Mid-Currituck Bridge Study

Currituck County Comprehensive Transportation Plan
Steering Committee Meeting
March 24, 2010

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Topics

- Draft EIS
  - Status
  - Reader-Friendly Format
  - Recommended Alternative
- Purpose and Need
- Detailed Study Alternatives
- Travel Benefits
- Public Involvement Activities
- Schedule
- Questions

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DEIS Status

- Signed and at the printer
- Will be available for review at:
  - Currituck County Courthouse
  - Corolla Library
  - Currituck County Public Library
  - Dare County Library
  - Town of Duck Administrative Building
  - Kitty Hawk Town Hall
  - North Carolina Department of Transportation Maintenance Yard Office, Maple, North Carolina
  - Southern Shores Town Hall
  - NCTA web site: http://ncturnpike.org/projects/Mid_Currituck/

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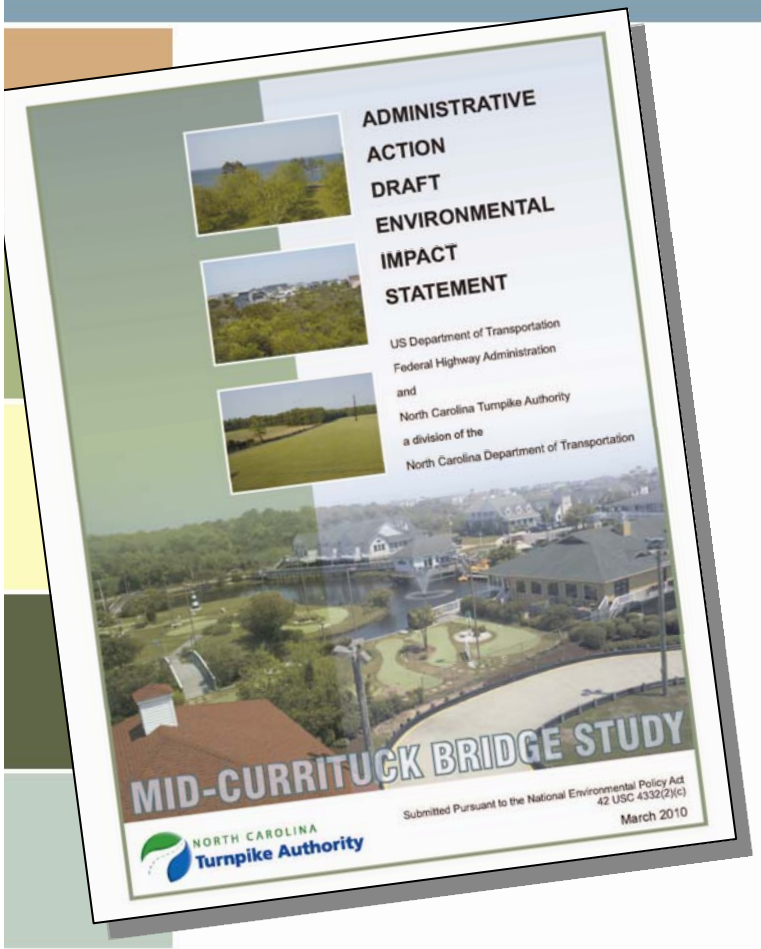
Reader-Friendly Format



- 1/2-inch Thick:
  - Normal topics
  - Usual sections
  - Focus on bottom line and findings important to Preferred Alternative selection
  - Full set of technical appendices
- Format Coordinated and Approved by FHWA headquarters

