



Edgefield Highway(SC 19 North) Corridor Planning Study

Bethel Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
Thursday, April 24th, 2014 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Your Comments are Important!

Please submit any written or verbal comments by phone, mail, or email by May 19th to:

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Materials from tonight's meeting and all related study materials are available at the following websites:

www.aikencountysc.gov

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Welcome to the Public Meeting!

Aiken County and the City of Aiken welcome you to our public meeting for the Edgefield Highway (SC 19 North) Corridor Planning Study. Several ideas to improve this highway are graphically displayed for your review and comments. We value your input as recommended improvements to this highway take shape.

What to Expect

This meeting has a "drop-in" open house format with a brief presentation given at 4:15 PM and again at 6:00 PM. The presentation will describe the purpose of this meeting, important background information, the study process, and potential improvement alternatives.

The study area has been split into **3 distinct sections:**

- ★ Urban (downtown character) - Hampton Avenue to University Parkway
- ★ Rural Neighborhood (suburban character) - University Parkway to I-20
- ★ Rural (agricultural character) - I-20 to the Edgefield County Line

These three distinct sections of Edgefield Highway are displayed separately so you can focus on the area most important to you. You have the opportunity to review any and all displays, ask the study team members any questions, and tell us what you think. **Please visit our Comment Table and fill out a comment form with your suggestions, ideas, or concerns regarding the future of the highway and the surrounding area.**

What We Have Gathered So Far

Two Steering Committee meetings consisting of community members & leaders, DRMP Consultants, and staff from the City and County have been held as well as three community meetings. Knowledge of the study area has been gained from a public survey, GIS databases, the Department of Public Safety, SCDOT, previously related studies, and traveling the roadway itself. Based on these activities, we have found many concerns which have led us to our two guiding principles for this study.

High accident rates	SAFETY
Heavy Congestion	
Observed Speeding	
Need for additional Bike/Ped Facilities	
Need for a "Gateway" into Aiken	AESTHETICS
Need for development near the Interstate	
Need for property maintenance/upkeep	
Need for roadway landscaping	

The Next Step

In August 2014, the final report detailing the corridor's vision will be presented to and potentially adopted by the SC ARTS (Augusta Regional Transportation Study) Subcommittee of Aiken County.

