

June 2020



Your Update to the Five Points Transportation Study

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Online Informational Meeting: Bridge 3-714 on New Road over Canary Creek

Tuesday, June 30 @ 3:30 p.m.

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) would like to invite residents and all other interested parties to a virtual informational meeting regarding the replacement of Bridge 3-714 on New Road. The purpose of the meeting is to present the findings of a recently completed hydraulic study. The hydraulic study was performed to determine a proposed bridge replacement size and proposed roadway elevation that would assist in reducing localized flooding.

The informational meeting can be accessed via the website shown BELOW. The meeting will begin with a presentation followed by an opportunity for questions and comments before the meeting concludes. The presentation will be recorded and posted on the website for reference.

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Project News

Thank you for a Successful Virtual Open House!

DelDOT and Sussex County were pleased to have such a great turnout – 75 people – for our Virtual Open House drop-in sessions! Five sessions were held between May 18 and June 6 at a variety of times and days of the week to reach as many as possible. Project team members offered a presentation and answered your questions in real time. In case you missed the sessions, materials and a video of one of the sessions are available at: <https://deldot.gov/projects/vw/FivePoints/>.

The Virtual Open House also included a survey to gauge your opinions and here are the results:

- **80% agree/strongly agree** that the Five Points Transportation Study process is informative.
- **53% are pleased** with the progress made on recommendations from the Five Points Transportation Study in 2019.

- 67% like the amount of information/detail or would prefer more information in the Following Five Points email updates.
- A topic of interest for future Following Five Points email updates was multi-purpose pathways.

Again, thank you for your participation! Based on the feedback you provided, we will look for opportunities to add online options to our future in-person meetings.

Upcoming Working Group Meeting: Monday, July 27 @ 6:00 p.m.



The next meeting of the Five Points Transportation Study Working Group will be held on Monday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m.

We will determine in the next week or two whether that meeting can be held in person or whether it will be online. In either case, we anticipate several topics for discussion:

- Perspectives from the Working Group on the last several months
- Summary of results from the Virtual Open House
- Overview of DelDOT's bicycle program
- Phase 2 implementation status

Westbound Route 9 Traffic Improvements Completed



Traffic improvements to one of the more challenging intersections in the Five Points area were completed in late May.

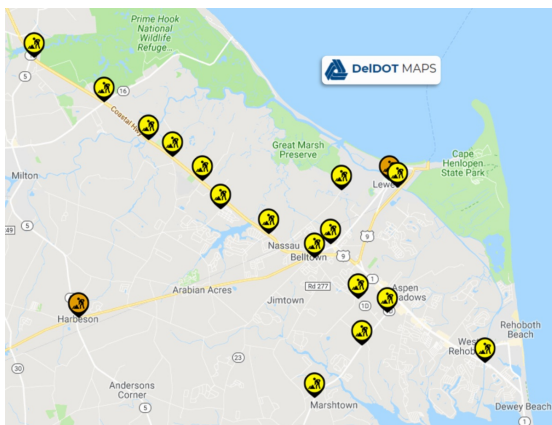
One of the Five Points Working Group's recommendations, C-9, was to "evaluate potential short-term safety and operational improvements at Route 9, Plantation Road, and Beaver Dam Road while longer-term improvements are under development." Westbound Route 9 has been restriped to provide two continuous lanes between Route 1 and the connector to Plantation Road and Beaver Dam Road. This new arrangement provides clearer guidance to drivers about what lanes to use. Furthermore, a new sign was installed on northbound Route 1 approaching Five Points to help drivers choose the correct left turn lane to reach their destinations.

Phase 1 of the Plantation Road improvement project, currently under design, will provide even more significant enhancements in this area. Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2022.

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Area Project Updates



Active DeIDOT Projects In and Around Five Points

At the Working Group's request, DeIDOT has provided 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 Here](#)

- [BR3-155N&S on SR1 over Broadkill River](#)
- [BR3-714 on S266 New Road over Canary Creek](#)
- [BR3-928R, Lewes RR Swing Bridge over the Lewes Rehoboth Canal](#)
- [HSIP SC, US9 and SR5 Intersection](#)
- [Plantation Road Improvements, Robinsonville Road to US9](#)
- [Plantation Road Improvements SR24 to US9 - Phase 2](#)
- [Realignment of Old Orchard Road at Wescoats Corner](#)
- [SR1 & SR5 Intersection Improvements](#)
- [SR1 & SR16 Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR1 & S258 Intersection Improvements](#)
- [SR1 & S264 Intersection Improvements](#)
- [SR1 and Cave Neck Road Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR1, Minos Conaway Road Grade Separated Intersection](#)
- [SR24, Mulberry Knoll to SR1](#)
- [SR24, Love Creek to Mulberry Knoll](#)

Georgetown to Lewes Trail Extended

DeIDOT has completed an extension of the Georgetown to Lewes Trail in the area between Cool Spring Road and Log Cabin Hill Road. This extension adds about 4,000 feet of 10-foot-wide paved trail from where it previously ended at Log Cabin Hill Road. This addition results in a continuous trail of about seven miles all the way to Gills Neck Road! The project includes bike racks and an informational kiosk and creates a low stress setting that is restricted to non-motorized use. Traffic signs have been installed to alert both trail users and drivers of intersections where the trail crosses roadways.



Strategic Highway Safety Plan Workshop Underway



DelDOT is currently updating the agency's Strategic Highway Safety Plan, a vital component of making Delaware's transportation system safer. The Virtual Public Workshop for the 2020 Delaware Strategic Highway Safety Plan is now live and can be accessed at

<https://deldot.gov/Programs/DSHSP/vw/> until **July 7, 2020**.

The Virtual Public Workshop includes a presentation outlining the Strategic Highway Safety Plan process showing current crash data trends and the plan's proposed Emphasis Areas.

The workshop also encourages those interested to **complete a short survey in order to provide valuable feedback to the Core Team**. Within the survey, those interested in doing so are given the **opportunity to sign up for one or more Emphasis Area Teams which will help develop specific strategies to improve safety** on Delaware's roadways in conjunction with the final adopted Plan.

Knowledge Center

Bicycle Safety

Bicycling is both an important part of Delaware's beach culture and a practical mode of transportation. In Delaware, as in all other states, cyclists have the same rights and duties as motorists. This means that cyclists are allowed on the road throughout the beach area. When driving, yield to cyclists as you would to other motorists.

When you see a bicyclist on the road, remember that s/he is traveling without the benefit of the seat belt, air bags, crumple zones, and increased visibility that drivers enjoy. So be cautious and obey Delaware's law requiring three feet of separation between your vehicle and any bicyclist when passing or overtaking. And remember that cyclists can have widely varying levels of experience and ability – even more so than motorists. Be especially careful at intersections and driveways to avoid cutting off cyclists and pedestrians.

Bicyclists, as equal users of the road, also have responsibilities. When riding, ride as predictably as possible. Stay to the right as much as you can. Be alert and anticipate potential conflicts. Be courteous to pedestrians as well, especially when riding on trails or crossing sidewalks or crosswalks. And remember that cyclists under 18 are required to wear helmets, and it's a good idea for everyone!

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