

# U.S. 1 SECTION RC3 PUBLIC MEETING





## **QUESTIONS?**

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## **AGENDA**

#### **Meeting Purpose**

 To provide the public with an overview of the U.S. 1 Section RC3 Transportation Improvement Project in Middletown Township and Langhorne Manor and Langhorne boroughs and to answer questions and solicit feedback.

#### **Agenda**

- Introductions
- Existing Conditions
- Purpose and Need
- Current Build Alternative Review
- Environmental Assessment
- Anticipated Project Schedule
- Q&A
- Next Steps





# INTRODUCTIONS

#### **Presenters:**



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(Lead Traffic Engineer)











# PROJECT AREA

U.S. 1/I-95 Interchange

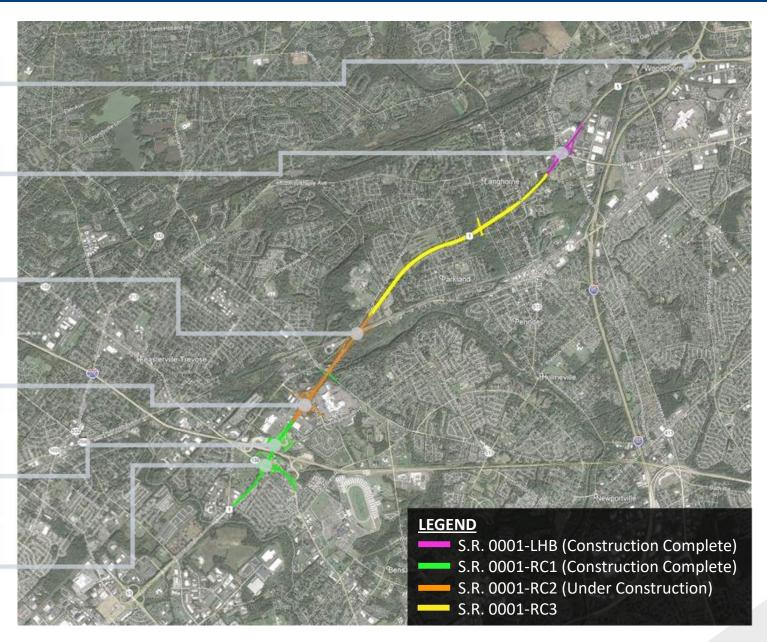
U.S. 1/PA 213 Interchange

U.S. 1/Business Route 1 Interchange

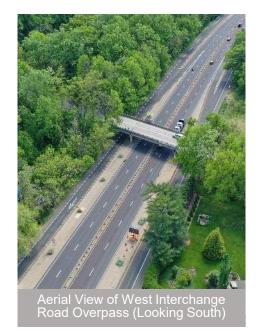
U.S. 1/Rockhill Drive Interchange

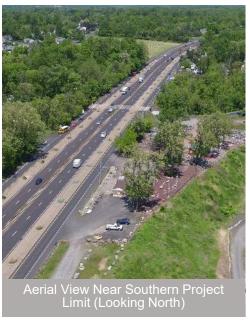
U.S. 1/PA Turnpike Interchange

U.S. 1/Street Road Interchange







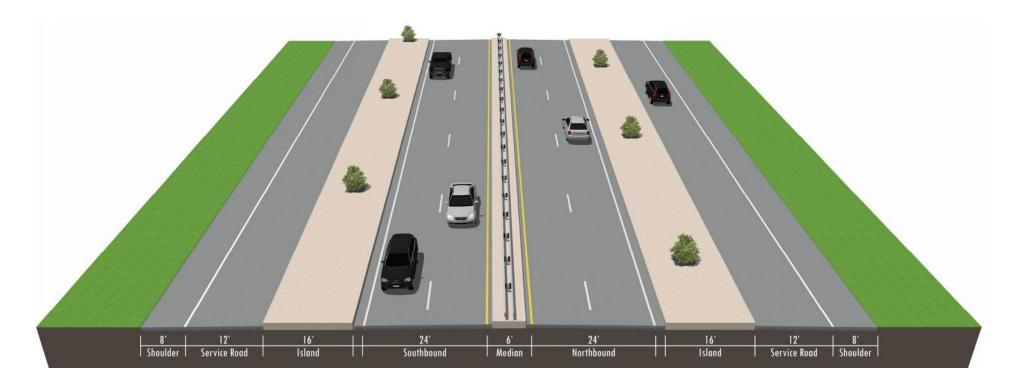


Aerial View of Hulmeville Avenue Intersection and PA 413 Overpass (Looking North)

