



# Edgefield Highway (SC 19 North) Corridor Planning Study

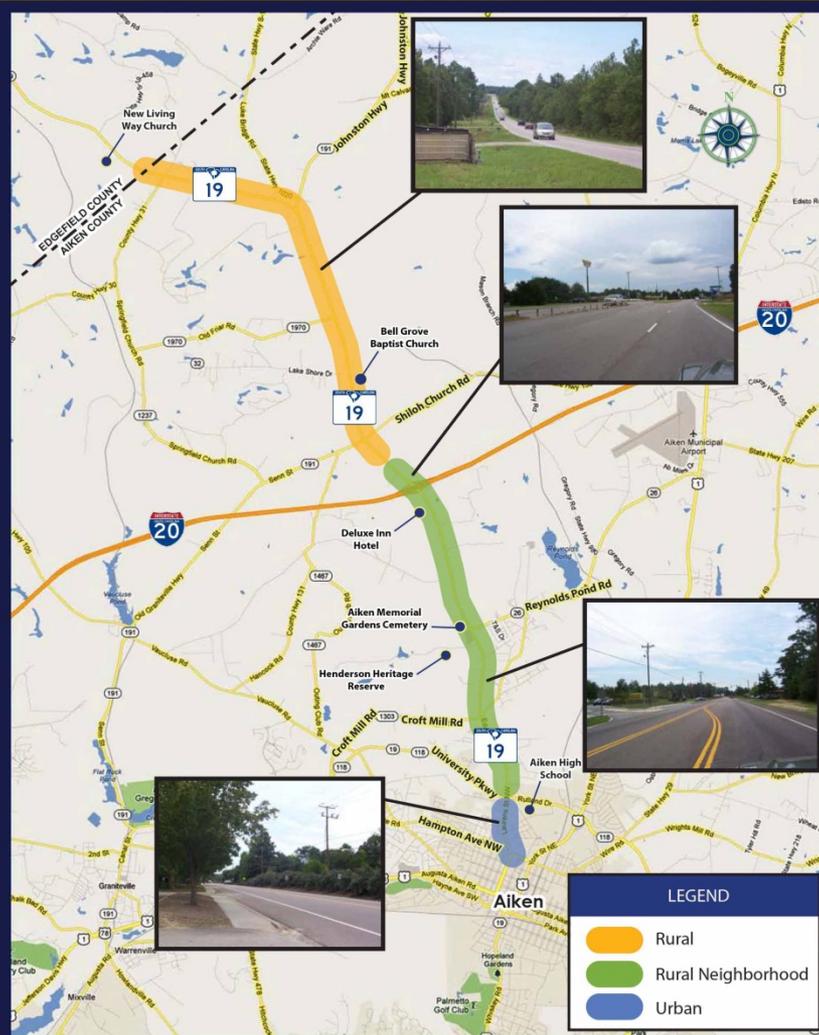
**Community Meeting**

**April 24, 2014**

**Bethel Baptist Church**



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North

- Rural –  
Agricultural -  
Forest

Middle

- Rural  
Neighborhood

South

- Urban

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## Previous Public Involvement

### Steering Committee Meeting

- October 3, 2013 – Guest House Inn
- January 16, 2014 – Aiken housing Authority

### Public Meetings

- November 21, 2013 - Aiken Housing Authority
- December 5, 2013 - Eureka First Baptist Church
- December 12, 2013 - Bethel Baptist Church

### Survey

- October through December 2013

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## Corridor Planning

### Three Simple Steps

Define the  
Problem

Define the  
Guiding Principles

Define and Select  
Alternatives

### Information

Data

Public  
Involvement

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What we learned from your input ...

