

NORTH CAROLINA Department of Transportation



I-5719 / U-5800 and U-6044 Pre-Advertisement Meeting

NCDOT Alternative Delivery Unit

February 6, 2024

Meeting Housekeeping

- The attendee list for the meeting will be posted on the Project website
- The meeting will not be recorded
- Anytime during the presentation, please post your feedback and / or questions to the Meeting Chat box
- All questions and responses will be posted to the Project website
- Email requests for a One-on-One Meeting to: designbuild@ncdot.gov

Purpose of the Meeting

Is to:

- Provide General Project Information
- Gauge Industry Interest and Concerns
- Get Feedback and Answer Questions
 Is not to:
- Provide Detailed / Technical Project Information
- Discuss Project RFP Details
- Conduct a Public Meeting

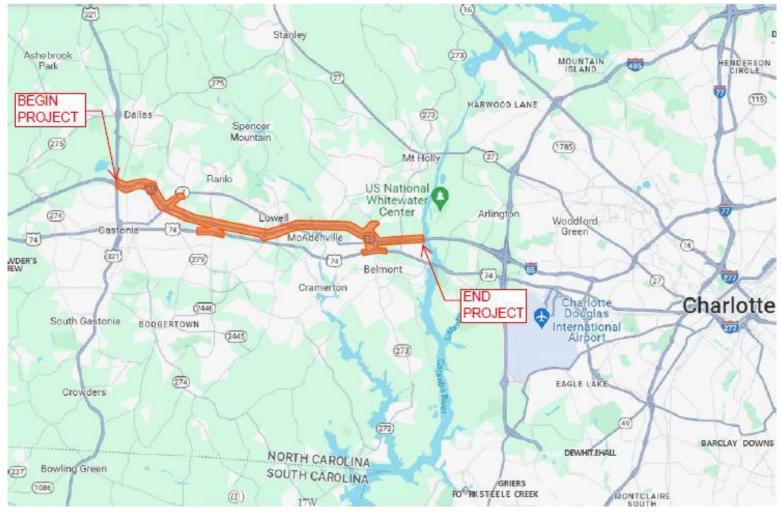
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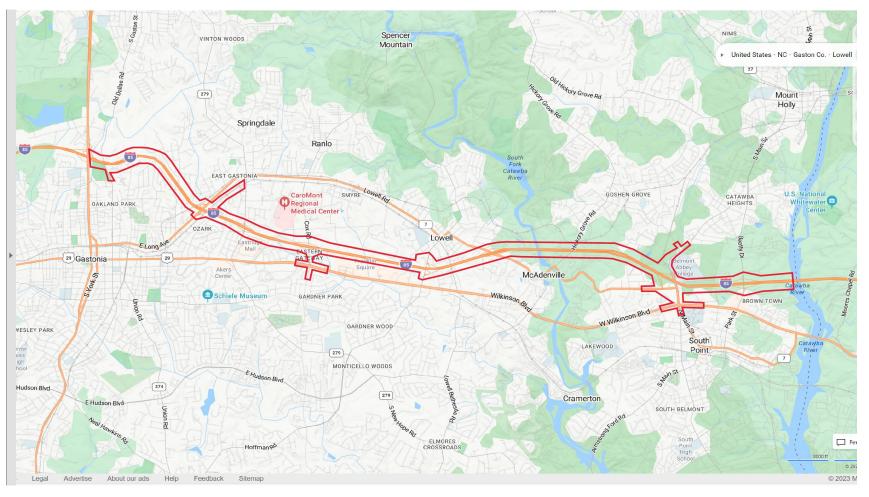
Agenda

- Project Location / Overview
- Scopes of Work
- Alternate Technical Concepts
- Anticipated Project Information
- Anticipated Project Schedule