- Two U.S. 1 travel lanes in each direction
- 4'-wide concrete curb and double-face guide rail median
- 1'-wide striped shoulders on both inside and outside of travel lanes
- One service (frontage) road travel lane in each direction for local access
- 16'-wide raised concrete traffic island separating U.S. 1 traffic and frontage road traffic
- Intermediate access crossovers allowing access between U.S. 1 travel lanes and service roads
- · Four existing bridges:
  - U.S. 1 over S.R. 2008 (Highland Avenue)
  - West Interchange Road over U.S. 1
  - 。 S.R. 0413 (PA 413) over U.S. 1
  - Corn Crib Lane over U.S. 1

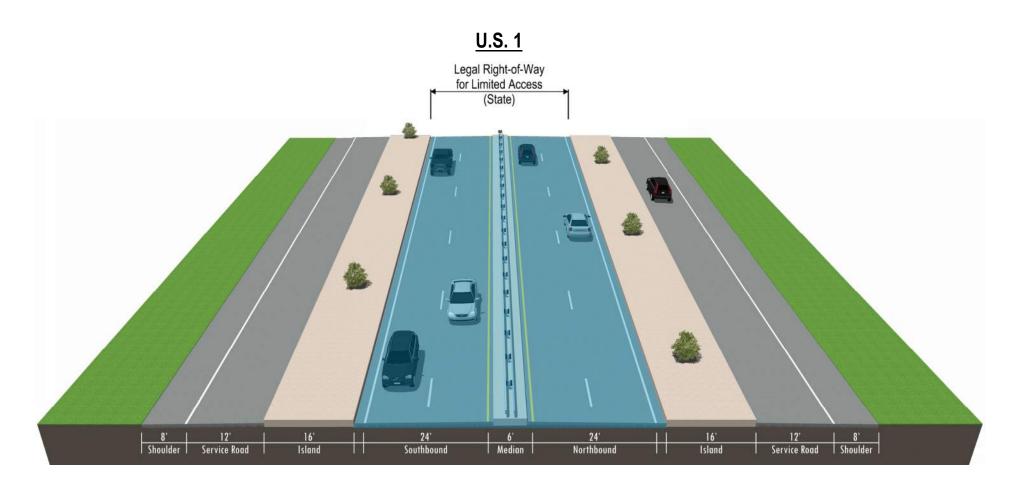


<u>U.S. 1</u>



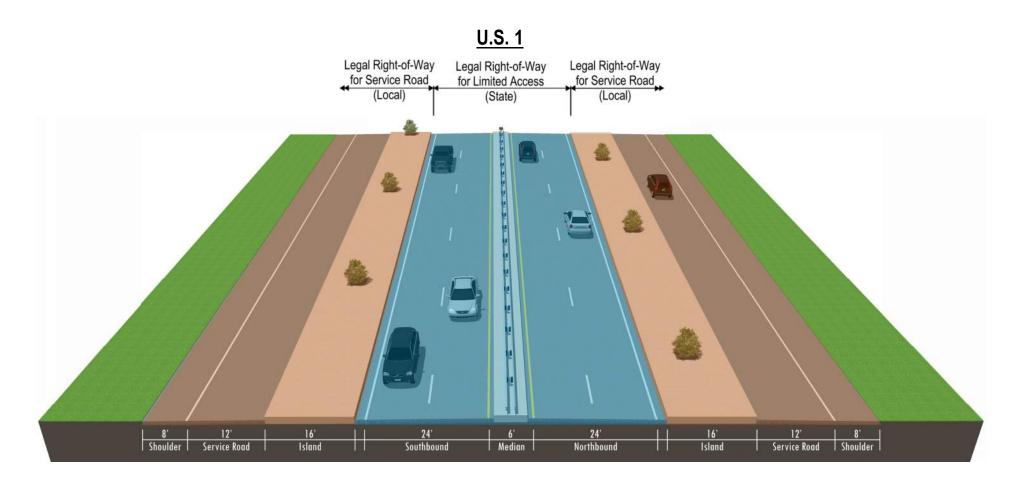
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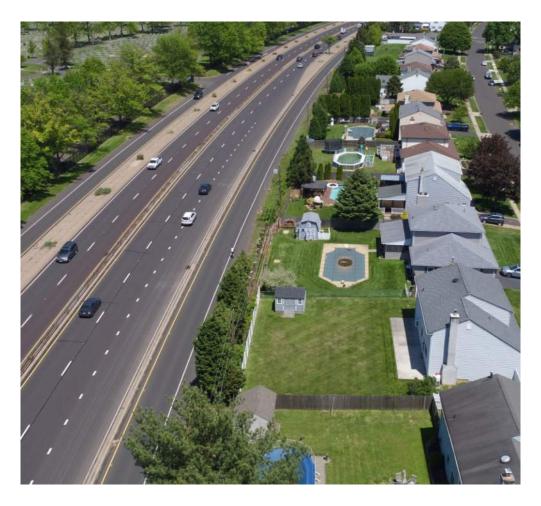


#### Traffic Data & Analysis Refresh Goals

- Collect updated traffic data to reflect current traffic conditions postpandemic.
- Confirm previous findings of 2021 traffic report.
- Collect traffic data at additional local intersections that previously weren't counted to better assess impacts on local roadway network.
- Refresh and validate Origin -Destination data to confirm previous findings using multiple data sources.



# TRAFFIC ANALYSIS



#### Traffic Data Refresh

- Traffic Counts (February 2024)
- Streetlight Data
  - Data available from 2023 was used
  - Data used to determine origins and destinations of redirected traffic
- Inrix Data
  - Data from February 2023 was used
  - Data used to validate the origin and destination findings from Streetlight database

#### Traffic Data Comparison

- This updated traffic analysis verified the results of the 2021 traffic and safety analysis.
- At the project level, there is not a substantial change in projected Level-of-Service, operations, or safety in comparison to 2021 traffic analysis that would affect the previous recommendations.
- Impacts to local roadway network by redistributed traffic are minimal.



## **PURPOSE AND NEED**



#### **Project Purpose:**

• The primary purpose of this project is to facilitate safe and efficient travel along U.S. 1 within and through the project area to meet current and future transportation needs while providing a functional and modern roadway that meets current design criteria and driver expectations. In addition, a goal of the project is to consider bicycle and pedestrian mobility within the U.S. 1 Section RC3 corridor.

