your thoughts with our project team and through our comment form
- Are their challenges for a corridor or segment we need to know about?
- Let us know your opinion and concerns about which corridors and segments you like and want to see move forward
- Let us know which corridors and segments you think should be eliminated from further consideration.



Looking forward –

Your input will help us determine our reasonable alternatives which will be presented to you late fall or early winter of this year.

Once we have identified the reasonable alternatives we can begin to develop and analyze the alternative roadway segments and alignments to determine impacts to the Community and Natural Environment.

This information will be incorporated into a Draft Environmental Impact Statement, which will plan to share with you a public hearing next summer.

At next summer’s Public Hearing, the project team will recommend which preferred alternative should move forward into final design or if the challenges of the different alternatives are such that a “No-Build “ alternative should be selected.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement presented at the public hearing will move to a Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision after receiving and reviewing comments from the public hearing. We expect the final Record of Decision as to how the project should proceed to be completed in early 2020.

Thank You!!



- Visit the main display area
- Talk with team members
- Provide feedback

June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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Thank you for attending the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Alternative Corridors Public Informational Meeting.

Please visit our main display area to review the preliminary corridor maps.

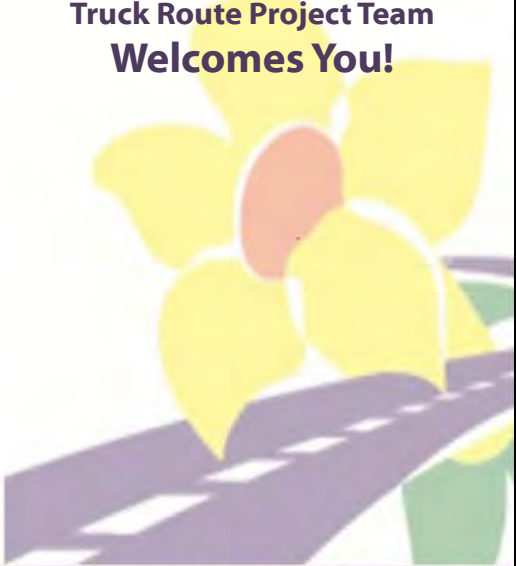
Project team members are available to explain the displays and answer any questions you might have. Team members can take your comments. Feel free to spend some time at the tables writing out your comments so you can submit them before you leave. You are also welcome to take a comment form home or share some copies with neighbors, friends, family and co-workers. The comment submittal deadline is June 30th. Details about how to submit your comments are on the forms.

This now concludes this project overview. If you missed any part of this presentation, it will be starting again in 4 minutes.

Thank you again for your interest in the Proposed Bishopville Truck Route Project.

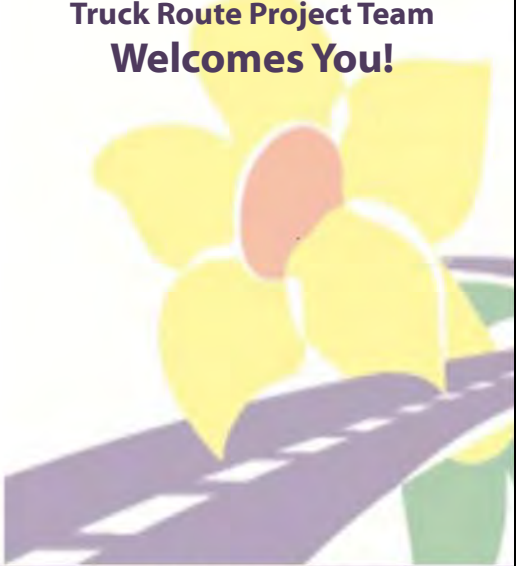
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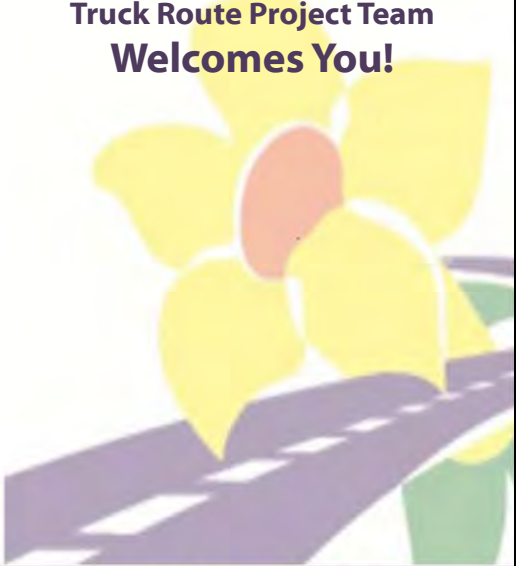
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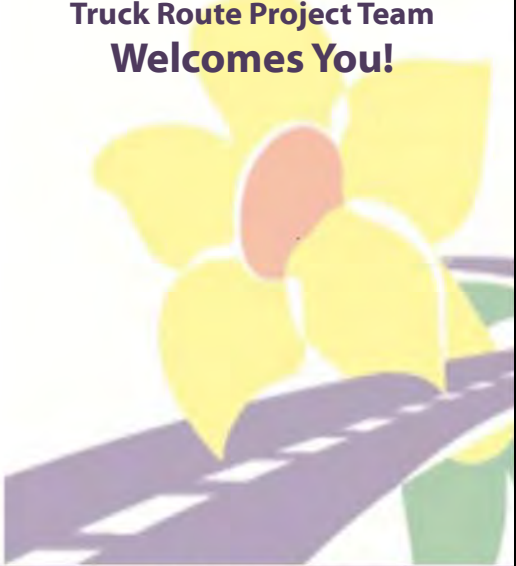
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Project Schedule




