



Butts, Jones, & Monroe Counties Transportation Study



Public Workshop #1 - Monroe County

November 1, 2007

Why Develop a Transportation Plan?

- Ensure that each County is able to meet the current and future mobility needs of residents and businesses.
- Ensure transportation priorities match community priorities.
- Develop a listing of prioritized transportation projects.
- Coordinate with other planning efforts.
- Early identification of funding issues and opportunities.

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Planning
Partners

- Georgia Department of Transportation
- Butts, Jones, and Monroe Counties
 - City of Culloden
 - City of Flovilla
 - City of Forsyth
 - City of Gray
 - City of Jackson
 - City of Jenkinsburg
- McIntosh Trail RDC and Middle Georgia RDC
- Macon MPO
- Community Leaders
 - Elected Officials
 - Business Community
- Environmental Justice Communities
- Interested Citizens and Citizen Groups

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We Need
Your Input

- Transportation deficiencies
- Transportation issues and opportunities
- Development/growth areas
- Get the word out to the community!

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What are your
transportation
plan goals?

- Enhance countywide mobility and accommodate growth through improved roadway connectivity
- Protect our Downtown areas by removing trucks and other through traffic
- Ensure that our transportation system is safe for all users and Citizens
- Improve the range of mobility options for our Citizens
- Protect and connect our natural resources
 - parks, lakes, and historic sites

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Study Process

- Public Involvement
- Data Collection
- Model Development
- Existing & Future Operating Conditions Assessments
- Alternatives Development
- Alternative Screening and Ranking
- Identification of Improvements
- Development of Mid- and Long-Range Transportation Plan (2015 and 2035)

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Public
Involvement

- Study Advisory Groups
 - Butts County
 - Jones County
 - Monroe County
- Public Information Workshops
 - Public Kick-Off Workshop (November 2007)
 - Final Public Workshop (February/March 2008)
- Meeting Announcements and Study Updates
 - Mailings
 - Website
 - Local Resources