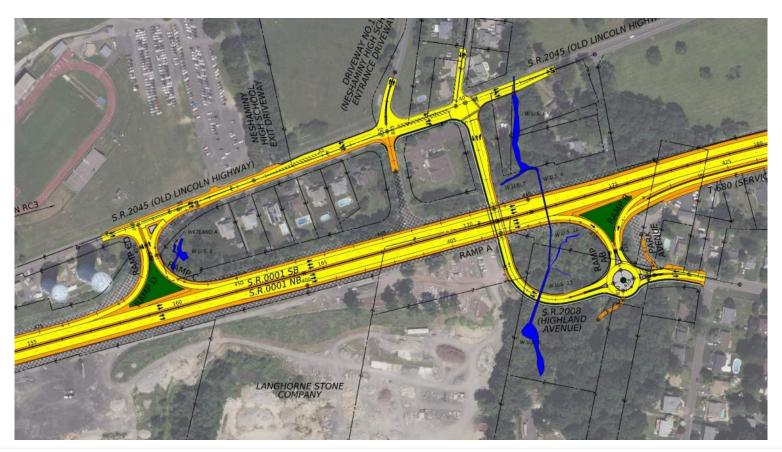
#### **Project Needs:**

- Safety
- System Continuity

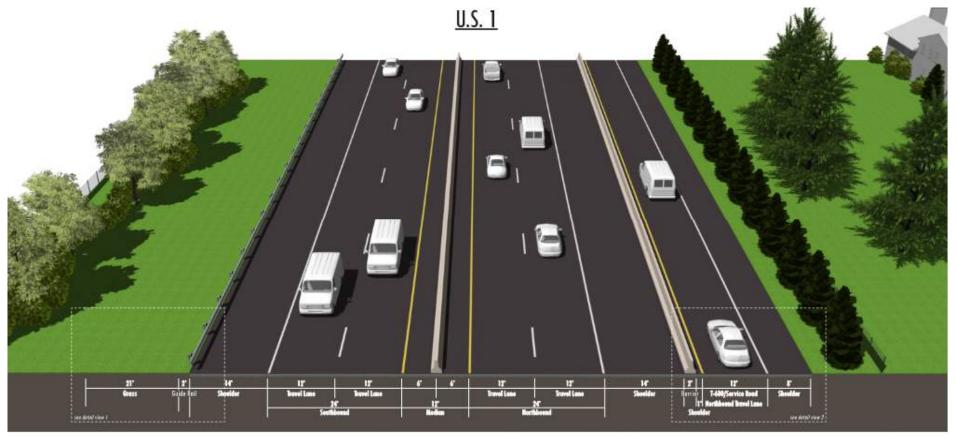


#### **Current Build Alternative Review**

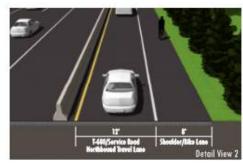
- Proposed Improvements Overview
  - Roll Plot and Typical Sections
  - See <u>us1bucks.com</u>
- Proposed Pedestrian / Bicycle Access Improvements
- Proposed Conceptual Traffic Calming Measures













**Highland Avenue** 















# TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

S.R. 0413 (Pine Street) Traffic Calming Option



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Gillam Ave. Traffic Calming Option



