



# Canal Road Corridor Study

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Public Information Meeting

November 7, 2019

# Project Introduction



The Canal Road Corridor Study includes the evaluation of improvements along existing roads and on new location for a total distance of approximately 2.0 miles.

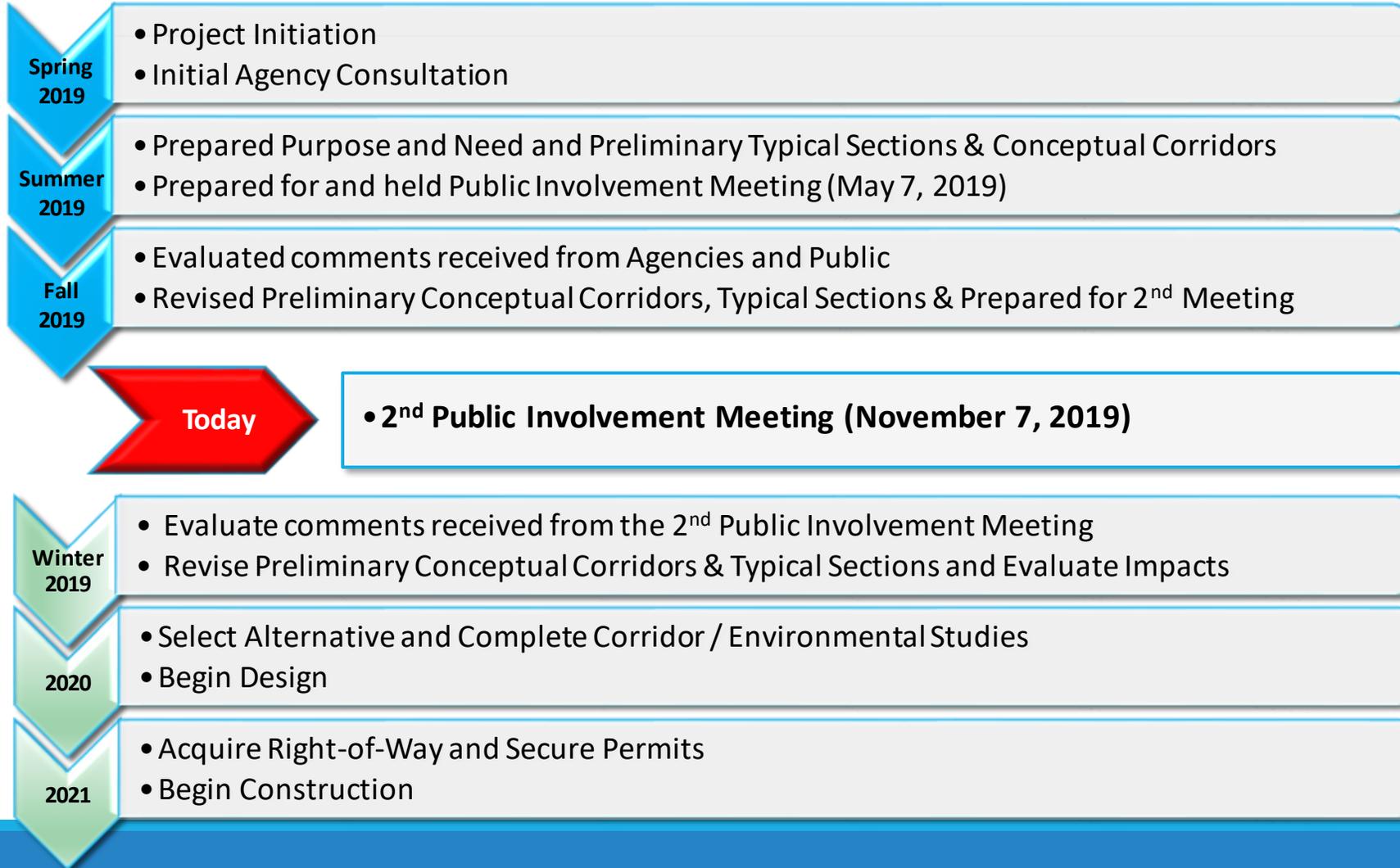


# Purpose of Public Meeting



- Provide an update on the status and schedule.
- Present the Purpose and Need for the project.
- Introduce the revised preliminary conceptual corridors.
- Provide an opportunity for the public to discuss the revised project with representatives from the City of Gulf Shores.
- Solicit for verbal or written comments on the revised preliminary conceptual corridors.

