

WELCOME TO THE  
CITIZENS  
INFORMATIONAL  
WORKSHOP

FOR THE  
KINSTON BYPASS  
PROJECT

5:00pm-8:00pm



## WORKSHOP SIGN-IN

- ✓ Let Us Know You Attended Tonight
- ✓ Pickup Handouts
- ✓ Review Workshop Stations
- ✓ Provide Your Comments



## WORKSHOP STATIONS

1. Show Us Where You Live/Work
2. Project Presentation
3. Project Background
4. Existing Conditions
5. General Needs for the Project
6. Study Process and Project Schedule
7. Citizen Comments

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Intérprete de Español

Activities for Children are Available  
at the Kid's Corner



## STATION 1

### WHERE DO YOU LIVE AND WORK?

Please place a **clear** push pin on the map to show us where you **live**

Please place a **colored** push pin to show us where you **work**



**KINSTON BYPASS  
STIP PROJECT NO. R-2553**

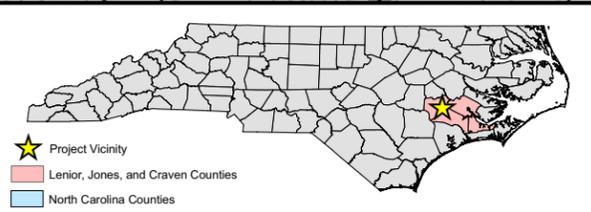
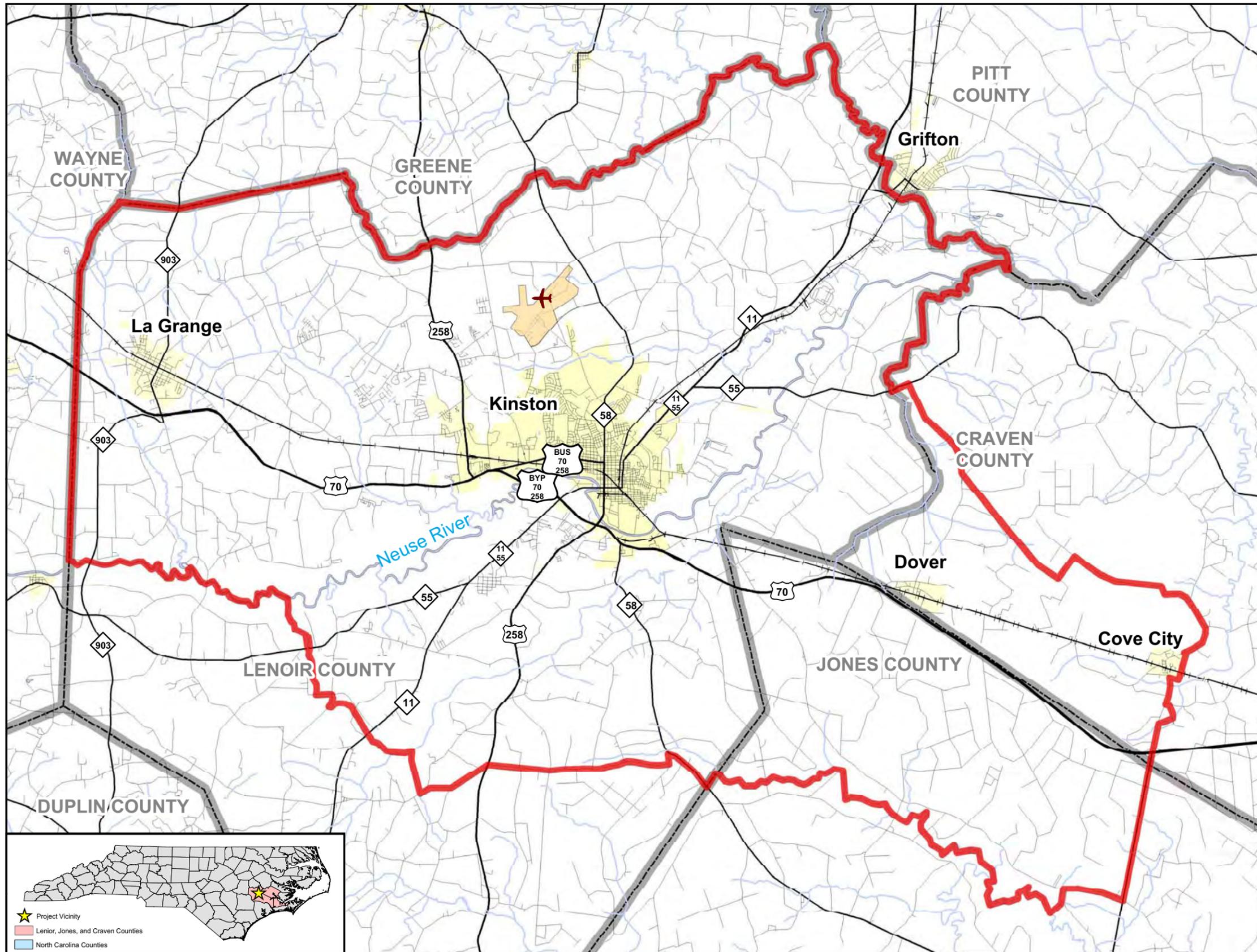
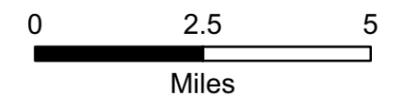
**PROJECT VICINITY MAP**

**Legend**

-  Draft Project Study Area
-  Municipal Boundaries
-  County Boundary
-  Kinston Regional JetPort
-  Global Trans Park (GTP)
-  Stream
-  Open Water
-  US Highway
-  NC Highway
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-  Local Road
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## STATION 2

# PROJECT PRESENTATION

- ✓ Please Watch the Presentation to Learn About the Project
- ✓ Note this Presentation Will Repeat Every Five Minutes



## STATION 3

# PROJECT BACKGROUND

- ✓ NCDOT State Transportation Improvement Program Project Description
- ✓ NCDOT Strategic Highway Corridor
- ✓ Kinston Comprehensive Transportation Plan



