

Meeting Purpose

- Explain Planning & Environmental Linkages studies
- Provide information on existing conditions
- Receive comments on the draft Purpose & Need
- Gather information on historic or cultural resources

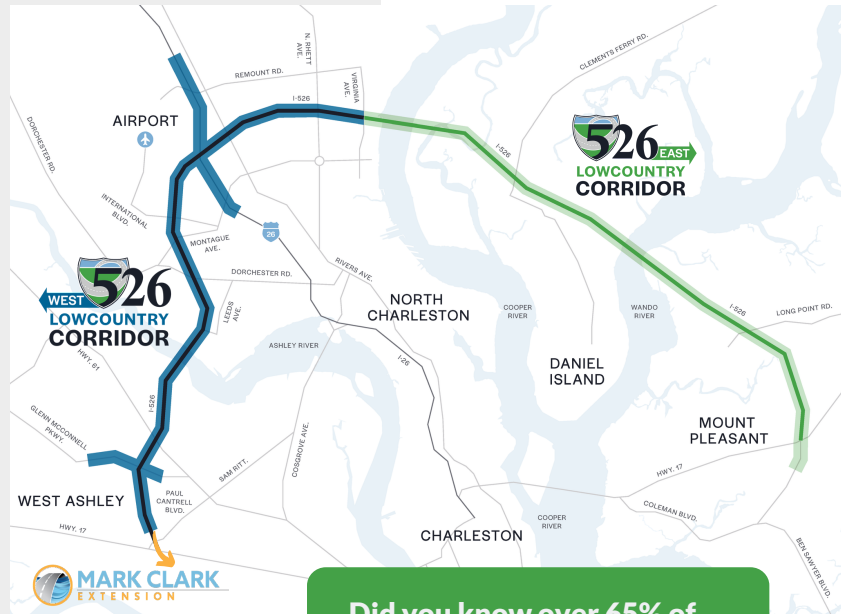
Welcome

The I-526 LCC EAST Public Information Meeting will be live from July 15th to August 15th, 2020.



Study Overview

SCDOT is conducting a Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for I-526 LCC EAST, which extends from Virginia Avenue in North Charleston to approximately US 17 in Mount Pleasant. The PEL study will identify existing and projected transportation issues within the corridor through public and stakeholder engagement. The results of the study will help establish a vision for the corridor that will guide future transportation decision-making. This resulting information of the PEL study will be carried into the next phase of project development which is the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. After the needs are better understood in this corridor, and potential improvements identified, the next steps, including potential phasing and project opportunities, may be developed.



Did you know over 65% of I-526 LCC EAST is elevated roadway & bridges??



Draft Purpose & Need

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The purpose for transportation improvements along this corridor is to **improve travel time reliability & reduce congestion** along I-526 from Virginia Avenue in North Charleston to US 17 in Mount Pleasant

Draft Considerations

- Coordinate with local plans & projects
- Accommodate increased traffic volumes
- Enhance mobility for people & goods

Draft Need

Roadway Deficiencies

- Over Capacity
- Shoulder Widths
- On & Off Ramp Lengths
- Tightly Curved Ramps

Mobility

- Traffic congestion from high traffic volumes & incidents

- Improve seismic resilience
- Accommodate future transportation technologies
- Improve connections with area ports & transit



PEL Study Process & Schedule

Identify Transportation Needs

Fall 2019

Draft Purpose & Need

Winter 2020

Develop Performance Measures

Spring 2020

Public Information Meeting
Summer 2020



We are here!



Develop & Screen Alternatives

Summer 2020

Identify Reasonable Alternatives

Spring 2021

Complete our Survey & Leave a Comment by Aug. 15, 2020

We want to hear from you!

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Have more questions? Contact us.

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Make an appointment at our Community Office:
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Public Information Meeting

Spring 2021

Final PEL Study

Summer 2021



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