



# WELCOME / WORKSHOP PURPOSE / PROJECT AREA / SCHEDULE



## 301 US 301 Project Development

### Welcome!

On behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), we welcome you to this second round of public workshops for the US 301 Project Development effort.

The 301 Corridor has been studied numerous times in the past. The Governor and DelDOT have determined that delaying this project further is not an option.

Selection of a final alternative is expected by the end of the calendar year. With that goal in mind, public involvement is vital as we seek a solution to address transportation problems in the US 301 area from the Maryland line to SR 1, south of the C&D Canal.

Tonight, we invite your comments and input on the Range of Alternatives and on the Project Team's recommendations on Alternatives to be Retained for Detailed Evaluation. We want to know what you think.

Thank you for sharing your valuable time and insights.

Nathan Hayward III  
Secretary  
Delaware Department of Transportation

### Purpose Of Workshop: Discuss And Listen

The purpose of this workshop is to continue the effort to evaluate and select a final alternative for an improved US 301 from the Maryland Line to SR 1, south of the C & D Canal.

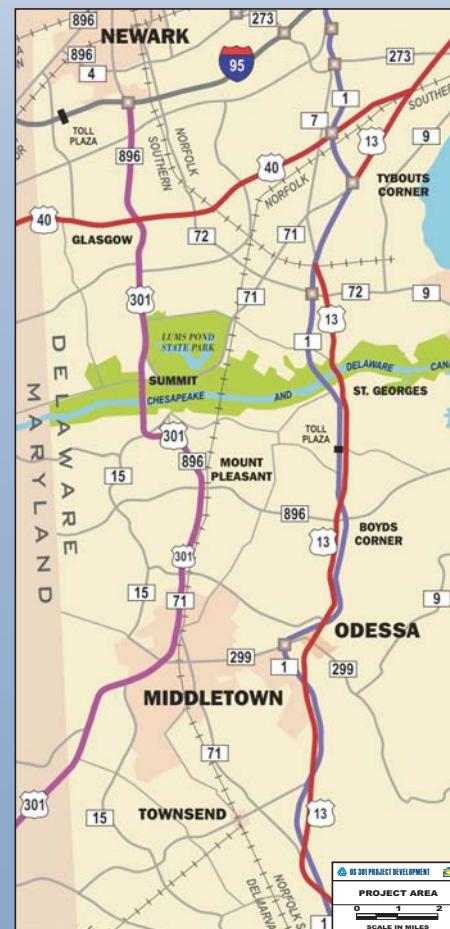
These workshops are your opportunity to discuss and comment on which solutions you'd like to see DelDOT evaluate in further detail. We encourage and welcome your comments on the material displayed tonight, such as:

- ▶ The Range of Alternatives (potential solutions)
- ▶ An Assessment of the Effects of each alternative
- ▶ The Project Team's Recommendations regarding Alternatives to Be Retained for Detailed Evaluation and Alternatives NOT Recommended for Further Consideration

Your comments, along with those of the federal and state environmental resource and regulatory agencies, will be considered in reaching an informed decision on which alternatives should be retained for detailed evaluation. Please feel free to ask questions of the Project Team members or write down your comments and make us aware of your thoughts.

Please provide us with your comments by October 14, 2005

### Project Development Area



### Project Development Schedule

The following project schedule is extremely aggressive. The Project Team is committed to meeting this schedule. Timely completion of the effort is critical. Alternative corridors that are available today to address project needs will become more costly, with significantly greater impacts, if the decision on this project is delayed. The transportation problems that exist today along US 301 will continue to get worse with the mixture of truck traffic and continued planned growth.

Feb – Jun '05	Develop Project Purpose and Need/Goals and Objectives, and Potential Range of Alternatives
Jun '05	Public Workshop #1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present Project Purpose and Need/Goals and Objectives</li> <li>• Present Potential Range of Alternatives/ Preliminary Assessment of Their Effects</li> </ul>
Jul – Aug '05	Evaluate Range of Alternatives and Develop Recommendations for Alternatives Retained for Detailed Study
Sep '05	Public Workshop #2 (Sep 12 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present Range of Alternatives and Assessment of Effects</li> <li>• Suggest Alternatives Recommended for Detailed Evaluation and Alternatives Not Recommended for Further Consideration</li> </ul>
Sep – Nov '05	Complete Detailed Evaluation of Alternatives and Develop Recommendations of Preferred Alternative
Nov '05	Public Workshop #3 (Nov 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present Results of Detailed Evaluation of Alternatives Retained and Assessment of Their Effects</li> <li>• Propose Preferred Alternative</li> </ul>
Nov – Dec '05	Develop Recommendation for Selected Alternative
Jan '06	Public Workshop #4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present Selected Alternative</li> </ul>
Jan – Mar '06	Complete environmental documentation and submit to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)



Consultation and coordination with the environmental resource agencies will be continuous throughout the project development effort.