Purpose and Need

The primary purpose of this project is to address the existing and future truck traffic traveling through downtown Bishopville. The secondary purpose is to enhance the economic development of the area. As alternatives are developed, their ability to meet these purposes will be evaluated.

US 15 / N. Main Street through downtown Bishopville is currently a two-lane roadway with a raised median and on-street parking. On average, over 700 large commercial trucks travel this corridor daily. Development of the proposed truck route is considered necessary to reduce the existing and future truck congestion through downtown.

Stay Involved

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Preliminary Alternative Corridors Public Meeting

Proposed Bishopville Truck Route

June 7, 2018



Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

The purpose of this meeting is for SCDOT to present several preliminary build alternative corridors that are being considered to address the project's purpose of reducing existing and future truck volumes traveling through downtown Bishopville on US 15/North Main Street. A no-build alternative will also be evaluated by the project team.

Another purpose of the meeting is to gather information from the public or any interested organization on historic or cultural resources in the area. The preliminary routes and segments under consideration were developed after feedback from last year's project scoping meeting, field research, as well as any potential environmental and community impacts. SCDOT, along with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), will use information and feedback gathered at this meeting and through public comments to further evaluate these routes and segments before determining the reasonable alternatives, and ultimately the recommended preferred alternative.

The meeting's informal, drop-in format will display each preliminary alternative corridor. SCDOT staff and project team members are available to gather feedback, answer questions, and to address specific concerns.

Project Schedule

After completion of this public meeting, the Project Team will:

- » Present Reasonable Alternatives to the Public — **Fall 2018 / Winter 2019**
- » Prepare Draft EIS (DEIS) — **Summer 2018/Spring 2019**
- » DEIS Approval & Public Hearing — **Summer 2019**
- » Final EIS and Record of Decision — **Winter / Spring 2020**



Next Steps

SCDOT will evaluate comments received on these preliminary alternative corridors to identify the Reasonable Alternatives to be carried forward for further detailed analysis. These Reasonable Alternatives will be analyzed to identify impacts to the community and natural environment and will be presented to the public in Fall 2018 / Winter 2019. This information will then be incorporated into the Draft Environmental Impact Statement which will be shared with you at a public hearing currently scheduled for next summer. At the Public Hearing the project team will make a recommendation as to which alternative should move forward into final design or if the "No-Build" alternative should be selected. Following that hearing we will review all comments that we received and move into the preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision. We expect a final decision as to how the project should proceed to be made in early 2020.

