

# City Council Meeting October 2, 2023





# Mayor Hooks Call to Order





#### Pastor Sammy Ballard, FBC Mebane

Invocation





# **CONGRATULATIONS** Kris Kloepping



### NCRPA



## Athletic Director's Workshop YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR





# Mayor Hooks Public Comments





Mayor Hooks Approval of Minutes-September 5, 2023, Regular Meeting

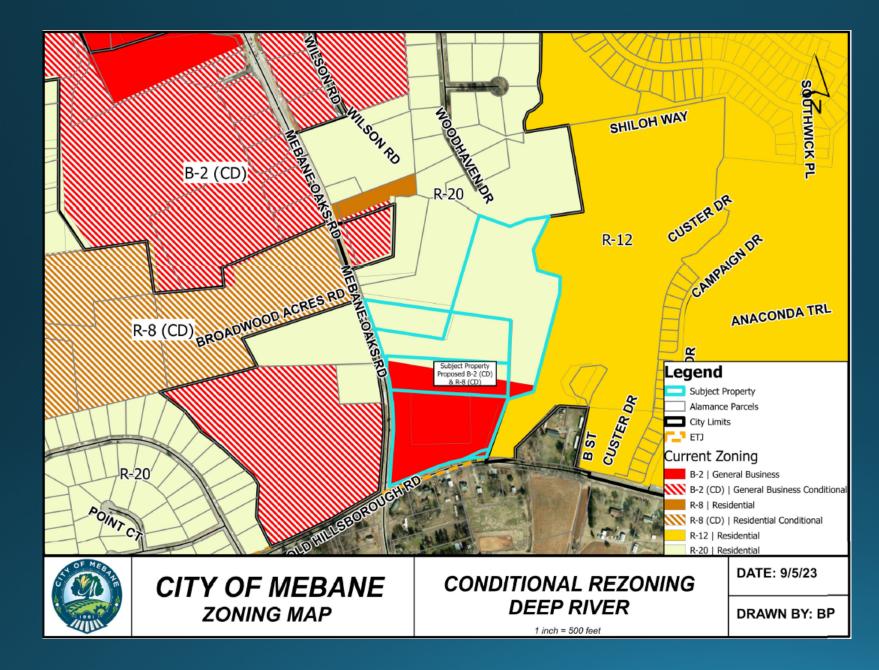




#### Ashley Ownbey, Development Director

Public Hearing: Rezoning Request: R-20 and B-2 to R-8 (CD) and B-2 (CD) by Deep River Partners



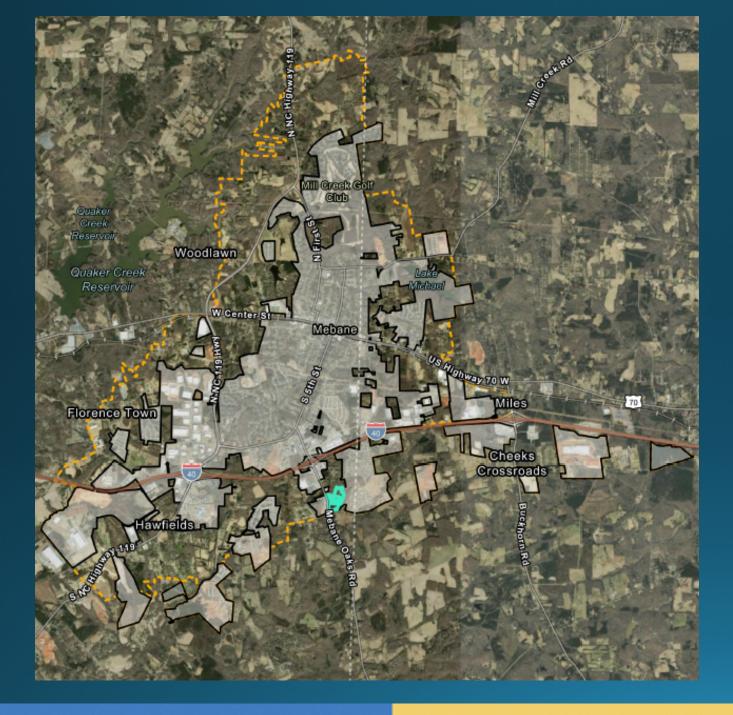


#### Deep River

Conditional Rezoning Request

- Request by Deep River Partners
- +/- 27.16 Acres
- Existing zoning: R-20 and B-2
- Requested zoning: R-8 (CD) and B-2 (CD)





#### Deep River Conditional Rezoning Request

- Alamance County, Mebane ETJ
- Petition for annexation is required before connection to City water and sewer





#### Deep River Conditional Rezoning

- Single-Family Residential, Forested, Vacant
- Surrounding uses include:
  - Mebane Fire Station 3
  - Churches
  - Commercial
  - Single-family residential
  - The Meadows Subdivision

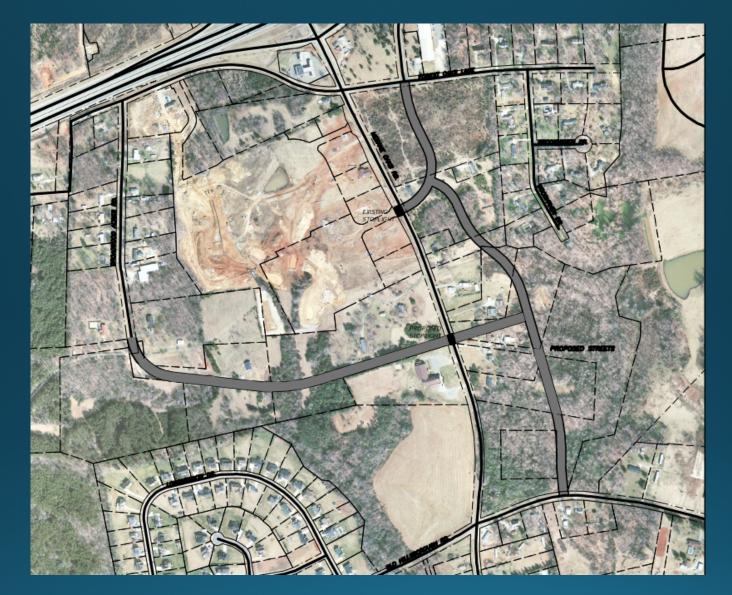




Deep River Conditional Rezoning Request

• *Mebane By Design*: G-4 Secondary Growth Area; G-2 Jones Drive and South Mebane Oaks Residential Growth Area; Conservation Area





Deep River Conditional Rezoning Request

• Mebane Oaks Road Small Area Plan, 2007

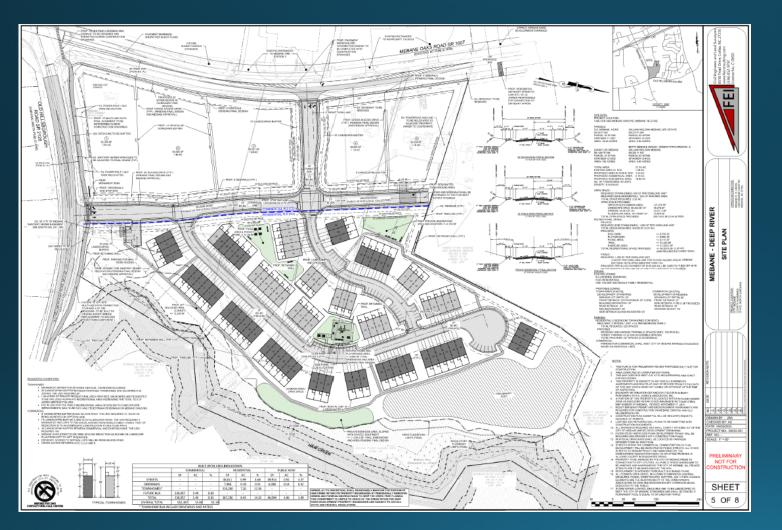




#### Deep River Conditional Zoning Request

- R-8 (CD) and B-2 (CD) zoning requested to allow for a development of five commercial parcels and 90 townhomes
- 5' wide sidewalk along Mebane
   Oaks Road and a 10' multi-use path along Old Hillsborough Road.
- Public and private streets
- Private playground area, picnic area, dog park, exercise area, and walking trail for townhome community





#### Deep River Conditional Zoning Request

#### Conditions Requested:

- Minimum 30' building separation between townhome buildings, with no side yards.
- Alternative landscaping plan
- +/- 1.06 acres of common private recreation
  - Request to consider individual townhome backyards towards required 2.07 acres
- Payment in lieu of public recreation area to be used for off-site pedestrian improvements.
- Commercial lots developed with:
  - Driveway access from Wilson Road
  - Cross-access between lots
  - Restriction of uses





#### Deep River Conditional Zoning Request

#### Multi-modal Improvements

- 5' sidewalk along Mebane Oaks Road and 10' multiuse path along Old Hillsborough Road
- Internal sidewalk

#### Mebane Oaks Road (Site Access #1)

- Construct the full movement access, directly aligned with the existing northern fire station driveway, with one ingress lane and two egress lanes under stop control.
- Provide a minimum 100' internal protected stem.
- Provide an exclusive left-turn lane on Mebane Oaks Road with 100 feet of storage and appropriate transitions.

#### Old Hillsborough Road (Site Access #2)

- Construct the full movement access with one ingress lane and two egress lanes under stop control.
- Provide a minimum 100' internal protected stem.
- Provide an exclusive left-turn lane on Old
   Hillsborough Road with 100 feet of storage and appropriate transitions.





# **Applicant Presentation**



# Mebane Oaks at Old Hillsborough Road Project

City of Mebane City Council October 2, 2023

#### Michael S. Fox Tuggle Duggins P.A.

400 Bellemeade Street, Suite 800 Greensboro, NC 27401



### The Project

Promotes a High-Quality Mixed-Use Development

Five Commercial Lots with Frontage on Mebane Oaks Road

Complimented by a Moderate Density Residential Community Behind

Pedestrian Friendly

# Neighborhood Input

- Deep River representatives have had extensive conversations with neighbors.
- Met individually with particular neighbors
- Held a neighborhood meeting on August 30th
- As a result, Deep River has committed to addressing the concerns raised by neighbors.



