

On behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), we welcome you to this Public Workshop for two proposed transportation improvement projects in Sussex County.

The first project is along Plantation Road from SR 24 to US 9, which is a 3.2-mile major collector that serves both local and seasonal traffic as a north/south alternative to SR 1.

The second project extends from 0.5 miles north of the intersection of SR 1 at Minos Conaway Road south to approximately 0.25 miles north of the Five Points intersection (SR 1 at US 9).

Thank you for sharing your valuable time and insights.

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Secretary

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PURPOSE OF WORKSHOP

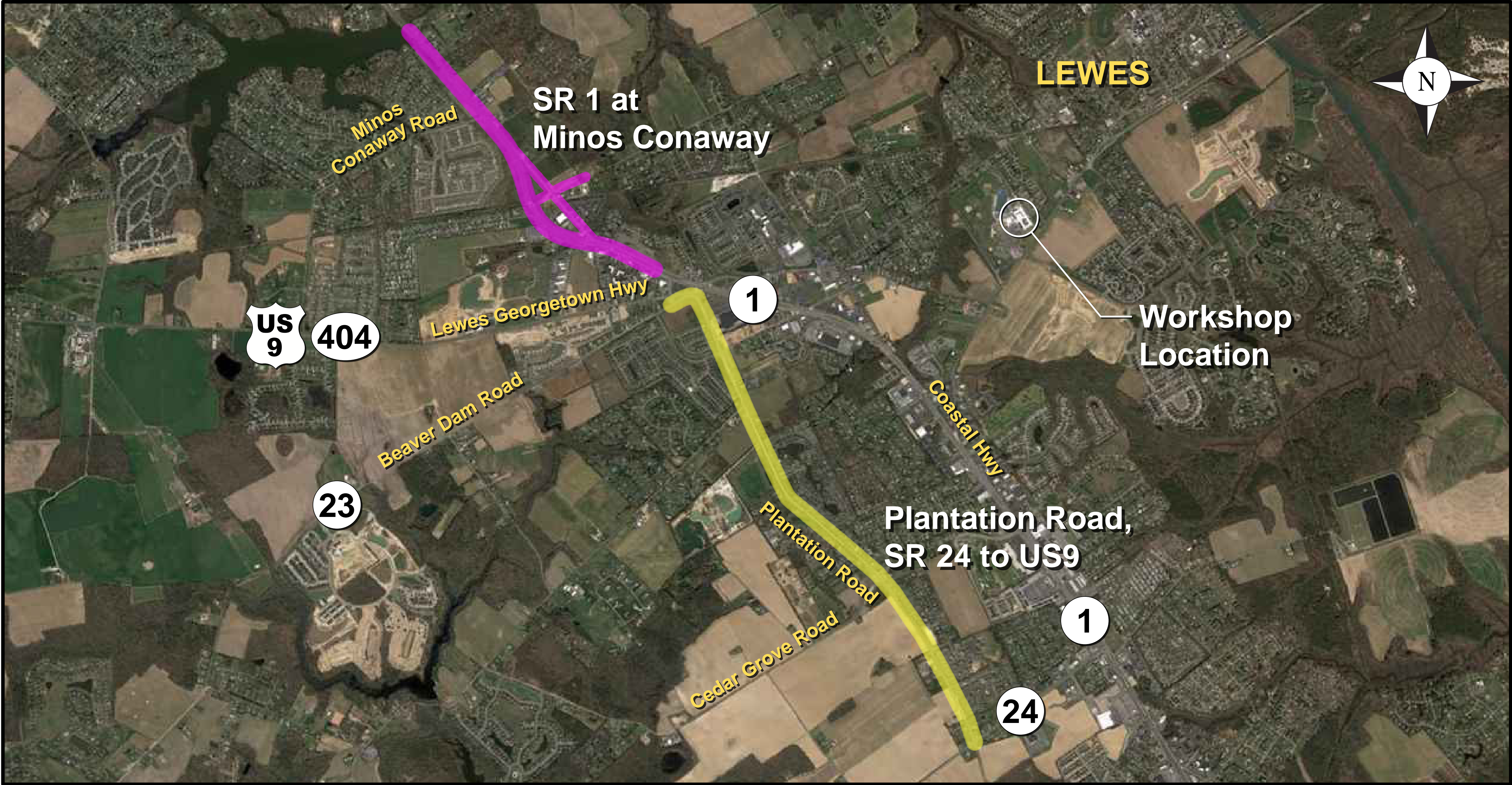
The purpose of this workshop is to obtain input from you, the public, on the concept design alternatives for both projects. The project team is available to answer questions and provide information on the project.

Comments will be accepted through March 16, 2018. Information about the project and the ability to provide comments and suggestions on the projects can be obtained from the projects' websites at:

<https://deldot.gov/information/projects/PlantationRd/index.shtml>

<https://deldot.gov/information/projects/SR1MinosConaway/index.shtml>

PROJECT LIMITS



LOCATION MAP



DISPLAY MAP

PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROCESS

If it is determined that all or a portion of your property is necessary for the project improvements, DeIDOT will contact you well in advance of any construction activity and follow the process outlined below:

Public Workshops

DeIDOT's Right of Way staff attends workshops when there are potential right of way impacts. Staff begins to interact with property owners who may be impacted at the time.

Appraisal Process

- DeIDOT must have a Fair Market Value, in writing, for all acquisitions.
- Owners are given the opportunity to accompany the appraiser.
- All appraisals are reviewed by a licensed appraiser.

Negotiations

- An Agent will contact the owner in person or via mail to begin the negotiation process.
- The Owner will receive a copy of the State's appraisal or Waiver Valuation for non-complex acquisitions.
- The Owner will receive a written confirmation of the offer.
- The Owner has the right to have their own appraisal performed, which will be reviewed by DeIDOT.
- DeIDOT will review any counter offers by the owners to determine that it has merit.
- DeIDOT may enter into an Administrative Settlement if justified and documented.

Closing

- If an agreement is reached, DeIDOT and the owners move to a settlement process.
- If no agreement is reached, DeIDOT can move to acquire the right-of-way need through eminent domain. Cases can still be settled without a trial.

RELOCATION PROCESS

There are two basic types of relocation processes:

- Residential.
- Non-Residential (Commercial/Industrial).

Residential

- Tightly controlled by 49 CFR, Part 24 and Title 29, Chapter 93 (Federal Regulations) and Delaware Code.
- Owners/Tenants are provided various options including housing/rental supplements and moving costs.
- Owners/Tenants are not required to vacate until offer has been made, listings of available comparable housing has been provided, and the State has acquired legal ownership of the property.

Non-residential

- Moving costs and re-establishment expenses as well as advisory assistance is offered.

We encourage all residents, property owners, business owners, and those who travel along SR 1 and Plantation Road to stay informed and provide valuable feedback to the Project Team by:

- Attending Public Workshops/Hearings.
- Filling out a Comment Form.
- Checking the Project website for updates:

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Feel free to contact us with questions or comments by:

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THANK YOU!

We thank you for taking the time to review tonight's materials and for participating in the workshop.

Your insights and suggestions are valuable and greatly appreciated. Your comments will be considered as we move forward with the design for both projects.

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