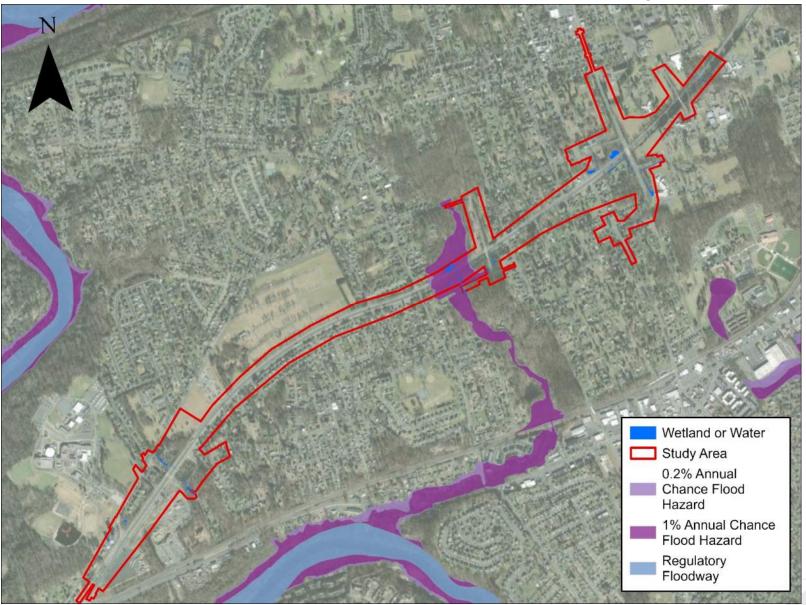
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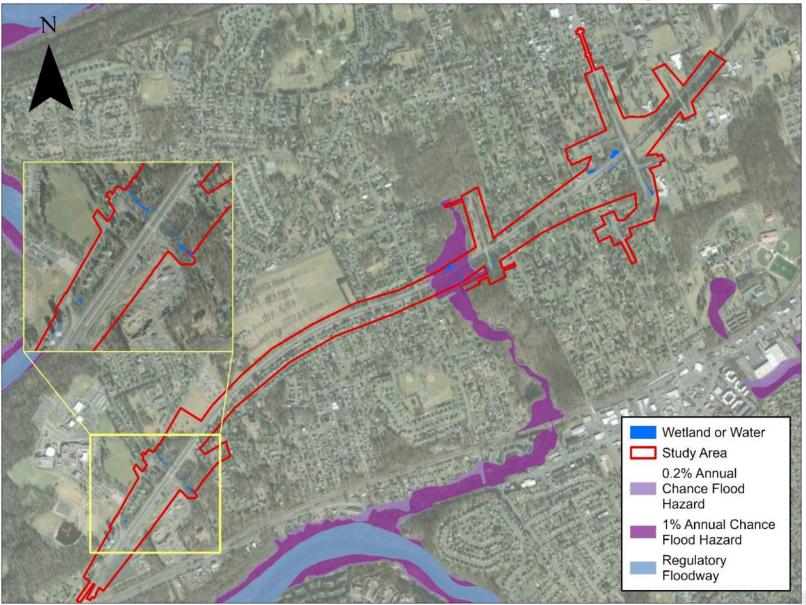
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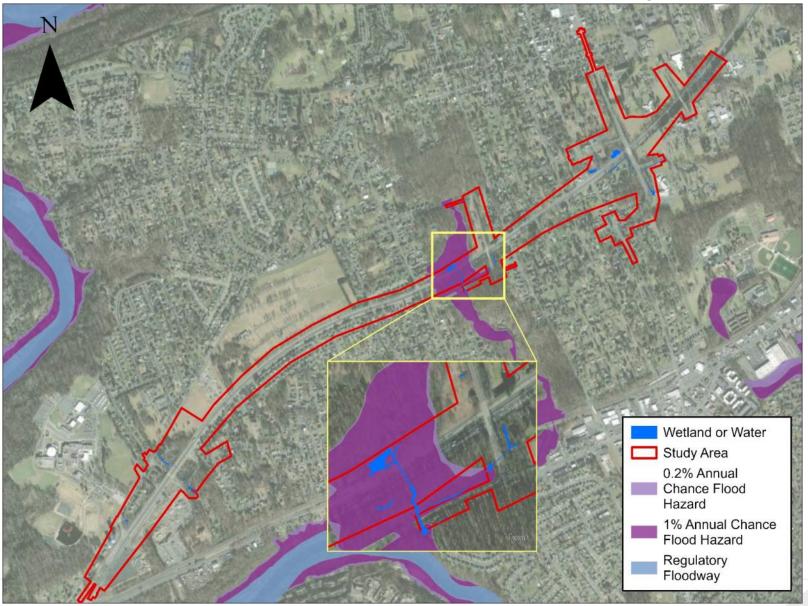
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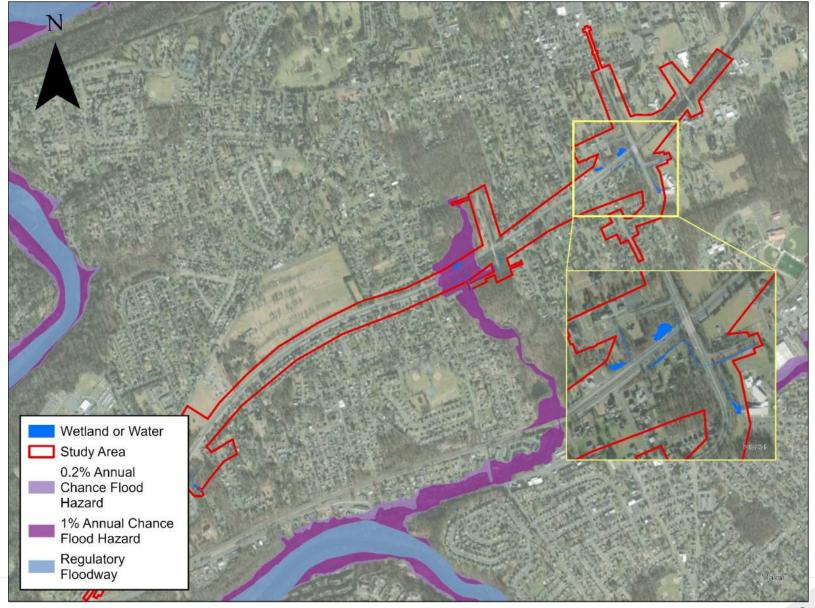