Safety

Aesthetics

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## Safety

- High number of crashes
- Roadway congestion during peak hours
- Observed speeding
- High volumes of heavy trucks

- Close proximity of ditches to roadway
- Lack of shoulder between roadway and ditches
- Lack of bike and pedestrian facilities



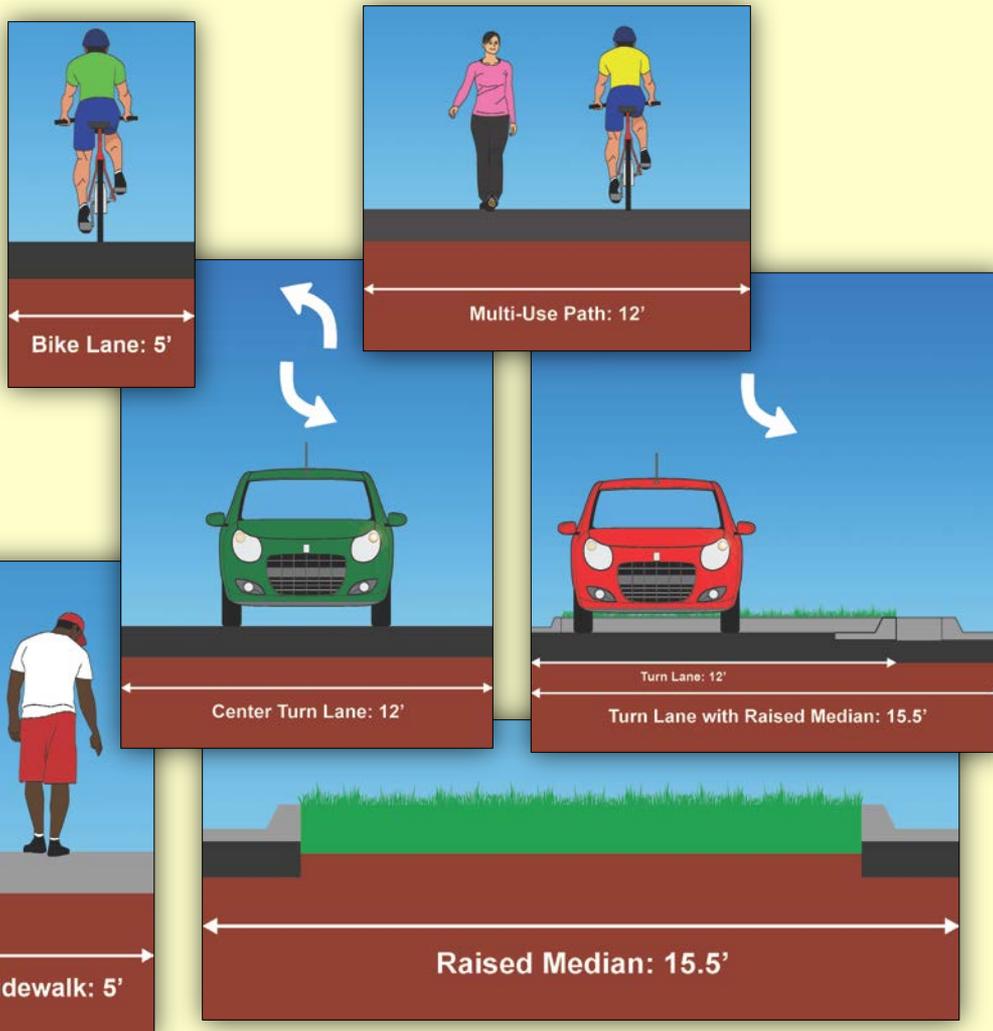
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## Aesthetics

- Need for development near the Interstate
- Desire to enhance & maintain natural resources
- Need for improved roadway and property maintenance/upkeep
- Desire for increased landscaping along roadway
- Creating a “gateway” entrance into Aiken



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Typical Section Element	Safety	Aesthetics
Bike Lane	+	
Sidewalk	+	+
Lighting	+	+
Multiuse Path	+	+
Add Turn Lanes	+	
Raised Median	+	+

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## Land Use

Tell us what types of land use is desired

- Residential
  - Large lots, small lots, townhomes or apartments
  - Is open space important?
- Non-residential
  - Retail, restaurants, hotels
  - Strip or clustered in “village” form



