



Delaware Department  
of Transportation

## **Public Workshop Summary**

### **HSIP NCC SR 71, Old Porter Road to SR 7**

November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 1:00pm – 4:00 pm  
Kathleen H. Wilbur Elementary School

The project design team held a public workshop on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to present the proposed improvements to the public and seek input. A total of 16 people attended the public workshop. Project team members received feedback on these proposed improvements. Only one written comment form was received, but most had generally the same concerns.

#### **Current Design:**

This project appeared on the 2006 Highway Safety Improvement Program list. A summary of the proposed improvements are as follows:

- Re-align and signalize the intersection of Red Lion Road and Old Porter Road
- Add a dedicated right turn lane to Red Lion Road southbound onto Old Porter Road.
- Add dedicated left turn lane onto Church Road southbound to Red Lion Road.
- Convert Church Road between Red Lion Road and Bear Corbitt Road to one-way.
- Improve right turn movement from southbound Bear Corbitt Road onto Northbound Red Lion Road by adding a dedicated right turn lane and channelizing island.
- Improve signal at the intersection of Red Lion Road and Bear Corbitt Road.
- Add dedicated Left turn lanes at each leg of the intersection of Red Lion Road and Bear Corbitt Road.
- Add dedicated right turn lanes along Bear Corbitt Road at the intersection of Red Lion Road and Bear Corbitt Road.
- Improve bicycle facilities throughout the project.
- Improve drainage throughout the project.

## **Common Public Comments:**

- ***How will this project affect access into my property, specifically with the installation of a new signal at the intersection of Red Lion Road and Old Porter Road?***
  - Two modifications have been made to remedy access issues at Red Lion Road and Old Porter Road.
    - The stop bar along northbound Red Lion Road has been moved so motorists will stop before the driveway entrance, allowing the residents to exit while the light is red.
    - A two-way left turn lane has been added along Red Lion Road between its intersection with Old Porter Road and Church Road to facilitate residential access.
  - Other possible modifications discussed internally were as follows:
    - The addition of a loop to the driveway on northbound Red Lion Road which would trigger a stop condition for Red Lion Road, allowing the residents to exit.
    - Combining driveways into a fourth leg and adding a signal head for the properties across from Old Porter Road. This could potentially negate the need to have part of Church Road two-way.
  
- ***How will vehicles that require a larger turning radius be accommodated?***
  - All intersections have been designed for a large school bus to be able to navigate easily. The right turn from southbound Bear Corbitt Road onto northbound Red Lion Road has been designed so that a semi-tractor trailer can navigate it if necessary.
  - The radius at northbound Red Lion Road to southbound Bear Corbitt Road can be modified to accommodate a passenger car towing a trailer by increasing the radius from 8' to 17'. This would, however, require additional right-of-way and further property impacts.
  
- ***I have archeological areas of interest on my property.***
  - The project team will continue to review all issues through the development of the job, including potential impacts to environmental and natural resources; of which archeological resources are included.