

US 701 WIDENING

NORTH OF LORIS

Welcome to the US 701 proposed improvements public meeting hosted by the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT), in partnership with the Horry County Ride III Sales Tax Program. Your attendance and feedback are very important components of the project development process. The purpose of this meeting is to provide you with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed improvements. Representatives of SCDOT are available to address any questions or concerns that you may have regarding the project.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

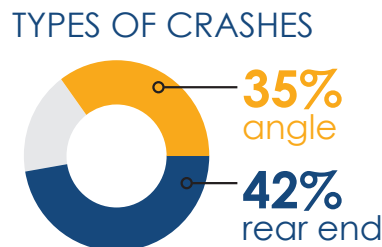
SCDOT has been working to identify improvements to US 701 – North of Loris to improve both the capacity of the corridor and the safety of motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. Improvements include extending the existing three-lane section from Loris to the SC Highway 9 interchange. The addition of turning lanes and bike/pedestrian facilities will be included in the design.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Preliminary Design	Early 2019
Environmental Document	Spring 2019
Right of Way Acquisitions	Summer 2020
Construction	Spring 2022

PROJECT PURPOSE: IMPROVING SAFETY AND CAPACITY

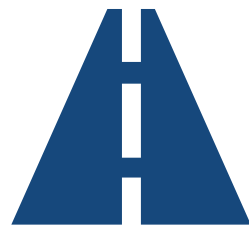
In the **last five years**, the US 701 corridor experienced **84 CRASHES** resulting in **45 injuries**



There are more than **30 DRIVEWAYS** along US 701 and a lack of **TURN LANES** in the corridor

