



NC 211 Improvements

Proposed widening from US 15-501 in Aberdeen to east of SR 1244 (West Palmer Street) - SR 1311 (Mockingbird Hill Road) in Raeford

STIP Project R-5709

Welcome!

Your Input Is Important.

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.

Today's meeting is another important step in NCDOT's efforts to keep you, the public, involved in the planning and development of the project. This meeting is being held to obtain your input on study area features and design of the project.

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Please Contact Us!

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Comments Requested by August 25, 2016

Three Options:

- 1) Place your comments in the Comment Box tonight or use one of the computer stations.
- 2) Visit the following website to enter your comments (computer or mobile device):
<http://r5709.nc211.commentinput.com/>
- 3) Send your comments to the staff listed above.

Project Overview

The proposed project involves improving approximately 15.4 miles of NC 211 from US 15-501 in Aberdeen to east of SR 1244 (West Palmer Street) - SR 1311 (Mockingbird Hill Road) in Raeford.

The project is state-funded and is included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as Project R-5709. The project is in the early stages of the planning process and design work has not yet started.

The project will address traffic congestion, roadway deficiencies, and safety. NC 211 will be widened to a four-lane divided roadway with either a 23-foot, 30-foot or 46-foot grass median. Potential safety improvements may include limiting left-turn movements, adding turn lanes and limiting the number of driveways onto NC 211.

Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

- ❖ Introduce the project and the project team.
- ❖ Discuss existing roadway and traffic problems along NC 211.
- ❖ Identify study area features, topics and resources that are important to you.
- ❖ Discuss any concerns, answer questions and receive comments.

Project Study Area

The study area is shown on the large aerial display maps with a red outline which surrounds NC 211. The study area represents the area being surveyed for environmental resources, it does not represent property to be purchased to construct the project. The study area is much larger than the actual amount of land which will be required for the project.

A public hearing will be held following completion of environmental surveys and preliminary designs. More detailed information regarding the property which will be required for the project will be available at the public hearing, which is expected to be held in the summer of 2018.

The large maps on display tonight are available at the following website:

<https://www.ncdot.gov/projects/publicmeetings/?search=r-5709>

Planning Process

The proposed project is following a process outlined by the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). SEPA is a law that requires state-funded projects to consider the environmental effects of their proposals. An environmental document called a State Environmental Assessment (State EA) will be prepared for this project.

Major Steps in the Planning Process

- Meet with Agencies & Local Officials
- Public Meetings **We are here.** ★
- Gather Data / Fieldwork
- Develop Preliminary Alternatives
- Evaluate Anticipated Impacts
- Meet with Agencies and Local Officials
- Public Meetings
- Document Project Benefits and Impacts in the State EA

Coordination with the Public,
Local Officials & Agencies

Project Schedule

The project's environmental document will be complete before the end of 2017 with a final decision document planned in Spring 2019. The purchase of property (right-of-way acquisition) is scheduled to begin in 2020 with construction starting in 2025.

Estimated Cost

The current State Transportation Improvement Program has allocated \$151,719,000 for right of way acquisition, utilities, and construction. The estimated cost will be updated as designs for the project are developed.



Fieldwork on Private Property

As part of the State EA, NCDOT is required to identify and document environmental resources so they can be avoided or impacts minimized. Streams and wetlands are two of the resources that must be identified during the review process. Over the next several months, representatives of NCDOT (as well as the US Army Corps of Engineers) may be present on your property for the purposes of conducting or verifying the limits of streams and wetlands pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. These representatives will be wearing orange safety vests, have picture ID badges, and will be hanging pink and black flagging or ribbons, on trees and shrubs to identify the limits of streams and wetlands, if present, on the property.

This flagging **does not** indicate the location of the proposed transportation project, but it is very important in our environmental review process. Please do not disturb this flagging.

If the US Army Corps of Engineers has already issued a Jurisdictional Determination on your property confirming the presence of streams and/or wetlands, or if you have questions or comments about the project, please contact Greg Blakeney or Kristina Miller listed on page 1. When calling, please mention NCDOT project number R-5709.

Potential Design Options

Proposed improvements to NC 211 will include widening to four lanes (two in each direction) with a median. In the Town of Aberdeen and Moore County, there is more residential and commercial development located close to existing NC 211; therefore, a smaller median width is anticipated for this area as compared to the rest of the project.

