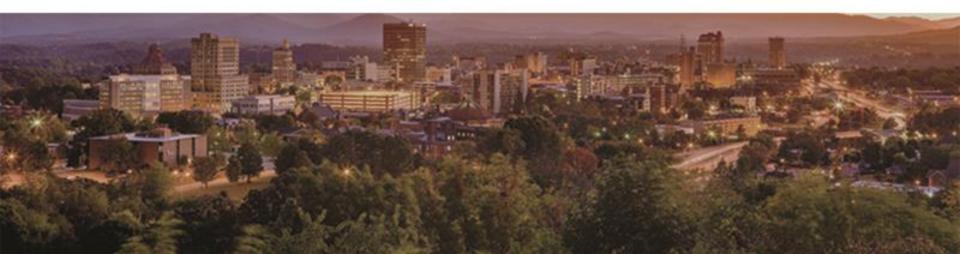




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Connectivity & Highway Development Needs of Southeastern North Carolina

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Major Project Underway: Causeway Project

R-3601 "Causeway Project"

Widening of US 17/74/76 from the interchange near the Battleship USS North Carolina to the interchange with NC 133, near the towns of Belville & Leland. This project will improve "bottleneck" points as you travel between New Hanover & Brunswick Counties.



R-3601 "Causeway Project" US 17/74/76 crossing the Brunswick River Wilmington in the background



R-3601 "Causeway Project" 1st Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) in southeastern North Carolina

Completion Date – November 2016



Transportation

Major Project Underway: Wilmington Bypass

R-2633 BA & BB "Wilmington Bypass"

New location project will complete the Wilmington Bypass allowing traffic to "bypass" the Wilmington area.



R-2633 BA & BB "Wilmington Bypass" Crossing the Cape Fear River Looking west toward Brunswick County



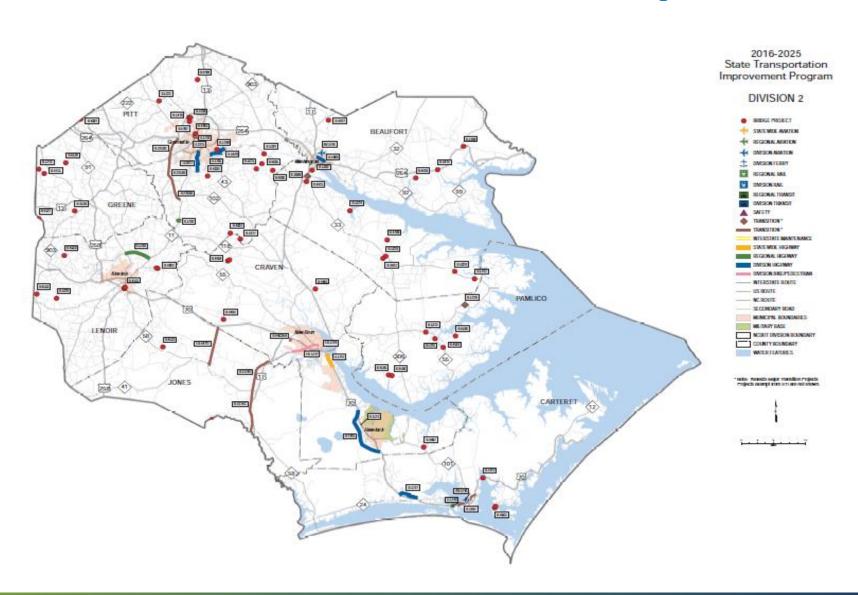
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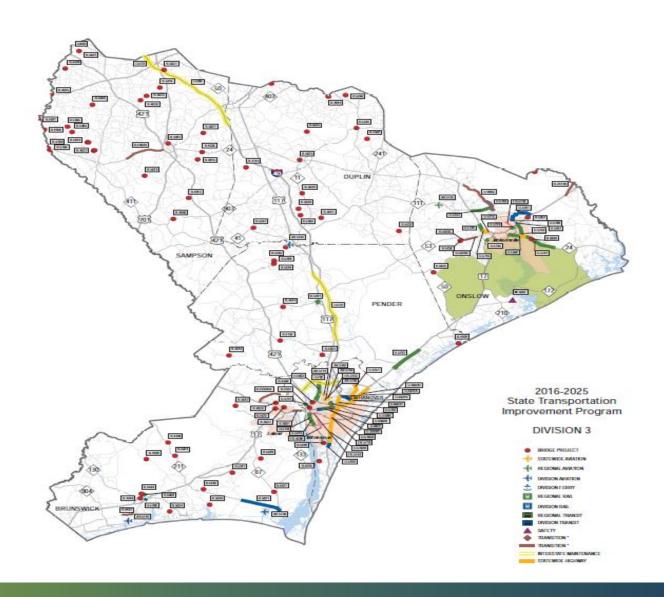
Open to traffic in November 2017 Official Completion Date April 2018

Transportation Transportation

2016 – 2025 TIP Division 2 Map



2016 – 2025 TIP Division 3 Map



Future Projects

R-2514 B, C & D US 17 Widening of US 17 from south of Belgrade (in Onslow County) to New Bern Bypass (in Craven County)

Under Construction Estimated Completion July 2020

U-5735 US 17 (Wilmington Highway)/SR 1130 Let Date January 2020 (Old Maplehurst Road)

Convert existing signalized intersection into an interchange. This existing intersection is the Main Gate for the Marine Corps Air Station. It is very congested & an interchange will greatly Improve traffic flow along US 17.