Vicinity Map



Project Location



Project Overview

- I-85 widening (six to eight lanes) from US 321 (North Chester Street) (Exit 17) to east of NC 273 (Beatty Drive / Park Street) (Exit 27)
- Intersection improvements NC 7 (Main Street) and US 29 / 74 (Wilkinson Boulevard) in Belmont
- SR 2200 (Cox Road) widening from I-85 to US 29 / 74 and Intersection improvements – SR 2200 (Cox Road / Armstrong Park Road) and US 29 / 74 (East Franklin Boulevard) in Gastonia
- Length: 10.5 miles of mainline roadway and 2.8 miles of rail
- Design-Build procurement
- Three Percent (3%) DBE requirement
- The I-5719 portion of the Project is partially financed with Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) and Mega Construction Project (Megaproject) Program Funds.

Public Meeting Maps



The Public Meeting Maps maybe found on the Project website

Scopes of Work

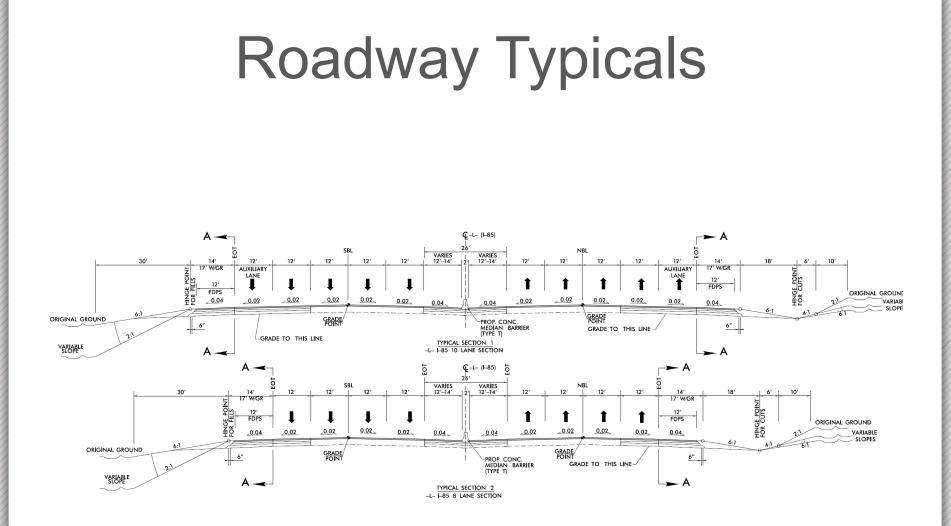
- Roadway
- Aesthetics
- Environmental Permits
- Erosion and Sedimentation Control
- GeoEnvironmental
- Geotechnical Engineering
- Hydraulics
- ITS
- Lighting
- Pavement Management
- Pavement Markings

- Public Involvement and Information
- Railroad Coordination and Construction
- Right of Way
- Signing
- Structures
- Traffic Signals and Signal Communications
- Transportation Management
- Utilities Design and Coordination

Roadway

- Widen I-85 from six lanes to eight lanes
- Construct auxiliary lanes, north and south bound between:
 - Exit 19 and Exit 20
 - Exit 20 and Exit 21
 - Exit 22 and Exit 23
 - Exit 26 and Exit 27
- Construct four urban landscaped roundabouts
- Construct a reduced conflict intersection (RCI) on US 29 / 74 (Wilkinson Boulevard) at NC 7 (Main Street)

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Aesthetics

- High End Bridge and Mid-Grade Bridge Aesthetic Betterments (similar to the Monroe Bypass)
- Ornamental Fencing
- Pedestrian Lighting

Environmental Permits

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) has issued a tree cutting moratorium for the Northern long-eared and Tricolored bats from April 1 to October 15. No tree cutting shall be allow during this period.
- No ground-disturbing activities, including relocation of utilities, within the project until NCDOT has performed updated surveys for the Schweinitz's sunflower, dwarfflowered heartleaf, Northern long-eared bat, and Tricolored bat within the project study area during the appropriate survey windows and have received concurrence from the USFWS, to document compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

Hydraulics

- Major stream crossing design frequency: 100-year
- Replace all pipes within the existing / proposed right of way that are less than 48 inches and all metal pipes 48 inches or larger

Pavement Management

 The Department is completing investigations regarding the pavement design alternatives (asphalt and concrete) for I-85.

