# US 51 STUDY IN CLINTON Public Information Meeting



June 30, 2003









# WELCOME To Public Meeting #2 For the US 51 Study in Clinton

- Thank you for your great participation at meeting #1!
- Your input was <u>very</u> valuable in developing and evaluating the 14 preliminary alternatives.
- We look forward to receiving your feedback on the 5 remaining refined alternatives.









# PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING

1. Briefly Review Project Status

2. Present the Alternatives

3. Obtain Your Feedback

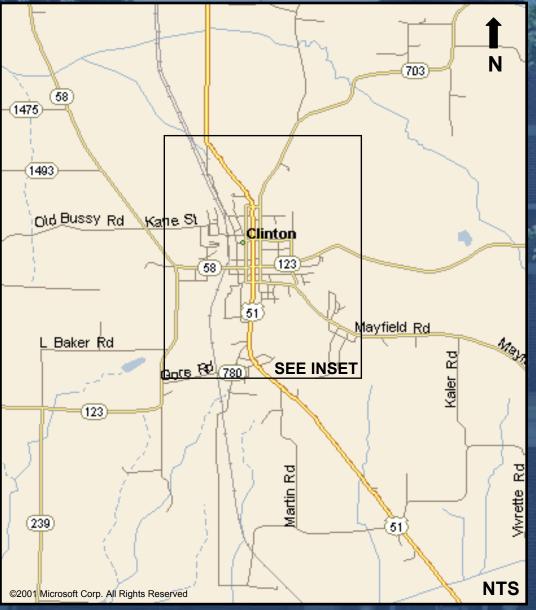
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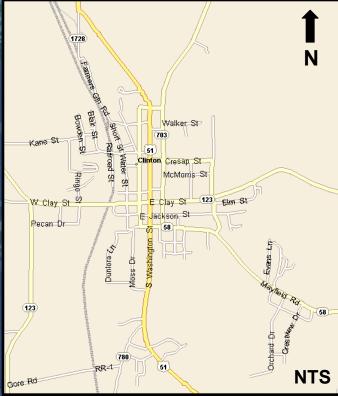












## US 51 STUDY AREA CLINTON, KY









## STUDY OBJECTIVES

- Examine the current and future traffic and transportation conditions on US 51
- 2. Determine where (or if) there are problems or deficiencies
- 3. Define project issues and goals
- 4. Develop a range of alternative improvements
- 5. Evaluate and compare the proposed alternatives (including the no-build option)
- 6. Recommend a preferred alternative or set of alternatives for implementation









## PROJECT GOALS

- 1. Enhance vehicle and pedestrian safety
- 2. Mitigate the negative impacts of heavy truck traffic on US 51, while maintaining an efficient through route
- 3. Maintain appropriate traffic controls and traffic flow
- 4. Preserve downtown business, while enhancing overall economic development opportunities
- 5. Improve highway geometry and drainage
- 6. Avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate property takings as well as other community and environmental impacts
- 7. Facilitate improved regional connections to the Purchase Parkway and the proposed I-66









# STUDY PROCESS / SCHEDULE

Define Study Goals and Issues

**Develop Alternatives** 

**Evaluate Alternatives** 

**Recommend Alternative(s)** 



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# **EVALUATION PROCESS**

**Alternatives** 

Performance Measures

Level 1

**All Possibilities** 

Initial Review

Level 2

**Conceptual** 

Screening Analysis

Level 3

Refined

Detailed Analyses

Recommendation (s)









## **EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES**

### **Traffic Volumes**

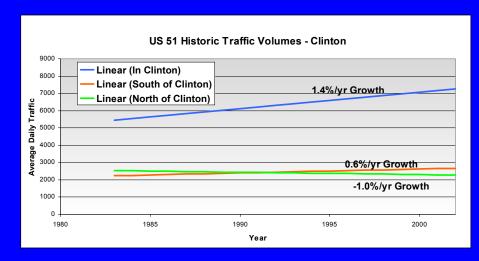
- Low Volumes Except on US 51 in Town
- Approx. 2,500 Through Trips on US 51
- Approx. 500 Through Truck Trips on US 51