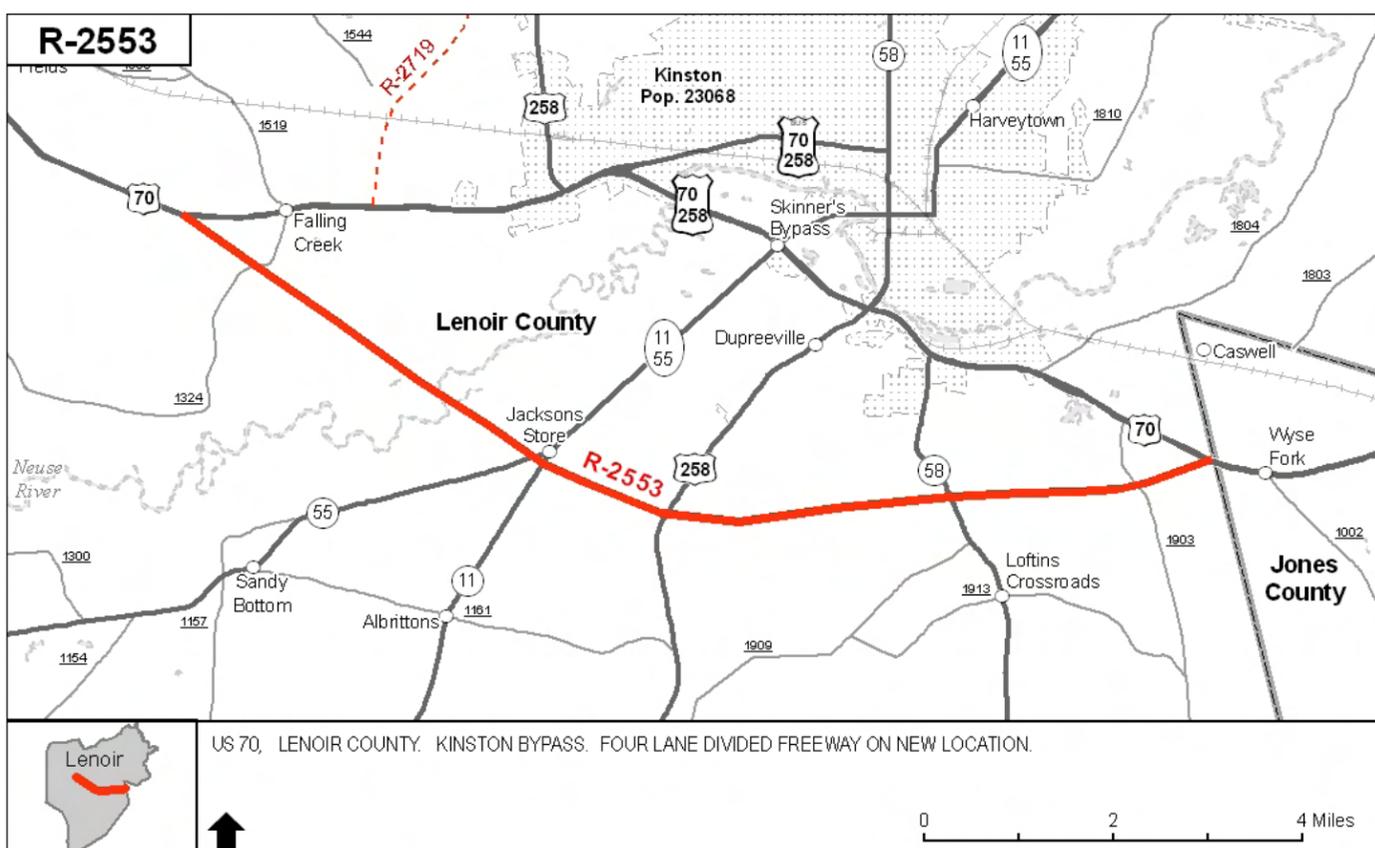
# KINSTON BYPASS

## NCDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

For **initial funding purposes** the STIP has programmed the study of possible alternatives for improving traffic flow along US 70 in Lenoir, Jones and Craven counties as the **Kinston Bypass (STIP No. R-2553)**; which might include a new highway south of Kinston as shown below.

A State Environmental Impact Statement is being prepared requiring a full range of alternatives to be evaluated, including but not limited to:

- Do Nothing/No Build
- Improve Existing US 70
- New Location Roadway Alternatives North of Kinston
- New Location Roadway Alternatives South of Kinston



Source: <http://www.ncdot.org/planning/development/TIP/TIP/Trans/division2map.html>