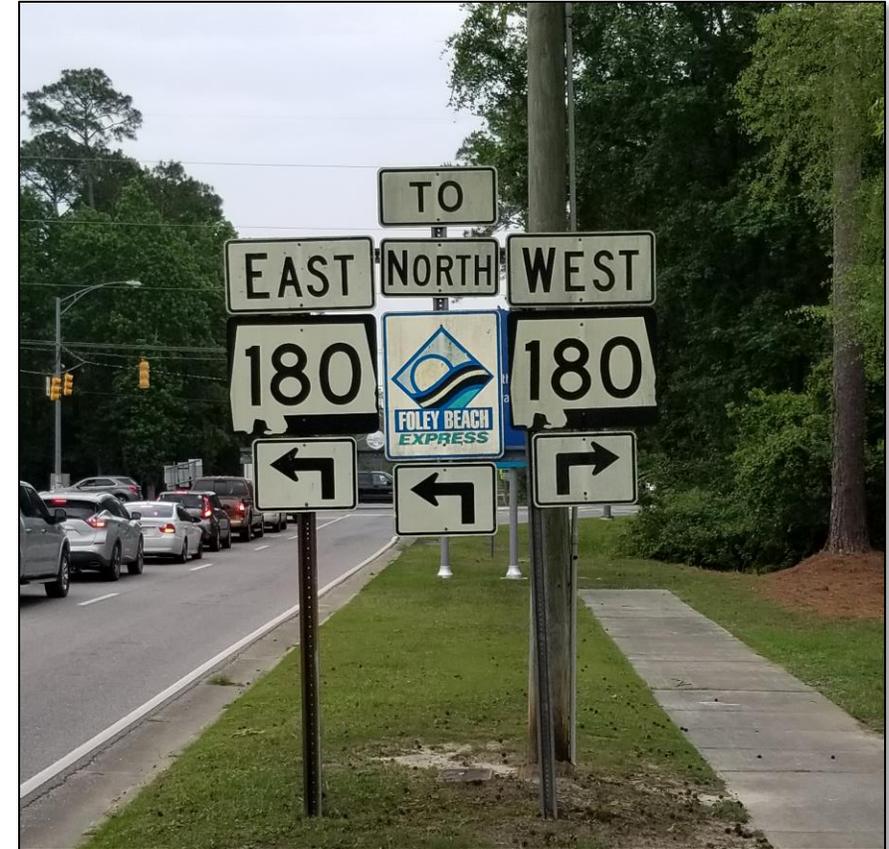
# Progress & Status Update



# Purpose of the Proposed Project



- Improve connectivity between SR 59 and SR 180 (Canal Road).
- Provide a transportation corridor that will better accommodate the existing and projected east-west traffic volumes.
- Improve pedestrian and bicycle accommodations.



# Need for the Proposed Project



- Increased traffic congestion along SR 180 (Canal Road).
- Increased traffic volumes on existing neighborhood streets.



# SR 180 (Canal Road) & E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Existing Conditions



- Two-lane undivided highway with two to four-foot outside paved shoulders.
- Open drainage ditches.
- Cobrahead-style lighting.
- Posted speed limits of 40 and 45 miles-per-hour.
- No bicycle or pedestrian accommodations.



# Intersection at SR 180 (Canal Road) & E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street



- Two-way stop sign intersection.
- 90 Degree Turn.

