



U.S. 70 IMPROVEMENTS
GOLDSBORO BYPASS TO PRINCETON
STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP)
PROJECTS R-5829 A AND B, WAYNE AND JOHNSTON COUNTIES
PUBLIC MEETING, DECEMBER 7, 2017

The maps on display tonight represent concepts for proposed interchanges and associated roadwork, and also show the project study area and an area of potential impact associated with the roadway concepts.

Please note that these concepts are subject to change based on public input and additional data that will be gathered in the coming months. Modifications to the roadway concepts will change the area of potential impacts.

Welcome!

YOUR ROLE AT TONIGHT'S MEETING

Sign In Please sign in at the registration table and provide your contact information to receive future mailings. We will include a summary of today's meeting with the number of attendees in the project record.

Maps View the project design maps that are on display.

Ask Questions NCDOT staff and project team members are on-hand and ready to answer your questions.

Provide Your Input A comment sheet is included in this handout. We would appreciate your thoughts about the project, and about the roadway concepts shown on the maps to help us understand the needs of the community. You can complete the comment sheet tonight, or return your comments by U.S. mail or email. **Comments are due by January 8, 2018.**

Information about the U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass to Princeton Project can be found online at: <https://ncdot.publicinput.com/>

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass to Princeton Improvement Project proposes to upgrade U.S. 70 to interstate standards from the U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass in Wayne County to west of Pondfield Road (S.R. 2314) in Johnston County. The project proposes to construct approximately 6.7 miles of freeway with interchanges at designated locations. Driveways, intersecting streets, and median crossovers would be removed, and parallel service roads would be added along portions of the project to provide access for property owners and to ensure mobility for local traffic. The project is not proposing to add additional through lanes to the existing four-lane divided highway, but would provide wider paved outside and median shoulders. The project is estimated to cost \$130.5 million.

This project is one of several projects that the North Carolina Department of Transportation is working on to improve the U.S. 70 Corridor, with the intent to improve regional mobility and provide better connectivity between Raleigh and Morehead City. In May 2016, the U.S. 70 Corridor was designated the Future I-42 between I-40 and Morehead City.

For funding purposes, the project has been divided into two segments. The two segments are being planned and designed together, while right of way acquisition and construction will be completed in two stages:

Segment A extends from the Goldsboro Bypass to west of N. Pearl Street/Edwards Road (S.R. 2372); right of way acquisition and construction are scheduled to begin in Fiscal Year 2023. The project proposes two interchanges in Segment A. One interchange is proposed in the vicinity of Capps Bridge Road (S.R. 1234) and Ebenezer Church Road (S.R. 1234) in Wayne County. Another interchange is proposed to be located on the east side of the Town of Princeton in Johnston County (East Princeton Area).

Segment B extends from west of N. Pearl Street/Edwards Road to west of Pondfield Road (S.R. 2314); right of way acquisition and construction will be scheduled for a future date. The project proposes that one interchange be built in Segment B on the western side of Princeton in Johnston County (West Princeton Area); two interchange alternatives have been developed for this general location. To provide additional connectivity across U.S. 70 for the Princeton community, each alternative includes two options for Rains Mill Road/Pine Street to cross U.S. 70. Under Option A, U.S. 70 would cross over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street on a bridge; under Option B U.S. 70 would cross under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street.

