



Merrimon Avenue Intersection Improvements

at Edgewood Road and at WT Weaver Boulevard

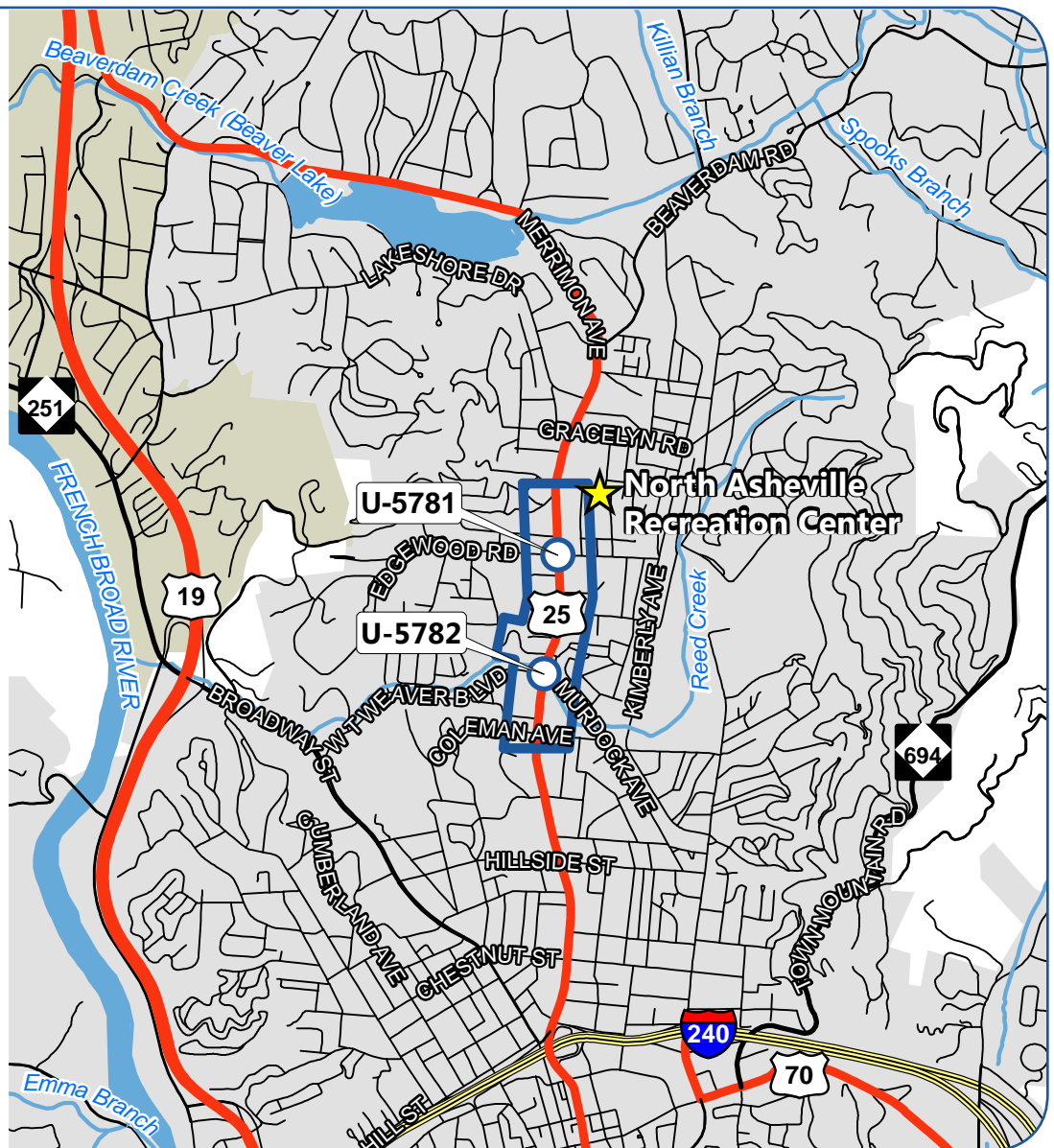
NCDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
Project Nos. U-5781 and U-5782

Welcome to the public meeting for Merrimon Avenue intersection improvements. The N.C. Department of Transportation is proposing to make improvements to the intersections of Merrimon Avenue (U.S. 25) at Edgewood Road and at W.T. Weaver Boulevard in the City of Asheville in Buncombe County. The projects are included in NCDOT's adopted 2018-2027 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as Project Nos. U-5781 and U-5782.