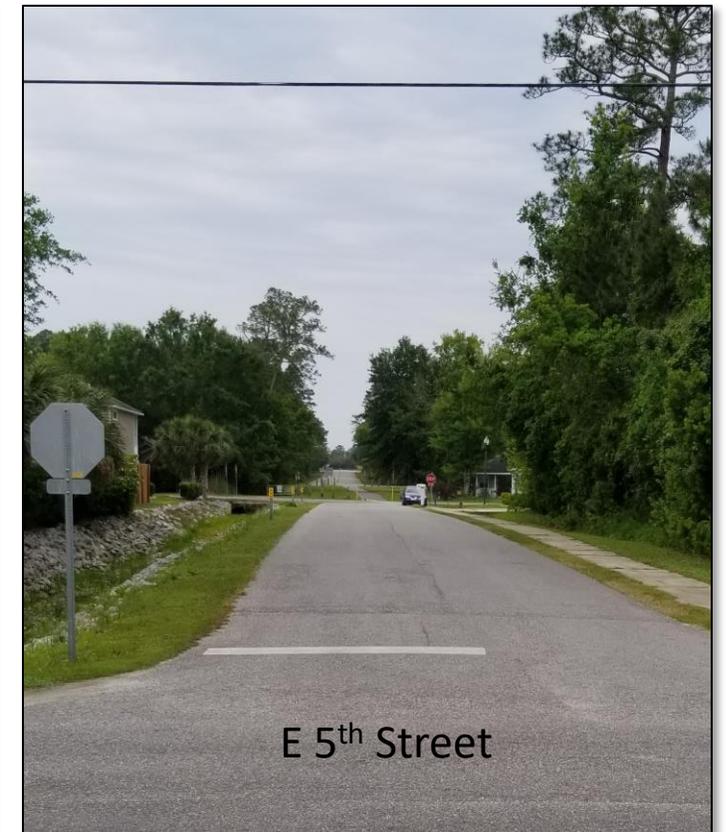


SR 180 (Canal Road) and  
E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Intersection

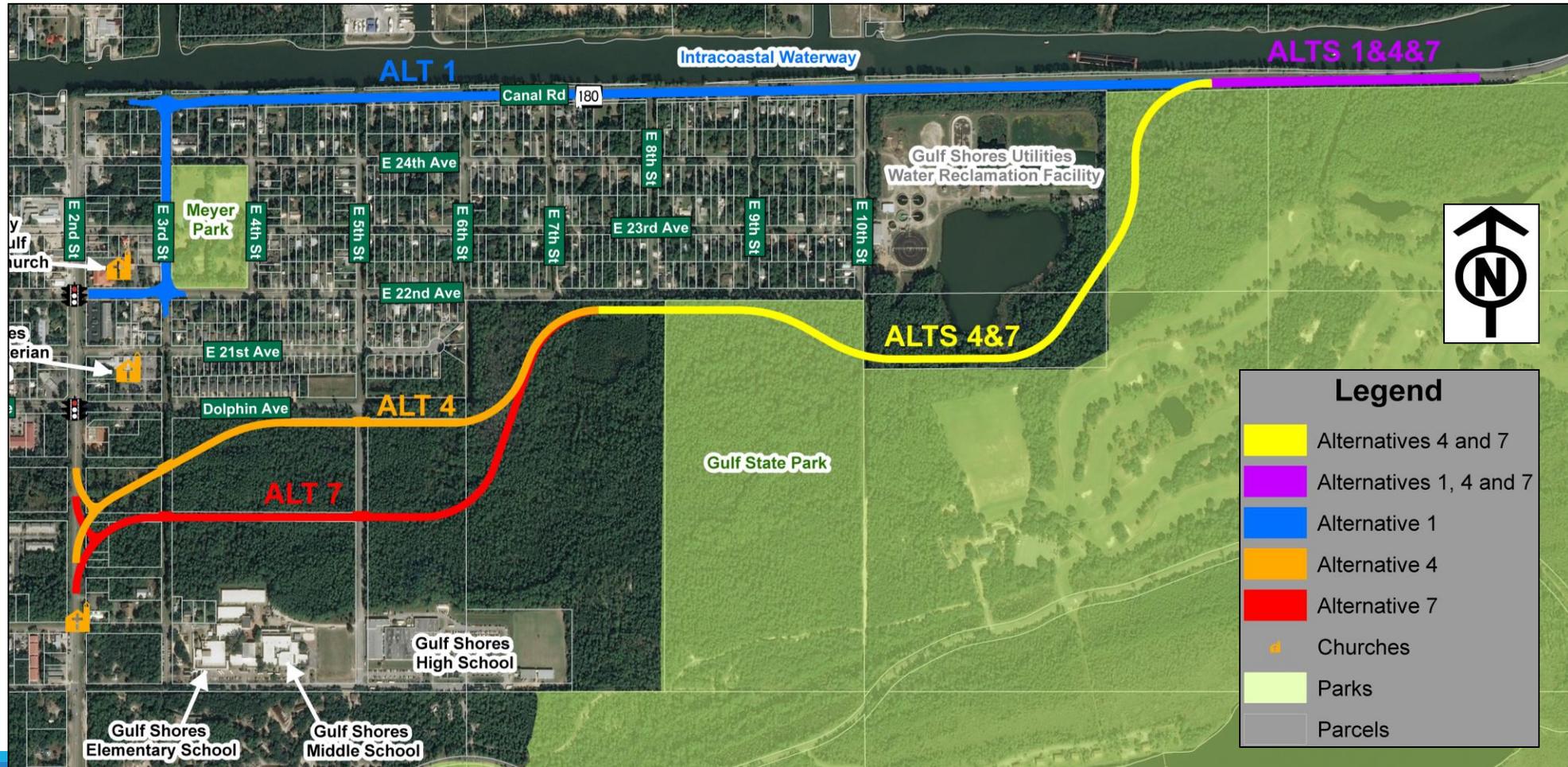
# Secondary Streets Existing Conditions



- Two-lane roadways with no shoulders.
- Open drainage ditches.
- 25 miles-per-hour speed limit.
- Segments of sidewalks on E 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue, E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, and 5<sup>th</sup> Street