#### DEEP RIVER PARTNERS

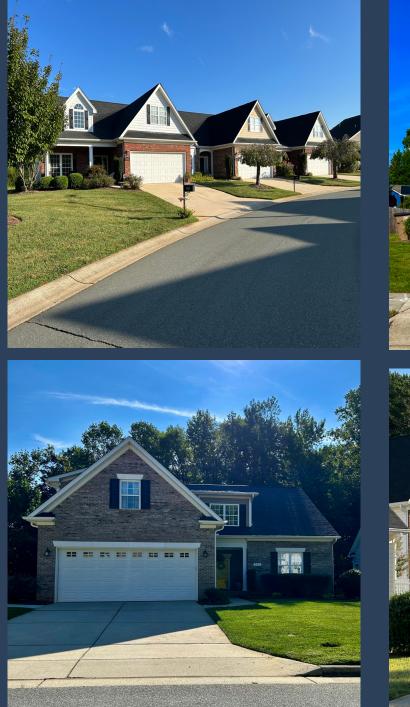
### ABOUT OUR COMPANY

- Founded in 1985.
- Long term presence with property ownership throughout Triad
- Consistently develop high quality projects in the Triad and throughout Southeast
- Experienced commercial developers with extensive client and contact base
- Previous residential development in Alamance
   County

# Representativ e Commercial Development



# Representative Residential Development





### Site Plan



# Development & Design Considerations

- Thoughtful Placement of Proposed Commercial
   Development
- Encourages Walkability & Access to Neighborhood-Scale Retail & Commercial Businesses
- Provides Access from Wilson Road to Old Hillsborough Road Consistent with the Mebane Oaks Road Small Area Plan
- Increase Pedestrian & Traffic Safety
- Multi-Use Trail Connection
- Accommodate Housing for the Workforce & Young Families
- Private Recreation Amenities Including a Playground, Dog Park, Picnic Shelter, & Exercise Area
- Assistance with Flood Prevention, Stream Preservation & Wildlife Management

### Illustrative Townhomes







## Architectural Commitments

- Facade elevations feature 25% or more stone or brick
- Slab on grade construction
- Single car garages on all units
- 30-year architectural shingles
- Projected Eaves (side, back & front)
- Minimum 1,400 square feet
- Where Vinyl Siding is used, there will be elevation differentiation and variety of textures and muted colors.

# THANK YOU

# QUESTIONS?



Greg Payne Informational Item-Mebane Community Fund



#### Mebane Community Fund managed by the Alamance Community Foundation

#### What will funds be used for?

Physical, tangible improvements visible to the public – outdoors or in a public building Examples:

- Public art
- Improvements to parks & recreation areas
- Improvements to trails & greenways
- Making the downtown more attractive
- Amenities for new facilities like a permanent farmers' market structure

Who will be eligible to receive a grant? Governments and non-profit organizations

#### Who will make grant decisions?

A Mebane Advisory Board will be created to make recommendations on grant requests, with the final decision made by the Alamance Community Foundation's board.

### What is the amount required to establish the Mebane Community Fund?

An initial amount of \$25,000 has been raised to start the fund at the ACF.

The next step will be for individuals and businesses to make pledges for donations to grow the fund to \$100,000, then \$250,000 and beyond.

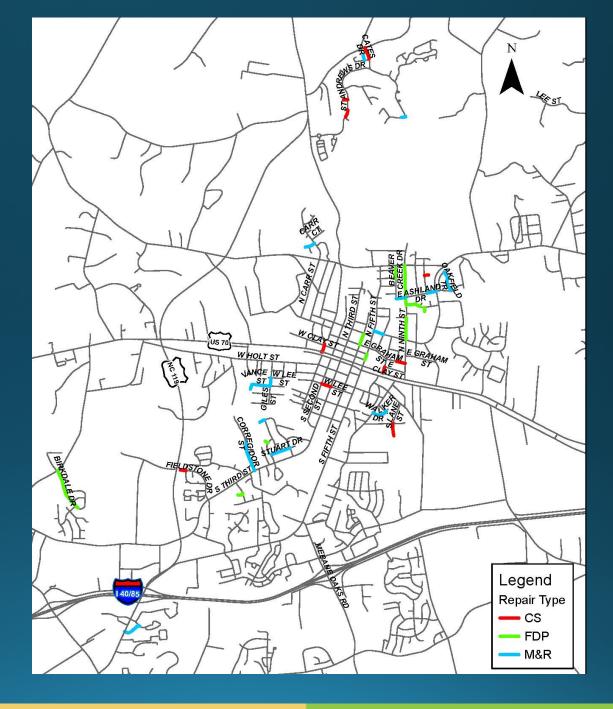


#### Mark Reich, AWCK, Inc. Charles Smith, Public Works Director FY 2023-24 Street Repair Contract



#### Change Order for 2023-24 Street Repair and Resurfacing

- Street Repair and Resurfacing \$675,000
  - Patching and Resurfacing 2.26 miles of 20 streets.
  - Crack Sealing 0.58 miles of 7 streets
  - Milling and Resurfacing Recreation Museum Parking Lot.
  - Crack Sealing City Hall and Inspection Dept. Parking Lots.
- Public Works Parking Lot \$50,000
  - Patching and Resurfacing 2,380 sy of pavement at Public Works parking lot.





Proposed Street Resurfacing List FY 2023-24			
Street Name	From	То	
Forestwood Dr. (1)	N. Carr St.	Dead End	
Great Smokey Mountain Dr.	Everglades Dr.	Mt. Rainer Dr.	
E. Ashland Dr.	N. Ninth St.	Overland Dr.	
Mt. Rainer Dr.	Great Smokey Mountain Dr.	Everglades Dr.	
St. Andrews Dr.	Great Smokey Mountain Dr.	Bay Hill Ct.	
Harbour Town Ct.	St. Andrews Dr.	Cul-De-Sac	
Buckingham Dr.	Eighth St.	Dead End	
Everglades Dr.	Mt. Rainer Dr.	Cul-De-Sac	
S. Second St.	Austin St.	Roosevelt St.	
W. Mckinley St.	S. Third St.	S. Fourth St.	
Sawgrass Ct.	St. Andrews Dr.	Cul-De-Sac	
Welsford Ct.	New Castle Rd.	Cul-De-Sac	
N. Wilba Rd.	Crawford St.	Vine St.	
S. Fourth St.	Roosevelt St.	Pavement Change	
Cornwallis Dr. (1)	N. Carr St.	Dead End	
S. First St.	Lee St.	Mckinley St.	
Madison St.	Holt St.	Jackson St.	
McPherson Dr.	Fifth St.	Eighth St.	
Roosevelt St.	Giles St.	NCDOT maintenance	

#### Proposed Street Patching and Crack Sealing List FY 2023-24

Street Name	From	То
W. Mckinley St.	Giles St.	Dead End
Deerfield Trace	NC 119	Millstead Dr.
Gregory Poole Ln.	Maple Ln.	Pavement Change
W. Brown St.	N. Third St.	N. Fourth St.
E. Graham St.	S. Fifth St.	S. Sixth St.

#### Proposed Street Crack Sealing List FY 2023-24

Street Name	From	То
St. Andrews Dr.	Winged Foot Ct.	Clubhouse Drive
S. Fourth	Jackson St.	Lee St.
Drake Ln.	N. Fifth St.	Beaver Creek Dr.
Edwards Ct.	N. Third St.	Cul-De-Sac
Lowes Blvd.	Compass Dr.	Dead End
Big Bend Dr.	Great Smokey Mountain Dr.	Redwood Ct.
Redwood Ct.	Big Bend Dr.	Cul-De-Sac





#### Daphna Schwartz, Finance Director Revenue Bonds for Elevated Water Tank-Bond Order and Series Resolution Capital Project Ordinance Amendment





#### ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK REVENUE BONDS

October 2, 2023

### BACKGROUND

- Current water tank meets regulatory requirements but is too small to equalize projected water demands and sustain fire flows.
- The City purchased property at 1500 S. Third Street to build a new water storage tank.
- On August 1, 2022, the City Council awarded Hazen & Sawyer the engineering contract for the project and approved the creation of a capital project ordinance.
- On August 7, 2023, the City Council adopted a resolution stating the intention to issue revenue bonds to provide funding for the elevated water tank project and to use Capital One to finance the debt for 20 years at a rate of 4.46% with average annual payments of approximately \$348,195.
- Construction bids were received on August 29, 2023.
- The current estimated cost of the project is \$8,425,000.
- The City was awarded \$2,652,990 in grant funding.
- The estimated amount to finance is \$5,772,010.

## BOND ORDER AND SERIES RESOLUTION

Once approved, the Bond Order and Series Resolution will formally authorize the issuance of City revenue bonds for the elevated water tank project, approve substantially final financing documents and other financing details, and authorize City staff to complete the bond closing.

This is dependent on Local Government Commission approval which is expected on October 3. If approved, the closing will take place on October 12.

# CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 1

• The Capital Project Ordinance requires an amendment due to the increase in the budget for the project.

# SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST AGREEMENT

 This document sets out the details of the bond issue. By approving the Bond Order and Series Resolution, the Council approves this document.

# QUESTIONS?





# Lawson Brown, City Attorney Resolution of Intent for Street Closings-Jackson Street and Short Street







Planning to provide map





Ms. Ownbey Informational Item-US 70 Multimodal Corridor Plan Study





## US 70 Multimodal Corridor Plan

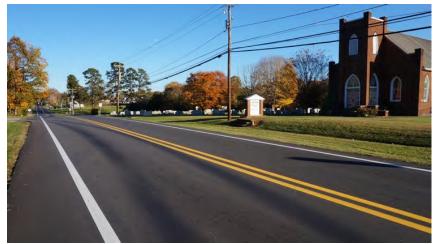
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## **US 70 Study Overview**

- In-depth review of US 70 Corridor
  - NC 119 in Mebane to Orange/Durham County line (NC 751)
  - US 70 Business from NC 86 (Churton Street) to US 70
- Develop long-term vision for:
  - US 70 roadway itself
  - Surrounding communities and natural areas
- Focus is on preserving/enhancing:
  - Safety
  - Multi-modal options (access & connectivity)
  - Environmental features
  - Economic opportunities
- Project Study Team
  - City of Mebane & Town of Hillsborough
  - BGMPO & DCHC MPO
  - Alamance and Orange Counties
  - NCDOT
  - Consultant Team (VHB and Rose & Associates)





#### **US 70** Multimodal Corridor Study

## **US 70 Study Background**

### • US 70 Corridor

- ~19 miles: US 70 (minor arterial)
  - 3 miles: US 70 Bus (major collector/other arterial)
- Links Durham, Hillsborough & Mebane
  - I-85 and I-40 handle bulk of traffic
  - Alternate route during I-85 incidents
- Crucial northern access via NC 86 & NC 57
- Land Use Context
  - Significant natural & cultural constraints
  - Rural/Suburban/Urban: Varies by segment
  - Economic potential





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## **US 70 Study Background**