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Data
Collection
Overview

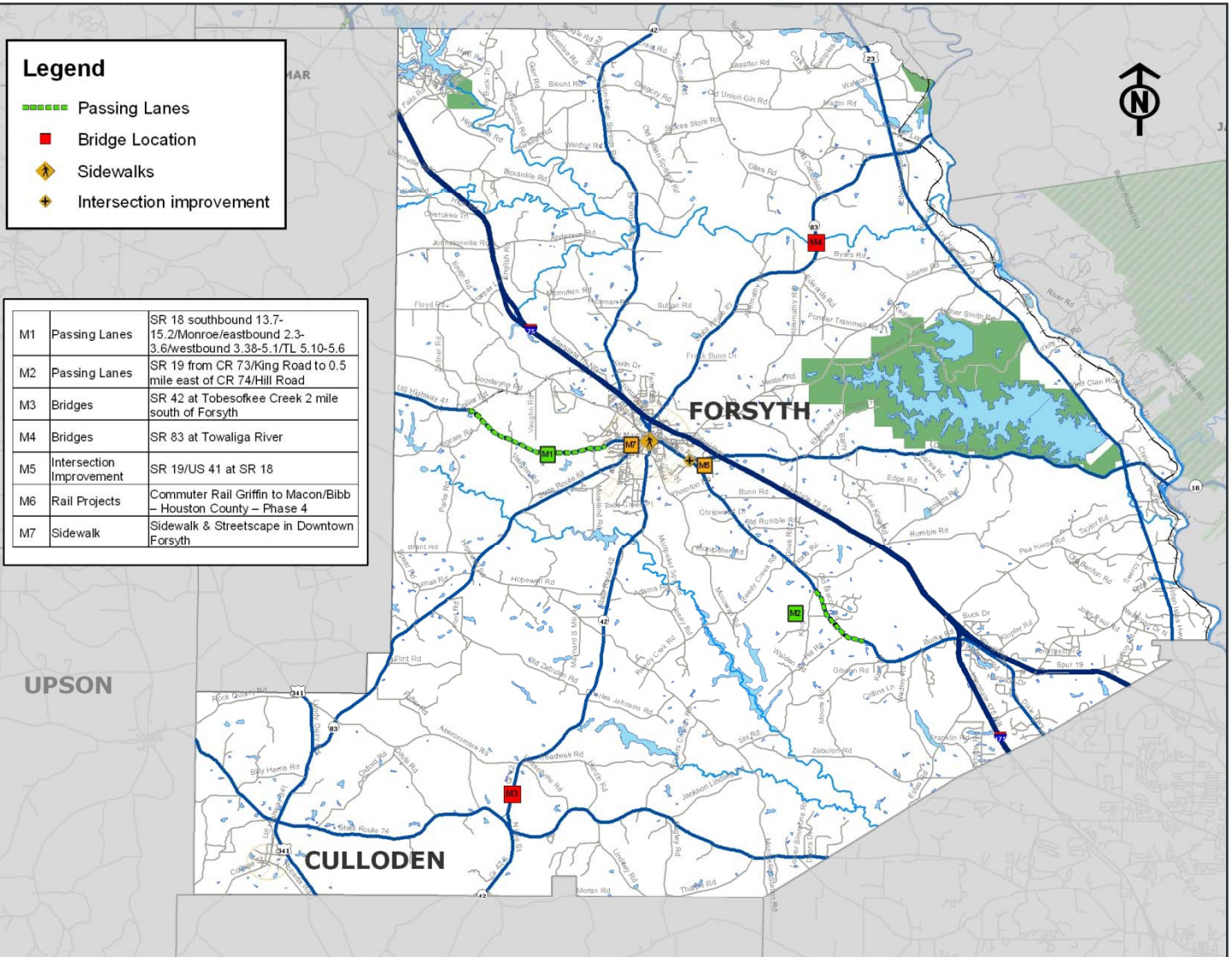
- Multi-Modal (Transit, Bicycle, Pedestrian, Aviation)
- Background Information and Studies
 - Transportation and Land Use Planning Documents
- Data to Support Travel Demand Model
 - Transportation Network
 - Population/Employment Data
 - Land Use Data
- Crash History
- Bridge Inventory
- Rail and Freight Movement