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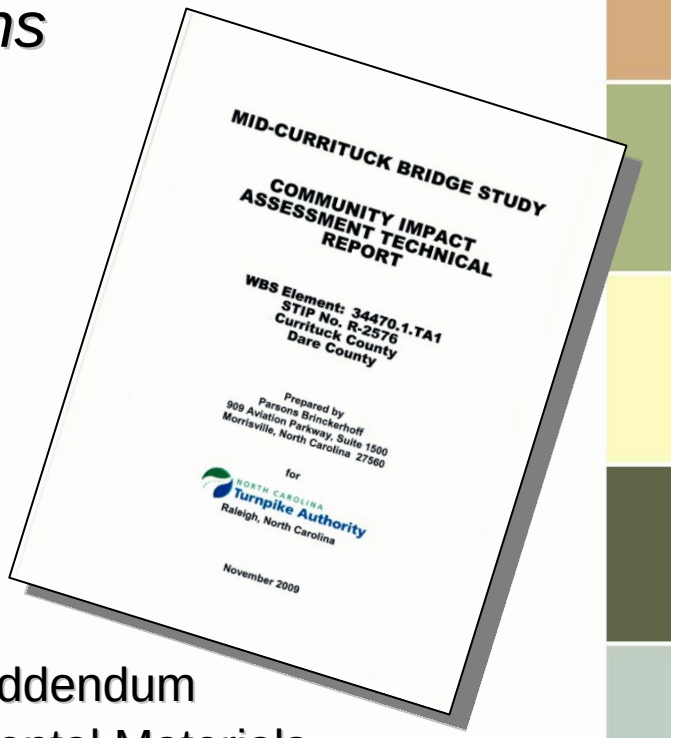
Technical Reports

On CD and Hard Copy at Public Review Locations



- Statement of Purpose and Need
- Alternatives Screening Report
- Air Quality Technical Report
- Community Impact Assessment Technical Report
- Essential Fish Habitat Technical Report
- Historical Architecture Resources Reports and Supplemental Materials
  - Historic Architectural Resources Report
  - Historic Architectural Resources Report Addendum
  - Historic Architectural Resources Supplemental Materials
- Indirect and Cumulative Effects Technical Report
- Natural Resources Technical Report

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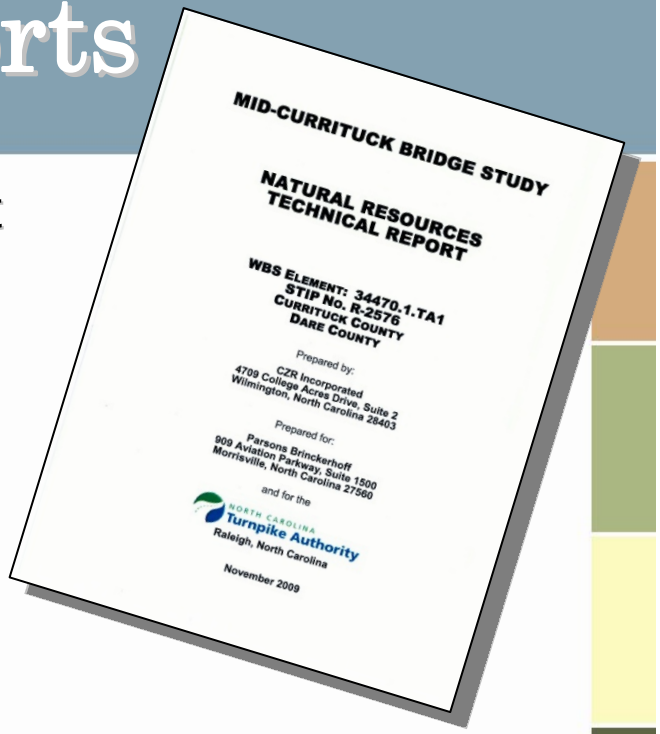

- Other Physical Features Technical Report
  - Energy
  - Accelerated Sea Level Rise Resulting From Climate Change
  - Visual Quality
  - Hazardous Materials and Underground Storage Tanks
  - Floodplains
- Phase I Terrestrial and Underwater Archaeological Background Study
- Stakeholder Involvement for Draft Environmental Impact Statement Technical Report
- Traffic Noise Technical Report
- 2035 Traffic Alternatives Report
- Public Hearing Maps

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Purpose and Need

- Substantially improve traffic flow
- Substantially reduce travel time
- Substantially reduce hurricane evacuation times from the Outer Banks