### • Roadway Characteristics

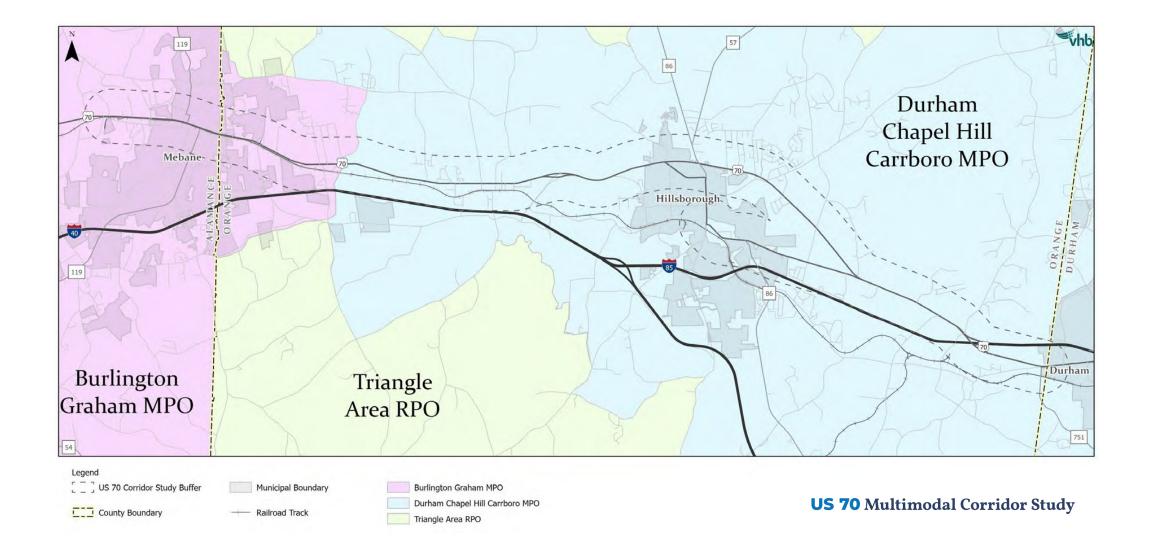
- Primarily 2-lane with 4' paved shoulders
- 120' ROW (RR constraints in Mebane)
- 13 traffic signals
- Primarily 45-mph speed limit
- Rolling terrain & curvature in segments; limited passing
- No bicycle facilities; limited pedestrian facilities
- Need better multi-modal access & functionality
  - Safety!
  - Transit options and access
  - Preserve & enhance environment
  - Provide economic opportunities
  - Balance desired improvements with long-term maintenance
    - Municipal/County/State





**US 70** Multimodal Corridor Study

### **Corridor Location & Planning Jurisdictions**



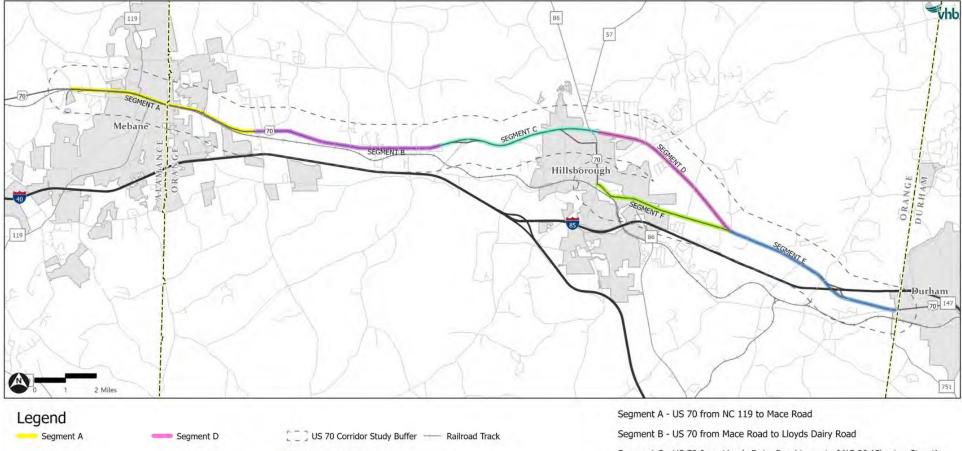
### **Corridor Segments**

Segment E

Segment F

Segment B

Segment C

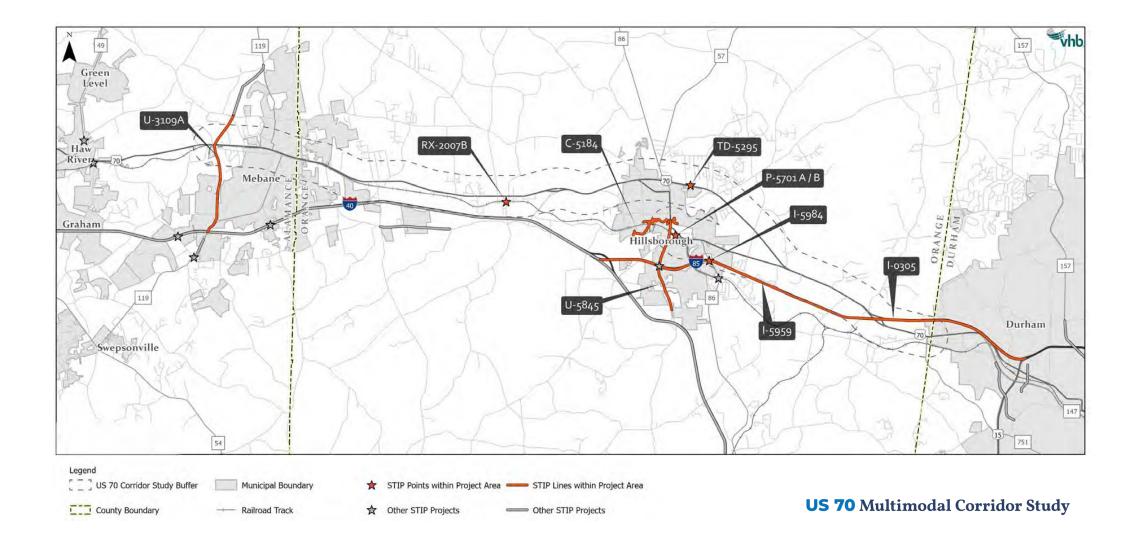


County Boundary

Municipal Boundary

Segment C - US 70 from Lloyds Dairy Road to east of NC 86 (Churton Street) Segment D - US 70 from east of NC 86 (Churton Street) to US 70 Business Segment E - US 70 from US 70 Business to the Orange / Durham County Line Segment F - US 70 Business from NC 86 (Churton Street) to US 70

### **Current 2020-2029 NCDOT STIP Projects**



## **Project Website**

- General project information
- www.us70west.com
- Interactive map/comment opportunity
- Public Meeting details



CORRIDOR STUDY NEWS Interactive Map - Add your comments! NEW Please utilize the online comment form and map to share your input on the U.S. 70 Corridor. IN Launch Online Comment Form and Map =

Three public meetings to be held in March have been announced

View meeting details »



#### Welcome to the US 70 Multimodal Corridor Study

The Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO) is conducting a study of **U.S. 70 West, from NC 119 in Mebane to U.S. 751 in Orange County** The Corridor Study ("the Study") will provide recommendations for future development of the transportation corridor.

A corridor study for a transportation corridor defines policies and actions that will guide how a corridor should be maintained or changed. This is a process that is community-led and relies on significant community involvement. This website will serve as the announcement board for events pertaining to the study and various activities the study will be undertaking.

The US 70 West Corridor has experienced and will continue to experience an explosion of residential and employment growth. Planning transportation use of the corridor moving forward will be integral to maintaining the community vision and character of the area, while celebrating growth and development.





### **Project Newsletter**





The Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC-MPO) is conducting a study of **U.S. 70 West, from NC 119 in Mebane to U.S. 751 in Orange County.** The Study will provide recommendations for future development of the transportation corridor with specific focus on multimodal facilities.

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NEWSLETTER | FEBRUARY 2023

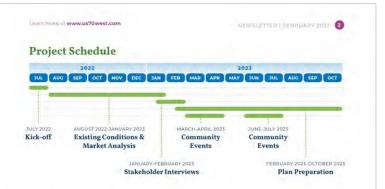
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#### **Corridor Study Status**

The study is expected to take approximately fifteen months, culminating with a published report in Fall 2023. The study team has analyzed the existing corridor with respect to traffic speeds and volumes, crashes, pedestrian and bicycle travel, transit service, and the character and condition of the roadway itself. Initial findings related to existing conditions will be available at the first round of community meetings. The team understands that the corridor is made up of many unique segments that will require tailored recommendations, and we need your input to help identify and prioritize both problems and potential solutions.



Community Meetings Round #1

#### Your Input is Needed!

\* MARCH 7 | 5:00 - 7:00 PM Passmore Center 103 Meadowlands Dr Hillsborough, NC 27278

 MARCH 9 | 5:00 - 7:00 PM Mebane Arts and Community Center 633 Corregidor Street Mebace NC 72703

#### \* MARCH 14 | 5:00 - 7:00 PM Town Hall Annex 105 E Corbin Street

#### Other Ways to Get Involved

Visit the project website to sign-up for email updates (www.us70west.com), provide more comments, and review project materials. Please visit the project website (www.us70west.com) to sign up for project updates. The website includes an online map to virtually provide your comments and concerns regarding the U.S. 70 West Corridor. We would like to hear where you might also like to see improvements including bicycle and pedestrian

connections, and enhancements to local and regional bus service and facilities. - The meeting will be an open house

informational meeting with a short presentation at 5:00 and 6:00 PM. There will also be an opportunity for interactive activities to express your thoughts as well as speak directly with study team members.

Nishith Trivedi Project Manager, Orange County Public Transportation (919) 245-2007

PROJECT CONTACT

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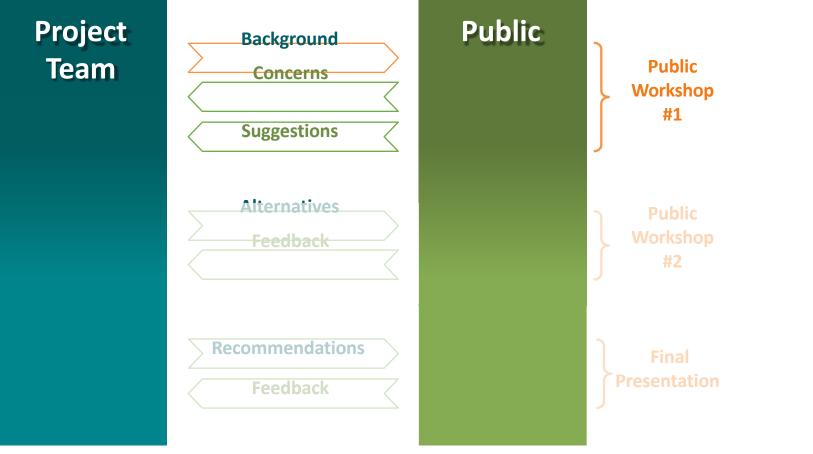
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### **Public Participation – Round 1**

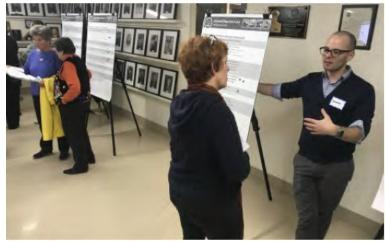


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### Workshop Format

- Technical presentation at 5pm and 6pm
- Information boards with team members to have 1:1 discussions
- Interactive Activities
  - Sticker activity for problem identification
  - Bead voting activity to identify local priorities for improvements



