

# US 167 ACCESS MANAGEMENT OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC MEETING



# US 167 ACCESS MANAGEMENT (LEFT TURN LANES) STATE PROJECT NO. H.010353 FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H010353 VERMILION AND LAFAYETTE PARISHES, LOUISIANA

Life Church 6408 Johnston Street Lafayette, LA 70503 August 31, 2017 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Thank you for attending this Open House Public Meeting for the proposed US 167 Access Management project. In this handout you will find information about the proposed project, including a preliminary project description, a location map, and examples and locations of the proposed turns. Also included is a comment form.

Project team members are stationed throughout the room to discuss the project and answer your questions. These individuals are easily identified by their name tags. Please take this opportunity to discuss the project with team members. **There will be no formal presentation.** 

As you enter the room, you will see four stations:

## **Station 1: Sign-in Table**

At this station, there are sign-in sheets for General Public, Elected and Other Officials, Agency Personnel, and News Media. Please sign in on the appropriate sheet.

### Station 2: Exhibits

This station will consist of a series of maps that illustrate the potential limits of construction superimposed over aerial photographs and graphics of the typical design sections that are proposed. The exhibits display the entire proposed project in large layouts.

## Station 3: Continuous PowerPoint Presentation

This short presentation will explain the environmental process and provide an overview of the proposed US 167 access management project. The presentation lasts approximately 10 minutes and will re-start automatically after a one-minute intermission. The PowerPoint presentation and the exhibits shown tonight are available on the DOTD website at:

http://wwwapps.dotd.la.gov/administration/public\_info/projects/home.aspx?key=111

### **Station 4: Comment Table**

At this station, comments can be made orally or in writing. A tape recorder is available at this table for oral comments. The last page of this handout is a comment form that you may use. Comments can be turned in during this meeting or mailed to the address on the back of the form. Additional comment forms are also available to be taken with you. Please note that comments mailed after this meeting must be postmarked no later than September 12, 2017 to be included as part of the meeting transcript.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to provide input on the proposed LA 167 access management project. Thank you for attending this meeting and for providing input.

### PRELIMINARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) is proposing an access management project along US 167 (Johnston Street) in Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes. The project will include the construction of ten (10) U-Turns, twenty-two (22) U and Left Turns, left (3) Left Turns, and four (4) Right Turns along US 167 beginning approximately 250 feet north of the US 167 and W Vincent Street intersection in Vermilion Parish and extending north to the US 167 and LA 3073 (Ambassador Caffery Parkway) intersection in Lafayette Parish. US 167 is proposed to be overlain as part of the project.

The project will consist of removal of the existing surface and stabilized base, cold planing, patching, application of a class II base course, and superpave asphaltic concrete. Associated work will include related drainage work, erosion control, connection of concrete drives and turnouts, pavement striping, and installation of traffic signage.

Three existing signalized intersections are included in the proposed project. These are the E Broussard Road/W Broussard Road and Johnston Street intersection, Duhon Road (LA 724)/South City Parkway and Johnston Street intersection, and Sears Drive and Johnston Street intersection. Signalized U-Turns will be located before and after the E Broussard Road/W Broussard Road and Johnston Street intersection.

During construction, traffic will be maintained using the existing alignment with lane closures. Lane closures from LA 733 (Broussard Rd) to LA 3073 (Ambassador Caffery Pkwy) will be restricted to nighttime only. US 167 will remain open to through traffic during peak traffic hours. Lane closure restriction days and times are listed in the table below.

Northbound – LA 733 to LA 3073	
Monday thru Thursday	6:00 AM to 7:30 PM
Fridays	6:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Saturdays	7:00 AM to 8:30 PM
Sundays	8:30 AM to 7:00 PM
Southbound –LA 3073 to LA 733	
Monday thru Thursday	8:30 AM to 9:30 PM
Fridays	9:00 AM to 10:30 PM
Saturdays	9:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Sundays	10:00 AM to 8:30 PM

The length of the project will be 4.47 miles. All work will be completed within existing right-of-way. Relocations are not anticipated.