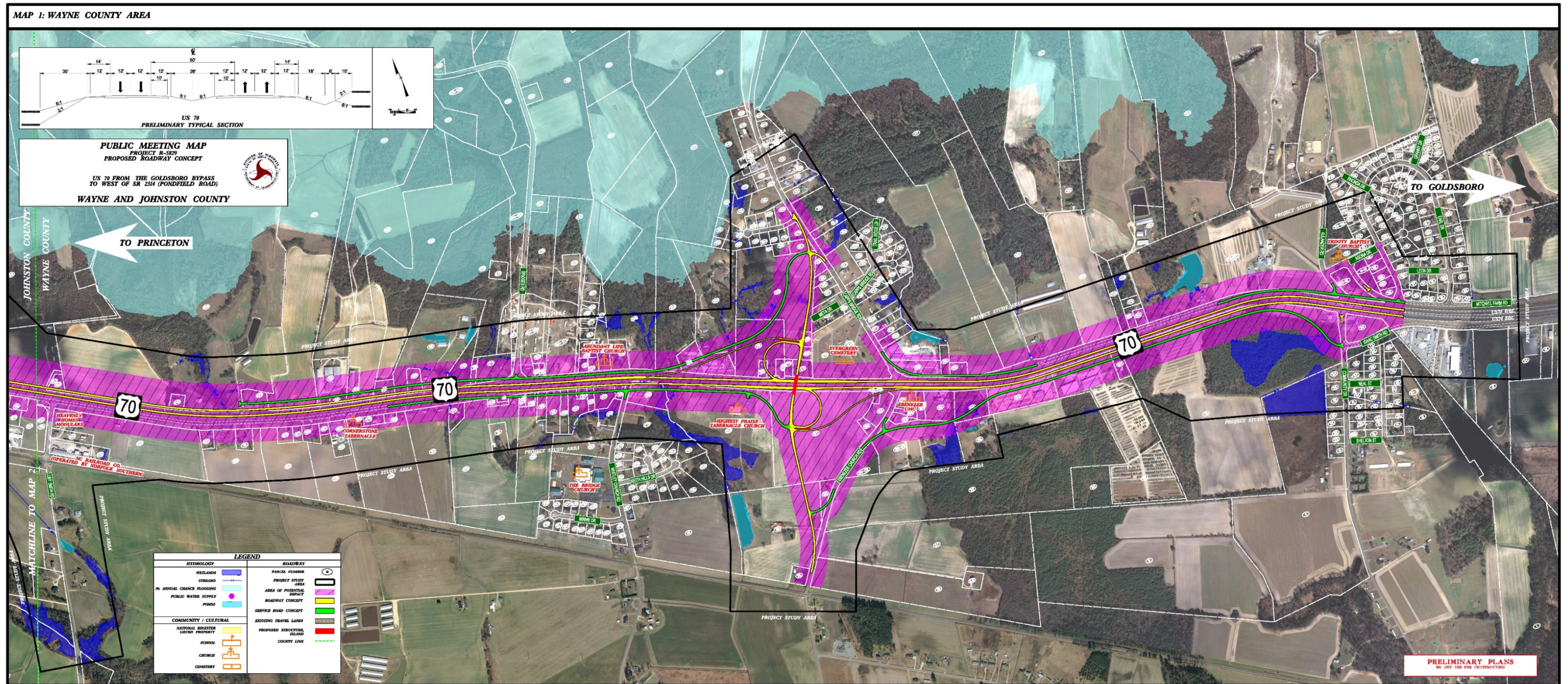
THE ALTERNATIVES

Maps and descriptions of the alternatives are shown on the following pages:

