



Corridor Public Meeting

Mitchell Mill Road Widening
From Louisburg Road (US 401) to Forestville Road

3329 Forestville Road, Raleigh, NC 27616

Sponsored by: City of Raleigh and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

September 23, 2010

Welcome

Welcome to the corridor public meeting on the Mitchell Mill Road Widening project. This is a meeting sponsored by the City of Raleigh to present the project's preliminary engineering designs, answer your questions and gather public comments on the roadway design. Please feel free to review the project maps displayed and ask questions of members of the project team here tonight from the City of Raleigh and the City's design consultant, Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. Thank you for your participation.

Beginning at 7:30 P.M., the public meeting will convene and a short presentation will be made that will explain the results of the corridor studies as well as discuss the preliminary project design. We welcome your comments and questions following the presentation.

Project Details

- **Location:** The proposed widening of Mitchell Mill Road will begin near Louisburg Road (US 401) and extend to the east of Forestville Road. See Figure 1 for an overview of the project limits.
- **Need/Benefit:** The project objective is to improve safety for all travelers, including motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. Construction of a median facility, additional left-turn lanes, an additional signalized intersection, U-turn movements, bicycle lanes, and sidewalks should contribute to safety along this corridor. The additional travel lanes eastbound and westbound should reduce traffic congestion at existing and new signalized intersections and allow vehicles to pass slower-moving vehicles within this heavily traveled corridor.
- **Description of Roadway:** Existing Mitchell Mill Road is primarily a basic two-lane roadway with inadequate traffic capacity and turn storage capacity at intersections. The proposed project would widen Mitchell Mill Road to provide additional travel lanes in each direction between Louisburg Road (US 401) and Forestville Road to improve this capacity.
- **Pedestrians:** Sidewalks will be provided on both sides of Mitchell Mill Road from Louisburg Road (US 401) to Forestville Road. Bicyclists will be accommodated with the addition of 5-foot bike lanes on both sides of Mitchell Mill Road.
- **Funding:** Project is not funded for right-of-way and construction at this time. The City Council will discuss future bond opportunities to fund the right-of-way and construction cost.

- **Assessments:** A Public Hearing will be held through Raleigh's City Council to authorize this project as an assessment project. Assessments for the road and sidewalks will be at an anticipated rate of \$38.00 (\$32.00 for street and \$6.00 for sidewalk) per frontage foot for residentially zoned properties and \$70.00 (\$64.00 for street and \$6.00 for sidewalk) per frontage foot for non-residentially zoned properties. Assessments for the water line will be at an anticipated rate of \$33.79 per frontage foot. Properties outside the city limits of Raleigh will not be assessed for these improvements unless added to the City by annexation at a later date.

Upcoming Activities

- Comments from tonight's meeting will be carefully reviewed and incorporated into the design where possible.
- Hold a **Design Public Meeting** to review additional design and right-of-way impacts. This meeting is scheduled in Spring 2011 (tentative schedule).
- Conduct a **Public Hearing** through Raleigh's City Council to approve the project and authorize assessments and right-of-way acquisition. This meeting is scheduled for late Spring 2011 (tentative schedule).
- Prepare the Final Engineering Designs, taking into consideration comments received at the Design Public Meeting and Public Hearing.
- Acquire right-of-way and easements necessary to construct the project. Right-of-way acquisition is scheduled to begin after the Public Hearing in late Spring 2011 (tentative schedule if funds are available).
- Award the construction contract of the project in Spring 2012 (tentative schedule if funds are available).
- Begin construction of the project by Spring 2012 (tentative schedule).
- Complete construction of the project by Fall 2013 (tentative schedule).

Public Involvement

This meeting is a continued part of a public involvement program for the proposed project and its purpose is to address the concerns of local citizens during the design process. Participation by all interested parties is encouraged and all comments will be taken into consideration during the design of the project. The City of Raleigh will notify citizens of the Design Public Meeting tentatively scheduled for next spring. Additional information is available on the City of Raleigh's website at www.raleighnc.gov by clicking "City Projects" or by searching "Mitchell Mill Road widening" in the search bar.

A pre-addressed comment sheet is part of this handout and is for your use in providing us with your input regarding the proposed project. Please leave the comments with a representative of the City of Raleigh, or mail your comments to Mr. Ken Dunn at the following address by October 8, 2010:

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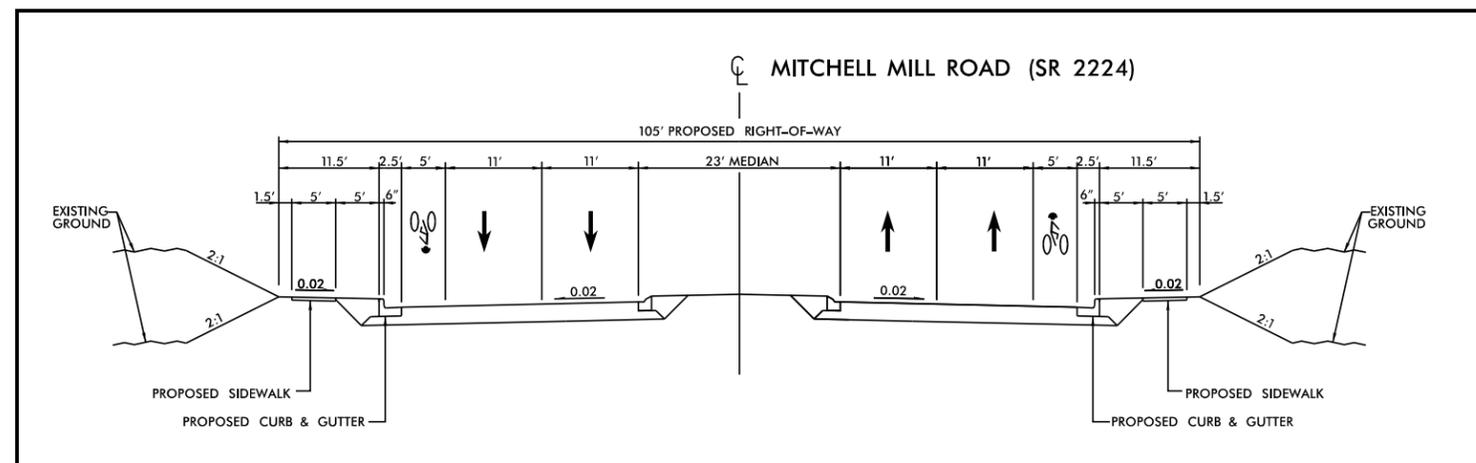
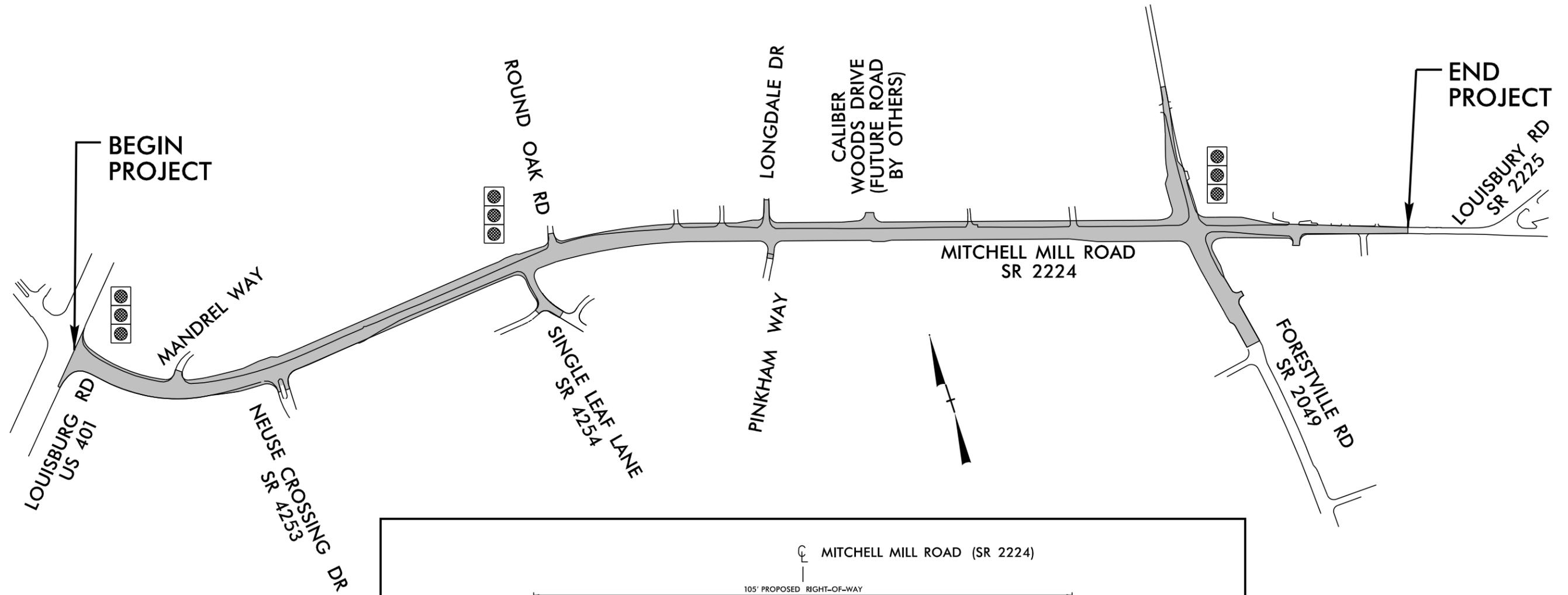
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Thank you for your participation this evening. The City of Raleigh and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. appreciate your feedback and look forward to working with you to address your comments and concerns on this important project!

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