## NCDOT Strategic Highway Corridor Initiative

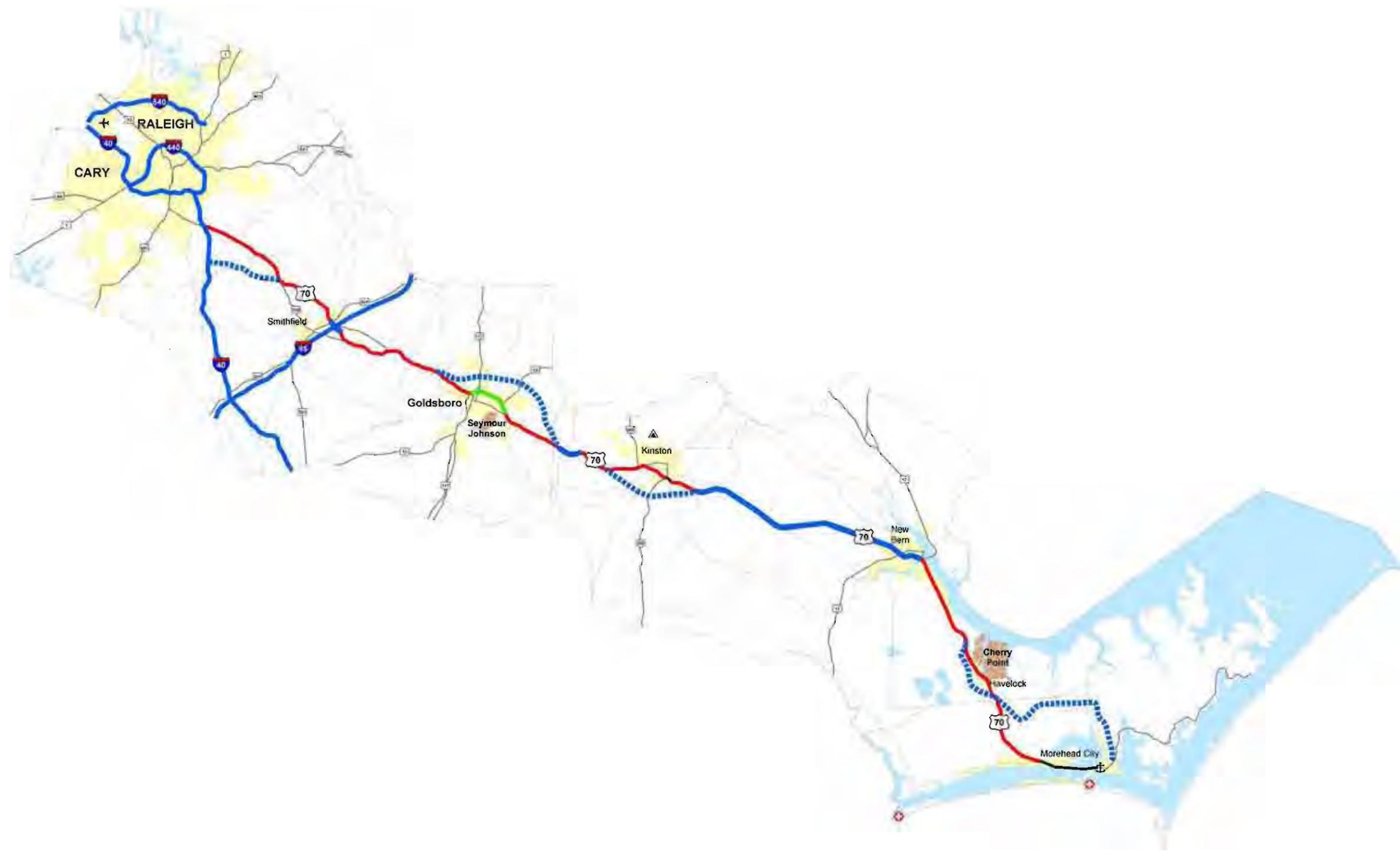
**US 70 from Raleigh to Morehead City** is one of the primary east-west corridors through Eastern North Carolina. US 70 is the major roadway connecting the Raleigh, Smithfield, Goldsboro, Kinston, New Bern, Havelock, and Morehead City areas. With a major deep-water port located in Morehead City, the corridor is heavily used for freight movement. In Kinston, the Global TransPark, an air-truck transfer facility that also serves as a commercial service airport, is situated just north of the corridor. Additionally, two military bases are located just off US 70 - Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro and Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station in Havelock.



US 70 is also used by tourists travelling to the Crystal Coast beaches. Equally important, US 70 serves as a major hurricane evacuation route in the event of an oncoming storm. Traffic volumes along the corridor vary, but are highest in the Clayton and Goldsboro areas. This facility is also an important piece of multiple highway systems, including the National Highway System (NHS), the North Carolina Intrastate System, and the National Military Highway System, also known as STRAHNET.

**Please See the Graphic for the Strategic Highway Corridor Vision for US 70**





### US 70 Corridor Existing Facility Types

Plan Date: Month, Day, 2004



- Legend**
- Freeways
  - Expressways
  - Boulevards
  - Other Major Thoroughfares
  - US
  - NC

## City of Kinston Comprehensive Transportation Plan

North Carolina General Statutes requires each **municipality**, with the cooperation of the NCDOT, to develop a Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) serving present and anticipated travel demand in and around the municipality. The plan shall be based on the best information available including, but not limited to, population growth, economic conditions and prospects, and patterns of land development in and around the municipality, and shall provide for the safe and effective use of the transportation system.

