



# Following Five Points

## October 2025

Your Update to the Five Points Transportation Study

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## Project News

### Upcoming Working Group Meeting

Monday, November 10, 2025

Hybrid Meeting – Cape Henlopen High School Library and via Microsoft Teams

The final meeting of the Five Points Transportation Study Working Group will be held on **Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** Like previous Working Group meetings, this will be a hybrid meeting. The Project Team will provide an update on the status of the Five Points Transportation Study Implementation Plan.

Other discussion topic(s) may include\*:

- Study Transition to Phase 3
- Sussex County Transportation Operations Management Plan (TOMP)

- Project Development South Construction Updates

View the video presentation and meeting packet from [the April 28, 2025 Working Group meeting on the project website](#).

**We hope to see you on November 10!**

*\*\*Discussion topics are subject to change until final publication on the DeIDOT Public Meeting Calendar*

**Please note: Working Group meetings are open to the public, however, due to space limitations, members of the public are encouraged to attend via Microsoft Teams. Teams access information will be provided on the [public meeting calendar](#), [DeIDOT website](#), and the [Five Points Transportation Study website](#).**

## Annual Public Open House Recap



It was great to see everyone who came out for the Five Points Transportation Study and the SR 1 Low Stress Bikeway Study joint public Open House on May 21, 2025, at Cape Henlopen High School.

Austin Gray, Assistant Director of DeIDOT Planning, and Leah Kacanda, Five Points Transportation Study Consultant Team Project Manager, presented an overview of the [2024 Five Points Transportation Study Annual Report](#) and the key study accomplishments from the past year and the goals for 2025.



Attendees circulated through a variety of open house stations including the [SR 1 Low Stress Bikeway Study](#) where study team members were providing information and taking feedback on the study's final recommendations.

Other open house stations focused on updates on area construction project from DeIDOT's Project Development South engineers; information on the Henlopen Transportation Improvement District (TID); information from Sussex County Planning and Zoning Department; the Office of State Planning Coordination's PLUS (Preliminary Land Use Service) process and Building Trends dashboard; the ongoing Coastal Corridors Study; DART service updates; and DeIDOT Interact, DeIDOT's new online engagement hub.

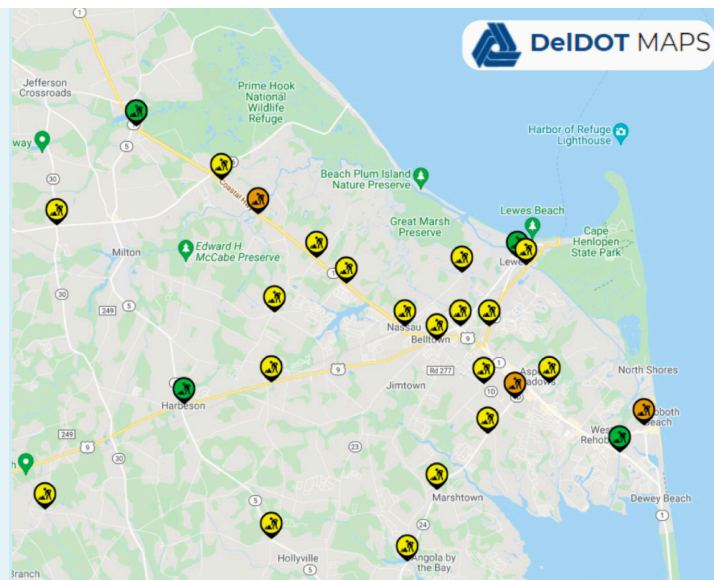
If you were not able to attend the open house, the presentation and other materials are available on the [Five Points Transportation Study project website](#).

## Area Project Updates

### Active DeIDOT Projects In and Around Five Points

At the Working Group's request, DeIDOT is providing a map of active projects in and around the Five Points area. Use the map to view any active project and/or visit the links below to view the websites for a selection of projects.

[View the Interactive Map](#)



- [Bridge 3-714 on S266 \(New Road\) over Canary Creek](#)
- [Removal of Bridge 3-928R, Lewes RR Swing Bridge over the Lewes and Rehoboth Canal](#)
- [Plantation Road Improvements, Robinsonville Road to US 9](#)
- [Plantation Road Improvements, SR 24 to US 9 - Phase 2](#)
- [Realignment of Old Orchard Road at Wescoats Corner](#)
- [SR 1 & SR 16 Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR 1 at S264 & S258 Intersection Improvements](#)
- [SR 1 and Cave Neck Road Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR 1, Minos Conaway Road Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR 24, Mulberry Knoll to SR 1 SR 24, Love Creek to Mulberry Knoll Road](#)
- [Cave Neck Road, Hudson and Sweetbriar Roads Intersection Improvement](#)

## **Coastal Corridors Study News and Upcoming Events**

The Coastal Corridors Study reflects the collaboration between DeIDOT, Sussex County, and other state and local decision-makers focused on developing integrated land use and transportation solutions for the areas between SR 1 and the Maryland line along SR 16 and SR 404/US 9. This ongoing effort brings together decision-makers, stakeholders, and the public at key points to develop solutions that support community goals for mobility, connectivity, growth, and economic

development. [Visit the project website](#) to learn more about the Coastal Corridors Study and related projects.