U-5716 US 258/NC 24 (Richlands Highway)/ NC 53 (Burgaw Highway)

Convert existing signalized intersection into an interchange. Another very congested intersection that will benefit greatly with an interchange.

Let Date January 2021



Future Projects

U-4751

Military Cutoff Road Extension

New location- construct a divided highway from Market St. to Wilmington Bypass

Connecting traffic on Market Street to the Wilmington Bypass & relieving congestion on North Market Street, Military Cutoff Road & Gordon Road.

Let Date October 2017

U-5729

US 421 (Carolina Beach Road)

Upgrade Carolina Beach Road from Shipyard Blvd.

to Burnett Blvd. This project will address access concerns & congestion issues. This segment of Carolina

Beach Road has direct impacts on both gates

to the Wilmington Port; North & South gates.



Future Projects

U-5710 US 74 (Eastwood Road)/US 17 Business (Market Street)

Convert the existing "at-grade" intersection to an interchange. This existing signalized intersection is very congested. An interchange would improve the flow of traffic through this area of Wilmington.

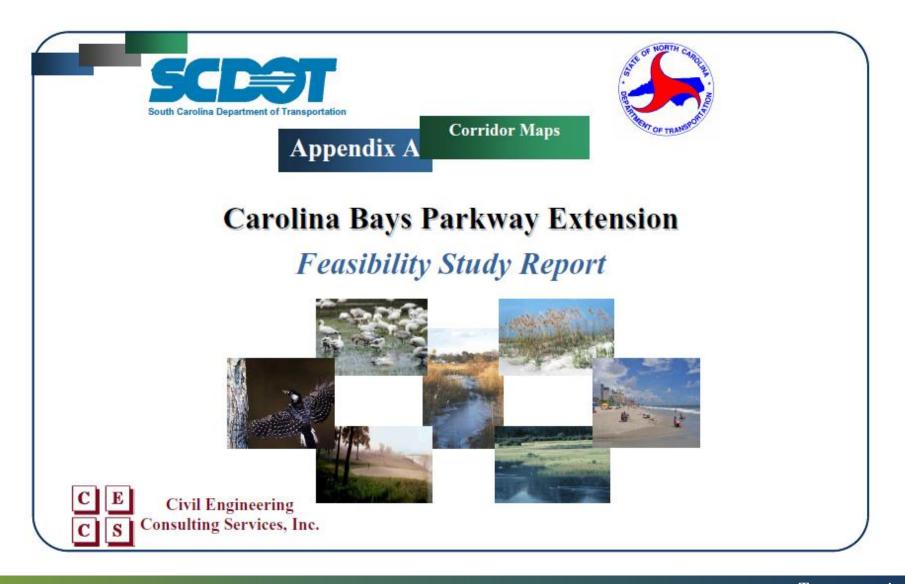
Let Date September 2021

U-5792 US 74 (MLK Parkway)/US 117 & NC 132 (College Road)

Convert the existing "at-grade" intersection to an interchange. This congested signalized intersection is a major "bottleneck" location for Wilmington. An interchange would improve traffic flow on MLK Parkway & College Road & become a Gateway for I-40 traffic coming to Wilmington.

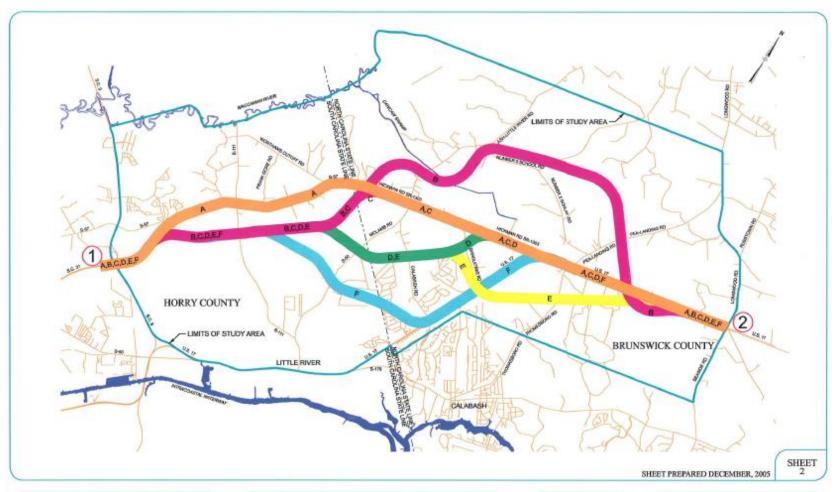
Let Date January 2022
Raleigh Managed
P4.0 Statewide results have
this project being encompassed
into U-5881; which widens
College Road from Gordon Road
to New Center Drive

*U-3436 Carolina Bays Parkway*Currently, only funded for the planning/environmental document



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U-3436 Carolina Bays Parkway Current funding will begin with studying these corridors, from the feasibility study that was conducted by both states

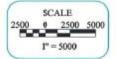






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HORRY COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
BRUNSWICK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
CORRIDOR MAPS



STUDY AREA AND 1000 FOOT WIDE CORRIDORS

Questions?