Map 1 Wayne County Area (ONE Interchange Alternative) page 3

Map 2 East Princeton Area (ONE Interchange Alternative) page 4

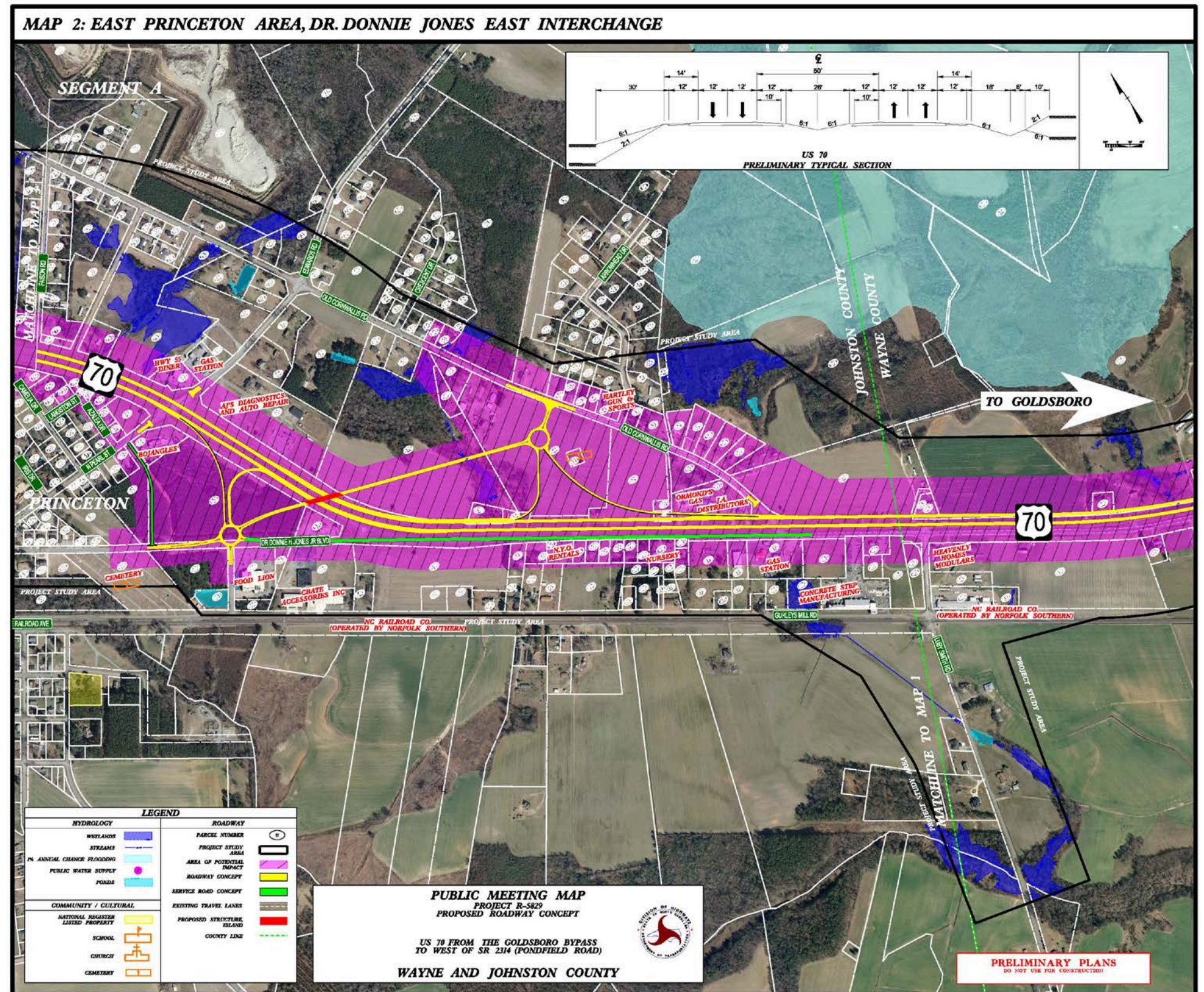
Map 3 West Princeton Area (TWO Interchange Alternatives) pages 5-6.



Capps Bridge Road/Ebenezer Church Road Interchange One interchange design concept has been developed between the U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass and the Johnston and Wayne County line, with the new interchange road crossing over U.S. 70 on a bridge. Additional roadwork is proposed on both sides of U.S. 70 to provide property access and local connectivity. Ebenezer Church Road would be realigned and extended eastward to Community Drive (S.R. 1237) across from Isaac Smith Road, to form a service road on the south side of U.S. 70. On the north side, Mitchell Farm Road, the service road that parallels the Goldsboro Bypass, would be extended to Capps Bridge Road.

