

US 378 (Myrtle Beach Highway) at SC 527 (Brick Church Road) Intersection Improvements in Sumter County



Public Meeting

Goodwill Presbyterian Church
295 Brick Church Road, Mayesville SC 29104
July 11, 2024 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Open house format (no formal presentation given)

Project Overview

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) proposes to improve the intersection of US 378 (Myrtle Beach Highway) and SC 527 (Brick Church Road) in Sumter County. The proposed improvements include creating an unsignalized Reduced Conflict Intersection (RCI) at the current intersection.



Purpose of the Public Information Meeting

SCDOT welcomes you to this public information meeting. We appreciate your attendance and encourage your feedback. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for the local community, stakeholders, and interested persons to review and comment on the proposed improvements. Another purpose of the meeting is to gather local knowledge from the public or interested organizations regarding historic or other resources in the area.

Project Purpose

The purpose of this project is to improve safety at the intersection of US 378 and SC 527 through engineering solutions identified to reduce the frequency and severity of crashes. This intersection was selected for improvement through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). This program uses a data-driven strategic approach to identify locations throughout the state with high crash rates or patterns and implements safety enhancements through infrastructure-related improvements. The HSIP project selection requires an engineering study that includes an analysis of the crash data, an assessment of the field conditions, and an evaluation of the effectiveness of all potential countermeasures to ensure maximum safety benefits are obtained for the amount of funds invested. The intersection of US 378 and SC 527 is currently a two-way stop controlled intersection with stop signs. Over the next 20 years without intersection improvements, safety conditions will worsen during both daytime and nighttime driving conditions as traffic volumes increase. A traffic signal analysis was conducted, however, the proposed RCI will provide a safer design for motorists.

Schedule

- Late 2024 - Right of Way process begins
- Late 2025 - Construction begins
- Mid 2027 - Construction complete

Funding

- \$3.5 Million - Estimated Construction Cost
- Highway Safety Improvement Funds (Federal Funds)

Crash Data

- 17 crashes reported from 2020 through early 2023 (14 angle crashes, 3 non-collision crashes)
- 2 of these crashes were fatal
- This intersection sees an average of 4.3 crashes per year.

Proposed Design



SCDOT Welcomes Your Feedback!
You may provide comments in the following ways:



Fill out a comment form and deposit it in the comment box at the Public Information Meeting



Mail comments to:
Mr. Keith Riddle, PE
P.O. Box 191
Columbia, SC 29201



Email comments to:
RiddleWK@scdot.org



Online at the project website:
scdotgis.online/US378atSC527
(Not compatible with Internet Explorer)

Comments will be accepted from June 27, 2024 until July 26, 2024.

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