

Public Involvement

First Public Meeting

Public involvement was an integral part of this project. Two meetings were held to gather comments from the public. The first meeting was held on November 15, 2007. Approximately 26 people attended this meeting, including the project team. The following is a list of public comments received at this meeting. The information presented in this report considered these comments and has attempted to address all comments,

Was there an EA/EIS done for Parallel road design?

Is a 2-Lane light roundabout feasible?

Will a stop light work at Williams Road/Shallowford Road?

Are pedestrian counts available? Will this project forecast pedestrian travel?

Please recommend minimizing curb cuts in report

Will there be an analysis of phasing in the report?

The roundabout should be used as a gateway into the Town.

Could traffic be diverted onto Belnette Drive?

No new commercial developments with a drive thru are allowed in the Town.

There are high speeds on Shallowford Road

Trucks currently have issues at the roundabouts.

Bring the Great Wagon road around behind Food Lion

There are no speed limit signs on Shallowford Road.

Curve on Williams Road is currently unsafe.

Pedestrians should be considered.

Cyclists should be considered along Shallowford Road and Williams Road

Crash statistics should be analyzed.

How many roundabout pairs are in the state?

What is the size of larger roundabouts? Number of lanes? Diameter of larger roundabouts?

Stop light at Williams & Shallowford is desired.

Measurement of pedestrian traffic.

Driveway cuts should be eliminated/consolidated.

Consider gradual buildout of improvements.

Roundabouts are a focal point.

Extend Great Wagon Road through the large properties dividing them in half and aligning opposite the shopping center driveway.

Western most roundabout - sit at roundabout too long in the AM going EB because of heavy SB lefts to the on-ramp.

Consider single traffic circle across Hwy 421 using two bridges.

Considering providing a loop on-ramp at the western most roundabout for WB traffic so that traffic will not have to go through the roundabout.

NCDOT plans to construct a slip lane at the western most roundabout from Concord Church Road to SB Hwy 421 ramp.

Williams/Shallowford is perfect for gateway.

Great Wagon Road Extension - Construct road through property lines of the two large properties and the small properties - along the border of the properties.

Roundabout signage - need double yield signs or larger signs so motorists will yield to traffic in the circle.

Congestion @Williams & Shallowford now. NCDOT spot safety funding for a roundabout.
NCDOT - 80%; Town - 20%.

Second Public Meeting

WSA and Town staff held a second public meeting at the Town Council meeting on May 8, 2008. There were no specific comments recorded regarding the proposed plan. The public that was in attendance was very receptive to the proposed roadway system and all comments on the recommendations were positive.