US 167 is an Urban Principal Arterial Road. The average daily traffic (ADT) for 2017 was 34,229 vehicles per day; and for 2037, the ADT is calculated to be 41,766 vehicles per day with posted design speeds of 45, 55, and 65 mph. It is not known how much, if any, wetlands may be involved. It is anticipated that the project will be processed as a Categorical Exclusion.

## **PURPOSE AND NEED**

The purpose of this project is to improve the safety of the corridor by eliminating unsignalized full access median openings and providing access alternatively via partial median openings and u-turns.

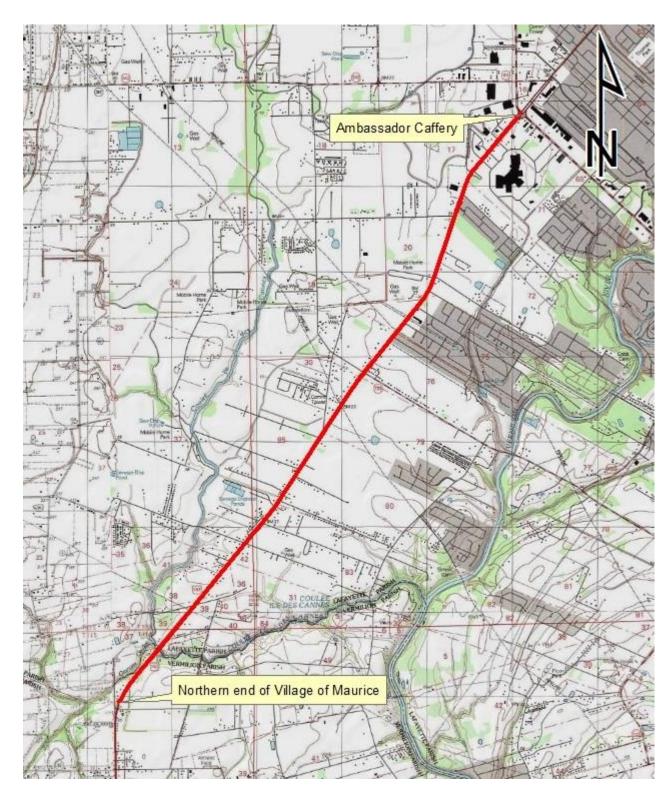


Figure 1: Project Vicinity Map.

Figure 2. Example of a U-Turn with proposed locations.

## Proposed U-Turn Locations:

- Two (2) locations between the Village of Maurice and the Coulee Ile Des Cannes (Parish Line)
- Between LeBlanc Road and Amapola Lane
- Between E. LeBlanc Road and Willie May Lane
- Between Mitali Road and Aqueduct Drive
- Between W. Broussard Road and Manchester Circle
- Between Chateau Des Lions Boulevard and Town Center Parkway
- Between Sears Drive and Ambassador Caffery Parkway

# Proposed U-turn locations with traffic signals:

- Between Aqueduct Drive and E. Broussard Road
- Between W. Broussard Road and Manchester Circle (Double Turn)