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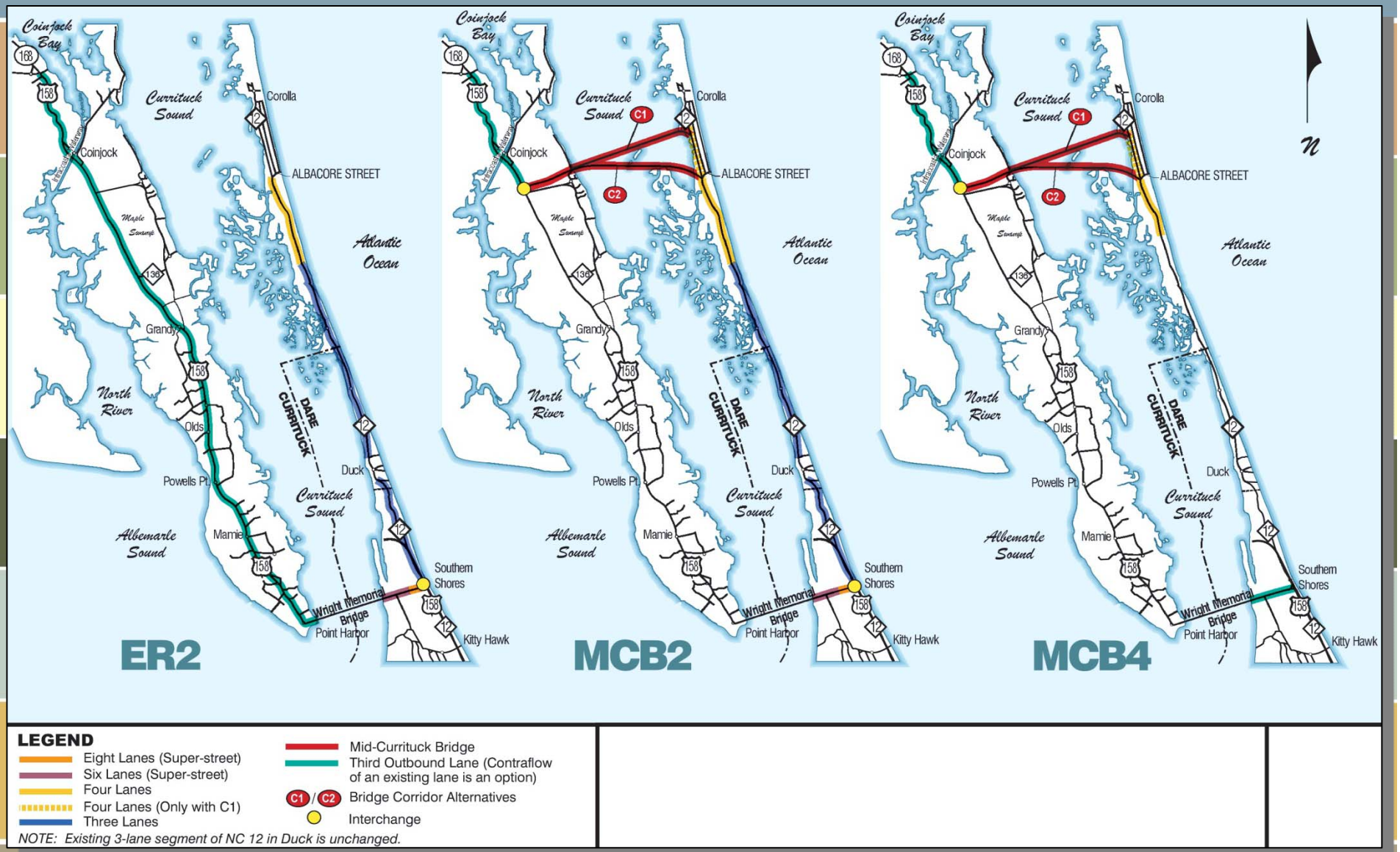
Detailed Study Alternatives