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Programmed
Projects

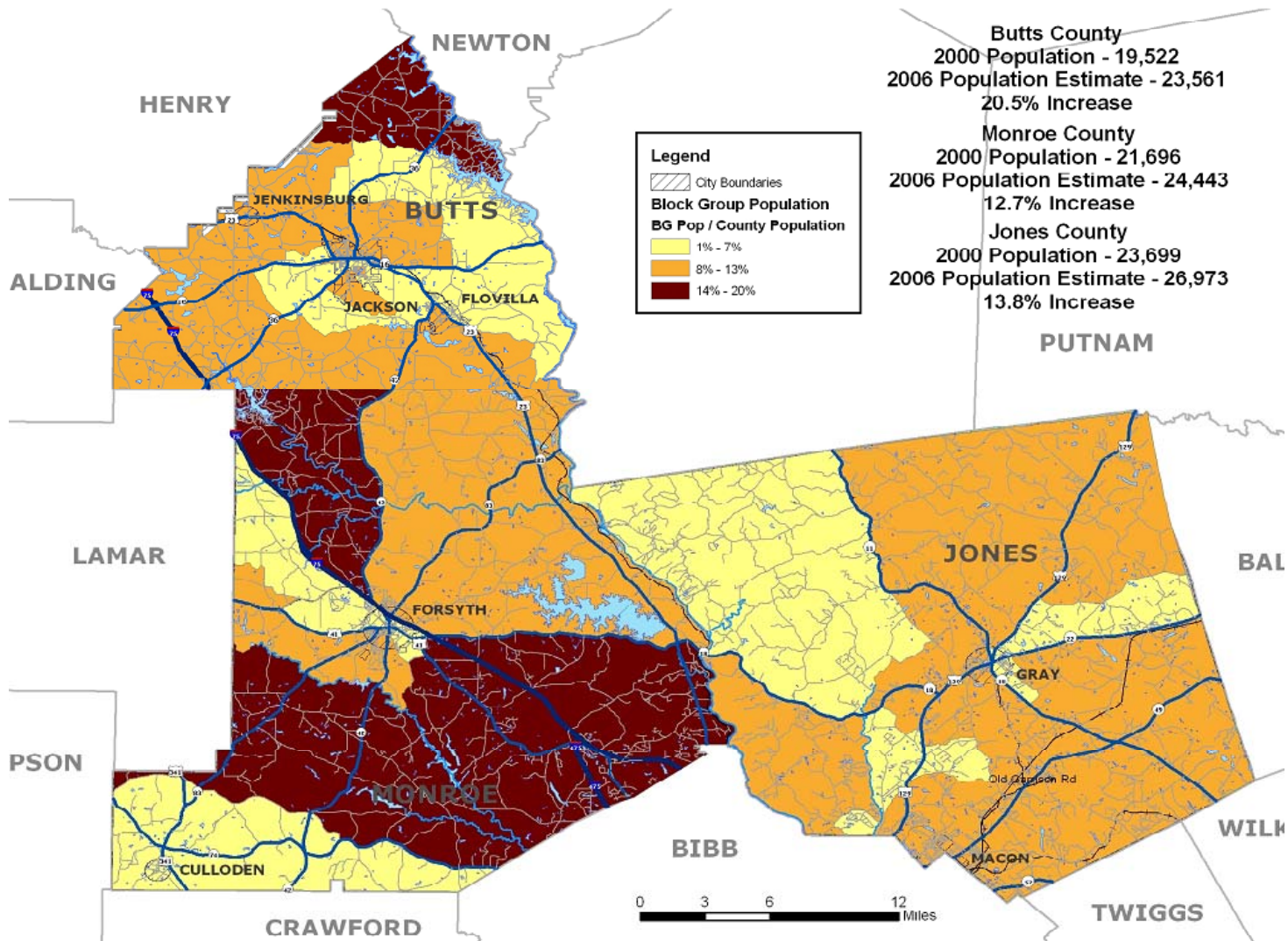
- Types of Programmed Projects
 - Bridge Maintenance or Rehabilitation
 - Railroad Crossing Safety Improvements
 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Enhancements
 - Roadway Widening
 - New Facilities
 - Intersection Improvements
 - Roadway Resurfacing and Maintenance