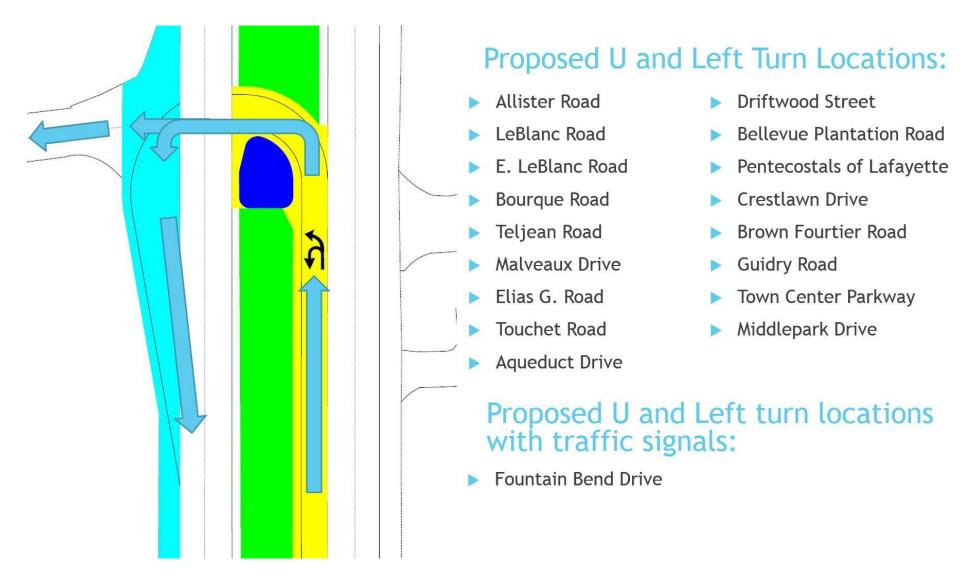
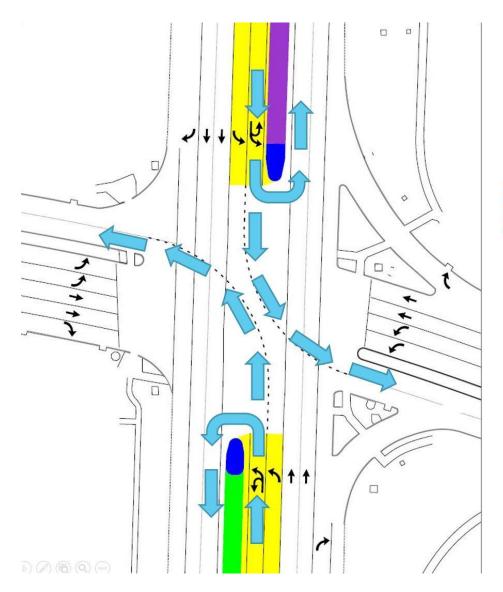


Figure 3. Example of U and Left Turn with proposed locations.



# Proposed U and Left Turn Locations at Signalized Intersections

- ▶ LA 724 (Duhon Road)/South City Parkway
- W. Broussard Road/E. Broussard Road
- Sears Drive/Acadiana Square Shopping Center

Figure 4. Example of U and Left Turn at a signalized Intersection with proposed locations.

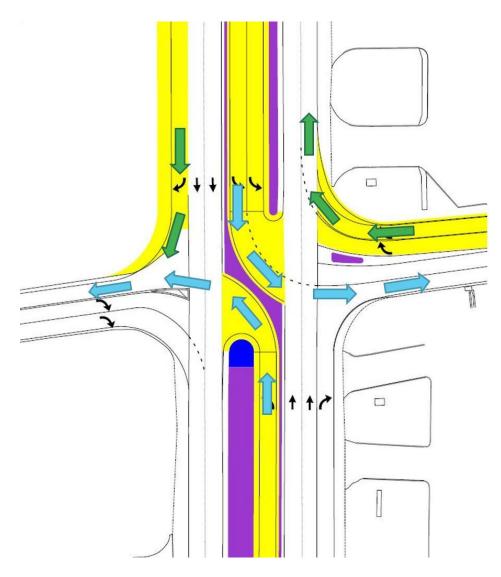


Figure 5. Example of Left-Turn and Right Turn with proposed locations.

# Proposed Left Turn Locations:

Reserve Drive

## Proposed Right Turn Locations:

- W. Broussard Road
- Camino Real Road
- Canberra Road
- Brown Fourtier Road



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Please provide your comments below regarding the project and the issues that the Project Team should evaluate
for this study. When complete, please return this form to Station 4 - Comment Table. To mail, fold the form
in half with the address showing on the outside and seal. Comments received tonight or post marked by
September 12, 2017 will become part of the transcript of this meeting.
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