Dr. Donnie Jones East Interchange

This alternative would extend Dr. Donnie H. Jones, Jr., Boulevard East across U.S. 70 on a bridge, and provide roundabouts on both sides of U.S. 70. This alternative includes creating dead ends at Pearl Street, Edwards Road, and Old Cornwallis Road (S.R. 2371). A new access road beside the Bojangles' restaurant on the south side of U.S. 70 is proposed with this alternative.



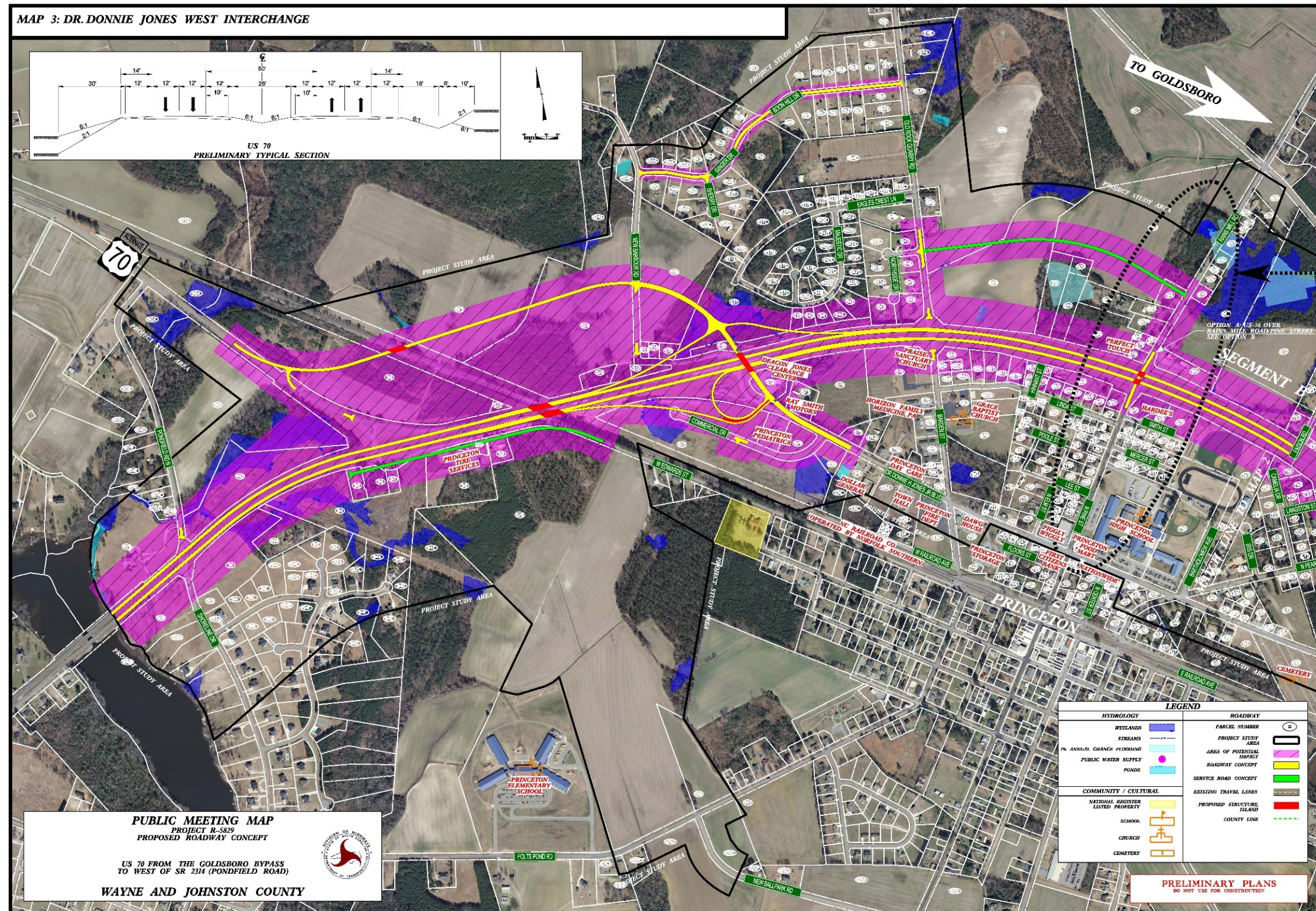
Dr. Donnie Jones West Interchange

This alternative proposes an interchange at Dr. Donnie H. Jones, Jr., Boulevard on the west side of Princeton with a connection on new location to U.S. 70-A. On the north side of U.S. 70 a new access road would be constructed between Old Rock Quarry Road and Rains Mill Road. On the south side of U.S. 70, W. Edwards Street would be relocated slightly south of its existing location to