Programmed Projects



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Population Change



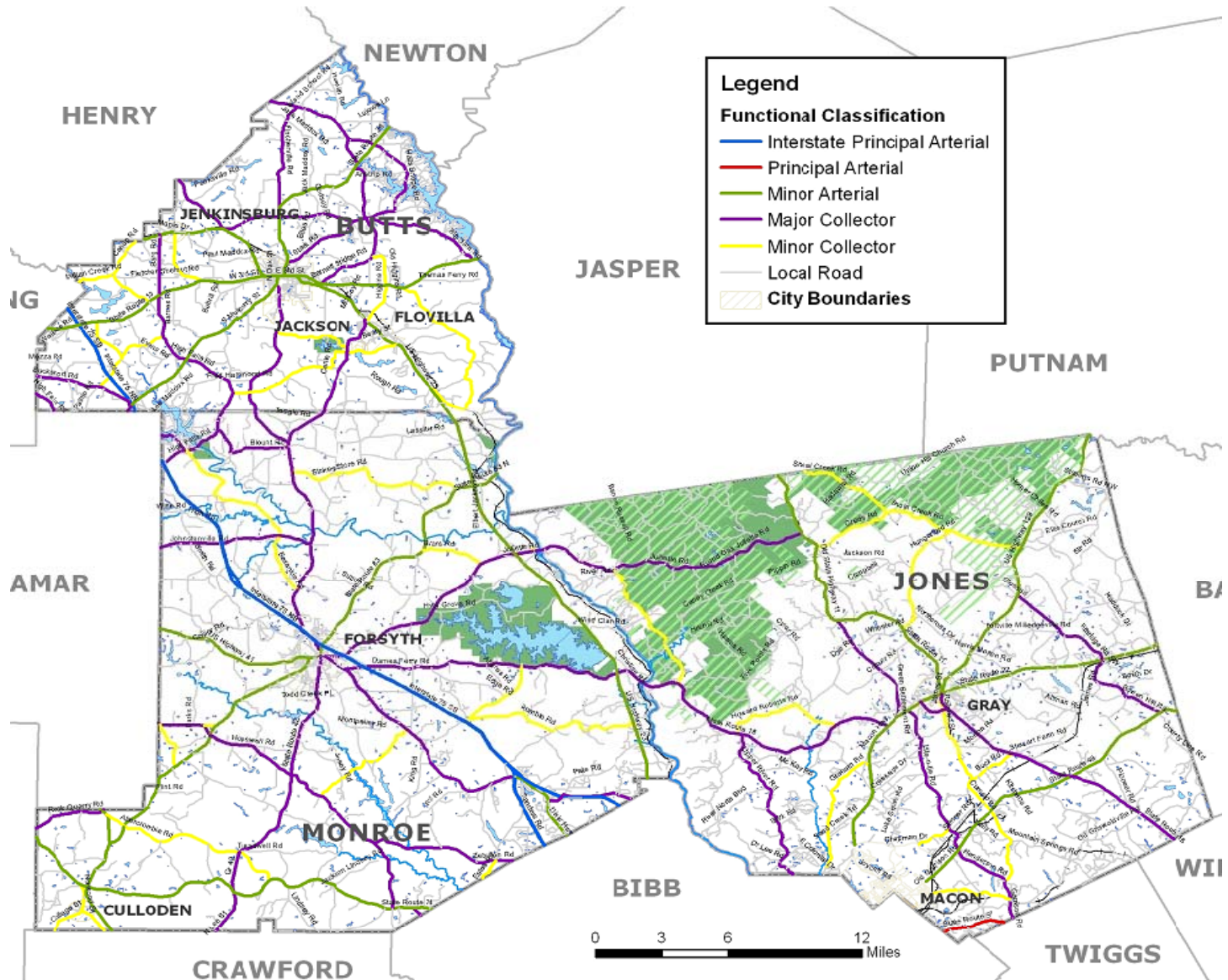
Butts County
 2000 Population - 19,522
 2006 Population Estimate - 23,561
 20.5% Increase

Monroe County
 2000 Population - 21,696
 2006 Population Estimate - 24,443
 12.7% Increase

Jones County
 2000 Population - 23,699
 2006 Population Estimate - 26,973
 13.8% Increase

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Roadway Operating Conditions



