



Colington Road Improvements

State Transportation Improvement Program Project No. R-5014

Project Description

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is studying operational and safety improvements to Colington Road (S.R. 1217) from the end of the road to Croatan Highway (U.S. 158). The project is approximately 4.3 miles long. The project study area is shown on the map on page 2.

NCDOT proposes to resurface, widen, and slightly realign portions of Colington Road to improve operational and safety conditions along the road. In addition, the roadway will be raised in certain locations to reduce the frequency of flooding.

NCDOT is conducting an environmental study of the proposed project, which is scheduled for completion in October 2015. The project is included in NCDOT's 2016-2025 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as Project R-5014. The STIP includes the following project schedule:

- Right-of-way Acquisition - 2017
- Construction - 2018

The current cost estimate for the preliminary design for the proposed project is about \$17.4 million.



Colington Road

Public Meeting

Thursday, September 17, 4:00-7:00 pm
Town Hall, 102 Town Hall Drive
Kill Devil Hills

NCDOT is conducting a Public Meeting for this project on **Thursday, September 17, 2015**. Interested citizens may attend at any time between **4:00 and 7:00 pm**. The meeting will be held in an open-house format; there will not be a formal presentation.

The purpose of the meeting is to present information on the project's study area and preliminary design, and to receive public input on the project. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. In addition to speaking with someone at the public meeting, a comment form will be available. You may complete the form and submit your comments at the meeting or mail it to the contact listed on the form by October 17.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this meeting. Anyone requiring special services should contact Anamika Laad at (919)707-6072 as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling 1-800-481-6494.

Aquellas personas que hablan español y no hablan inglés, o tienen limitaciones para leer, hablar o entender inglés, podrían recibir servicios de interpretación si los solicitan antes de la reunión llamando al 1-800-481-6494.

What is the purpose of the project?

The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce roadway flooding and improve the operation and safety of Colington Road (S.R. 1217).

Why is the project needed?

Colington Road is flooded by wind tides several times a year in several locations. The proposed project will raise the grade of Colington Road in these areas to reduce the frequency of water flooding the roadway. The horizontal alignment along Colington Road includes many curves with limited sight distance. The narrow lanes along much of Colington Road, along with the heavy traffic volumes, worsen the operational issues. The proposed project would widen and slightly realign portions of Colington Road to address these issues.

Colington Road experiences a substantial amount of bicycle and pedestrian traffic, particularly within the Wright Brothers National Memorial property and in the vicinity of First Flight High School. At the October 24, 2011 public meeting for the project, many of the comments were related to safety concerns along Colington Road, including for pedestrians and bicyclists, and several of those attending requested improved bicycle and pedestrian accommodations be provided. In response to these concerns, the proposed project includes shoulder improvements along much of the project corridor.



Where is the project located?

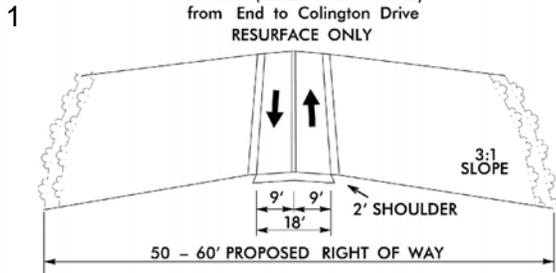


How will the project improve the existing roadway?

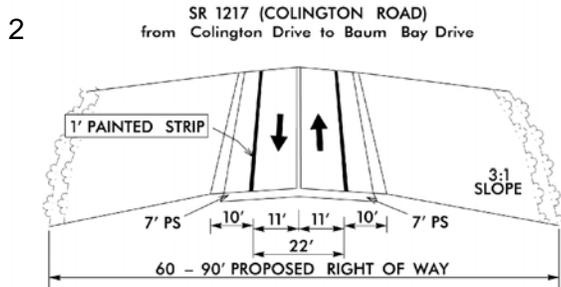
There are four typical sections associated with the proposed improvements to Colington Road as shown in the figures below. A description of each typical section is also provided.

PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS

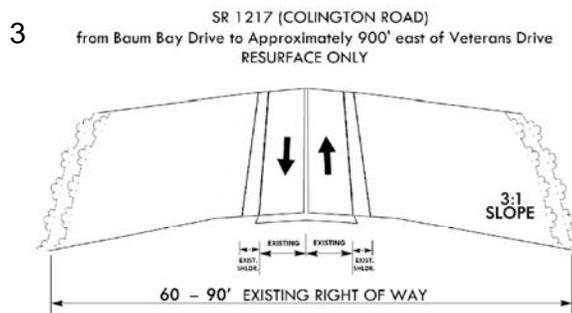
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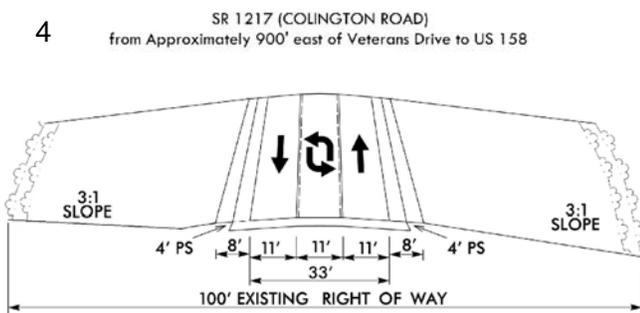
From the end of Colington Road to Colington Drive the proposed project will involve resurfacing Colington Road.



The proposed typical section from Colington Drive to Baum Bay Drive (S.R. 1452) includes 11-foot travel lanes with 10-foot shoulders (7-foot paved in order to accommodate bicycles).



In order to avoid impacts to the Wright Brothers National Memorial, the section of Colington Road within the Memorial property between Baum Bay Drive and approximately 900 feet east of Veterans Drive will only be resurfaced.



From approximately 900 feet east of Veterans Drive to US 158, the proposed typical section includes two 11-foot travel lanes, an 11-foot two-way center turn lane, and 8-foot shoulders (4-foot paved).

Who can I contact for more information?

If you have questions about this project, you may write, call, or email one of the following people:

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Public involvement is an important part of the planning process. NCDOT encourages citizen involvement on transportation projects, and will consider your suggestions and address your concerns. If you have transportation questions on other projects, call our Customer Service Center toll-free at **1-877-DOT-4YOU**, or visit the NCDOT website at **www.ncdot.gov**.



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