**Please See the Graphic for the Kinston  
Comprehensive Transportation Plan**



# Highway Map



## CITY OF KINSTON LENOIR COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA

### Comprehensive Transportation Plan Plan date: August 15, 2007

#### Freeways

- Existing
- Needs Improvement
- Recommended

#### Expressways

- Existing
- Needs Improvement
- Recommended

#### Boulevards

- Existing
- Needs Improvement
- Recommended

#### Other Major Thoroughfares

- Existing
- Needs Improvement
- Recommended

#### Minor Thoroughfares

- Existing
- Needs Improvement
- Recommended

Existing Interchange

Proposed Interchange

Existing Grade Separation

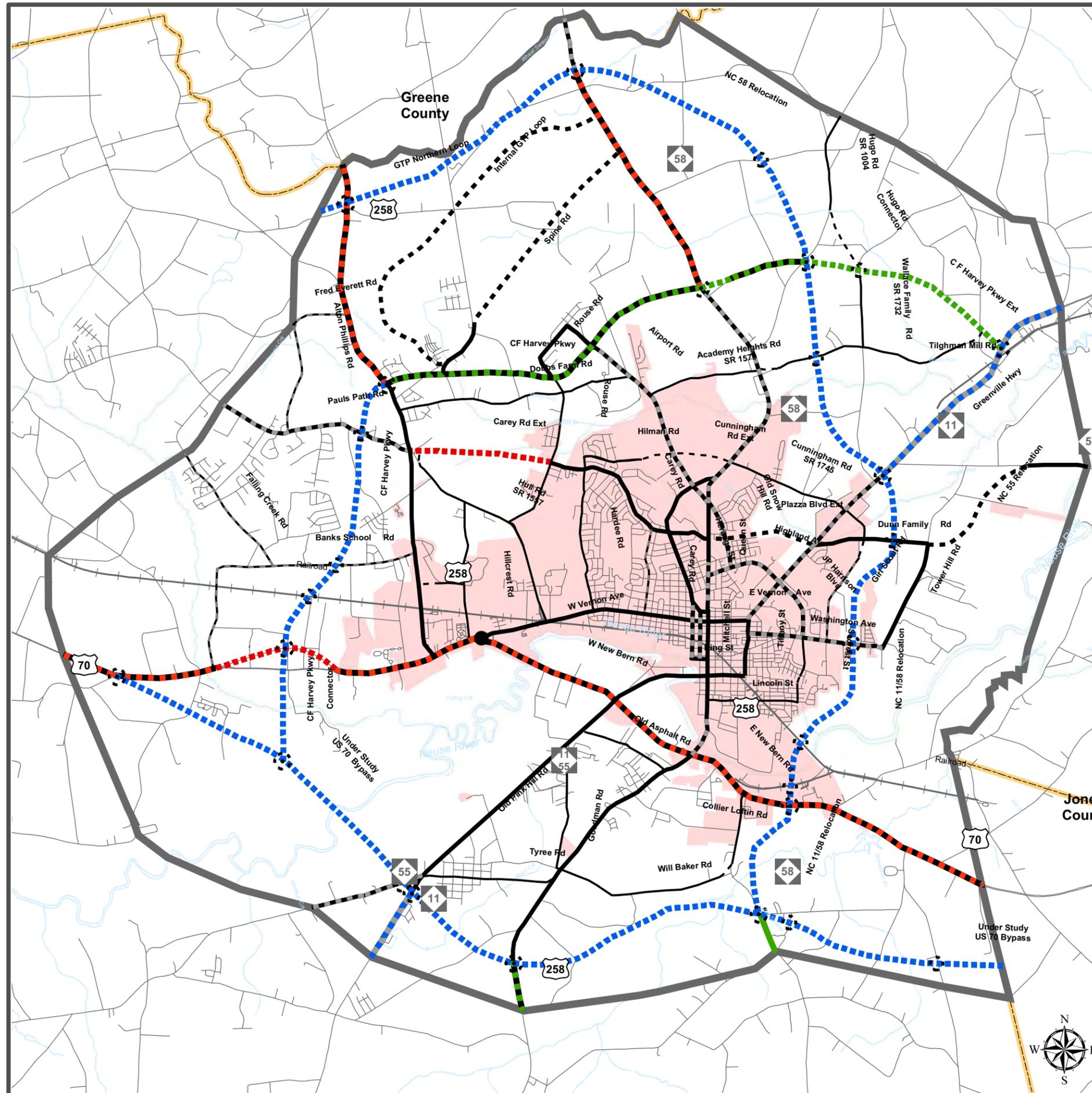
Proposed Grade Separation

Miles  
0 0.25 0.5 1 1.5 2

Sheet 2 of 5

Base map date: May 2005

Refer to CTP document for more details



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## STATION 4