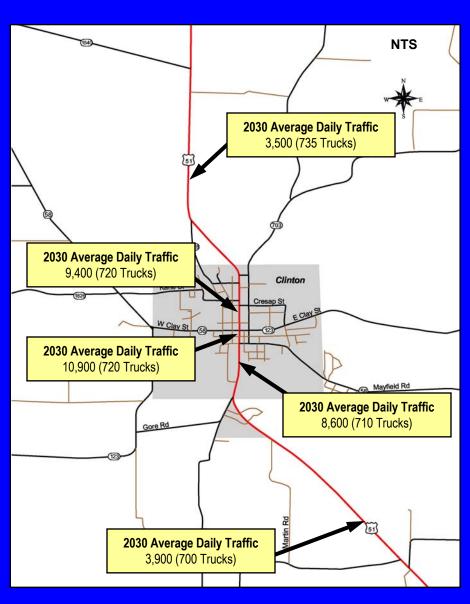


## **FUTURE TRAFFIC VOLUMES**

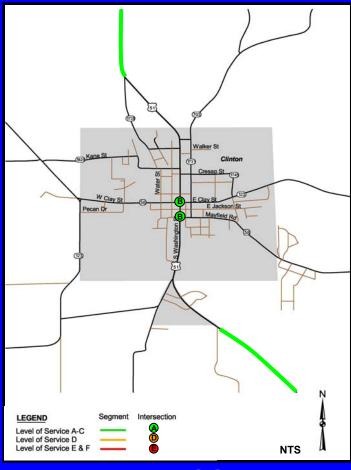
#### **Traffic Volumes**

- Volumes Peak at US 51 / KY 123 / KY 58 in Town
- Through Traffic on US 51
   Estimated at Approx. 3,700 Trips
- Through Truck Traffic on US 51 Estimated at Approx. 700 Trips
- Assumed 1.5% Annual Growth
   (Overall Historic Growth from 1983 to 2003
   is 0.5% Annually, Population is Declining)



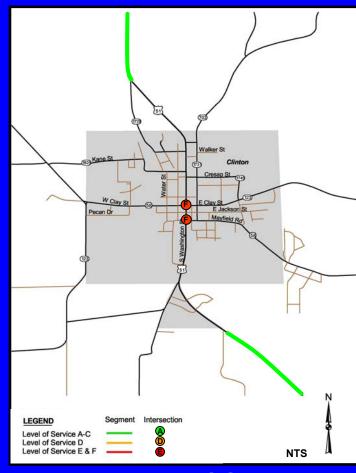


### **EXISTING AND FUTURE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS**



**2002 LOS** 

**No Deficiencies** 

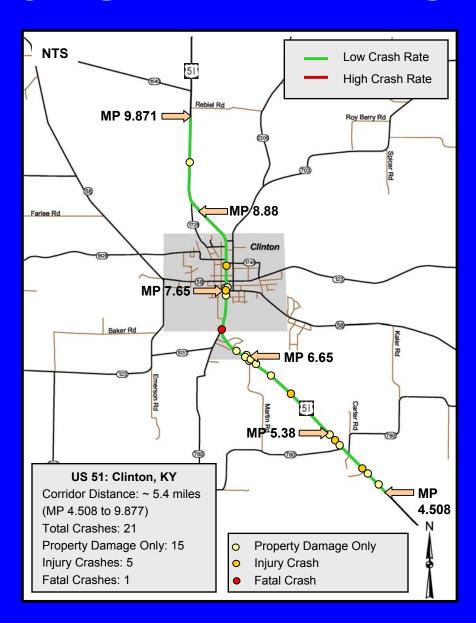


**2030 LOS** 

Intersections in Town Degrade to Undesirable LOS Without Intersection Improvements

## CRASH LOCATIONS AND RATES

- No Highway Sections in Town Have a Crash Rate Higher than the Statewide Crash Rate
- The Southernmost Section (MP 4.5 to MP 5.4) Has a Crash Rate Higher than the Statewide Average <u>but Well</u> Below the Critical Rate.
- No Critical Spot Crash Rate Locations
- Largest Crash Cluster Located South of Town in Commercial Area