Railroad Coordination

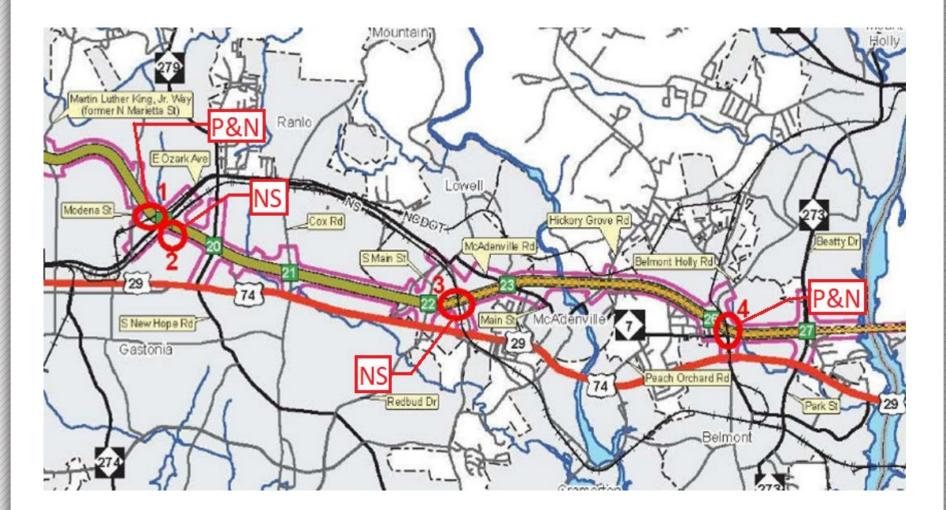
- Rail coordination with Norfolk-Southern Railway (NS), Piedmont & Northern Railway / NCDOT Rail Division (P&N)
- Prequalified disciplines and discipline codes required include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Design Consultant Prequalification Codes Required for Rail:
 - 00182 Railroad Crossing Signal and Traffic Engineering Services
 - 00394 Industrial and Yard Track Design and Layout
 - 00395 Freight Main Track Design and Layout
 - Contractor Prequalification Codes Required for Rail:
 - 5010 Track Construction
 - 5050 Track Maintenance/Rehabilitation
 - 5080 At-Grade Crossing Surfaces
 - 5090 Right of Way Prime Contractor
- Design and construction of the new railyard between I-85 and SR 2200 (Cox Road).

Railroad Coordination

- Design and construction of the new railroad bridges over I-85, including the detour track(s) / bridge(s) and permanent railroad track(s) / bridge(s), and on-site roadways detour including temporary and permanent at-grade crossings.
- All rail design and construction will adhere to Norfolk-Southern Railway standards and specifications.
- Rail items resolved:
 - P&N horizontal and vertical alignments and bridge typical west of NC 7 (E. Ozark Avenue)
 - NS bridge typical east of NC 7 (E. Ozark Avenue)
 - NS horizontal and vertical alignments west of Groves Street
 - P&N horizontal and vertical alignments and bridge typical east of SR 2093 (Belmont Mt Holly Road)