provide local access and it would dead end in the vicinity of its existing intersection with U. S. 70. Under this alternative, the current Barden Street and Old Rock Quarry Road intersections with U.S. 70 would also be dead ended.

To provide connectivity with the surrounding road network, this alternative includes two options for Rains Mill Road/Pine Street to cross U.S. 70. Option A would build bridges along U.S. 70 to cross over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street. Option B would build a bridge along Rains Mill Road/Pine Street and U. S. 70 would cross underneath.

Option A- U.S. 70 over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

Option B- U.S. 70 under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street



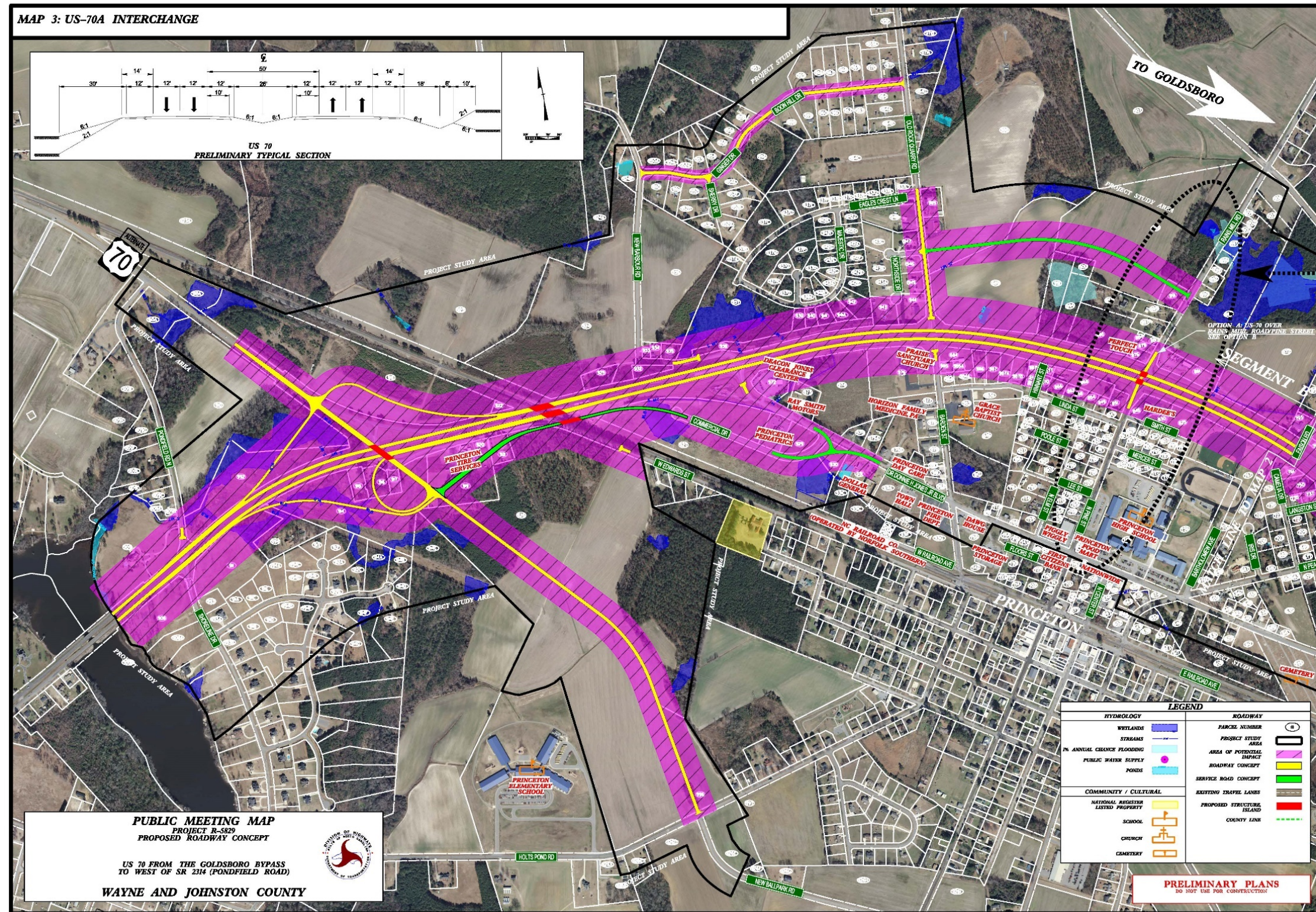
OPTION B
 U.S. 70 Under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

