

# PROJECT BACKGROUND

## PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE CHOSEN

A public meeting was held to discuss the project purpose and need and discuss alternatives for the Howell School Road/Denny Road/Route 896 Intersection and the State Route 71/Howell School Road Intersection. Below is a summary of comments that were addressed:

- Howell School Road/Denny Road/Route 896 Intersection**
- Eliminate/coordinate some of the existing traffic signals to improve traffic flow
  - Improve safety and access to 896 intersection and Meadow Glen Subdivision
  - Maintain property values
  - Reduce noise, lights and emissions from traffic
  - Minimize impacts on private property



## BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

- *Provide shoulders for bicycle users* - Howell School Road is part of Delaware Bicycle Route 1, which is a scenic route for bicycle travel through the state. Adding shoulders will provide a much safer route for bicyclists through the corridor.
- *Connecting Communities to Lums Pond State Park* - The project will include improvements along the corridor to enhance pedestrian and bicycle mobility to Lums Pond State Park.



## DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

- *Adding Drainage Improvements* – Roadside ditches and drainage areas will improve the drainage and prevent long term damage to the roadway allowing for a smoother ride for vehicles and bicyclists.



# HOWELL SCHOOL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS STATE ROUTE 896 TO STATE ROUTE 71