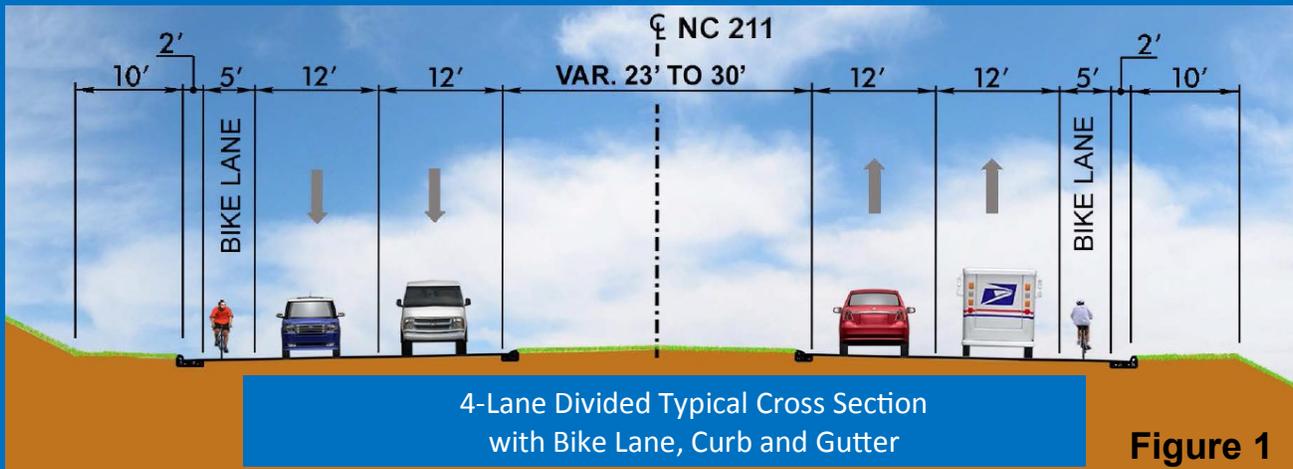
Figure 1

As shown in Figure 1, from US 15-501 to east of Carolina Road, a raised grass median between 23 and 30 feet wide is proposed along with curb and gutter. A dedicated 5-foot bicycle lane is also proposed along both sides of NC 211. In addition, 5-foot sidewalks may also be provided along one or both sides of NC 211 within the Aberdeen Town limits if the Town is able to participate in the construction cost and accept maintenance responsibilities for the sidewalk.

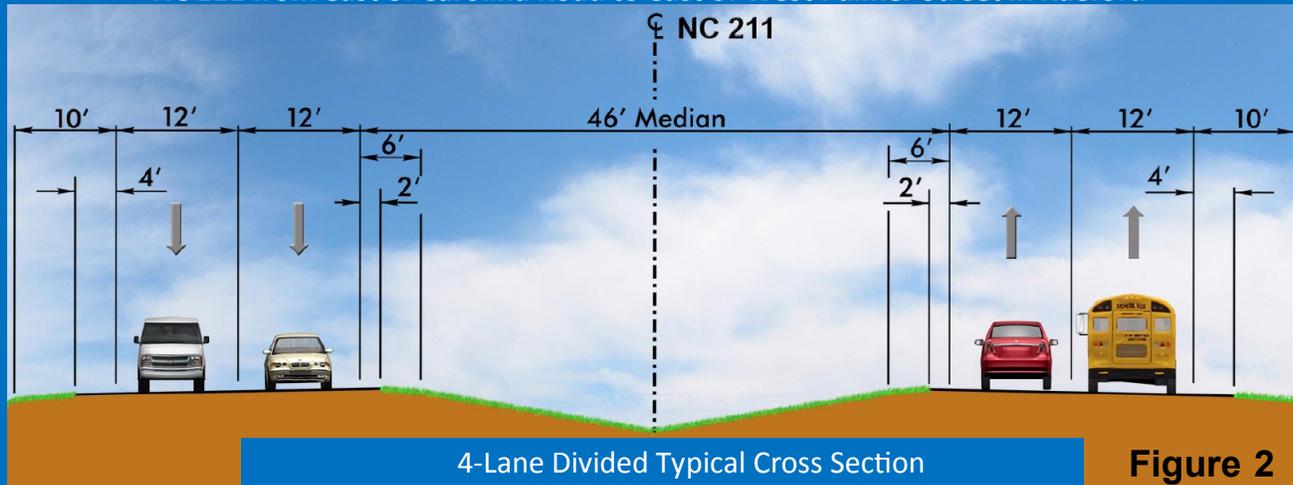
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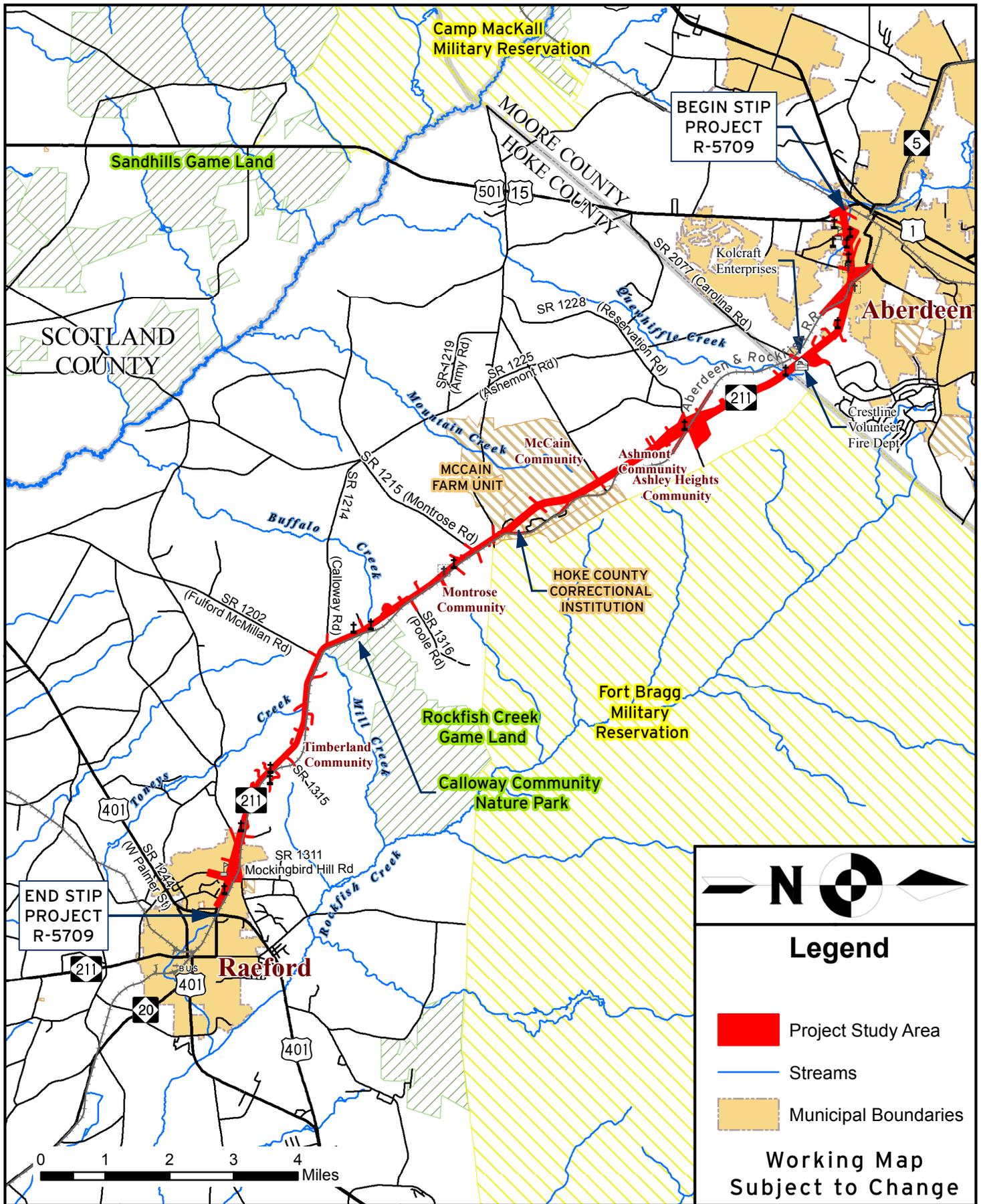
From the Moore/Hoke County line to the eastern limits of the project in the City of Raeford, a 46-foot wide grass median with shoulders is proposed. Four-foot paved shoulders will be provided on the outside on both sides of NC 211. These paved shoulders will accommodate bicycles.