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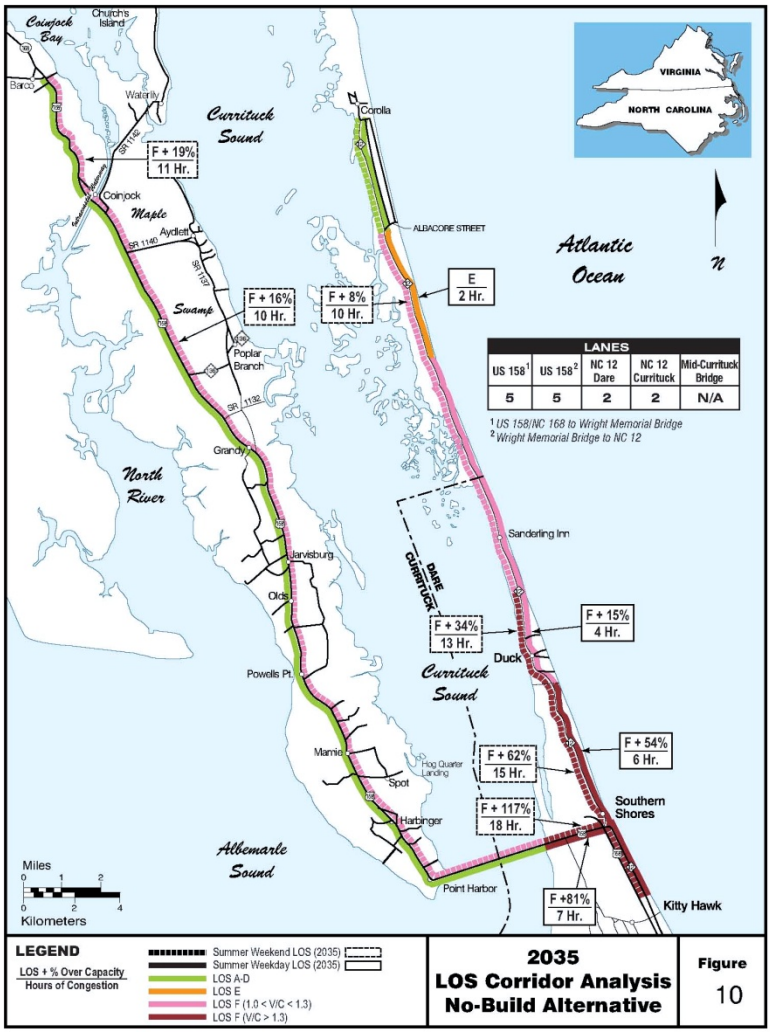