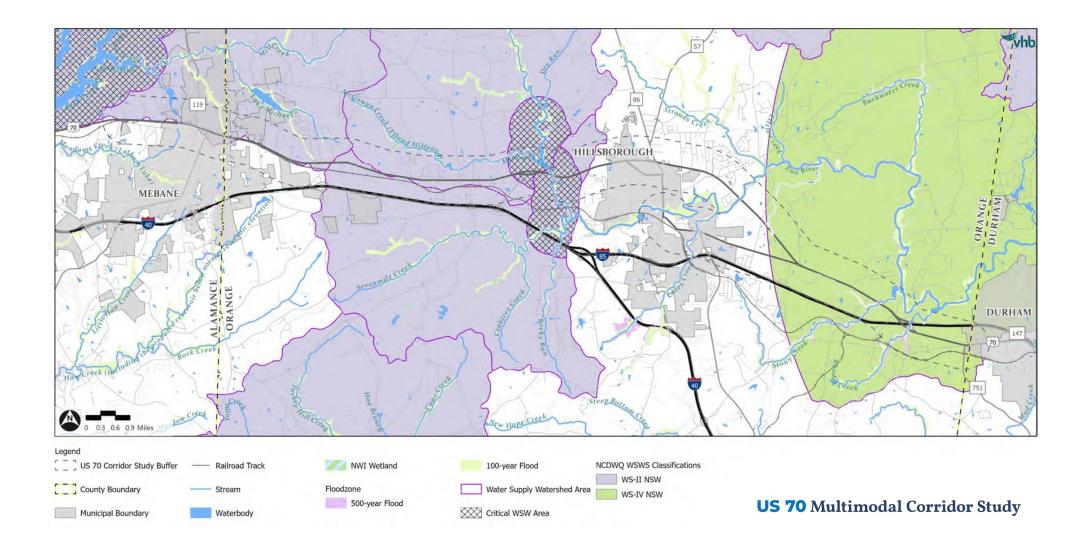


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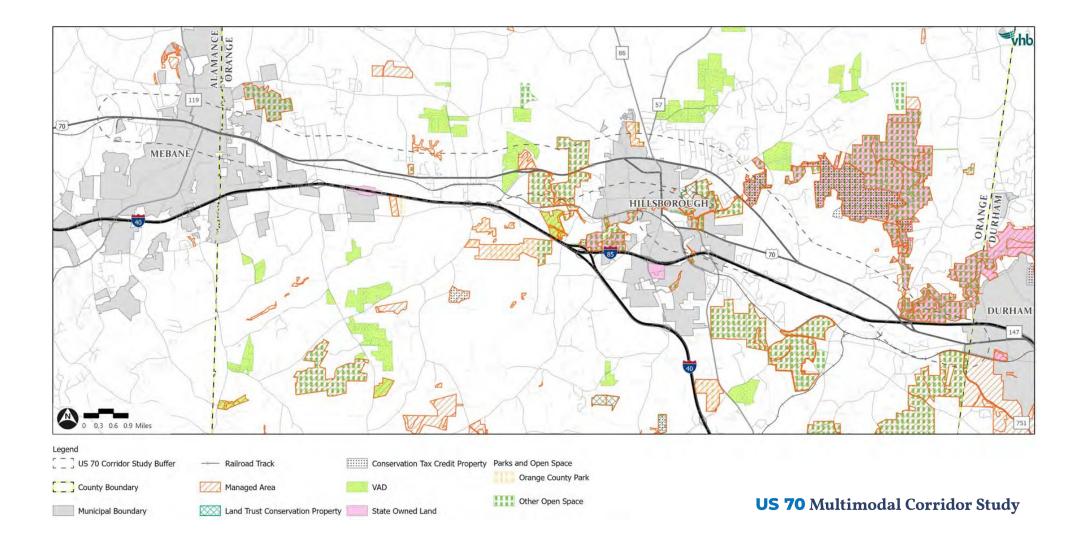


# **Environmental Context**

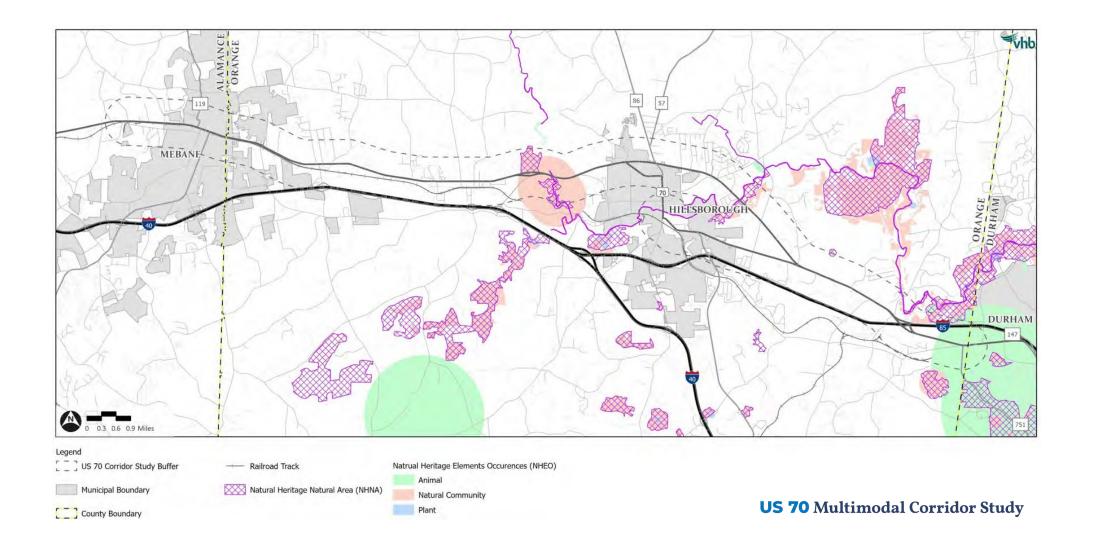
### Water Quality, Sources, & Watersheds