# Revised Preliminary Conceptual Corridors



# Proposed Typical Sections



**SR 180 (Canal Road)  
Typical Section**

- Alt 1 from E 3<sup>rd</sup> Str east to end (1.7 miles)
- Alts 4 and 7 from WTP east to end (0.5 mile)
- Two-lane roadway with flush center turn-lane
- 5-foot bike lanes (asphalt)
- 10-foot multi-use path (concrete) separated by grass strip



**E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Typical Section**

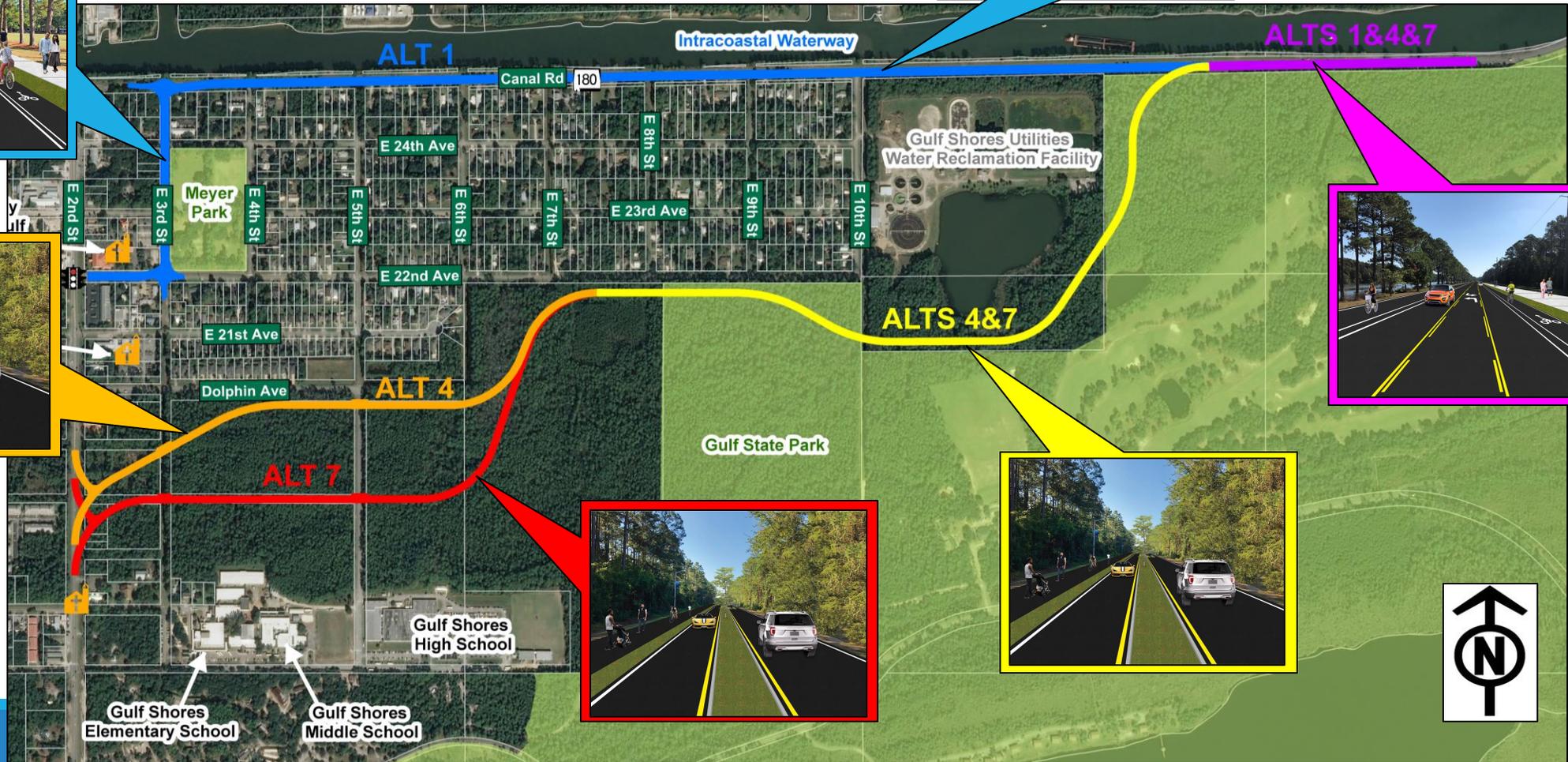
- Alt 1 only (0.25 mile)
- From E 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave north to SR 180 (Canal Road)
- Two-lane roadway with flush center turn-lane
- 5-foot bike lanes (asphalt)
- 6-foot sidewalks separated by grass strips