# EXISTING CONDITIONS

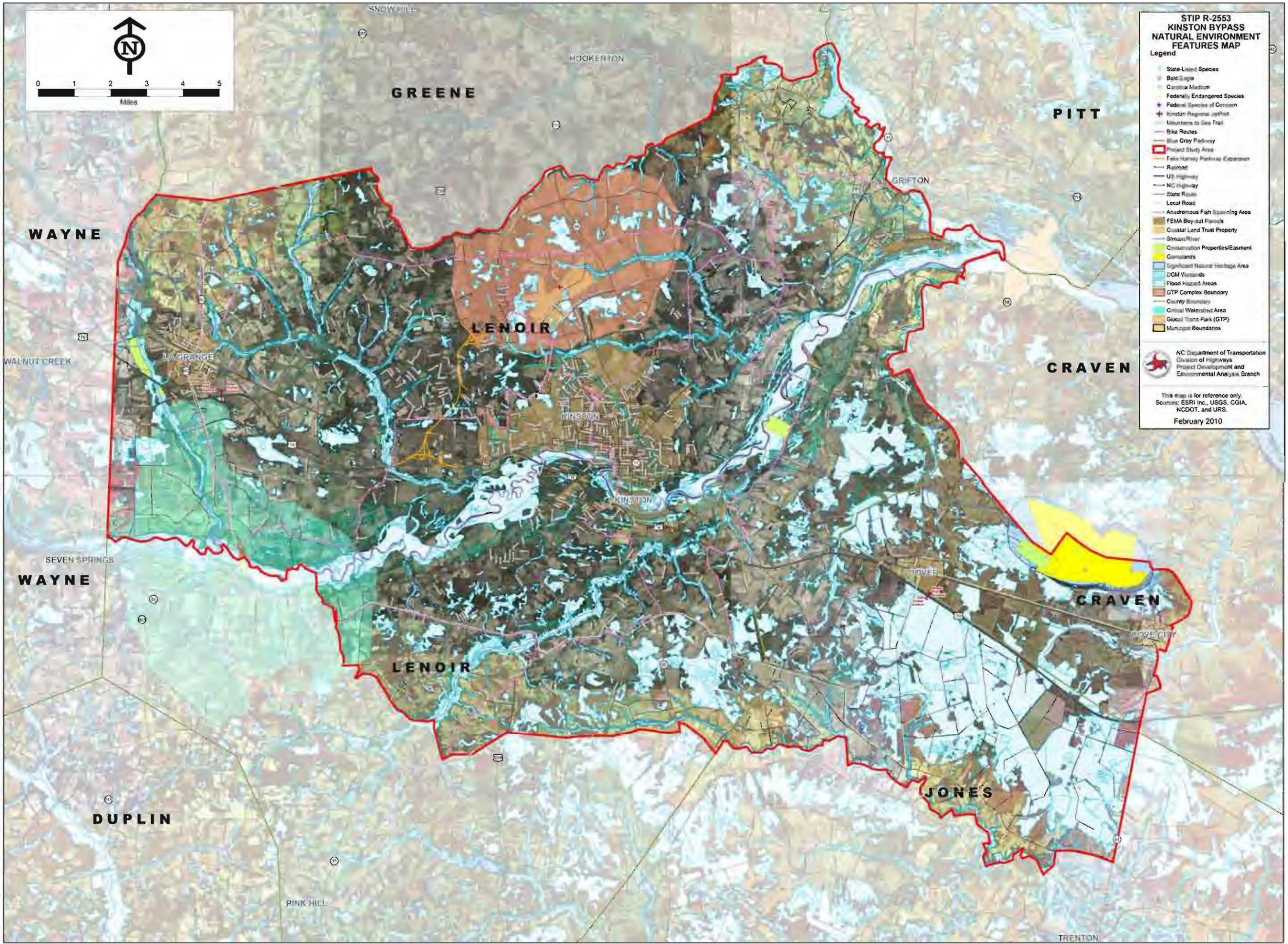


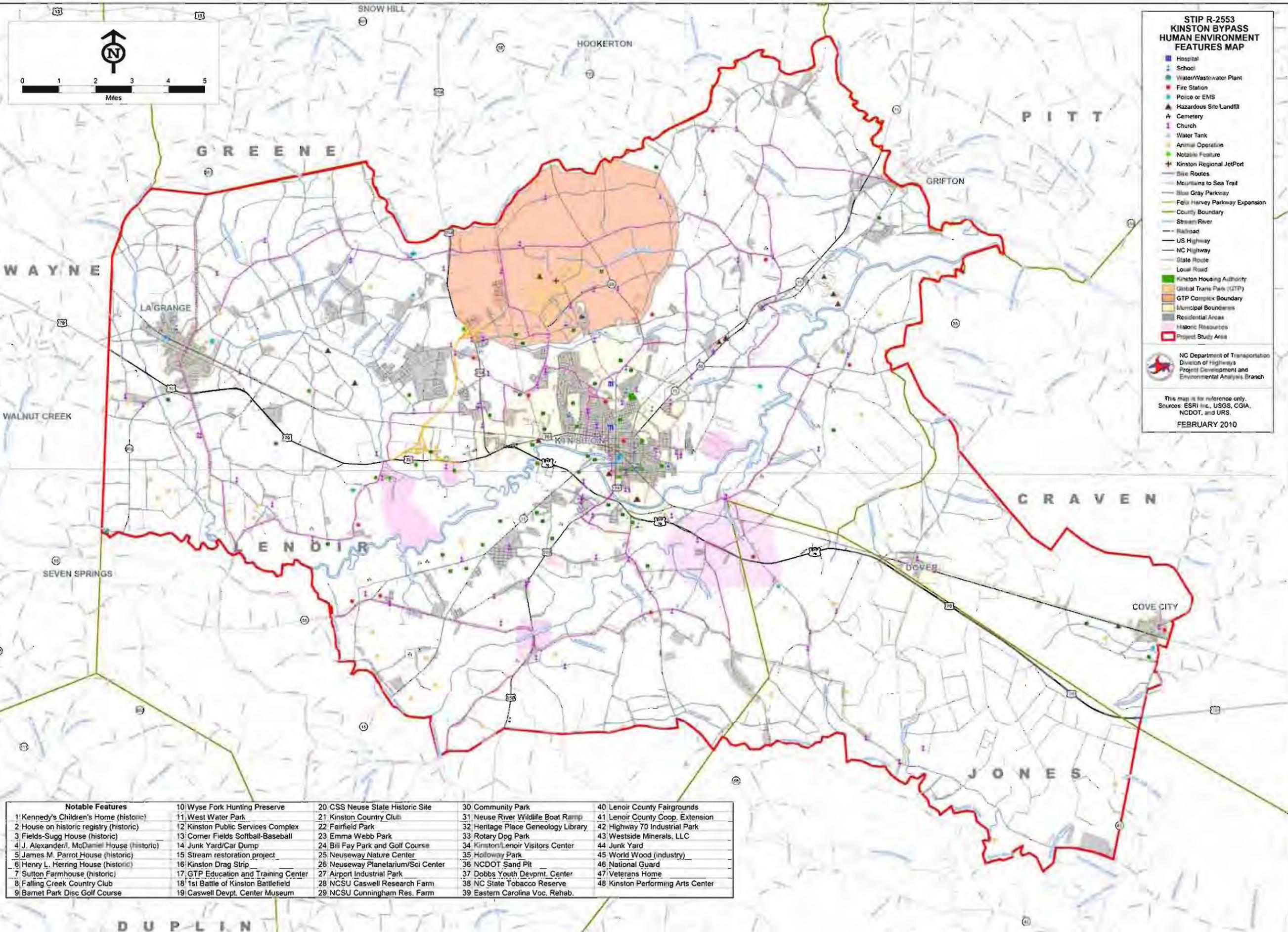
**STIP R-2553  
KINSTON BYPASS  
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT  
FEATURES MAP**

- Legend**
- State Listed Species
  - Bald Eagle
  - Carolina Mutton
  - Federally Endangered Species
  - Federal Species of Concern
  - Kinston Regional Jetport
  - Mountains to Sea Trail
  - Bike Routes
  - Blue Gray Parkway
  - Project Study Area
  - Felix Harvey Parkway Expansion
  - Railroad
  - US Highway
  - NC Highway
  - State Route
  - Local Road
  - Anadromous Fish Spawning Area
  - FEMA Buy-out Floods
  - Coastal Land Trust Property
  - Stream/River
  - Conservation Properties/Easment
  - Game Lands
  - Significant Natural Heritage Area
  - DCM Wetlands
  - Flood Hazard Areas
  - GTP Complex Boundary
  - County Boundary
  - Critical Watershed Area
  - Global Trans Park (GTP)
  - Municipal Boundaries