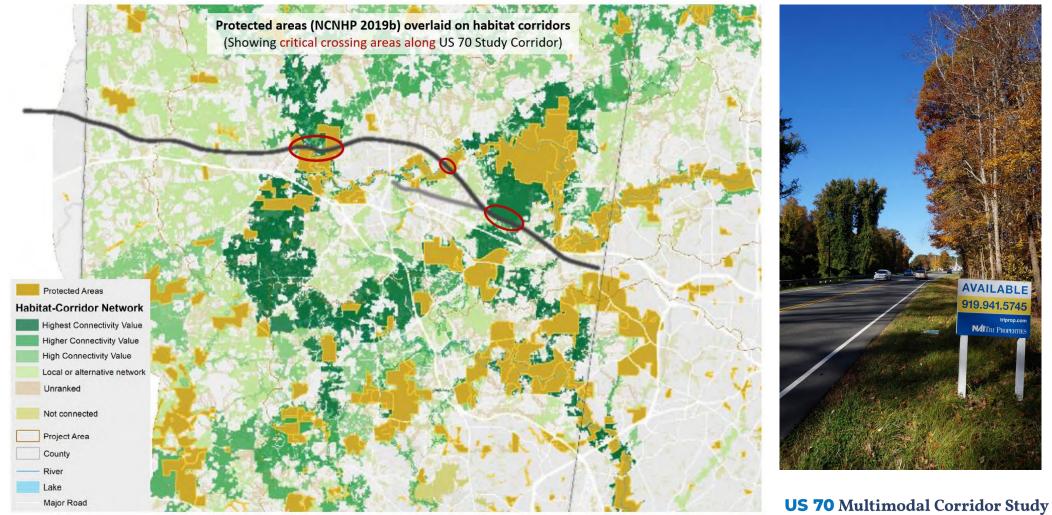
### **Natural Features**



### Wildlife Resources

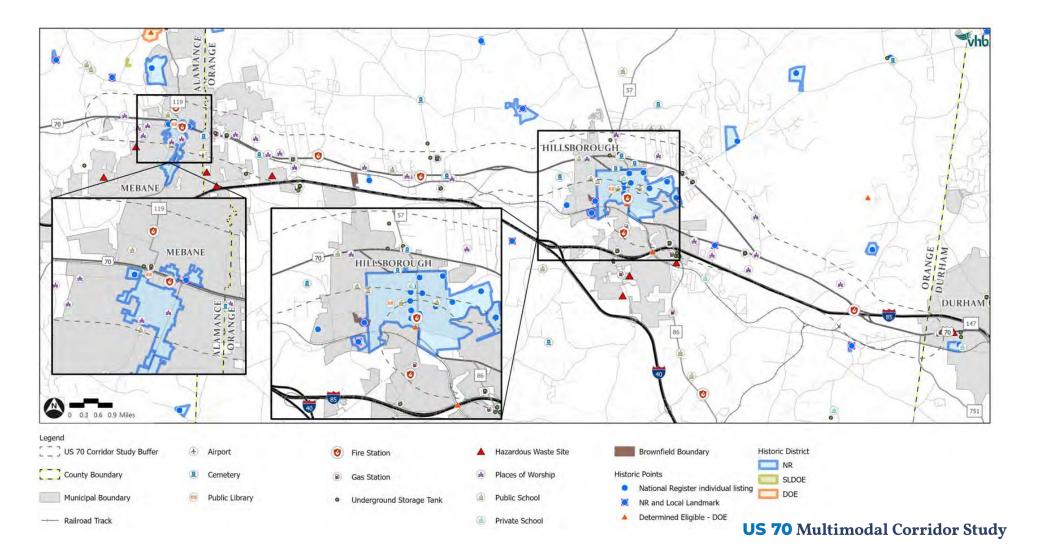


### Major Wildlife Corridors & Critical US 70 Crossing Areas



Adapted from A Landscape Plan for Wildlife Habitat Connectivity, 2019

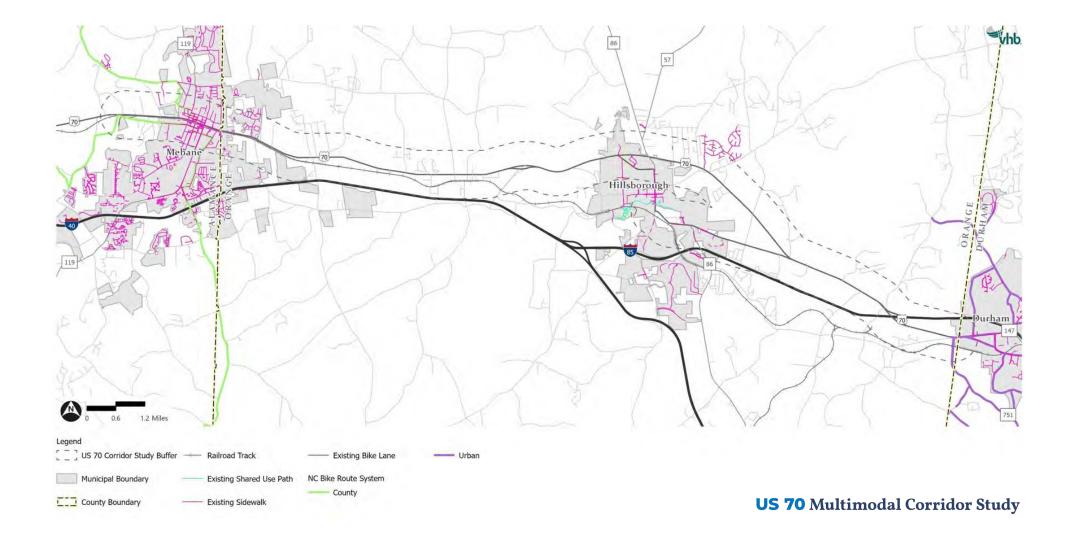
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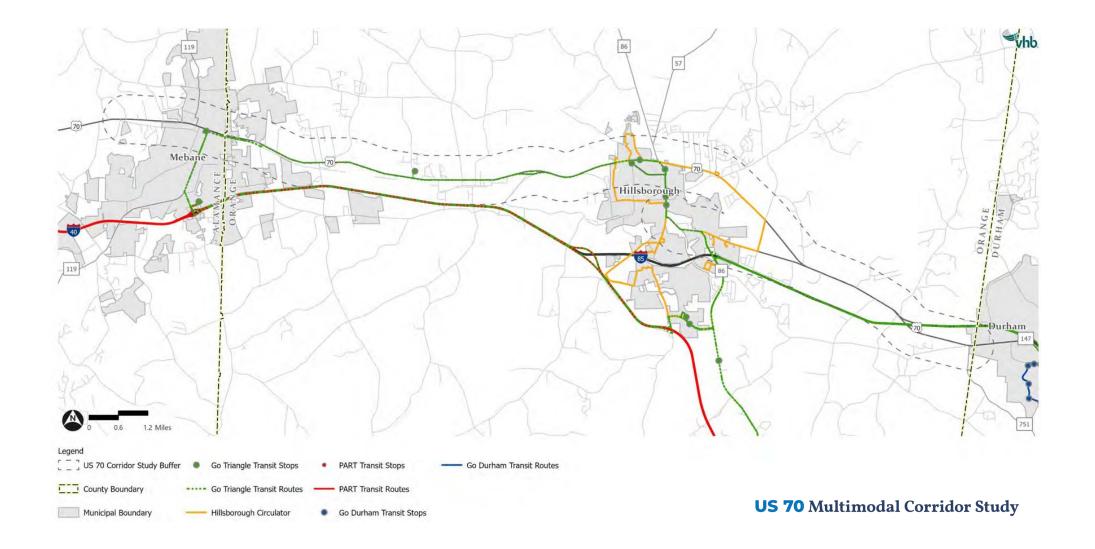


# Transportation

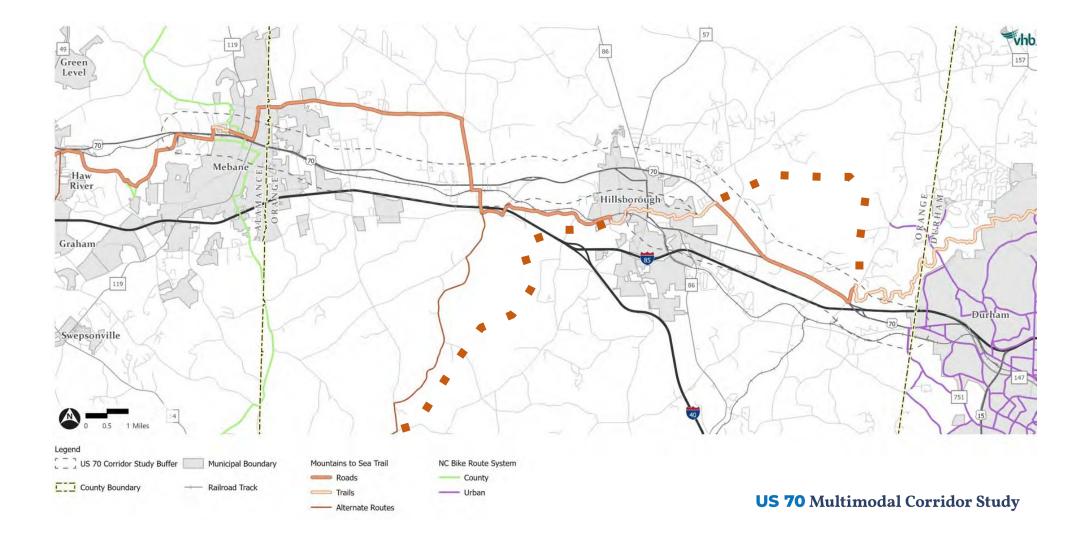
### **Existing Pedestrian & Bicycle Networks**



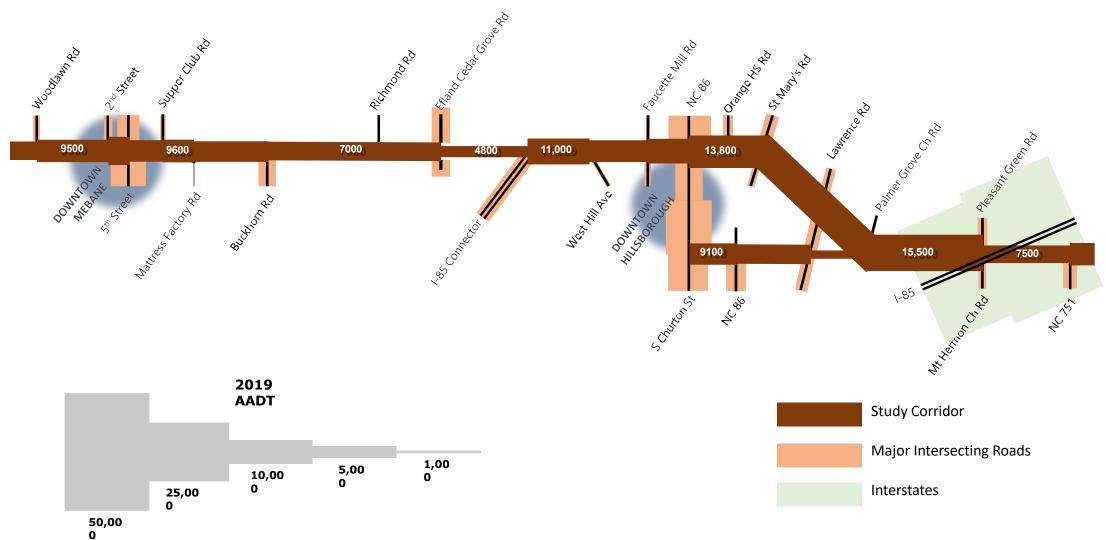
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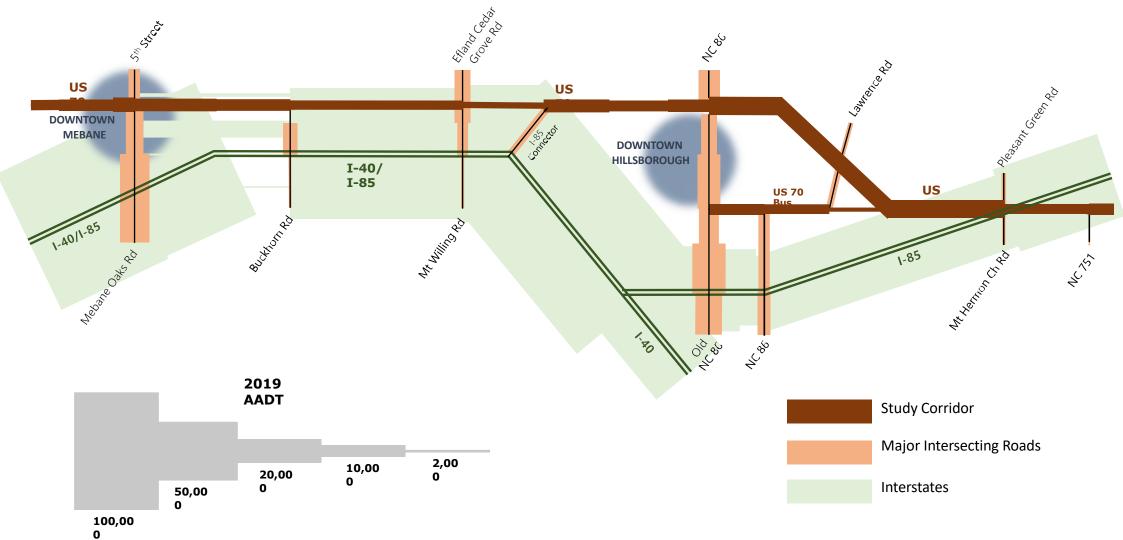
### **Regional Hiking & Biking Routes**



### **Relative 2019 Traffic Volumes in Study Area**



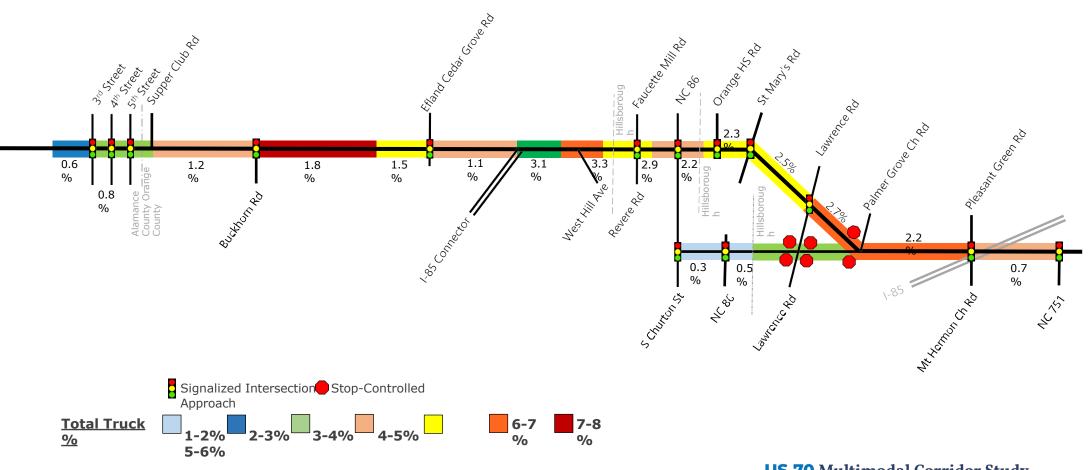
### **Relative 2019 Traffic Volumes in Study Area**