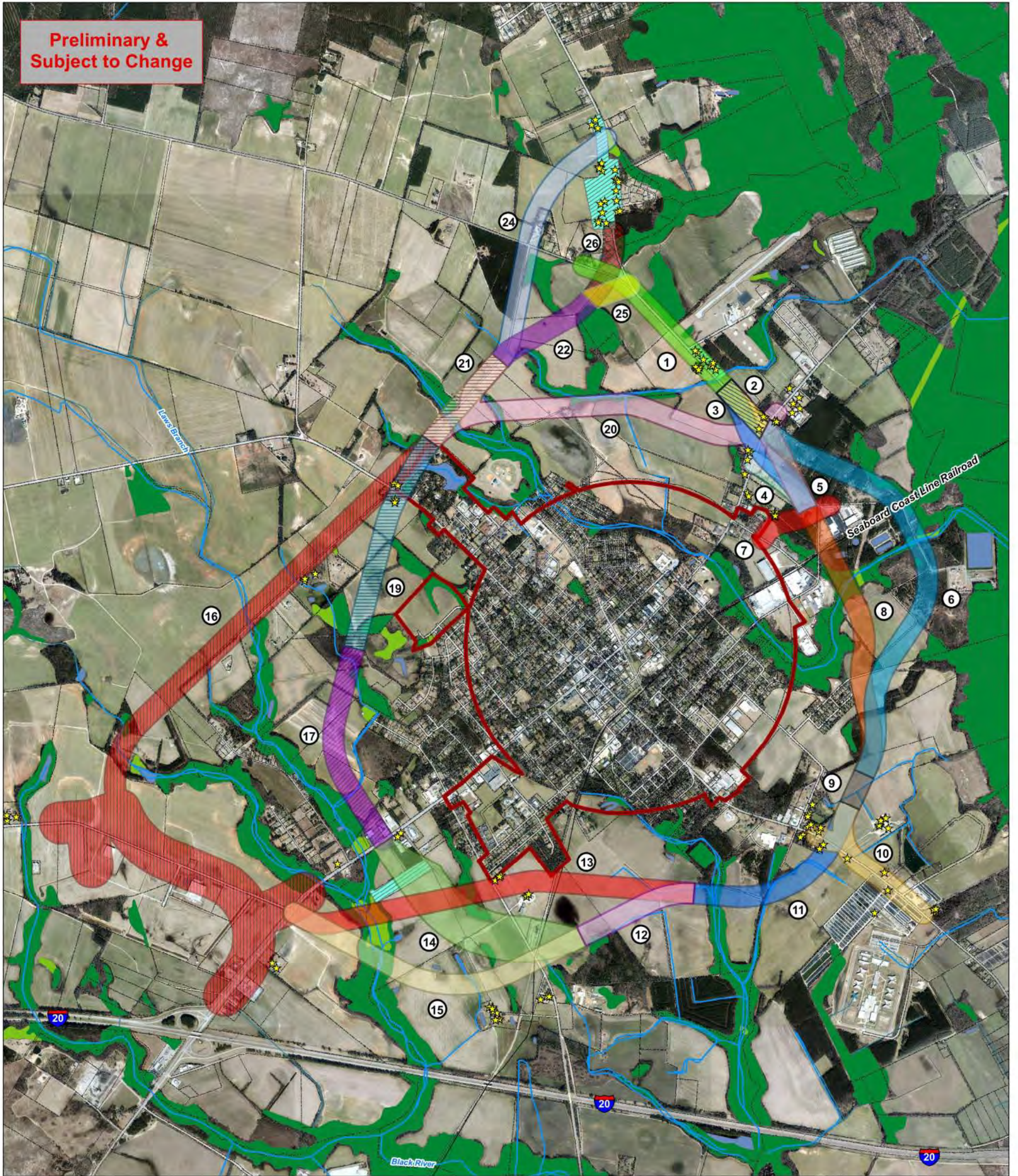
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Corridor Segments

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★ Historic Resources	Segment 6 (500 ft)	Segment 15 (500 ft)	Segment 25 (500 ft)
— Rivers & Streams	Segment 7 (500 ft)	Segment 16 (500 & 1,000 ft)	Segment 26 (500 ft)
—+— Railroad	Segment 8 (500 ft)	Segment 17 (500 ft)	□ Parcels
▨ Historic Districts	Segment 9 (500 ft)	Segment 19 (500 ft)	▭ Municipal Boundary
■ Segment 1 (500 ft)	Segment 10 (500 ft)	Segment 20 (500 ft)	■ Freshwater Wetland
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