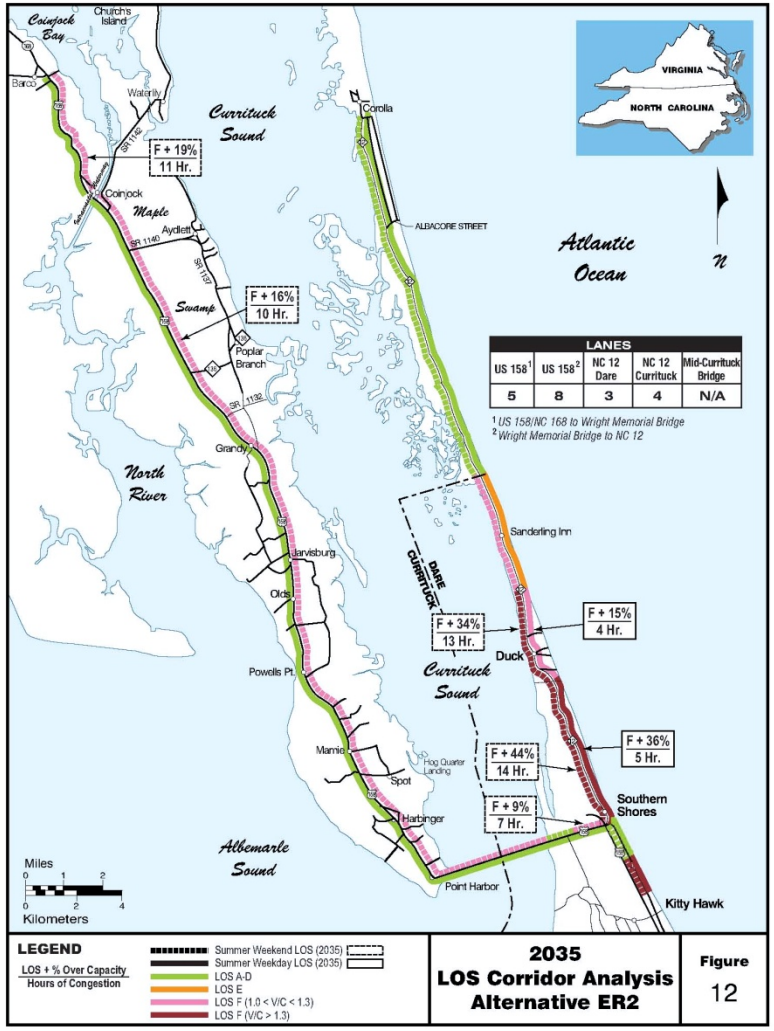

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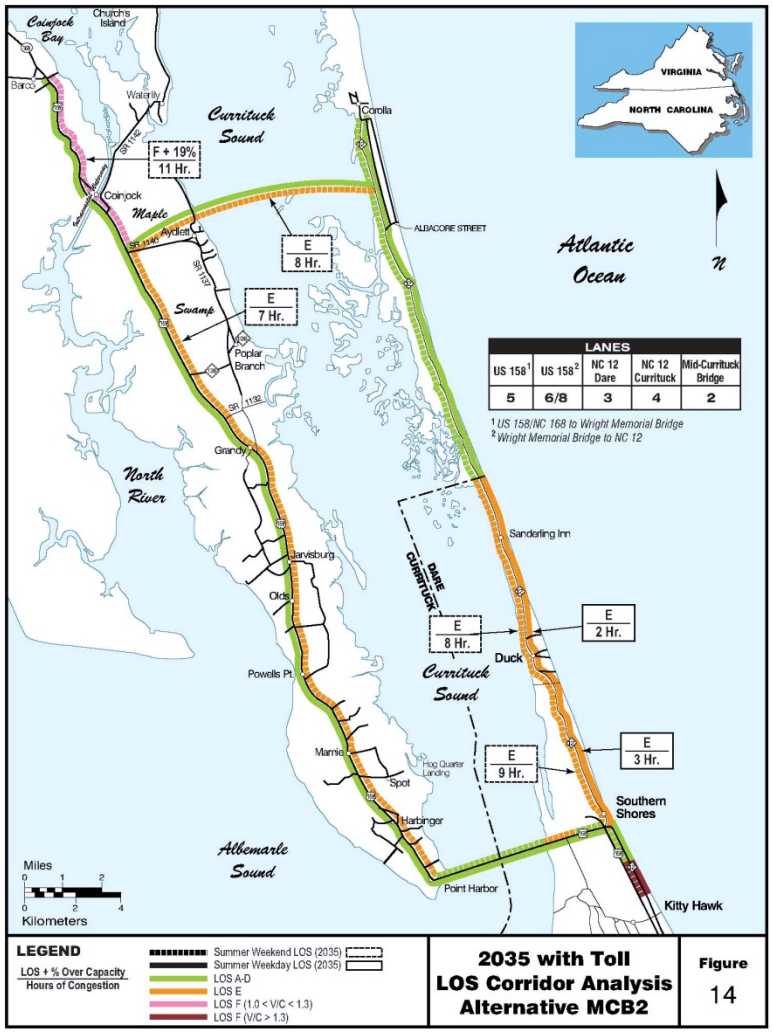
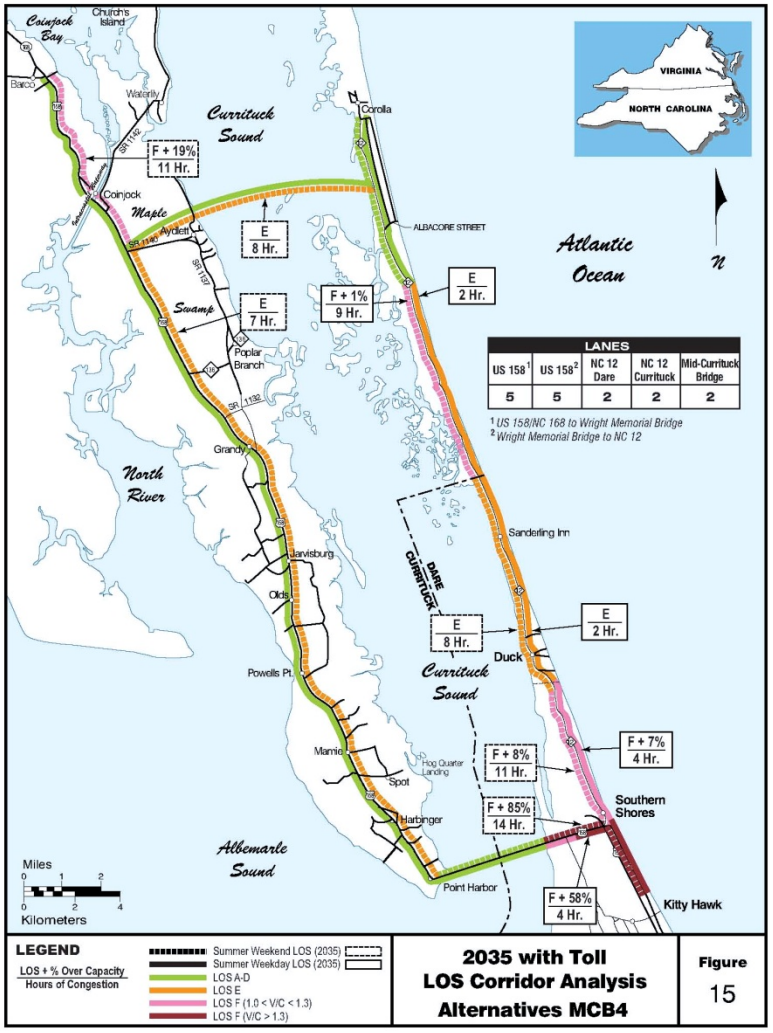
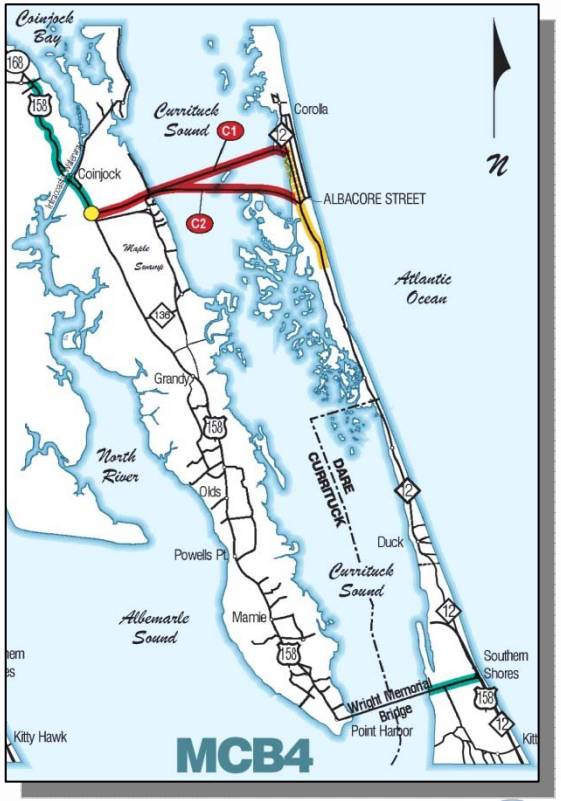




Recommended Alternative

- **MCB4** Presented as "Recommended Alternative" in the Draft EIS
- No Recommendation On:
  - Bridge Corridor (C1 or C2)
  - Maple Swamp Crossing (Option A or B)
  - Hurricane Strategy (Third Outbound Lane or Center Lane Reversal)



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Public Involvement

- Public Hearings
  - Ramada Plaza Nags Head Beach (May 18)
  - Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education (May 19)
  - Currituck County Center (May 20)
- Elected Officials Meetings

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Schedule

- DEIS: Completed
- Public Hearings: May 2010
- Preferred Alternative/ LEDPA: August 2010
- FEIS: September 2010
- ROD: December 2010
- Open to Traffic: 2015
  (first full year)

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Questions

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