#### **Total Truck Percentages**

Estimated from 2019 Location-Based Services

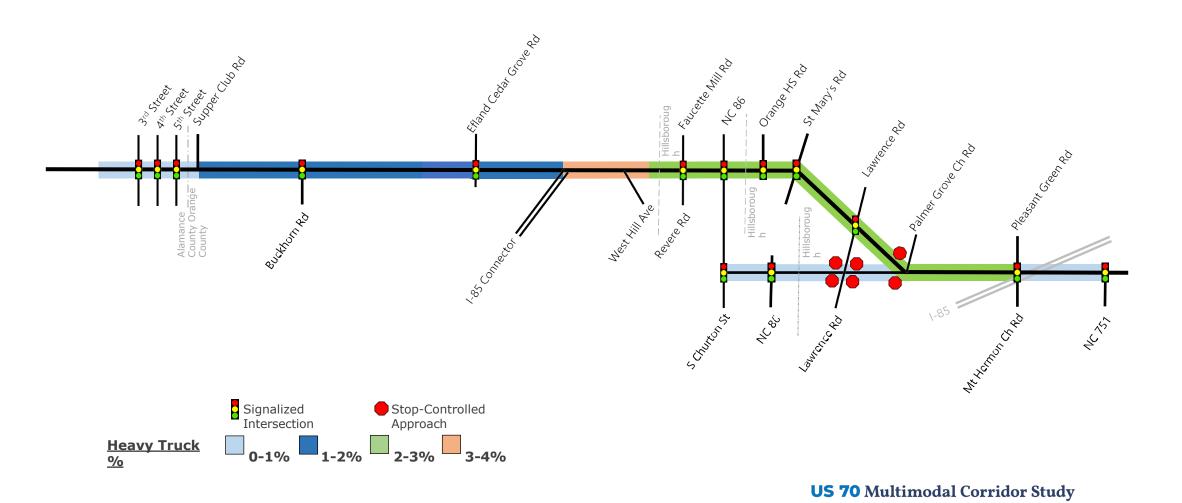


X.X% - Heavy Truck %

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### **Heavy Truck Percentages**

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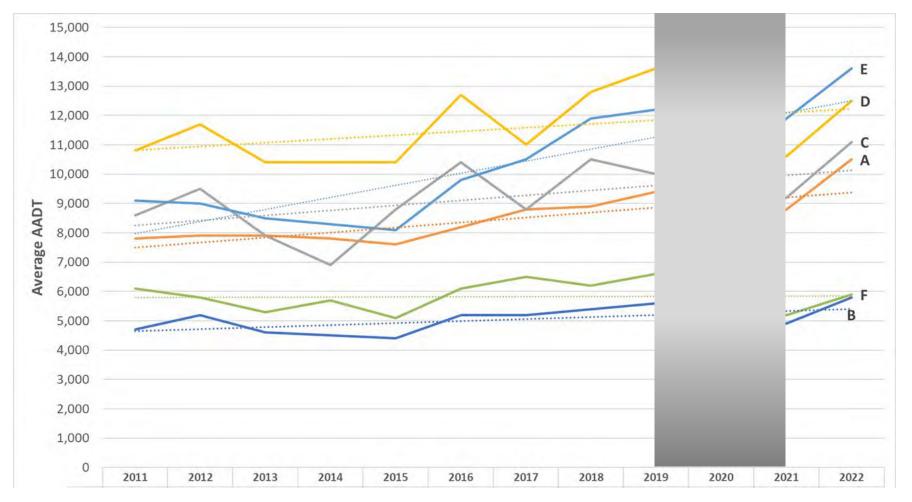
### Distribution of US 70 trips for point west of West Hill St (2019 StreetLight LBS Data)



### **Distribution of US 70 trips for point west of Pleasant Green Rd** (2019 StreetLight LBS Data)

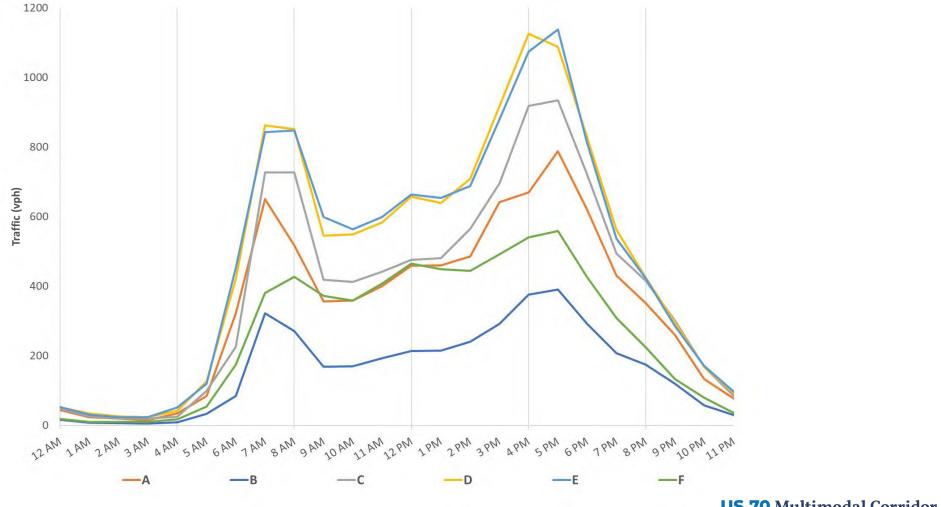


### Historic Traffic Volume Trends by Study Segment

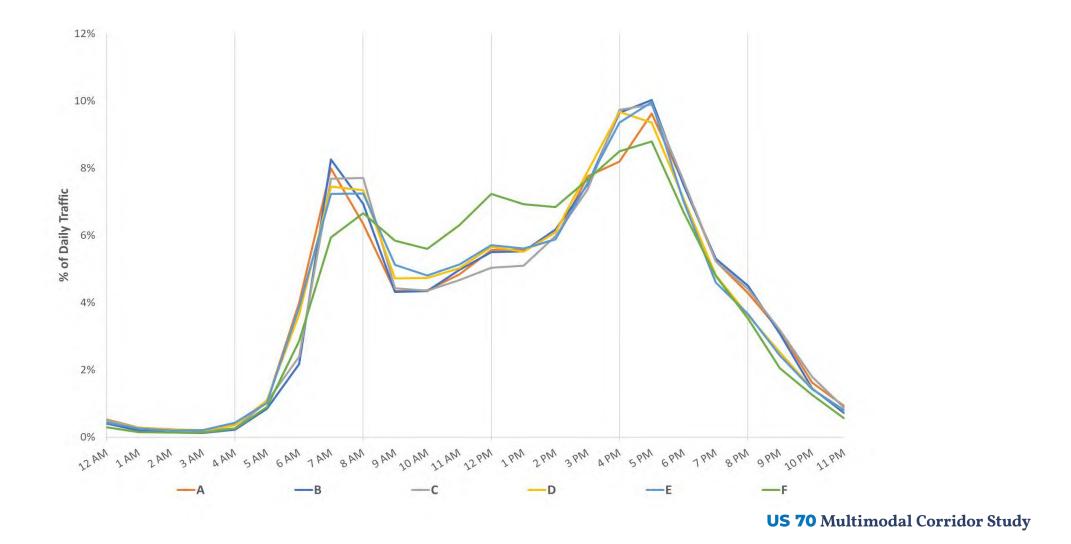


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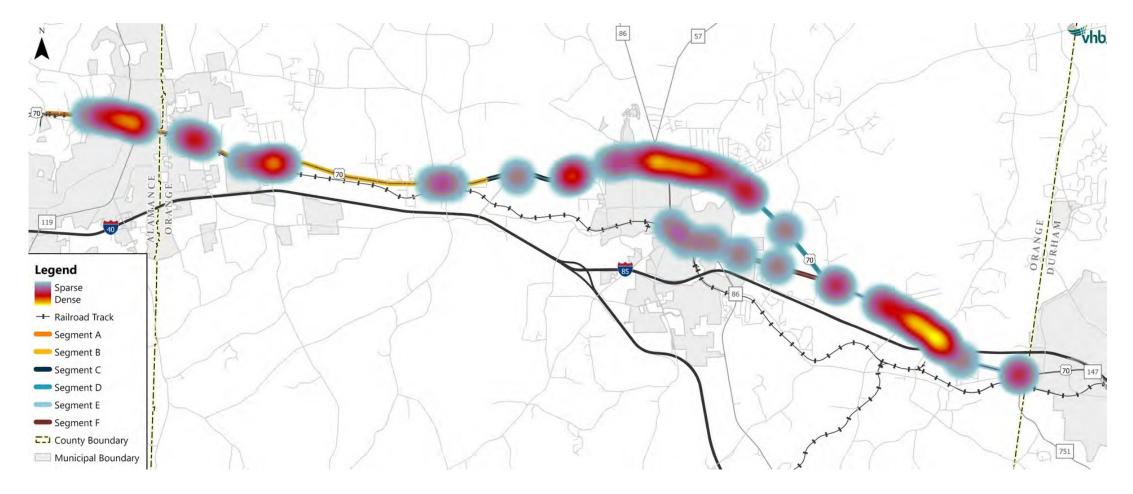
#### Hourly Traffic Volume by Time-of-Day (by Segment)



