

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Proposed Intersection Improvements at SC 403, SC 341, and S-56

November 19, 2024

WELCOME

Welcome to the Public Information Meeting (PIM), hosted by the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT), for the proposed improvements at the intersection of SC 403 (North Bethel Road), SC 341 (Olanta Highway), and S-56 (Camp Branch Road). 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. SCDOT staff or their representatives are available to address any questions or concerns that you may have regarding the project. This is a drop-in format and there will not be a formal presentation.

Meeting Details:

Date: November 19, 2024
Time: 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Location: Camp Branch Pentecostal
Holiness Church
165 North Bethel Road
Scranton, SC 29591



Olanta Highway at North Bethel Road

PROJECT BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

This intersection was selected for improvement by the Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments. The purpose of the project is to improve the safety and operation of the intersection at North Bethel Road, Olanta Highway, and Camp Branch Road in Florence County.

ROUNABOUT SAFETY AND BENEFITS

The proposed improvements are to convert the current intersection to a single lane modern roundabout. Roundabouts enhance safety, air quality, aesthetics, and operations at an intersection after installation. The most recent study of intersections converted to a single-lane roundabout by the SCDOT Traffic Safety Office have shown to reduce injury crashes by 79% and total crashes by 66%. Roundabouts reduce the number of conflict points and prevent right-angle crashes, which are one of the most severe types of crashes, often resulting in serious injuries and even fatalities. Roundabouts are designed to slow traffic while allowing it to move more freely, making them safer and more efficient than signalized or stop controlled intersections.

DETOURS

Temporary detours may be required between Olanta Highway and North Bethel Road during construction. Advanced notice will be provided.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Task	Anticipated Start Date
Right of Way Acquisition Begins:	Spring 2025
Construction Begins:	Summer 2026
Construction Duration:	Approximately 12 Months

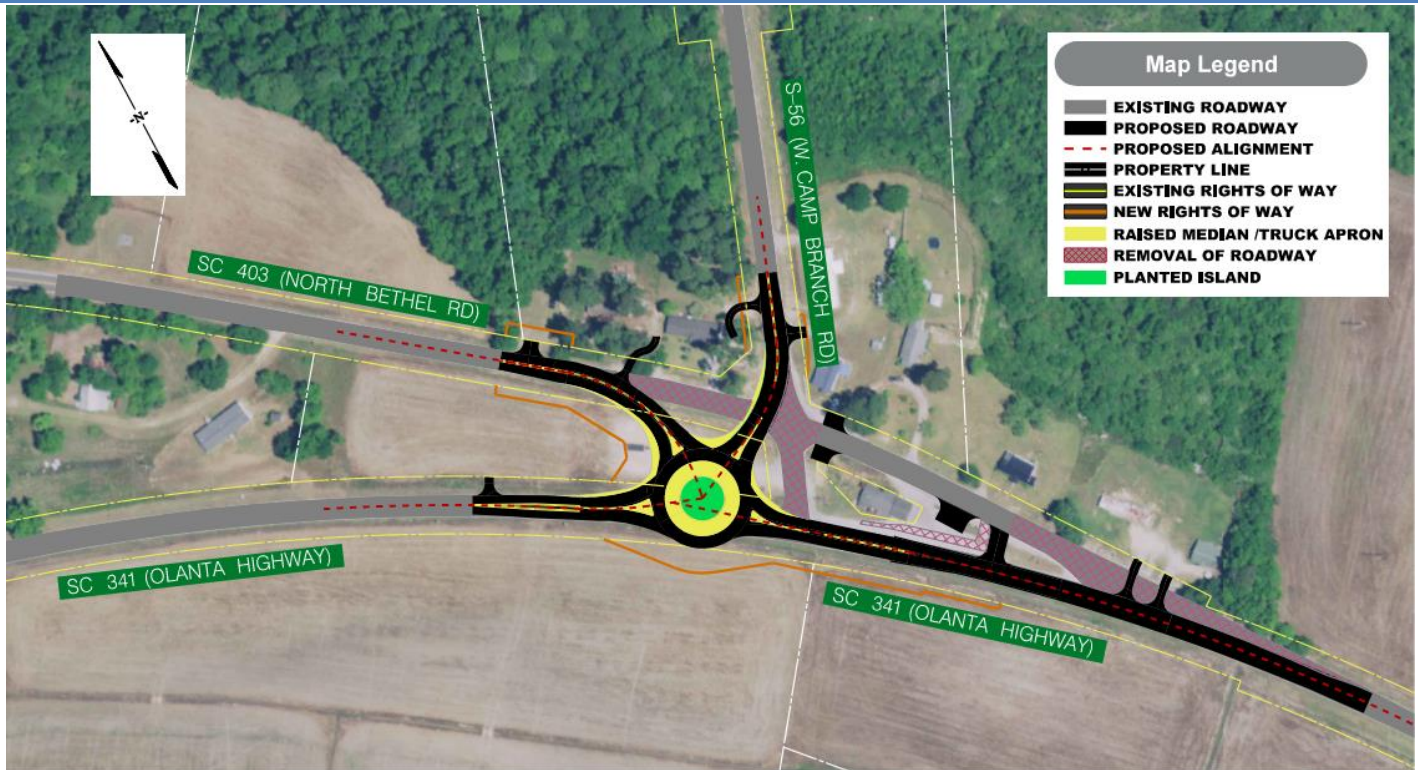
FUNDING

- \$3.4 Million – Estimated Construction Cost

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PROPOSED DESIGN

REQUESTED FEEDBACK

You are welcome to submit written comments about the project by any of the following methods:

1. Completing a comment form and leaving it in the comment box at the public information meeting.
2. Mailing or emailing your comments **by December 4, 2024**, using the contact information below:

Mr. Edwin D. Sharpe
SCDOT / RPG-2
P.O. Box 191
Columbia, SC 29202-0191
SharpeED@scdot.org

3. Filling out an online comment form on the project website.
SCDOT will respond to all comments. Each comment will become part of the official public meeting file. The displays and public meeting handout will be available for review at SCDOT's Headquarters – 955 Park Street, Columbia, SC 29201 and will also be available online, via SCDOT's website.



<https://scdotgis.online/CampBranchIntersection> or

<http://www.scdot.org>

Public Involvement Portal/Public Comment

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