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Monroe County
Transit

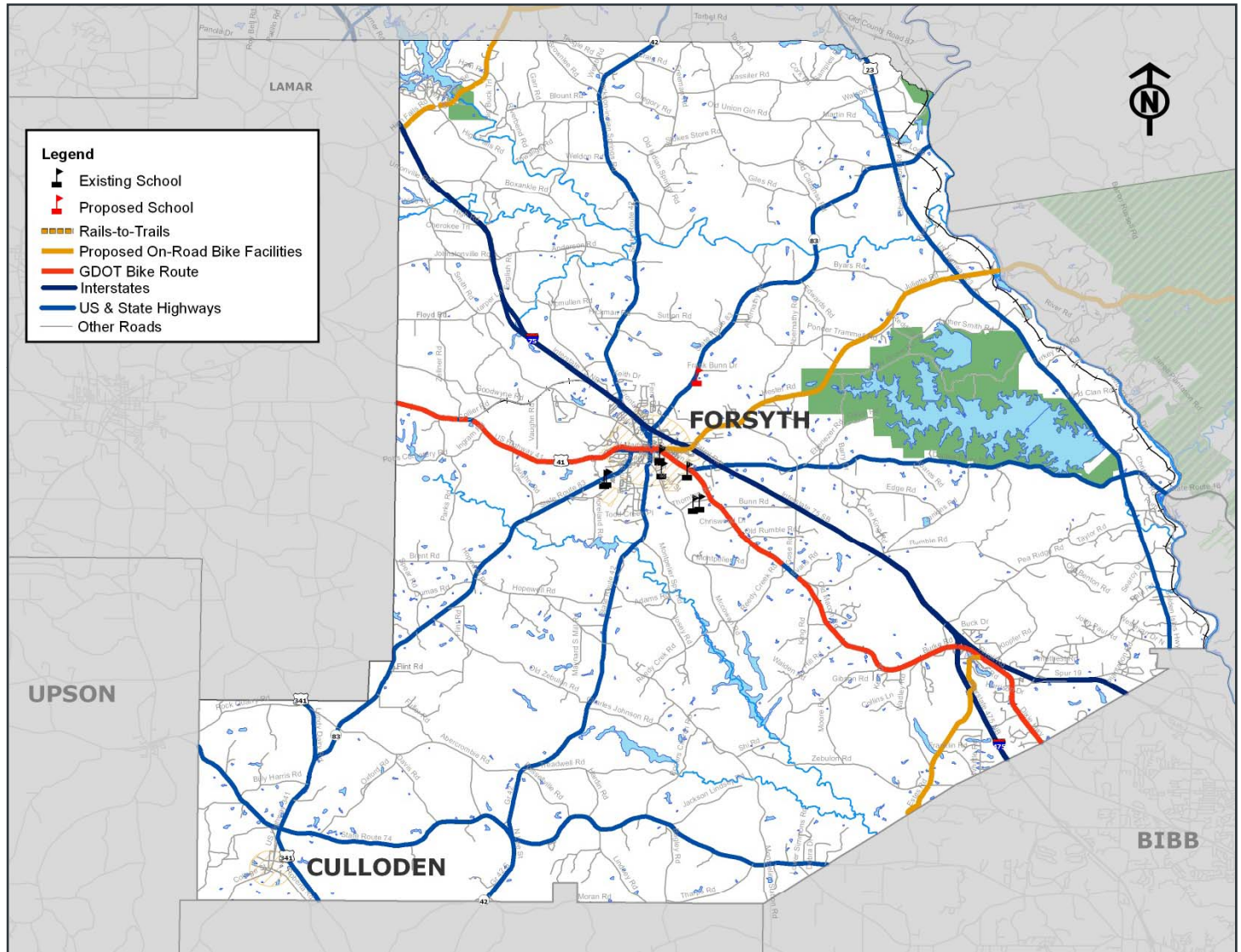
- The Department of Human Resources operates vans for those qualifying for assistance - 27,135 trips from July 2006-June 2007

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Freight & Rail

- Freight
 - Truck Routes
 - I-75
 - US 41, US 23
 - SR 83, SR 42, SR 18
- Rail
 - Operating Company
 - Norfolk Southern
 - Commodities
 - Nonmetallic Mineral Products
 - Large Terminating Point for Coal
 - Intrastate and Through Traffic
 - Safety
 - 3 Incidents from 2000–2007

Bicycle & Pedestrian Priority Areas



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Improvement
Development
Process

- Identify Deficiencies and Develop Preliminary Improvements
- Complete Initial Screening of Improvements Against Evaluation Criteria
- Review Proposed Improvements with Planning Partners
- Review Improvements with the Public
- Refine Improvements
- Prioritized List of Recommended Improvements

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Potential
Evaluation
Factors