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| Notable Features                            |                                      |                                    |                                     |                                   |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 Kennedy's Children's Home (historic)      | 10 Wyse Fork Hunting Preserve        | 20 CSS Neuse State Historic Site   | 30 Community Park                   | 40 Lenoir County Fairgrounds      |
| 2 House on historic registry (historic)     | 11 West Water Park                   | 21 Kinston Country Club            | 31 Neuse River Wildlife Boat Ramp   | 41 Lenoir County Coop. Extension  |
| 3 Fields-Sugg House (historic)              | 12 Kinston Public Services Complex   | 22 Fairfield Park                  | 32 Heritage Place Genealogy Library | 42 Highway 70 Industrial Park     |
| 4 J. Alexander/I. McDaniel House (historic) | 13 Corner Fields Softball-Baseball   | 23 Emma Webb Park                  | 33 Rotary Dog Park                  | 43 Westside Minerals, LLC         |
| 5 James M. Parrot House (historic)          | 14 Junk Yard/Car Dump                | 24 Bill Fay Park and Golf Course   | 34 Kinston/Lenoir Visitors Center   | 44 Junk Yard                      |
| 6 Henry L. Herring House (historic)         | 15 Stream restoration project        | 25 Neuseway Nature Center          | 35 Holloway Park                    | 45 World Wood (industry)          |
| 7 Sutton Farmhouse (historic)               | 16 Kinston Drag Strip                | 26 Neuseway Planetarium/Sci Center | 36 NCDOT Sand Pit                   | 46 National Guard                 |
| 8 Falling Creek Country Club                | 17 GTP Education and Training Center | 27 Airport Industrial Park         | 37 Dobbs Youth Devpmt. Center       | 47 Veterans Home                  |
| 9 Barret Park Disc Golf Course              | 18 1st Battle of Kinston Battlefield | 28 NCSU Caswell Research Farm      | 38 NC State Tobacco Reserve         | 48 Kinston Performing Arts Center |
|   | 19 Caswell Devpt. Center Museum      | 29 NCSU Cunningham Res. Farm       | 39 Eastern Carolina Voc. Rehab.     |                                   |

# KINSTON BYPASS PIP R-2553

## PROJECT STUDY AREA

### Legend

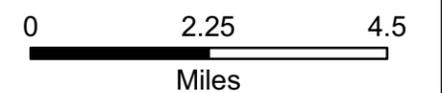
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### Roads

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-  NC Highway
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2008 Existing Average Daily Traffic  
2035 No-Build Average Daily Traffic

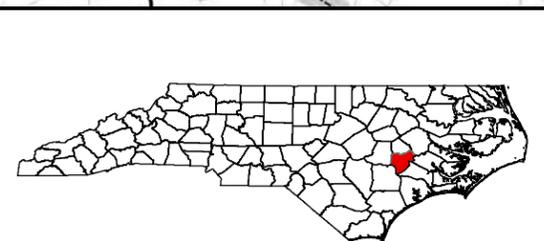
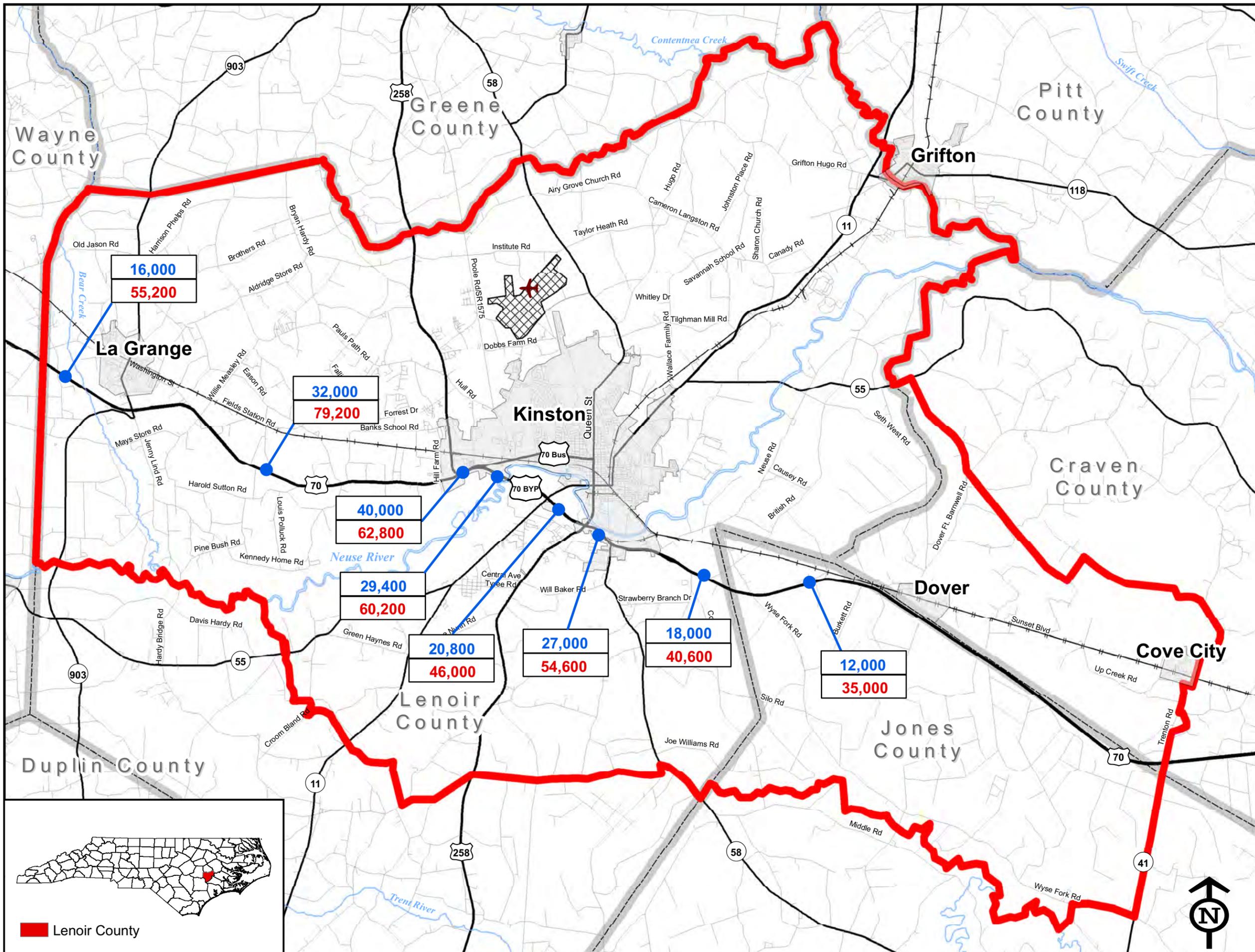
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 Lenoir County