#### % of Daily Traffic by Time-of-Day (by Segment)

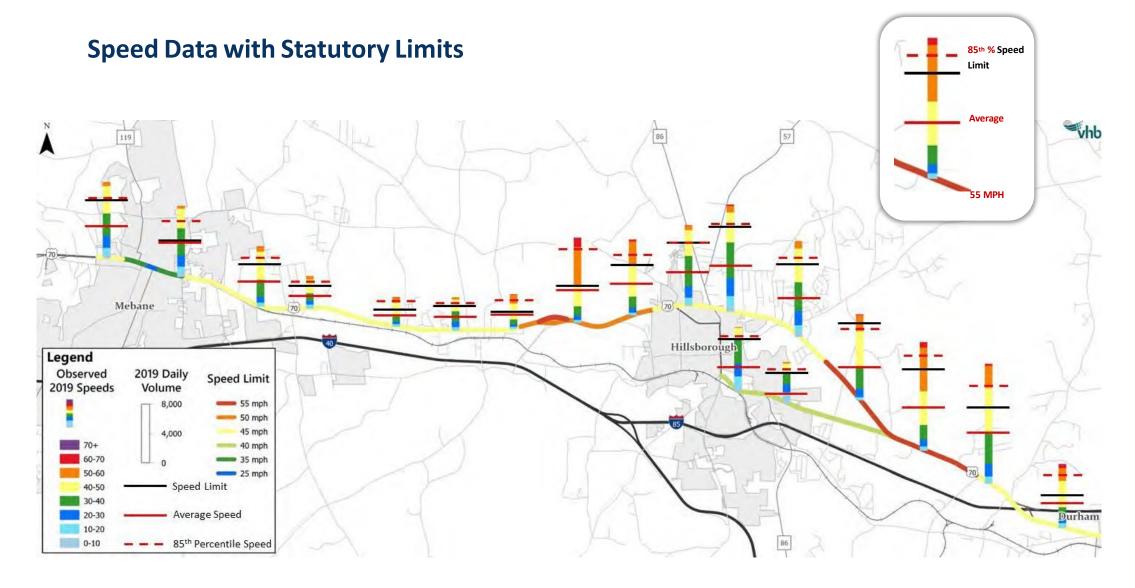


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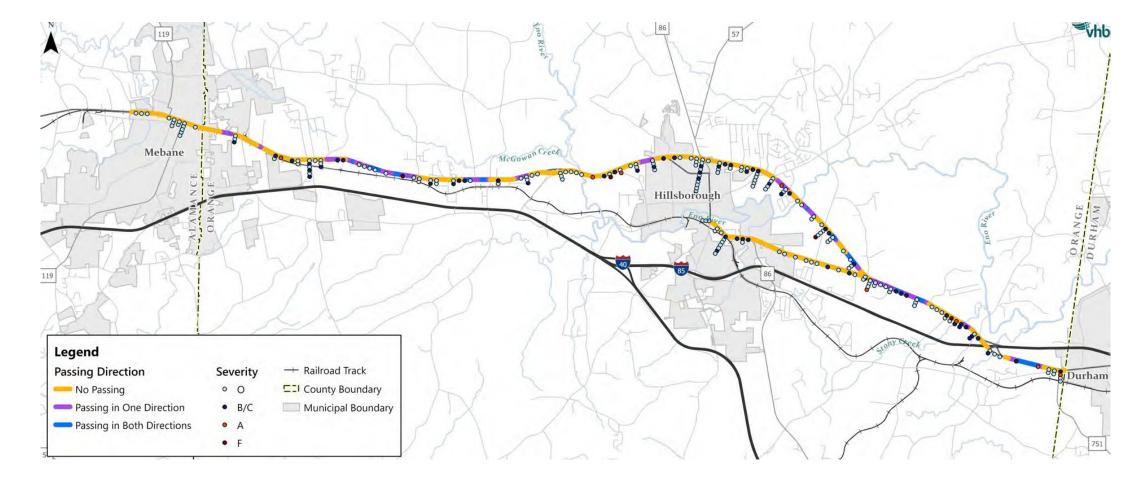


#### **Detailed Crash Totals by Type & Location**

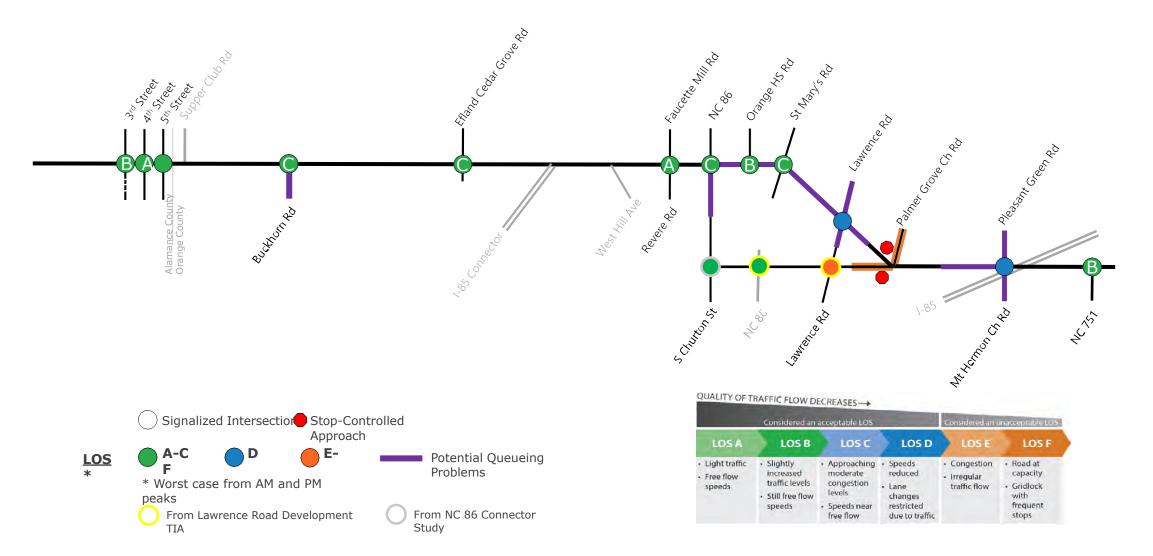




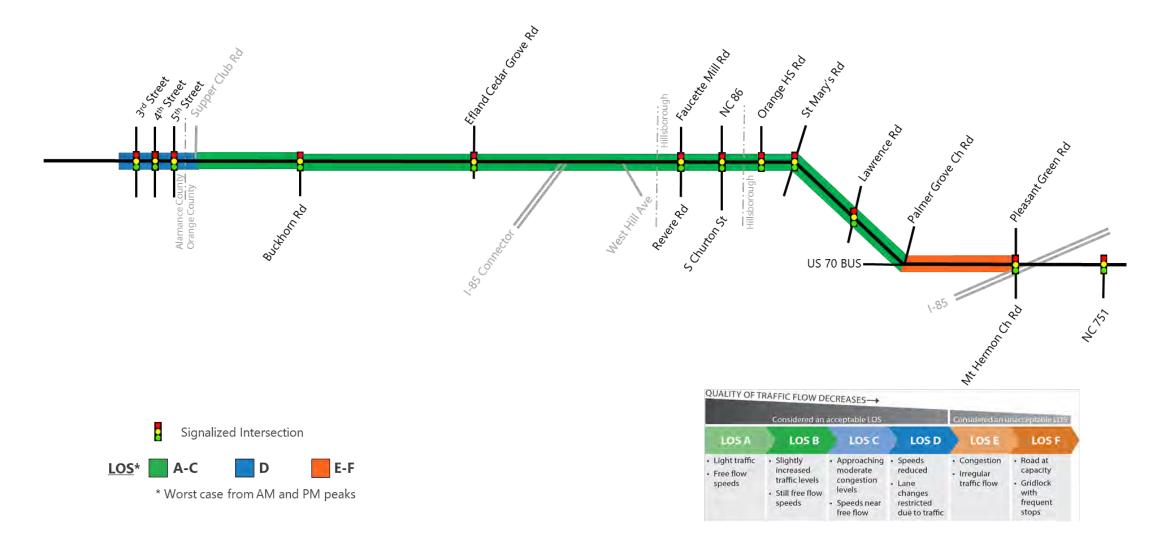
#### **Run-Off Road Crashes with Severities & Passing Zones**