Project Location Map

Legend

- Project Intersections
- Project Study Area
- Interstate
- US Highway
- NC Highway
- Road
- Stream
- Open Water
- City of Asheville
- Town of Woodfin



Meeting Purpose

NCDOT encourages community involvement in transportation projects and will consider your feedback in the design of project improvements. This meeting is being held to obtain your input on the proposed project design.

What is the Proposed Project?

The project purpose is to improve traffic operations and enhance safety around the intersections of Merrimon Avenue with Edgewood Road and W.T. Weaver Boulevard. The proposed design balances the needs in this area, potential project impacts, and costs. The proposed design is not a final decision. Following this meeting, NCDOT will review and consider your input on the proposed design and make appropriate changes. The proposed project design consists of:

- Adding exclusive left turn lanes at signalized intersections
- Providing a safer connection for Clearview Terrace
- Right-in/right-out only at Murdock Avenue and Woodward Avenue to improve traffic operations on Murdock Avenue

Several factors were considered for screening improvement options, including general traffic operational benefits, impacts to adjacent properties, impacts to resources (e.g. historic and streams), and construction and right of way costs.

What is your opinion about the proposed design?

Please review the available project information and provide your opinion on the proposed design. Comment forms are provided for you to share your thoughts. Also, please speak with any member of the project team one-on-one about any questions or concerns you may have about the proposed project. Comments will be accepted until **Monday, January 29, 2018**.

What's next?

NCDOT will review public input and explore options to address concerns and incorporate changes to the extent possible. You may also email comments to the following contacts:

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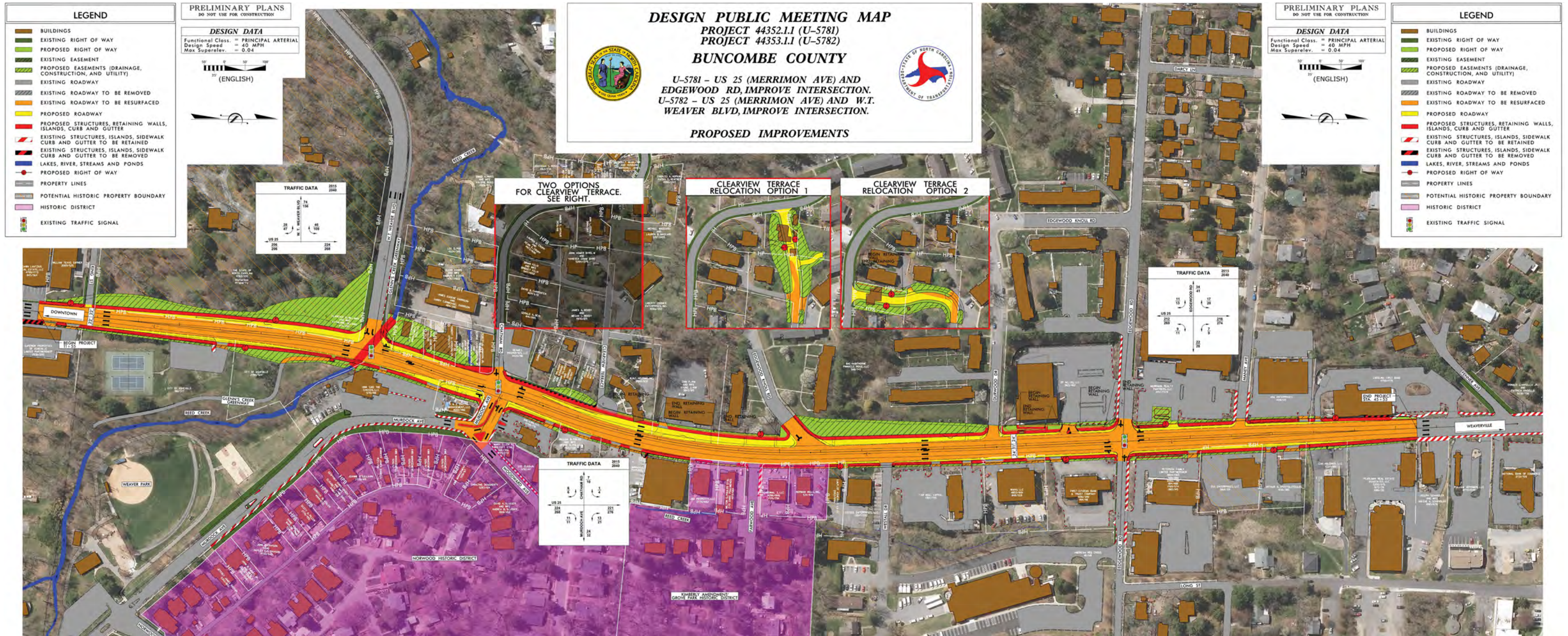
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Project Schedule:

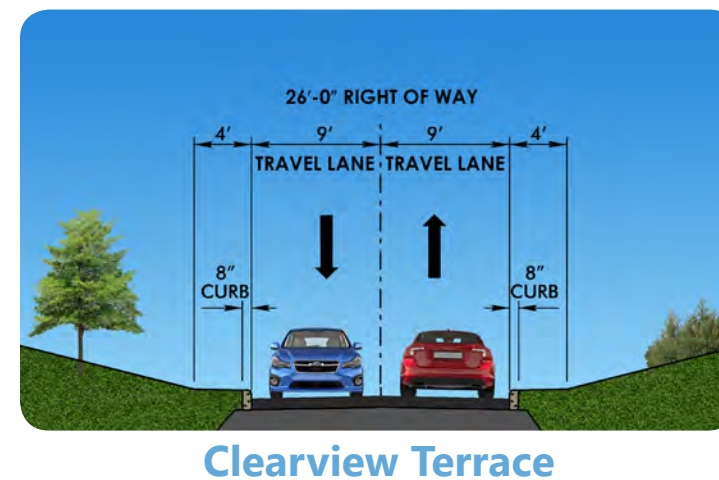
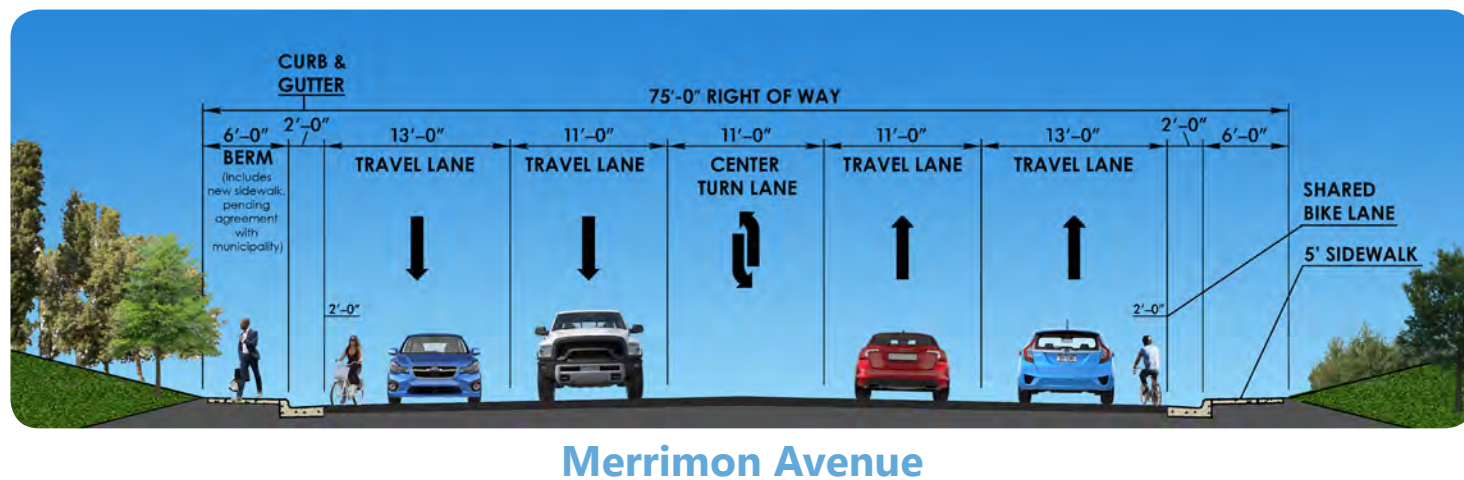
Early 2018:
State
Environmental
Document

Late 2018:
Begin
Right-of-Way
Acquisition

2019:
Begin
Construction



Proposed Typical Sections:



Estimated Project Impacts and Costs:

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|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Residential Relocations: | TBD |
| Business Relocations: | 1 |
| Stream Impacts (in linear feet): | 131 |
| Right of Way Cost: | TBD |
| Construction Cost: | \$2.8 million |