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**TRAFFIC FLOWS**

**Legend**

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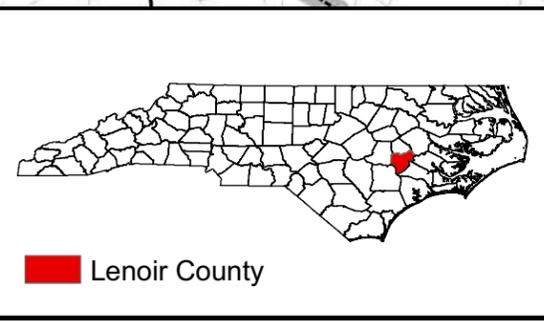
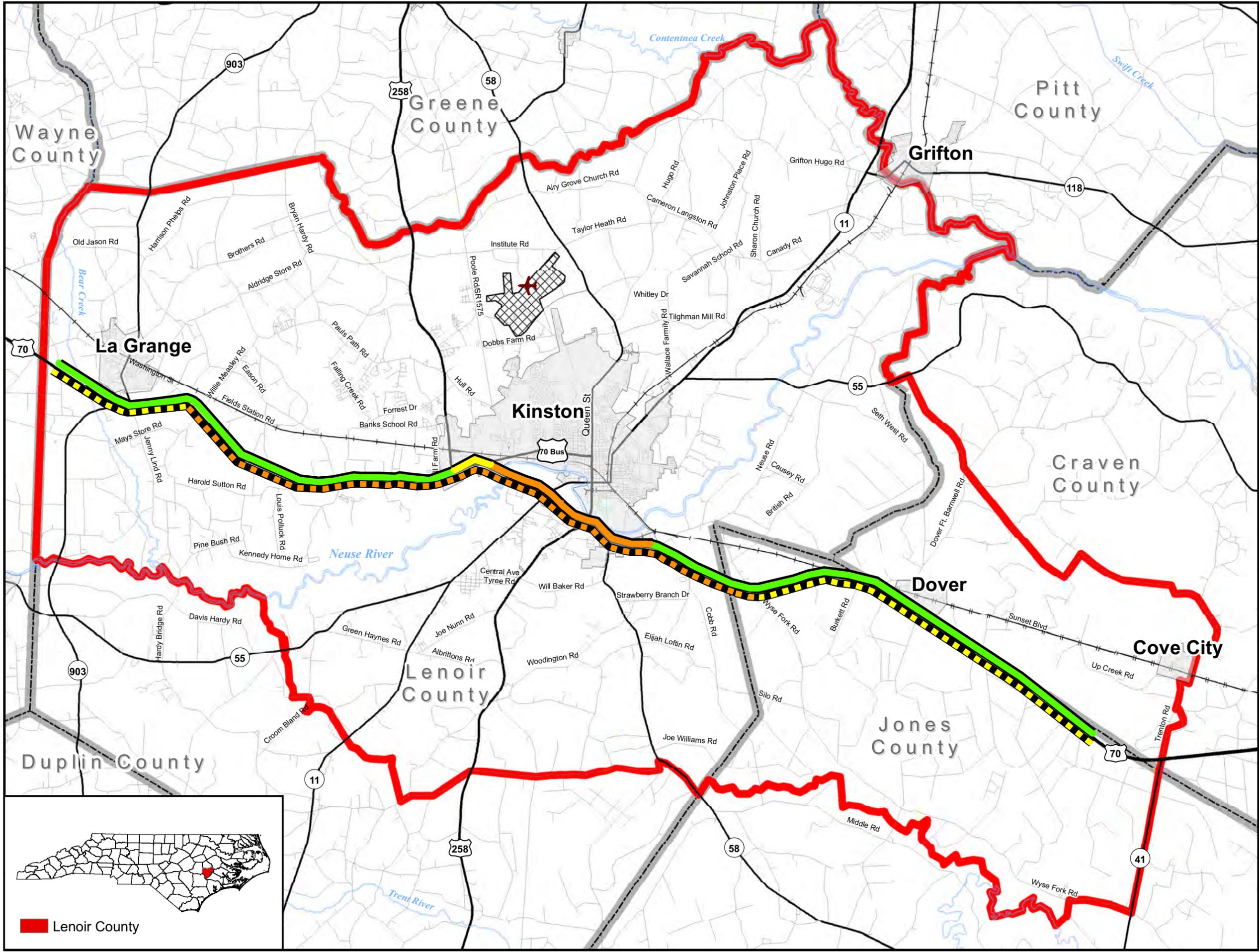
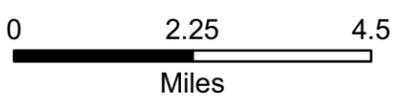
**2008 Traffic Operations**

-  Traffic Flows Freely - Little Delay
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-  Delays Considered Unacceptable To Most Drivers

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# STATION 5

## GENERAL NEEDS FOR THE PROJECT



## General Needs for the Project

- ✓ Traffic Capacity Deficiencies Exist Along US 70, US 70 Bypass, and US 70 Business in Lenoir County
- ✓ US 70 from Raleigh to Morehead City is Designated as a Strategic Highway Corridor, which is Critical to Regional and Statewide Mobility

**If You Feel there are Additional Reasons for Improving Conditions Along US 70, US 70 Bypass, and US 70 Business, Please Write Them On the Notepad to the Right**



