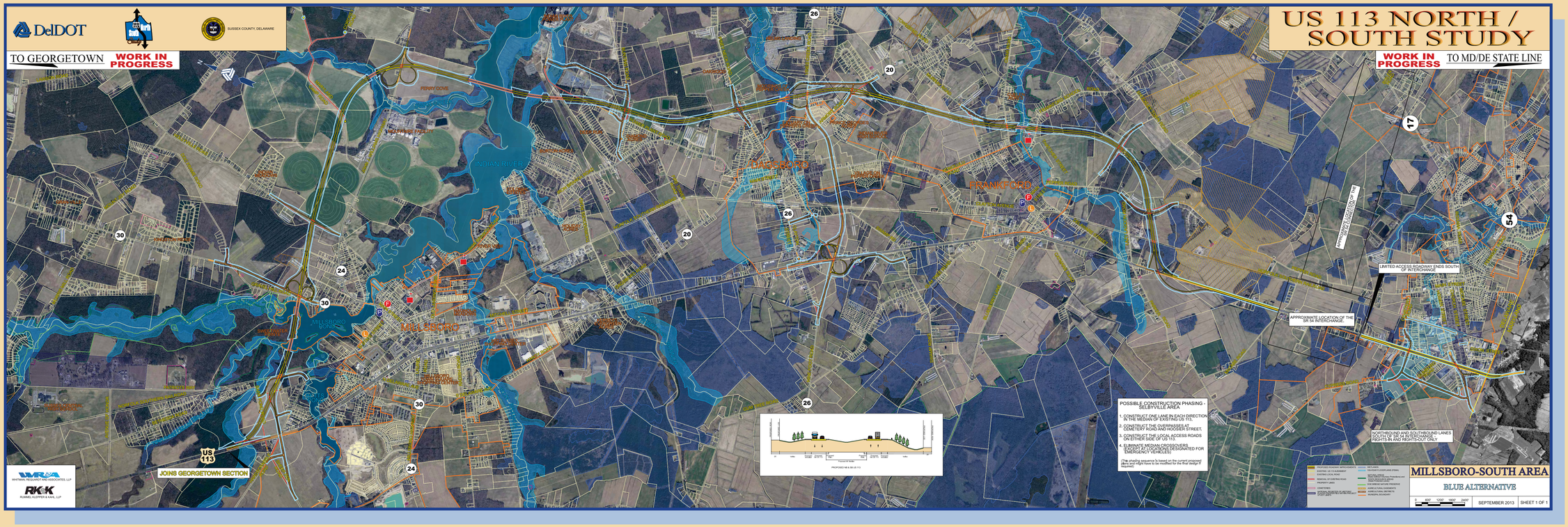

Recommended Preferred Alternative - Blue Alternative (Longest Eastern Bypass)

DelDOT and FHWA have identified the Blue Alternative as the Recommended Preferred Alternative. The Blue Alternative bypasses the towns of Millsboro, Dagsboro and Frankford to the east, and includes on-alignment improvements through Selbyville. Improved connections at SR 24 and SR 26 are also part of the Recommended Preferred Alternative.

Why is the Blue Alternative Preferred?

- Most effectively meets current and future needs
- Can be constructed with the least impact to the traveling public
- Is the best option for creating a new emergency evacuation route from the coastal areas of Delaware and Maryland
- Improves local emergency vehicle access
- Recommended by the Working Group
- Least impacts to historic properties
- Most compatible with State Strategies and Local Comprehensive Plans
- Property Impacts:
  - Fewest overall relocations and total property impacts
  - Second fewest residential relocations
  - Fewest commercial relocations
- Natural Resources
  - Impacts are similar to other build alternatives
  - Provides better opportunity to mitigate natural resource impacts