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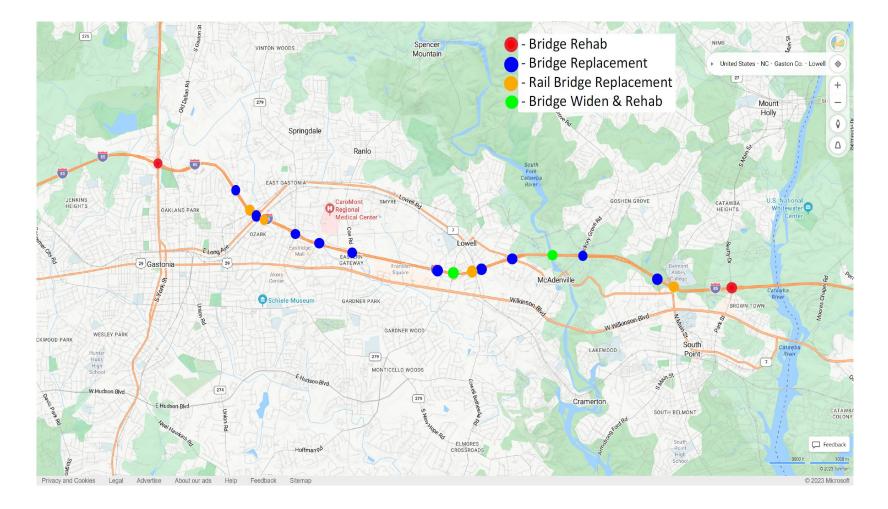
Rail Locations



Structures

- 18 Structures
 - Rehab 2
 - Highway Bridge Replacement 10
 - Highway Bridge Widen and Rehab 2
 - Railway Bridge Replacement 4
 - Norfolk Southern Railway 2
 - Piedmont & Northern Railway 2
- 11 Culverts (lengthen and supplement)
- 13 Retaining walls
- 11 Potential Noise Walls

Structures



Transportation Management

- Maintain three lanes in each direction of I-85 during construction
- An Incident Management Plan (IMP) will be required in and around the work zone
- No ramp, loop, lane or bridge closures will be permitted at Exits 22 and 23 from December 1 through December 26

Utilities

- Six Water and Sewer Providers
- Two Natural Gas Providers (Dominion Energy and Plantation Pipeline)
- Two Petroleum Providers (Colonial and Products Pipeline (a.k.a. Kinder Morgan))
- Two Power Providers (Duke Energy and City of Gastonia Utilities)
- Two CATV Providers
- Six Telecommunications Providers
- Seven Fiber Optic Providers

Alternate Technical Concepts (ATCs)

- The Department will accept ATCs for the Project.
- Anticipates ATCs for:
 - I-85 / NC 7 (E. Ozark Avenue) interchange (Exit 19)
 - I-85 / SR 2200 (Cox Road) interchange (Exit 21)
 - I-85 / NC 7 (McAdenville Road / Main Street) interchange (Exit 23)
 - I-85 / SR 2093 (Belmont Mt Holly Road/Main Street) interchange (Exit 26)

Anticipated Project Information

- Survey
- Hazardous
 Materials
- Hydraulics
- Structures

- Roadway
- Utilities
- Environmental
- Geotech
- Traffic

All Project information will be made available to the Short-listed Teams on the Project website.

Anticipated Project Schedule

RFQ Advertisement	March 1, 2024
Statement of Qualifications due from Design-Build Teams	April 2, 2024
Department Announces Short-listed Teams	April 15, 2024
Department Issues First Industry Draft RFP to Short-listed Teams	April 15, 2024
First Meeting with Short-listed Teams	May 14, 2024
Department Issues Second Industry Draft RFP to Short-listed Teams	May 22, 2024
Department Holds Statement of Qualifications Debriefs	Week of May 20th
Second Meeting with Short-listed Teams	June 26, 2024
Department Issues Final RFP to Short-listed Teams	August 6, 2024
Technical Proposals Due	October 29, 2024
Sealed Price Proposals Due	November 8, 2024
Technical Presentations by Short-listed Teams	November 12, 2024
Open Price Proposals	November 19, 2024

Anticipated Project Schedule

- Note the Anticipated Schedule is subject to change.
- The Department will host an Industry Forum and Outreach Session with the Short-listed Teams and potential contractors, suppliers and DBE partners. (Location and Date TBD)

Questions / Discussion

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- One-on-One Meetings are available February 6 and 7. To schedule a One-on-One meeting email: designbuild@ncdot.gov

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