# STATION 6

# STUDY PROCESS AND PROJECT SCHEDULE



## PROJECT STUDY PROCESS

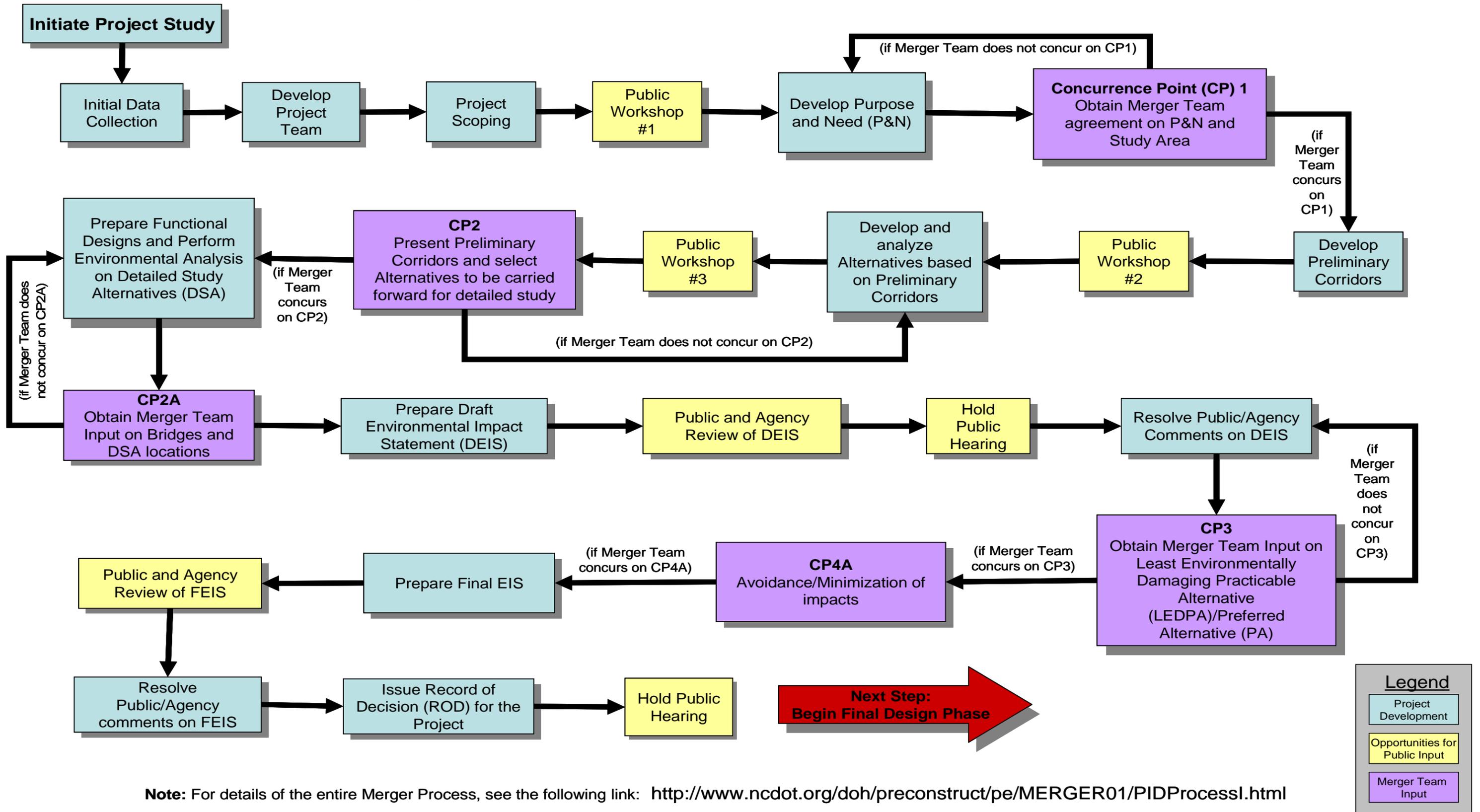
Before the NCDOT can build a new road, it must meet conditions set forth by state and federal regulations. In order to streamline this process, NCDOT created the **Interagency Merger Process**, which is a shared decision-making process for project development and permitting. This cooperation and collaboration between the NCDOT and state and federal regulatory and review agencies is achieved by the **Merger Process Team**.

Throughout the Project Study Process, there are several **Concurrence Points (CP)** (project milestones) that require the **Merger Process Team** to come to consensus on key project decisions at each stage of project development. **Concurrence** is sequential and must be achieved in the proper order. The flow diagram below illustrates the study process and the steps where citizens and the Merger Team provide input.

**See the Project Study Process Flow Chart to the right.**



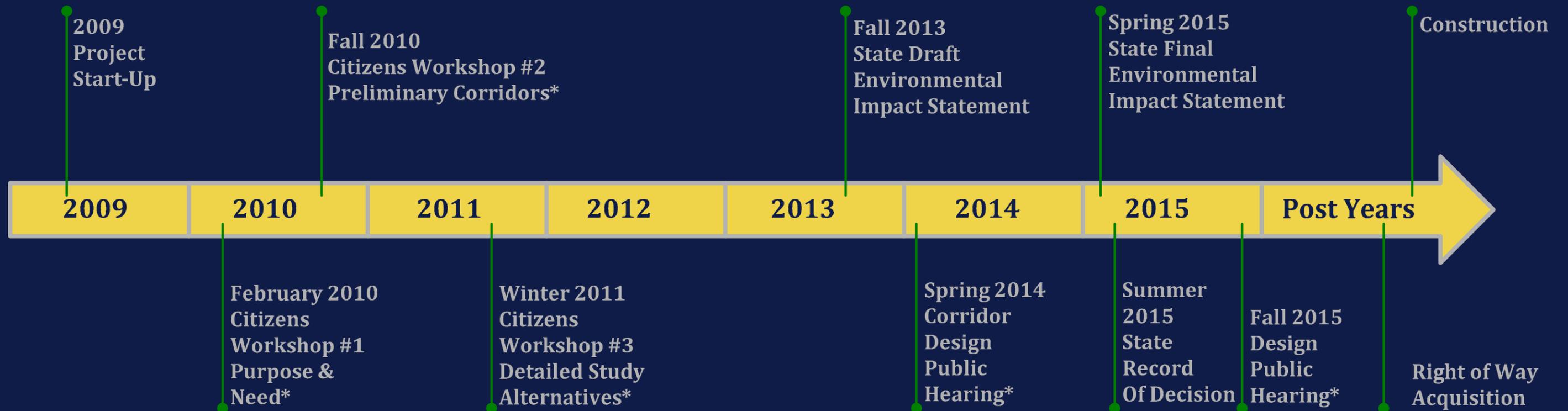
# Study Process FLOW CHART



**Note:** For details of the entire Merger Process, see the following link: <http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/pe/MERGER01/PIDProcess1.html>



# Project Timeline



\* Indicates opportunities for citizen input

## STATION 7

Comments Collected  
Here

**WE NEED YOUR  
INPUT!**

Please Take a Moment to Fill Out a  
Comment Form

To Review the Project Information, Visit  
the Following Website:

[www.ncdot.gov/projects/kinstonbypass/](http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/kinstonbypass/)



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