U.S. 70-A Interchange This alternative proposes an interchange near U.S. 70-A with a road extension on new location that would connect to Holts Pond Road (S. R. 2531) opposite New Ballpark Road (S.R. 2533); this would be referred to as New Ballpark Road Extension. Commercial Drive would be extended westward to intersect with the New Ballpark Road Extension opposite the new interchange ramp. W. Edwards Street would become a dead end roadway just north of the water tower. As with the Dr. Donnie Jones West Interchange alternative, a new access road would be built between Old Rock Quarry Road (S.R. 2316) and Rains Mill Road, and the design would create dead ends at the current Barden Street and Old Rock Quarry Road intersections with U.S. 70.

To provide connectivity with the surrounding road network, this alternative also includes two options for Rains Mill Road/Pine Street to cross U.S. 70. Option A would build bridges along U.S. 70 to cross over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street. Option B would build a bridge along Rains Mill Road/Pine Street and U. S. 70 would cross underneath.

Option A- U.S. 70 over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

Option B- U.S. 70 under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street



OPTION B
U.S. 70 Under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

PROJECT TIMELINE *

November 2015 - Feasibility Study completed for Segment A (from Edwards Road to the U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass)

Underway - Feasibility Study for Segment B

Today

December 7, 2017 - 1st Public Meeting

January 2018 - December 2018 - Evaluate public and agency input, complete field work and studies, develop preliminary project designs, summarize costs and impacts, prepare draft environmental document

Early 2019 - Environmental Assessment (EA) Document

Spring 2019 - 2nd Public Meeting

Summer 2019 - Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) anticipated

2023 - Right of Way acquisition and construction for Segment A

To Be Determined - Right-of-Way acquisition and construction for Segment B

**Future dates are preliminary and subject to change.*

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The Project Team will evaluate public comments received following tonight's meeting, along with input from agencies and other stakeholders. Studies will be conducted to evaluate traffic, hydraulics, natural resources, community resources, historic resources and costs. This information will be used to help refine the roadway concepts and determine which alternative(s) will be carried forward for further design and analysis. A second public meeting will be held in Spring 2019 to share the revised designs and obtain additional public input. An Environmental Assessment will be prepared to document the costs and potential impacts from the proposed project, and a document called a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is anticipated prior to right of way acquisition and construction.

HOW TO STAY INVOLVED

Information about the R-5829 A/B U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass to Princeton Project can be found online at: <https://ncdot.publicinput.com/>.