## LEVEL 1 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

#### **Level 1 – Initial Screening**

- 14 Preliminary Alternatives
- Alternatives 4B, 5B, 6B, 7, 8B and 8C Dismissed

#### **Alternative 4B**

Community Impacts, Safety, Prefer 4A

#### **Alternative 5B**

Environmental Impacts, Length, Prefer 5A

#### **Alternative 6B**

Environmental Impacts, Geometry, Prefer 6A

#### **Alternative 7**

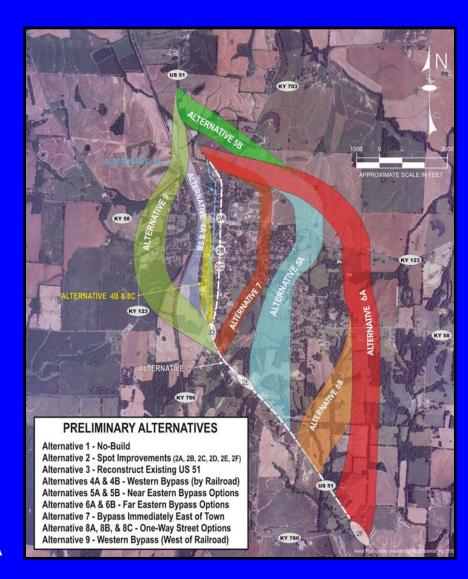
Community Impacts, Low Public Support

#### **Alternative 8B**

Environmental Impact, Traffic Flow, Prefer 8A

#### **Alternative 8C**

Community Impacts, Traffic, Safety, Prefer 8A



## LEVEL 2 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

#### Level 2 - Preliminary Analysis

- 8 Alternatives Advanced From Level 1
- Alternatives 4A, 5A, 8A and Spot Improvements 2D, 2E, and 2F <u>Dismissed</u>

#### **Alternative 4A**

Environmental Impacts (Streams, Floodplain, wetlands) Environmental Justice, In-Town

#### **Alternative 5A**

Community / Environmental Impacts

#### **Alternative 8A**

 Construction Difficulty, Community Impacts, Traffic Flow, Safety Issues

#### **Alternative 2D**

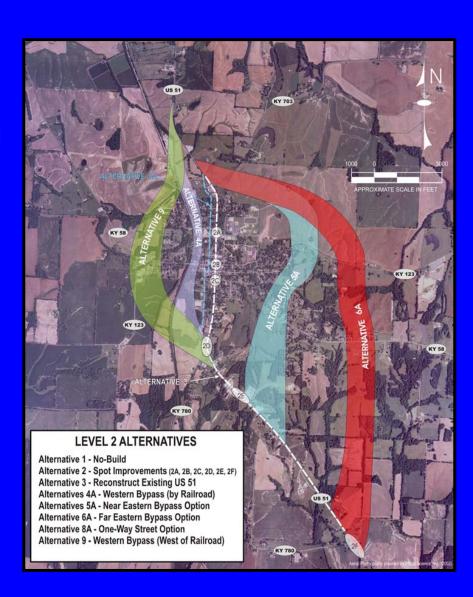
Crash Data Does Not Warrant Improvements

#### **Alternative 2E**

Low Side Street Traffic Volumes, High Cost

#### **Alternative 2F**

Low Side Street Traffic Volumes, High Cost



## LEVEL 3 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

#### **Level 3 – Detailed Analysis**

- 5 Alternatives Advanced From Level 2
- Alternative 2 Includes
   Three Spot Improvements
- Posted Throughout the Room



# WE WANT YOUR INPUT

## **Comment Forms**

- Rate the 5 Remaining Alternatives
- Short-Term Recommendations
- Long-Term Recommendations
- Identify the Worst Remaining Alternative
- Provide Additional Comments on Any of the Refined Alternatives









# THANK YOU

Thank you for attending, we value your input!

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