

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Proposed US 17 Bridge Replacements over Edisto River Colleton and Charleston Counties

Public Meeting:

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) has scheduled a Public Information Meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2022, from 5pm-7pm at the James E. Clyburn Wiltown Community Center. This meeting will be held at 5779 Parkers Ferry Road, Adams Run, SC 29426. SCDOT proposes to replace two bridges on US 17 (Savannah Highway) over the Edisto River in Colleton and Charleston Counties, with structures that meet current safety standards. This meeting will have a drop-in style format with project displays available for viewing, comment forms, and informational handouts. Interested persons may attend this informal meeting at any time between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., during which SCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions. A formal presentation will not be provided, nor will formal verbal comments be taken at this time. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and provide written comments regarding the proposed improvements.

Project information, including meeting materials, and comment forms will also be available on the project's website:

<https://scdotgis.online/us17overedisto> (website is not compatible with internet explorer).

Purpose/Project Overview:

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to review materials and individually discuss the project with representatives from SCDOT. Another purpose is to gather local knowledge from the public or any interested organizations regarding historic or cultural resources in the area.

The existing four-lane bridges over the Edisto River and nearby overflow channel would be replaced with a new four-lane bridge with two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, two 10-foot inside shoulders separated by a 2-foot center concrete median barrier, and two 10-foot outside shoulders. The bridges will be replaced with structures of similar size on a slightly offset alignment to the south. As this is an important commercial corridor and hurricane evacuation route, the bridges will remain in service during construction. A detour is not proposed.

Comments:

Comments will be accepted through August 26, 2022. All formal comments received during the comment period will be considered and responded to, if requested, and will be included in the project record.

Comments can be submitted in the following ways:

- Submit comments online at the project website: <https://scdotgis.online/us17overedisto>
- Mail comments to Mr. Derrick Goodman, SCDOT Project Manager
SCDOT, Post Office Box 191, Columbia, SC 29202-0191
- Email your comments to GoodmanDA@scdot.org
- Fill out a comment form and drop it in the comment box during the in-person meeting

Contact/Accessibility Info:

Additional information concerning the project may be obtained by contacting Mr. Derrick Goodman, SCDOT Project Manager, SCDOT, Post Office Box 191, Columbia, SC 29202-0191

Persons with disabilities who may require special accommodations should contact Ms. Betty Gray at 803-737-1395 or by email at GrayB@scdot.org. To speak with an interpreter, please contact SCDOT at 803-724-5862 or toll free at 888-468-8081. Para hablar con un intérprete, comuníquese con SCDOT al 803-724-5862 o gratis al 888-468-8081.