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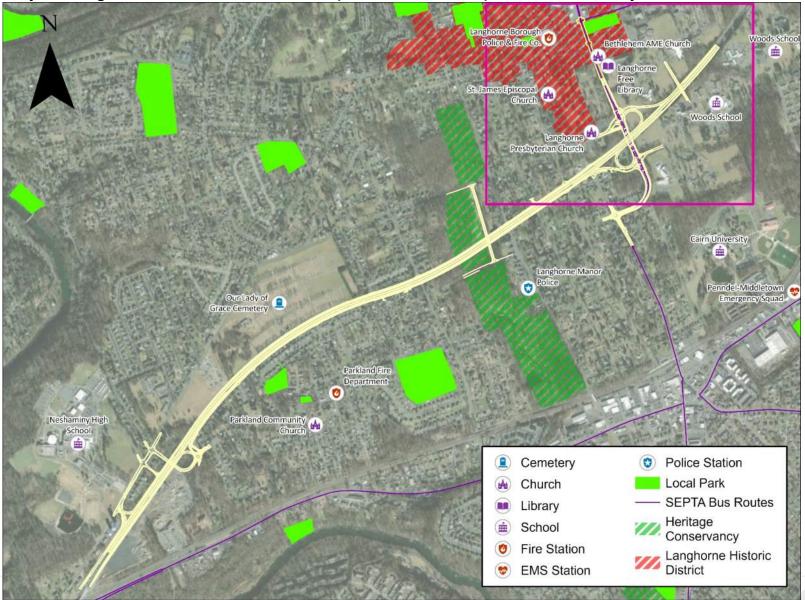
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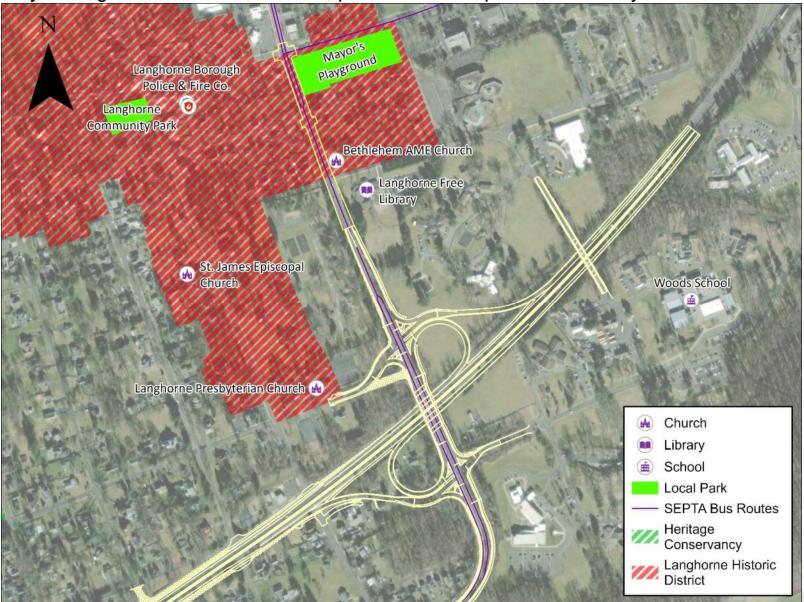
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#### Section 4(f) Resources