**New Location  
Typical Section**

- Alts 4 and 7 (2.0 miles)
- Two-lane roadway with center curbs and grass median
- 10-foot multi-use path (asphalt)

# Typical Section Locations



# Design Considerations SR 180 (Canal Road)



- Drainage.
- Intracoastal Waterway.
- Driveway Connections.
- Intersections.
- Proposed Speed Limit.
- Underground and Aboveground Utilities.



# Design Considerations Secondary Roadways



- Drainage.
- Underground and Aboveground Utilities.
- Driveways and Intersections.
- Pedestrian Pathway and Crossings.
- Proposed Speed Limit.



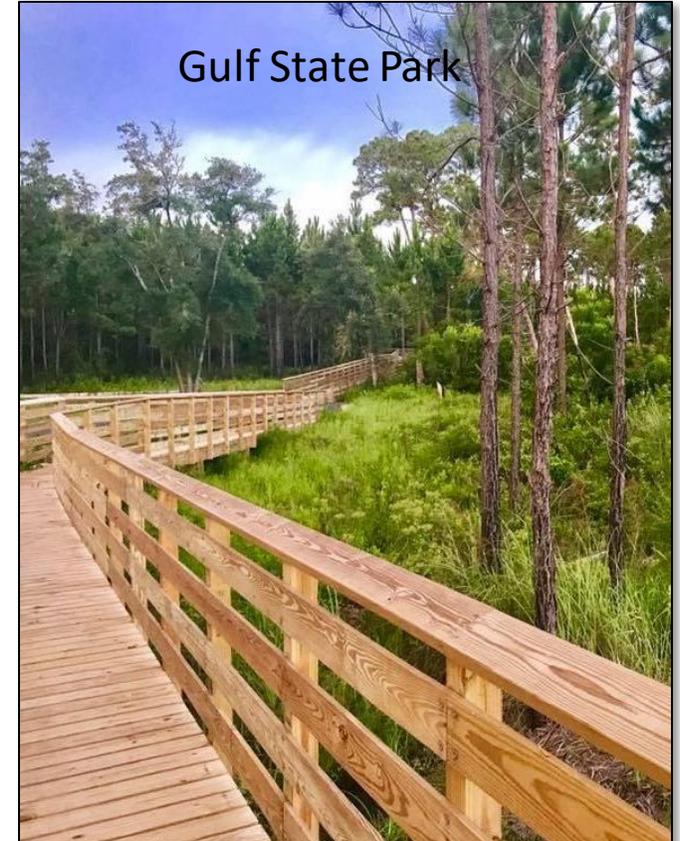
# Community and Environmental Resources



- Right-of-Way Impacts.
- Other Planned Projects.
- Parks (Meyer Park, Gulf State Park).
- Schools.
- Churches.
- Cultural Resources (Historic and Archaeological).



Meyer Park



Gulf State Park

# Community and Environmental Resources



- Ecological Resources.
- Threatened and Endangered Species.
- Hazardous Materials.
- Stormwater Runoff.
- Air Impacts.
- Noise Impacts.



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# How to Submit Comments



## Comments may be submitted by:

- Turning comment form attached to information packet in tonight.
- Verbally presenting your comment tonight to the court reporter.
- Mailing comment form attached to the information packet to the address listed on the comment form.

Public comments should be submitted no later than November 20, 2019.



  
Public Involvement Meeting  
Comment Form

DESCRIPTION: Canal Road Corridor Study  
LOCATION: Gulf Shores Activity Center, 260 Clubhouse Drive, Gulf Shores, Alabama 36542  
DATE: Thursday November 7, 2019  
TIME: 5:30 to 7:00 PM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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*OPINION OF PROJECT*

APPROVE?: \_\_\_\_\_ DISAPPROVE?: \_\_\_\_\_ NEITHER APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE?: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF ALTERNATIVE 1?: YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF ALTERNATIVE 4?: YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF ALTERNATIVE 7?: YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_



# Thank You!

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