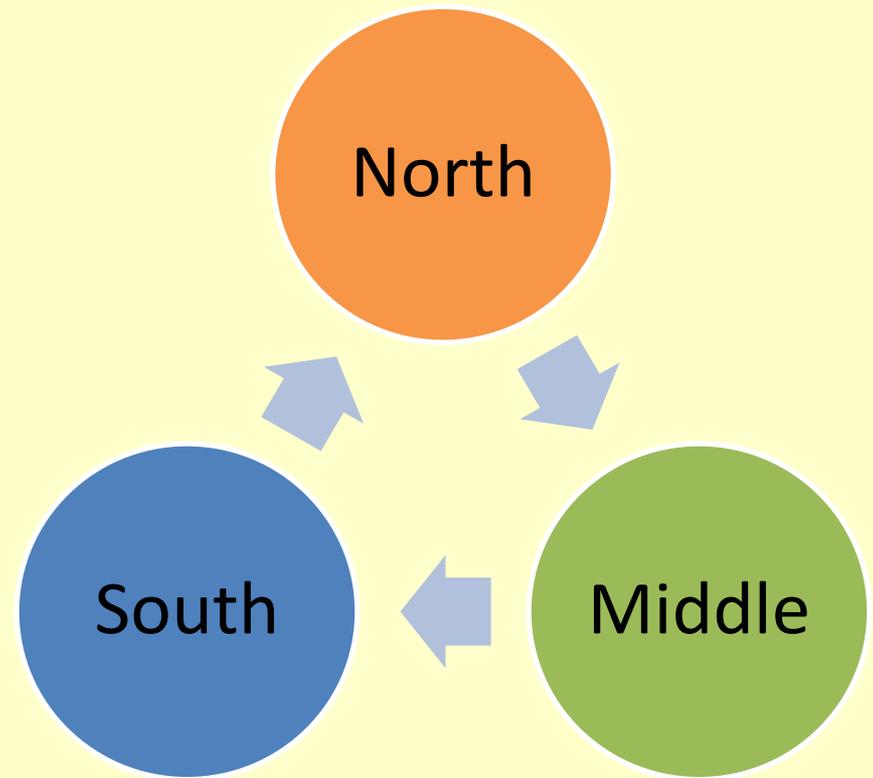
## What you will see at Today's Meeting

- Handouts
- 3 - Geographic Character Area Displays
- 3 - Comment Forms

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3 - Geographic  
Character  
Area Displays

3 - Comment  
Forms



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## Handout

- Explains the project
- Take home to friends and relatives

**Edgefield Highway (SC 19 North)  
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Thursday, April 24th, 2014 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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**Welcome to the Public Meeting!**  
Alkon County and the City of Alkon would like to welcome you to our Public Meeting for the Edgefield Hwy Corridor Planning Study. We value your input as we create a vision for the future.

**What to Expect**  
The format of this work shop is an open house with a short presentation given at 4:15 PM and again at 6:00 PM. This presentation will describe the study process, project history, potential improvement alternatives, and the meeting purpose.

The study area has been split into 3 distinct sections:

- ★ Urban (downtown character) - Hampton Street to University Parkway
- ★ Rural Neighborhood (suburban character) - University Parkway to 1-20
- ★ Rural (agriculture character) - 1-20 to the Edgefield County Line

The room has been organized to display the three distinct sections of Edgefield Highway separately so that you can focus on the area that is most important to you. You will have an opportunity to review any and all displays and ask the study team members any questions you may have. Please visit our committee table to complete a comment form to provide suggestions, ideas, or concerns pertaining to the future of the roadway and the surrounding area.

**What we have learned from input to this point**  
Two Steering Committee meetings have been held, comprising of community members and leaders, the study team, and City and County staff. Knowledge of the area has been gained from GIS databases, the Department of Public Safety, SCDOT, previous studies, and using the workshop. Based on these activities, the following guiding principles have been developed:

Category	Needs
SAFETY	High accident rates
	Heavy Congestion
	Cluttered Streeting
	Need for additional Pedestrian Facilities
AESTHETICS	Need for a "Gateway" into Alkon
	Increased Maintenance
	Need for development near the Interstate
	Need for property maintenance/ upkeep
	Need for roadway landscape

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## Corridor Planning Study

### Display Areas

- One for each character area
  - Urban
  - Interchange / Rural Neighborhood
  - Rural
- Potential Roadway Renderings
- Potential Improvements
- Land Use

Insert Picture

## Comment Area

- Ask additional Questions
- Leave your recommendations/ concerns

## Comments Due

- **May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014**