#### What is a Section 4(f) Resource?

Section 4(f) refers to the original section within the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) Act of 1966 which provided for consideration of Section 4(f) resources during transportation project development and applies to projects that receive funding from or require approval by an agency of the US DOT.

Section 4(f) resources include publicly owned parks, recreation areas, and wildlife or waterfowl refuges or any publicly or privately owned historic site listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

#### How does Section 4(f) apply to this project?

Two Section 4(f) resources have been identified within the project area:

- Langhorne Historic District, listed on the NRHP
  - Impacts, if any, to the Historic District will be determined in coordination with the PA SHPO, during preliminary design.
- Mayor's Playground, public park owned by Langhorne Borough
  - It is anticipated that the project will not result in impacts to Mayor's Playground, and park will remain open during construction.



Photo Credit: Google Maps

#### **Public Feedback**

As part of the Section 4(f) determination, the public is given the opportunity to comment on how the proposed project may impact the activities, features, and attributes of the Section 4(f) resources.

The Project Comment Form gives you the opportunity to provide comments and feedback regarding the Section 4(f) resources.



#### **Noise Analysis and Studies Process**

Identify Project Type/Appropriate Level of Screening



Noise Study Area Determination

Identify Developed-Undeveloped Lands

**Existing Conditions** 



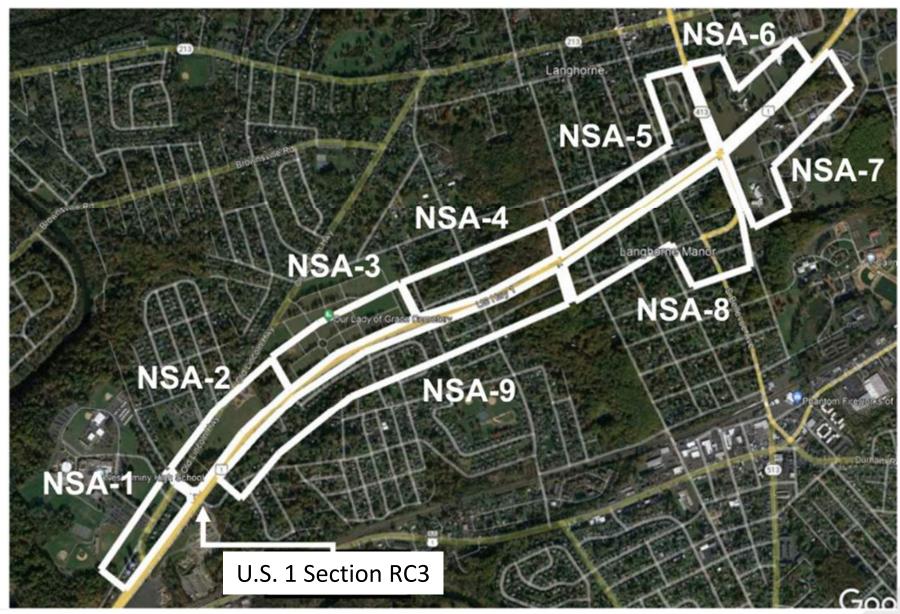
**Determine Noise Impacts and Abatement Requirements** 



Prepare Noise Technical Memorandum or Preliminary Engineering Highway
Traffic Noise Report



#### Noise Study Areas (NSAs)



# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

#### **Environmental Document**

- Environmental Assessment (EA)
  - Updating / Finalization of environmental investigations
  - Publication of Environmental Assessment Document for public review
  - Public Hearing
    - Hybrid (In-person & Virtual)
- Environmental Schedule
  - 12-month time frame for environmental clearance





# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

#### **Anticipated Environmental Clearance Schedule**

Environmental
Assessment Initiation
November 2024

Virtual Public Meeting
April 2025

Draft Environmental
Assessment
Fall 2025

Public Hearing Fall 2025/Winter 2026 Environmental Decision
Summer 2026



# ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE



- Environmental Decision
  - Summer 2026
- Final Design / Right-of-Way Acquisition
  - Beginning 2027 (Anticipated duration 18-24 months)
- Construction
  - Anticipated 2029



# **QUESTIONS?**

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# **NEXT STEPS**



#### **Next Steps**

- Environmental Assessment (EA) document development
- Provide Draft EA Document for Public/Agency Comment
- Public Hearing
  - Late 2025 / Early 2026



# THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

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