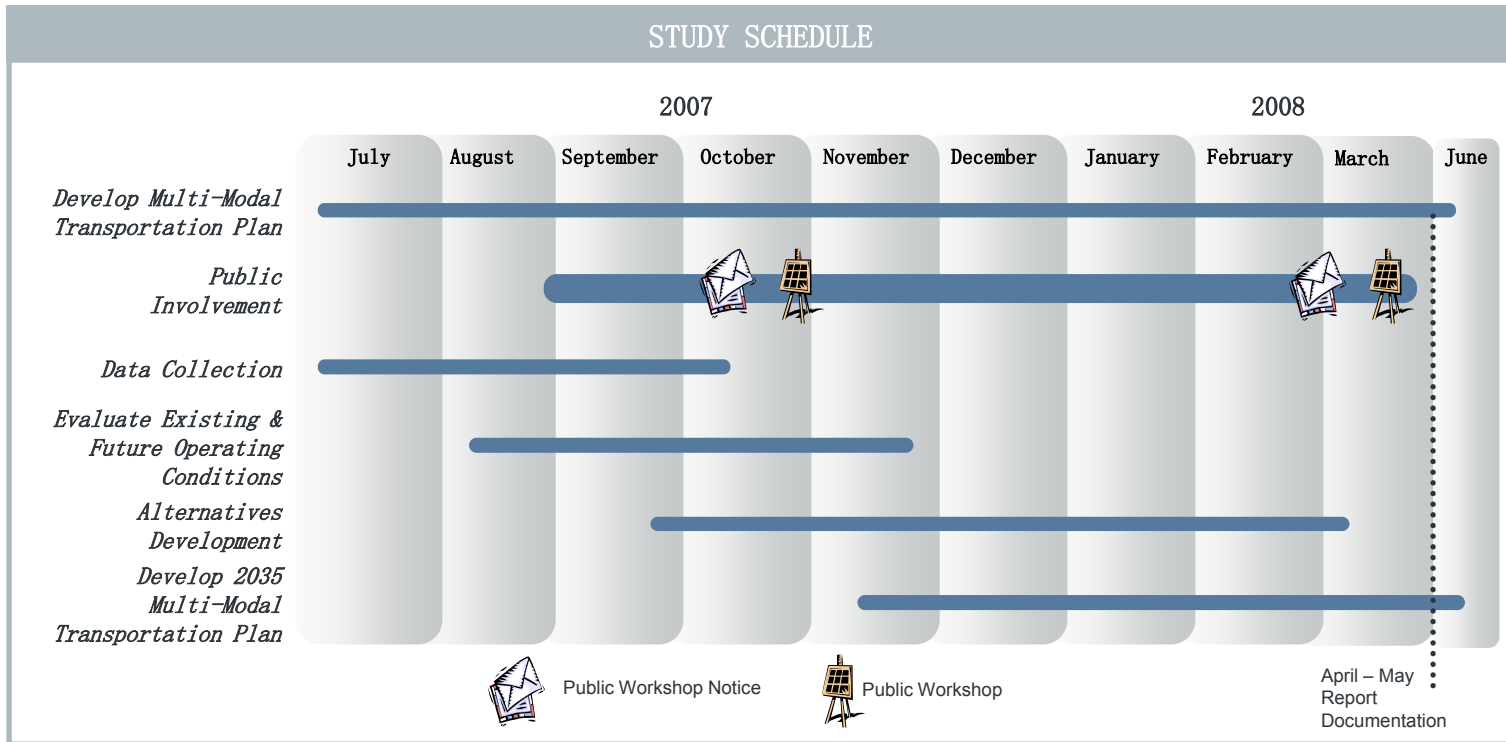
- Capacity
- Safety
- Consistency with comprehensive plans/land use plans
- Programmed improvements
- Redevelopment opportunities
- Corridor preservation
- Bridge sufficiency ratings

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Types of Improvement Alternatives

- Needs - Capacity Relief
- Parallel Relief - Improve a Corridor Parallel to a Congested Facility
- Network Connectivity - Enhance Connectivity of the Highway Network
- Access Improvement - Improve Access to a Site or Area
- Reconstruction - Improve an Existing Deficient Facility
- Safety - Correct a Potential Safety Deficiency
- Alternative Modes - Bicycle/Pedestrian, Transit and Rail

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Please Visit the Public Workshop Boards and
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