Mark your calendars with the following dates! Attend to learn more about the on-going studies and provide feedback.

Meeting	Date/Time	Other Details
Coastal Corridors Stakeholder Meeting #1	<b>October 29, 2025</b> 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Microsoft Teams	These will be virtual meetings hosted on Microsoft Teams and geared towards the Coastal Corridors Monitoring Committee and Milton Transportation Advisory Group members. However, the public is invited to attend, and if time permits, will be permitted to provide a comment during the public comment session at the end of the meeting. Please visit <a href="#">the project website</a> for meeting access information and additional details closer to the meeting date.
Coastal Corridors Stakeholder Meeting #2	<b>November 12, 2025</b> 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Microsoft Teams	
SR16/US9/SR24 Corridors Public Workshop	<b>December 2, 2025</b> 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Georgetown Middle School	Attend to learn more about these corridors and projects. Provide feedback on community priorities. Please visit <a href="#">the project website</a> for additional details closer to the meeting date.

### On the Move with DeLDOT: Catching up with Secretary Hastings



In the [latest episode of the “On the Move with DeIDOT” podcast](#), C.R. McLeod, Director of Community Relations at DeIDOT, sits down for a one-on-one interview with Shante Hastings, Secretary of Transportation, to discuss transportation across Delaware and key ongoing and future DeIDOT projects that are currently being planned, are in design, or have been under construction and are set to open soon. Secretary Hastings covered DeIDOT’s four main priorities: safety, state of good repair, multimodalism, and resiliency and discussed ongoing roadway, bridge, pedestrian and bicycle, and transit projects currently being undertaken so that Delaware residents can travel safely and efficiently throughout the state.

DeIDOT is looking for podcast topics! If there is a transportation topic you would like to learn more about, please send an email to [DOTPR@delaware.gov](mailto:DOTPR@delaware.gov) with “Podcast Topic” in the subject line.



## Knowledge Corner

### Teen Driver Safety: Protecting Young Lives on the Road

Each year, thousands of teens are injured or killed in car crashes—making motor vehicle accidents one of the **leading causes of death for teenagers in the United States**. Teen Driver Safety is more than just a conversation—it’s a vital public safety issue that demands attention from parents, schools, and communities. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s (NHTSA) National Center for Statistics and Analysis:

- Traffic crashes are a leading cause of death for teens (15-18 years old) in the United States.
- In 2023, a total of 2,611 people were killed in traffic crashes that involved a teen (15-18 years old) driver, and 822 of those killed were the teen driver.
- Of the 2,611 people killed in crashes involving a teen (15-18 years old) driver, 604 were the passengers of a teen driver.
  - 377 (62%) of those fatalities were other teens riding with a teen driver.
  - Of those teen passengers killed while riding with another teen driver, 67% were male and 33% were female.

- In 2023 there were 87,074 teen (15-18 years old) drivers injured in traffic crashes.



National Teen Driver Safety Week is an awareness campaign held in the U.S. during the third week of October each year (this year it was October 19 through 25, 2025). Its main goal is to raise awareness among teens, parents, and communities about the risks of teen driving and to encourage safe driving habits.

[The Delaware Office of Highway Safety \(OHS\)](#) provides resources for teens, parents and guardians and suggests constant communication about safe driving skills is essential for new teen drivers. Self-reported surveys show that teens with parents who set and enforce firm rules for driving typically engage in less risky driving behaviors and are involved in fewer crashes. OHS suggests that parents, guardians, educators and other community members keep the following in mind when talking to their teens:

Take the opportunity to talk to teens about safe driving practices and the consequences they'll face if they don't obey the rules of the road.

- Get the facts about teen driving and share these statistics with teens.
- Become familiar with Delaware's nighttime driving restrictions, passenger restrictions, and all the [graduated driver licensing \(GDL\) restrictions](#) and help law enforcement and educators enforce them.
- Be a good role model for teen drivers by setting an example with your own safe driving habits.
- Remind teens that driving is a privilege, not a right, and it must always be taken seriously.
- Set the rules before they hit the road and make it clear to teens that violating the rules will

have serious repercussions.

- Talk to teens about safe cell phone use while in the car. Encourage them to designate a texter, or to pull over before answering phone calls or responding to text messages.



OHS chairs and participates in the Teen Driver Task Force – reestablished by House Resolution No. 17 by the House of Representatives of the 147th General Assembly of the State of Delaware. The Task Force works to develop strategies to implement recommendations of an assessment conducted by NHTSA. Members of the task force include Division of Motor Vehicles, Delaware Alcohol Tobacco Enforcement, Delaware State Police, Department of Education, Delaware Driver Safety Education Association, and the SmartDrive Foundation. Task Force initiatives have included [the launch of a teen driver website](#) for both teens and parents, and the availability of bright yellow, reflective Novice Driver car magnets for parents to use when teens are behind the wheel.

Teen Driver Safety isn't just about avoiding tickets—it's about saving lives. Whether you're a parent, educator, or teen yourself, now is the time to commit to safe driving. Let's make sure the next generation builds healthy, lifelong driving habits that keep everyone on Delaware's roads safe.

Stay safe and buckle up!



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