Project updates will be provided on the project page, including a summary of the comments received following tonight's meeting. You may also contact members of the Project Team:

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RIGHT OF WAY PROCEDURES AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

Although it is early in the planning process, and the conceptual designs are subject to change as additional information is obtained, you may have questions now about right of way procedures. A description of the process that the North Carolina Department of Transportation follows is provided below.

Right of way procedures - After decisions are made regarding the final design, the proposed right of way limits will be staked in the ground. If you are an affected property owner, a Right of Way Agent will contact you and arrange a meeting. The agent will explain the plans and advise you as to how the project will affect you. The agent will inform you of your rights as a property owner. If permanent right of way is required, professionals who are familiar with real estate values will evaluate or appraise your property. The evaluations or appraisals will be reviewed for completeness and accuracy, and then the Right of Way Agent will make a written offer to you. The Department of Transportation must:

- Treat all owners and tenants equally
- Fully explain the owner's rights
- Pay just compensation in exchange for property rights
- Furnish relocation advisory assistance.

Relocation Assistance - If you are a relocatee, that is, if your residence or business is to be acquired as part of the project, additional assistance in the form of advice and compensation is available. You will also be provided with assistance regarding locations of comparable housing and/or commercial establishments, moving procedures, and moving aid. Moving expenses may be paid for you. Additional monetary compensation is available to help homeowners cope with mortgage increases, increased value of comparable homes, closing costs, etc. A similar program is available to assist business owners. The Right-of-Way Agent can explain this assistance in greater detail. Pamphlets are available at the sign-in table. Additional information about the right of way process can also be found here: <https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/ROW/Pages/ROW-Support.aspx>.

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 Meeting	Date: December 7, 2017
Location: Grace Baptist Church, 220 Barden Street, Princeton NC	
STIP No.: R-5829 A&B	
Project Description: Upgrade U.S. 70 to Interstate Standards from U.S. 70 Goldsboro Bypass in Wayne County to west of Pondfield Road (S.R. 2314) in Johnston County	

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Zip Code: _____	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Street Name: (i.e. Main Street) _____	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
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	Have a Disability: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Race/Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____	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"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____

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

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Thank you for your participation!

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COMMENTS



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Please Print

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone/ E-mail address: _____

Would you like to be added to our project mailing list? YES NO

How did you hear about the meeting? (Please check all that apply)

Postcard Newspaper Family/Friend Other: _____

Please share your thoughts and ideas regarding the proposed roadway design concepts. You may return your comments today at the comment table, or return by mail or email to the addresses listed at the bottom of the form. Comments are due by **January 8, 2018**.

1. Was the information presented at tonight's meeting clear? Could you understand the maps? Do you have any suggestions for making improvements?

2. Do you have comments about the overall project purpose to upgrade U.S. 70 to interstate standards?

3. We would like to hear your thoughts about the proposed interchange design concepts below.

Wayne County Area (ONE Interchange Alternative)
Capps Bridge Road/Ebenezer Church Road Interchange (Map 1)

*Thank you for attending this public meeting.
Your comments are very important in the project development process.*

East Princeton Area (ONE Interchange Alternatives)

Dr. Donnie Jones East Interchange (Map 2)

West Princeton Area (TWO Interchange Alternatives)

If you prefer one alternative over the other, please check the appropriate box and tell us why.

Dr. Donnie Jones West Interchange (Map 3 Alternative 1) U.S. 70-A Interchange (Map 3 Alternative 2)

To provide additional connectivity across U.S. 70, both West Princeton Area alternatives include two options for Rains Mill Road/Pine Street to cross U.S. 70. Which do you prefer?

Option A - U.S. 70 over Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

Option B - U.S. 70 under Rains Mill Road/Pine Street

4. Do you have other comments?

Please return this sheet to the comment table, or:

mail comments to:

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