In 2017 the corridor carried

10,900
VEHICLES PER DAY

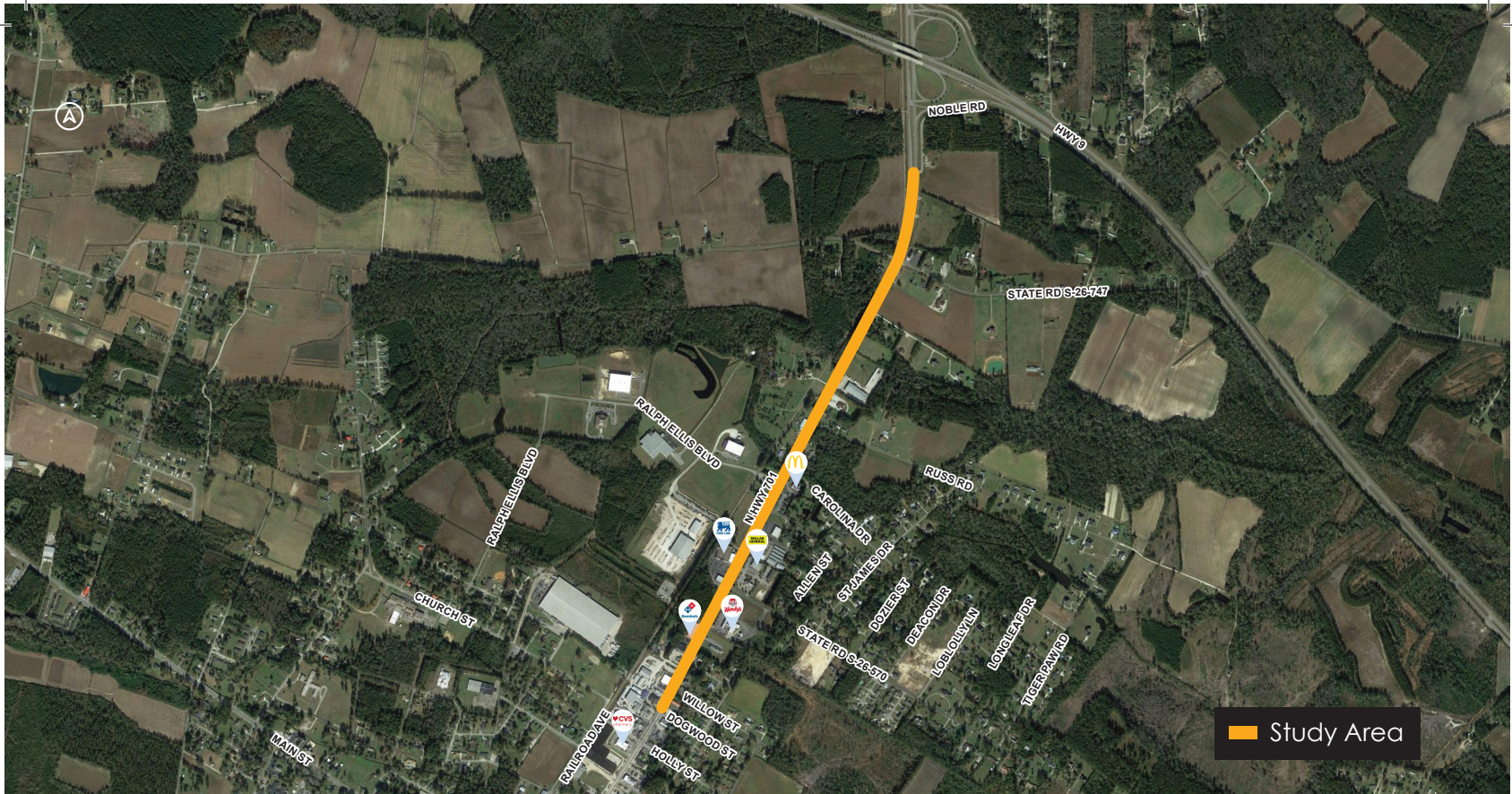


...and traffic volumes are expected to **GROW OVER TIME**, this will **increase the number of conflicts and delays.**

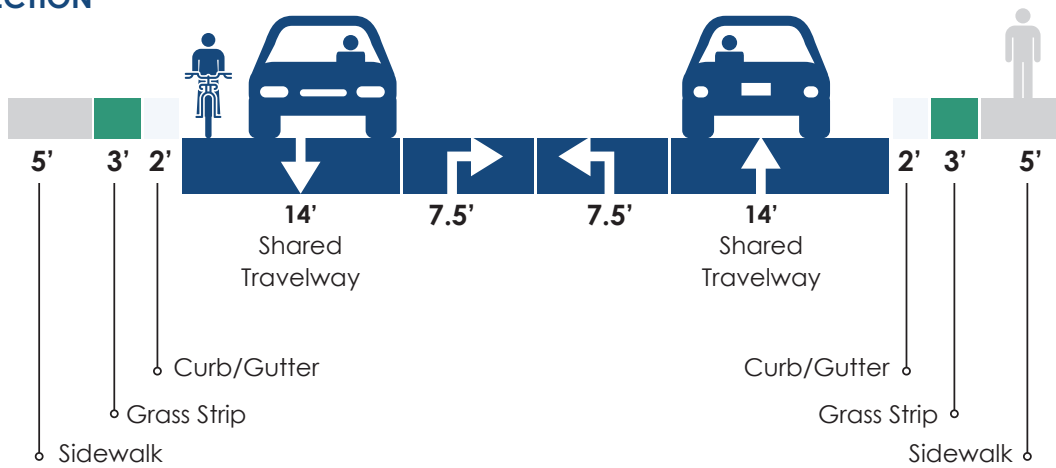


To improve safety and accommodate increased traffic, proposed improvements include:

- Constructing dedicated turn lanes to improve safety and operations by separating turning vehicles from through vehicles
- Installing sidewalks to accommodate pedestrians
- Installing wide travel lanes to accommodate bicyclists and improve safety



TYPICAL SECTION



YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Information and materials presented at this meeting will also be available online, via SCDOT's website at <https://arcg.is/1v5uzq> or <http://www.scdot.org>.

You are welcome to submit written comments by:

1. Completing a Comment Form and leaving it in the comment box located in this meeting room.
2. Mailing or emailing your comments by February 27, 2019 using the contact information below:

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