#### **Intersection Level-of-Service (LOS)**

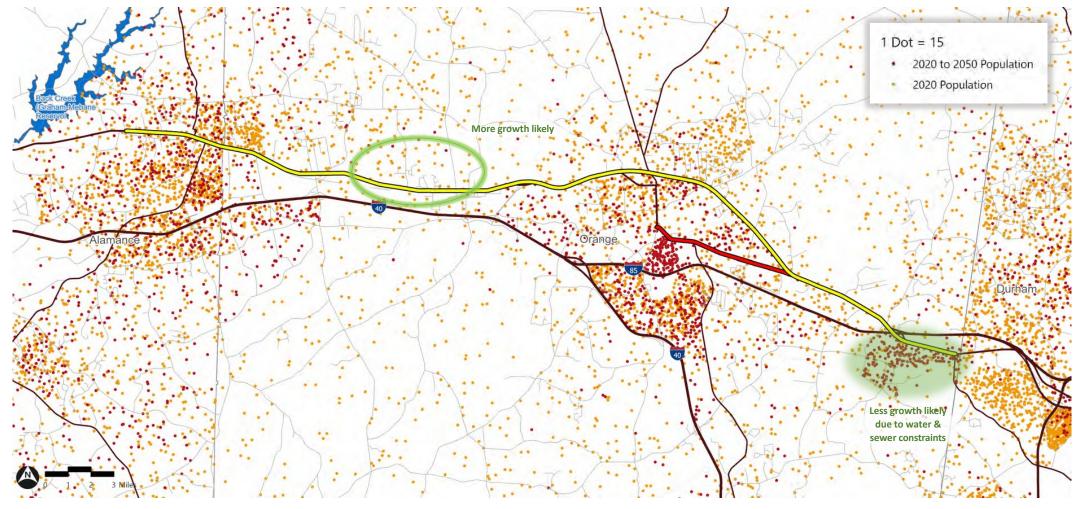


#### Level-of-Service (LOS) by Corridor Segment



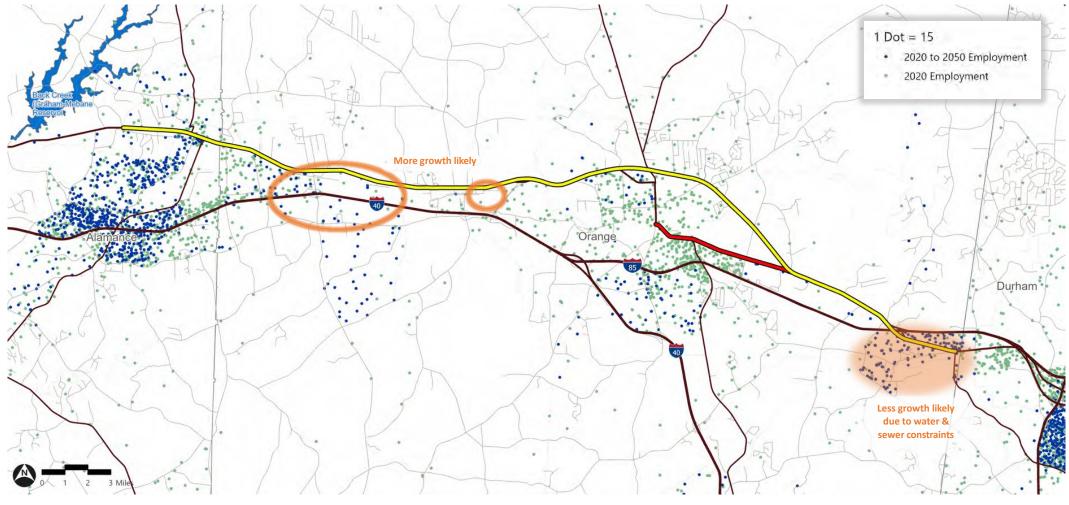


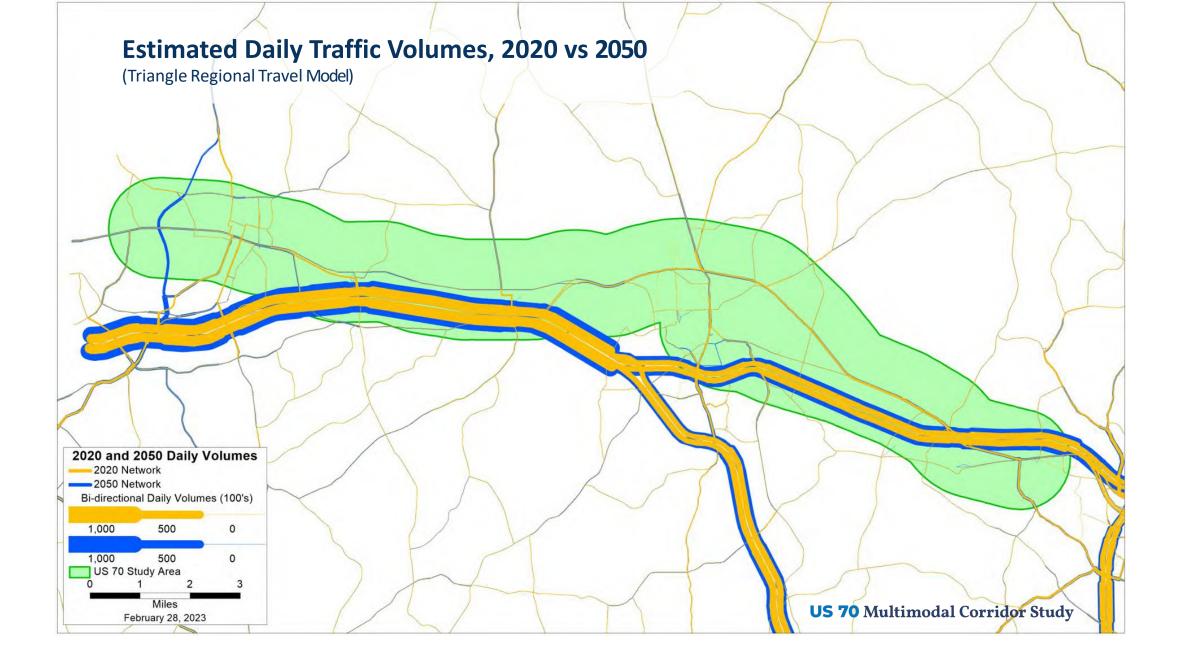
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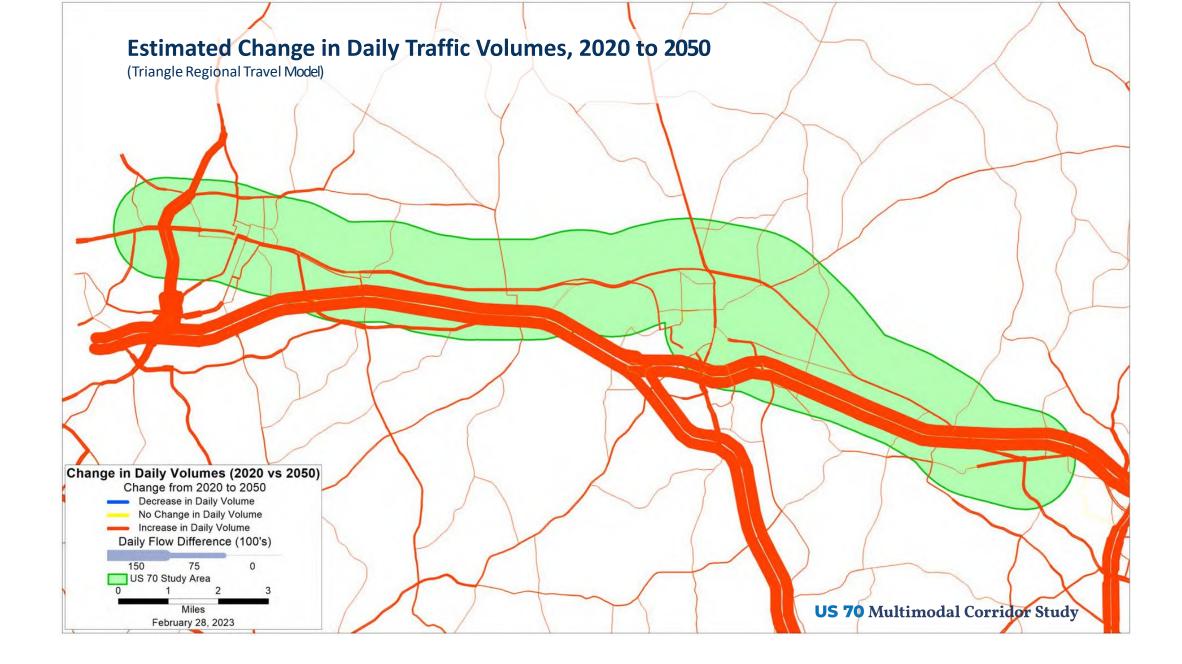


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#### Employment Growth, 2020 to 2050









## **Findings to Date**

- ✓ Traffic has returned to pre-COVID levels
  - Higher speeds
  - More trucks
- ✓ High crash rates & speeds in some locations
- Need pedestrian & bicycle improvements
  - Safety Health Economy Transit
- ✓ Anticipate moderate, localized traffic growth
- ✓ Rail ROW constrains parts of western corridor
- ✓ I-85 improvements critical to US 70 traffic
- ✓ Full access needed at I-85 Connector
- ✓ NC 86 & NC 57 access via US 70 is important





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## **Develop & Test Solutions**

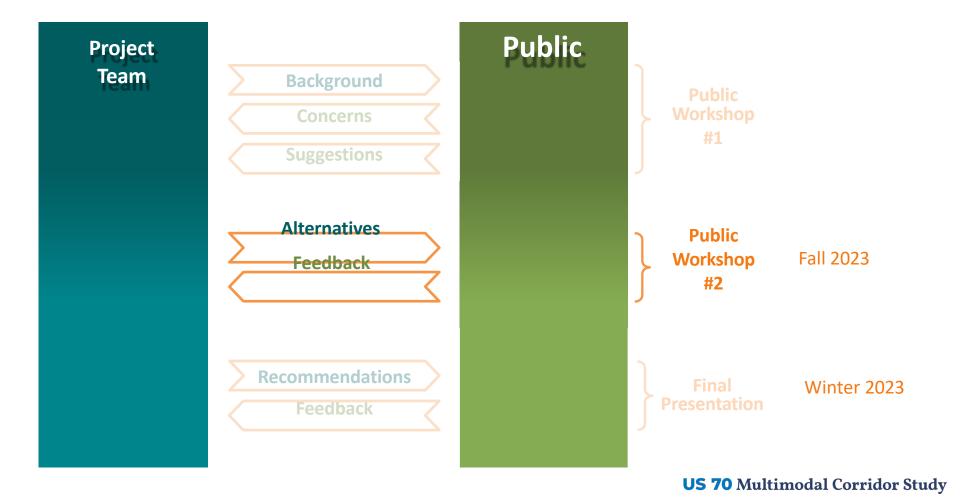
- ✓ Safety
- ✓ Walk & bike connections
  - Crossing/along US 70
- ✓ Intersection operations
  - RR interactions
- ✓ Transit service
- ✓ Roadway cross-sections
- ✓ Environmental protection
- ✓ Supportive land uses & policies
- ✓ Project priorities & phasing





**US 70** Multimodal Corridor Study

#### **Public Participation – Round 2**







#### Mr. Brown

## Ordinance Amendment- Deletion of Inconsistent Code Provision- Section 34-134 Riding on Sidewalks Prohibited





## Mr. Brown 2004 Plat Revision- Removal of No Build Line from Creekside Subdivision Plat







## Ms. Ownbey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Appointment



## Announcements

 Mebanite Citizen Academy. Next Class is October 12<sup>th</sup> To register: <u>https://secure.rec1.com/.../</u> <u>ae68bbc347224ae37eecfe5b47dbcc88</u>

Racial Equity Advisory Committee (REAC)- 3 Open Positions
 To apply: cityofmebanenc.gov/reac Due by- Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

# Cycle NC – Mountains to Coast Ride

Cycle NC's Mountains to Coast Ride will be traveling through Mebane on Tuesday, Oct. 3 and Wednesday, Oct. 4

Be mindful of participating cyclists and share our roadways





## **The Mebane Trail Rangers Scavenger Hunt**

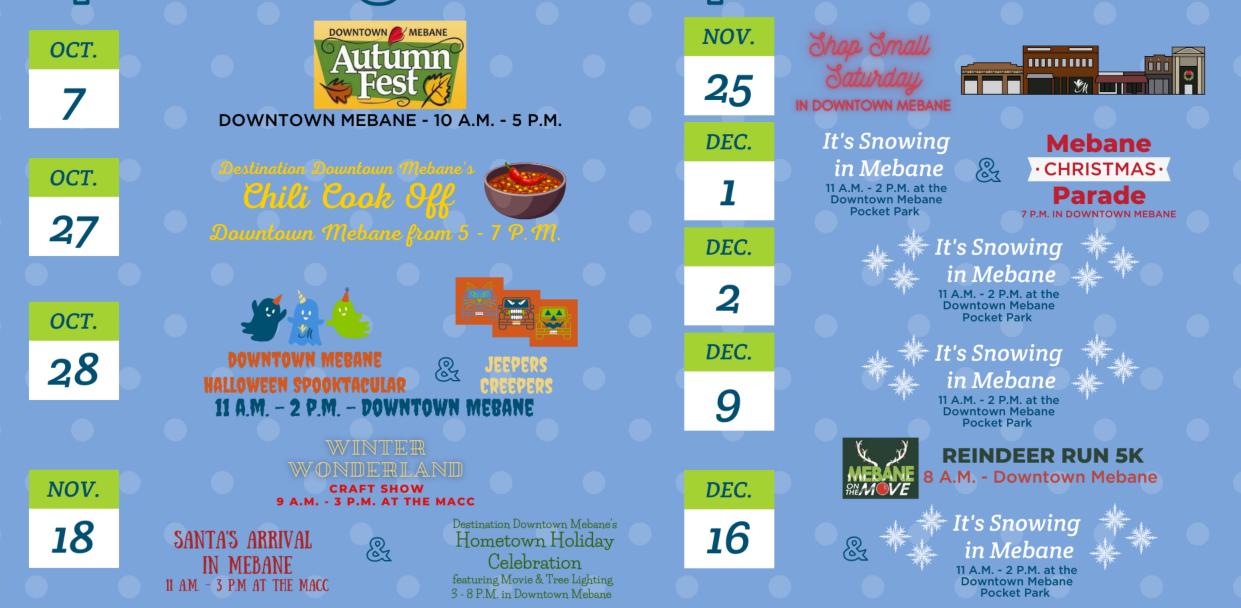


The Mebane Trail Rangers will be hiding pink tags with a picture of a Dogwood flower on Mebane's trails and in our parks. Once you find the tag, text the number on the back and a hand-made clay ornament of a Dogwood flower will be delivered to you by Ranger Sherri in exchange for the tag. So make sure to give the tag to Ranger Sherri! Only ONE ornament per family.

WHERE ARE THE TAGS HIDDEN? The pink tags are hidden by Ranger Christopher, our expert geocacher. You can find the tags at Cates Farm Park, Holt Street Park, Mebane Community Park / Clay Street (Mountains-to-Sea Trail) and Lake Michael.

## Happy Hiking & Searching

## Upcoming Mebane Special Events





## Mayor Hooks Adjournment