NC 211 from US 15-501 in Aberdeen to east of Carolina Road



NC 211 from east of Carolina Road to east of West Palmer Street in Raeford





NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT &
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS UNIT

VICINITY MAP

NC 211 FROM US 15-501 IN ABERDEEN TO SR 1244-SR 1311 IN RAEFORD
STIP PROJECT R-5709
MOORE AND HOKE COUNTIES

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TITLE VI PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT FORM

Completing this form is **completely** voluntary. You are not required to provide the information requested in order to participate in this meeting.

Meeting Type: Public Meetings Location: July 26th = Aberdeen Primary School, 310 Keyser St., Aberdeen July 28th = West Hoke Middle School, 200 NC 211 West, Raeford	Date: July 26, 2016 and July 28, 2016
STIP No.: R-5709 Project Description: Widen approximately 15.4 miles of NC 211 from US 15-501 in Aberdeen to east of SR 1244 (West Palmer Street) - SR 1311 (Mockingbird Hill Road) in Raeford.	

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Completing this form helps meet our data collection and public involvement obligations under Title VI and SEPA, and will improve how we serve the public. Please place the completed form in the designated box on the sign-in table, hand it to an NCDOT official or mail it to the PDEA-Human Environment Section, 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1598.

All forms will remain on file at the NCDOT as part of the public record.

Zip Code: _____ Street Name: _____	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Total Household Income: <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$12,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$47,000 – \$69,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$12,000 – \$19,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$70,000 – \$93,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000 – \$30,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$94,000 – \$117,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$31,000 – \$46,999 <input type="checkbox"/> \$118,000 or greater	Age: <input type="checkbox"/> Less than 18 <input type="checkbox"/> 45-64 <input type="checkbox"/> 18-29 <input type="checkbox"/> 65 and older <input type="checkbox"/> 30-44
Race/Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____	Have a Disability: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No National Origin: (if born outside the U.S.) <input type="checkbox"/> Mexican <input type="checkbox"/> Central American: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> South American: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____

How did you hear about this meeting? (newspaper advertisement, flyer, and/or mailing) _____

For more information regarding Title VI or this request, please contact the NCDOT Title VI Section at (919) 508-1830 or toll free at 1-800-508-1886, or by email at mlwright4@ncdot.gov.

Thank you for your participation!

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